



# Meeting Minutes - Draft

## City Council

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Tuesday, May 12, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Online and Via  
Phone

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### Study Session

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## 1. ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Dontae Payne, Mayor Pro Tem Y n Hu nh, Councilmember Dani Madrone, Councilmember Robert Vanderpool, Councilmember Clark Gilman, Councilmember Kelly Green and Councilmember Paul Berendt

## 2. BUSINESS ITEM

### 2.A [26-0349](#) Discussion of Municipal Court Services Transition to Thurston County District Court

Assistant City Manager Debbie Sullivan; Thurston County Court Executive Officer Frankie Peters; District Court Judge Sam Meyer; Commissioner Paul Wohl; City of Olympia Prosecutor Bryanna Pinkston; and Public Defense Coordinator Diane Whaley provided an update on the transition of Olympia Municipal Court services to the Thurston County District Court following approval of the Interlocal Agreement in 2025. They reviewed key transition milestones, operational updates, financial impacts, and progress on the comprehensive rate study.

The presenters also outlined 2027 priorities, including development of therapeutic court programs such as Community Court, Veterans Court, and Mental Health Court to support equitable justice outcomes and reduce recidivism. The discussion will inform negotiations for a new Interlocal Agreement beginning January 1, 2027.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

**The study session was completed.**

## 3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.