

City Of Lake Geneva Common Council Minutes
Monday, October 27, 2025 - 6:00 PM
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MAIN LEVEL)

Members: Mayor Todd Krause, Council President Mary Jo Fesenmaier, Council Vice President Cindy Yager, Alderpersons: Sherri Ames, Linda Frame, Joel Hoiland, JaNelle Powers, Brian Smith and Cathy Stoodley

Call to Order

Mayor Krause called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Ames, Fesenmaier, Frame, Hoiland, Powers, Smith, Stoodley, Yager

Absent: None

Awards, Presentations, Proclamations, and Announcements

Mayor announced that the pictures previously hanging in chambers will be scanned and digitally displayed. John's Disposal will be presenting at the Committee of the Whole meeting on Monday.

Re-consider business from previous meeting

None.

Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. §19.84(2), limited to items on this agenda, except for public hearing items. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes

None.

Acknowledgement of Correspondence

None.

City Administrator's Report

No report given.

CONSENT AGENDA– Any item listed on the consent agenda may be removed at the request of any member of the Council. The request requires no second, is not discussed, and is not voted upon.

Joint Plan Commission and Council Minutes from October 13, 2025

Regular Council Minutes from October 13, 2025

Temporary "Class B" Wine License application filed by Downtown Lake Geneva, Inc for the Fall Wine Walk on November 2, 2025, Alexandria Binanti, Agent

Public Event Permit application filed by Downtown Lake Geneva, Inc for the Fall Wine Walk on November 2, 2025

Motion by Ames to approve, second by Hoiland.

No discussion. Motion carried 8-0 on a voice vote.

Items removed from the Consent Agenda

None.

Ordinances (*first and possible second reading*) and Resolutions

Ordinance 25-16 An ordinance approving an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map filed by Celine Haydam, PE14051 State Highway 33 Hillsboro, WI, to change the future land use recommendation for parcels located at N3113 and N3103 CTH H and 1336, 1340, 1342, and 1350 Elkhorn Rd from "Institutional & Community Services" to "Planned Mixed Use," tax key numbers JG2600031,

JG2600004, ZYUP00044A, ZYUP00044C, ZYUP00044D, and ZYUP00044L

Mayor Krause offered a First Reading of Ordinance 25-16.

Motion by Yager to suspend the rules and move to a second reading, second by Frame.

No discussion. Motion carried 8-0 on a voice vote.

Mayor Krause offered a Second Reading of Ordinance 25-16.

Motion by Frame to approve Ordinance 25-16 as read, second by Ames.

Hoiland discussed details surrounding the proposed land use change and the potential impacts to the area, expressing opposition to the proposed development. He suggested that the City work with the developers in order to find a better location for their development, and stated he would be voting against this.

Frame discussed applicant attendance at a previous meeting and expressed support for this measure passing.

Yager expressed support for this measure, explaining that the area has been housing for about 60 years. She spoke on the need for affordable housing in the City.

Zoning Administrator Renee Hanlon reiterated that the Plan Commission and staff had recommended approval of this measure.

Ames spoke in support of the measure, stating that there is a need for affordable housing.

Stoodley spoke in support of the measure, reiterating that this area has been housing for 60 years.

Mayor Krause stated this would improve the appearance of this entrance to the City.

Motion carried 7-1 on a roll call vote with Ames, Fesenmaier, Frame, Powers, Smith, Stoodley, and Yager voting yes and Hoiland voting no.

Ordinance 25-17 An ordinance approving an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map filed by Red Rock Builders, Inc., 630 S. Lakeshore Dr, Fontana, WI, to change the future land use recommendation for parcels located at the northwest corner of Interchange North (STH 120) and USH 12 from "Planned Neighborhood" to "Planned Mixed Use," tax key numbers ZYUP 00192, ZYUP 00193, ZYUP 137I, ZYUP 137J, and ZYUP 137K

Mayor Krause offered a first reading of Ordinance 25-17.

Motion by Frame to suspend the rules and move to a second reading, second by Hoiland.

No discussion, motion carried 8-0 on a voice vote.

Mayor Krause offered a second reading of Ordinance 25-17.

Motion by Frame to approve Ordinance 25-17 as read, second by Ames.

Frame stated the applicant agreed to include an access road to the Stoneridge neighborhood, and expressed support for this measure.

Mayor Krause clarified this is just a land use change and not a development plan at this point.

Hoiland asked for clarification on the Comprehensive Plan change schedule.

Attorney Draper explained that the City is operating under the cycle that the Plan amendments are considered once a year.

Zoning Administrator Hanlon clarified that the Plan Commission and staff recommended approval of this measure.

Motion carried 8-0 on a roll call vote with Fesenmaier, Frame, Hoiland, Powers, Smith, Stoodley, Yager, and Ames all voting yes.

Resolution 25-R52 a resolution approving the publication of the Public Hearing Notice regarding the City of Lake Geneva 2026 Operating and Capital Budgets

Motion by Ames to approve Resolution 25-R52, second by Stoodley.

Comptroller Pisarcik gave an overview of the publication process, and highlighted some select line items in the publication.

Yager asked for clarification on the process regarding changes to the published budget.

Comptroller Pisarcik clarified that changes could be suggested during the public hearing and made at that meeting.

City Administrator DeAngelis stated that after publication the budget can go down, but it cannot go up.

Motion carried 8-0 on a roll call vote with Frame, Hoiland, Powers, Smith, Stoodley, Yager, Ames, and Fesenmaier all voting yes.

Resolution 25-R53 adding Saturday charge for columbarium of \$90.00 (Recommendation by the Cemetery Board)

Motion by Stoodley to approve Resolution 25-R53, second by Frame.

Stoodley clarified that this is a service charge for opening the columbarium on Saturday.
Motion carried 8-0 on a voice vote.

Discussion/Action on the recommendations of the Finance, Licensing, and Regulation Committee- Ald. Ames

Acceptance of the Pre-Paid Checks of \$260,139.66 and Regular Checks of \$1,088,354.20

Motion by Ames to approve, second by Frame.
No discussion, motion carried 8-0 on a voice vote.

Adjournment

Motion by Ames to adjourn, second by Stoodley.
No discussion, motion carried 8-0 on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.

Vanesa Jahns
Deputy City Clerk

Approved November 10, 2025