

Council-Appointed Advisory Body Work Plans

Community Livability and Public Safety Committee

March 25, 2026



Background

- Timeline: April 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027
- Following bodies are not included:
 - Community Policing Board
 - Youth Council
 - Lodging Tax Advisory Committee
 - Independent Salary Commission
- Work presented by Focus Area. Overview does not include routine work:
 - Chair and Vice-Chair elections
 - Team building gatherings/retreats
 - Work plan development
 - New member application review





Public Safety

Ensure that all Olympians feel safe and receive reliable, compassionate care.

Work Plan Items

- Reimagining Public Safety – Recommendations to Staff (Social Justice & Equity Comm.)*
- Speed Limit Enforcement Cameras – Recommendations to Staff (Bicycle, Pedestrian Adv. Comm.)*

Informational Briefings

- Planning for Safety – Pedestrian Safety (Planning Commission)
- Street Safety Plan (Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee)

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Community Livability

Enrich quality of life and foster belonging for all who live, work or spend time in Olympia.

Work Plan Items

- Experiences of Discrimination Findings – Recommendations to Council (Social Justice & Equity Comm.)*
- 2026 Municipal Art Plan – Recommendations to Council (Arts Commission)
- Public art for park development projects – Recommendations to Staff (Arts Commission)*
- 2026 Music Out Loud Project – Recommendations to Olympia Downtown Association (Arts Commission)
- Arts Walk Cover Artist – Recommendations to Staff (Arts Commission)
- Yashiro Japanese Garden Relocation - Recommendations to Staff (Parks & Rec. Adv. Committee)*
- Recreation and Conservation Office Grants - Projects Letters of Support (Parks & Rec. Adv. Committee)
- Parks Equity, Inclusion & Belonging Program Update – Recommendations to Staff (Parks & Rec. Adv. Committee)
- Educational Workshops (Heritage Commission)

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Environmental Stewardship

Preserve and enhance Olympia's natural resources.

Work Plan Items

- Drainage Manual – Recommendations to Staff (Utility Advisory Committee)

Informational Briefings

- Climate Change/Sea Level Rise Update (Utility Advisory Committee)
- Urban Forestry Management Plan Update (Utility Advisory Committee)
- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (Utility Advisory Committee)
- Reporting & Stormwater Management Action Plan (Utility Advisory Committee)
- Land Use as Climate and Housing Action (Planning Commission)

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Economy

Promote a thriving and diversified economy with pathways to prosperity for everyone.

Work Plan Items

- Cultural Access Funding – Recommendations to Council (Cultural Access Advisory Board)
- Cultural Access Program Revisions – Recommendations to Council (Cultural Access Advisory Board)
- 2026 Special Tax Valuation Applications – Recommendation to Council (Heritage Commission)



Organizational Excellence

Deliver exceptional services and programs that are responsive to the needs of the community.

Work Plan Items

- Council Appointed Advisory Committees – Recommendations to Staff (Social Justice & Equity Comm.)*
- 2027 Preliminary Parks Budget Review – Recommendations to Council (Olympia Metro Park District Advisory Committee)
- Annual Parks Funding Compliance Report – Submit to Olympia Municipal Park District Board (Olympia Metro Park District Advisory Committee)

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Plan for, construct and maintain a built environment that ensures the wellbeing of current and future generations.

Work Plan Items

- Design Awards of Merit – Recommendations to Council (Design Review)
- Project Design Review – Recommendations to Staff (Design Review)
- Utility Rate Recommendations – Recommendations to Council (Utility Advisory Committee)
- Capital Facilities Plan – Recommendations to Council (Utility Advisory Committee, Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Planning Comm.)*
- Capital Asset Management Program (CAMP) – Recommendations to Staff and Council (Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee)
- Martin Way Corridor Scoping Project – Recommendations to Staff (Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee)
- Historic Preservation Code Updates – Recommendations to Staff (Heritage Commission)
- Downtown Waterfront Visioning – Recommendations to Staff (Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee)*

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- Sidewalk Repair Policy – Recommendations to Staff and Council (Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Planning Commission)*
- SEPA Categorical Exemptions – Recommendations to Council (Planning Commission)*
- Commercial Minimum Parking Standards – Recommendations to Council (Planning Commission)*
- Subdivision Code Update – Recommendations to Council (Planning Commission)*
- 2025 Olympia Municipal Code Amendments – Recommendations to Council (Planning Commission)

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Informational Briefings

- Financial Rate Study (Utility Advisory Committee)
- LOTT – State of Utility (Utility Advisory Committee)
- InterCity Transit System Update (Planning Commission)
- Parking Strategies – ADA Street, Downtown, Parking Minimums (Planning Commission)
- Equity in Historic Preservation (Heritage Commission)
- Multi Family Tax Exemptions (Planning Commission)

Staff Recommendation

Move to approve the 2026 Council Appointed Work Plans and forward to the full Council for consideration



Thank you

