

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Paul Helenberg called the regular meeting of the Castle Rock City Council to order at 7:34 PM.

a. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Helenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

b. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Art Lee, John Whalen, and Ellen Rose. Councilmember Lee Kessler was experiencing technical difficulties prior to joining at 7:40.

Staff present: Police Chief Charlie Worley, Public Works Director Dave Vorse, City Engineer Tom Gower, Public Works Senior Operator Tyler Stone, and Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro.

c. Changes to Agenda

2. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS - maximum 3 minutes

4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- City Attorney Frank Randolph
- Police Chief Charlie Worley
- Public Works Director Dave Vorse
Public Works Director Dave Vorse gave a verbal report.
- City Engineer Tom Gower
- Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro

1. Expenditure, Revenue, Cash & Investments Reports

Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro gave a verbal report.

5. COUNCIL AND AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mayor / Mayor Pro-Tempore / Councilmembers
- CRCDA Representative

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Purpose: To take testimony on the proposed budget and capital facilities plan for fiscal year ending December 31, 2025, including a proposed 3% increase in all water rates, 3% increase in all

sewer rates, and 4% increase in all stormwater rates. First Public Hearing was held on November 12, 2024 during the Regular Council Meeting.

Mayor Helenberg closed the regular council meeting at 7:41 PM and opened the public hearing at 7:41 PM.

There was no public comment offered.

Mayor Helenberg closed the public hearing at 7:42 PM and reopened the regular council meeting at 7:42 PM.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Lee made a motion, seconded by Whalen, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Whalen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

- a. Approve the minutes of the November 12, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Ordinance No. 2024-09, an ordinance amending the budgetary appropriations for fiscal year ending December 31, 2024 for the City of Castle Rock, Washington to include the following funds: General (Non-Department), Visitor Center, Library, Dredge Spoils Site, PW Vehicle Replacement, Swimming Pool Construction, Water/Sewer Operating, Stormwater, Stormwater Capital, Municipal Water Capital Improvements, Municipal Sewer Capital Improvements, on second reading.

Councilmember Lee made a motion, seconded by Rose, to approve Ordinance No. 2024-09, on second reading. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Whalen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

- b. Ordinance No. 2024-10, an ordinance amending, in part, City of Castle Rock, Washington, Municipal Ordinance 2023-14, stormwater management services by amending charges for all classifications, on second reading.

Councilmember Lee made a motion, seconded by Whalen, to approve Ordinance No. 2024-10, on second reading. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Whalen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

- c. Ordinance No. 2024-11, an ordinance amending, City of Castle Rock, Municipal Code Chapter 13.16 Retail Water Sales, on second reading.

Councilmember Rose made a motion, seconded by Lee, to approve Ordinance No. 2024-11, on second reading. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Whalen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

- d. Ordinance No. 2024-12, an ordinance adopting the budget of the City of Castle Rock, Washington for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025, on second reading.

Councilmember Rose made a motion, seconded by Whalen, to approve Ordinance No. 2024-12, on second reading. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Whalen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

- e. Ordinance No. TBD-2024-01, an ordinance adopting the budget of the Castle Rock City Transportation Benefit District, Castle Rock, Washington for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025, on second reading.

Councilmember Rose made a motion, seconded by Whalen, to approve Ordinance No. TBD-2024-01, on second reading. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Whalen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Special Event Permit #2024-0011; Castle Rock Community Development Alliance (CRCDA) - Festival of Lights; December 14, 2024 between 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM; insurance has been received. Request for street closures include:

- Cowlitz St E and W from the railroad tracks to 3rd Ave SW
- Front Ave NW and SW from A St SW to the Jackson St SW (Jackson remains open)
- 100 Block of 1st Ave SW

Councilmember Lee made a motion, seconded by Rose, to approve SEP #2024-0011. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Whalen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Helenberg adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM.

Mayor Paul Helenberg

Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro