

AGENDA PACKET

CITY COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS & ELECTIONS MONDAY, JUNE 09, 2025 5:30 PM

EVERETT CITY HALL, 484 BROADWAY, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 3RD FLOOR EVERETT, MA 02149

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ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. C0181-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Stephanie McColaugh to the Planning Board for a term of three (3) years, expiring May 31, 2028

2. C0182-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Stephanie McColaugh to the Conservation Commission for a term of two (2) years, expiring May 31, 2027

3. C0197-25 Ordinance/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An ordinance that proposes to amend the City of Everett's Division III (Revised General Ordinances), Chapter 9 – "Flood Damage Prevention".

4. C0143-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the City of Everett submit the question of whether to build a professional soccer stadium on lower Broadway to the voters of Everett during the City's biennial municipal election which is to be held in November of 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

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Respectfully submitted:

Michael J. Mangan

Legislative Aide
Everett City Council Office



C0181-25

To:

Mayor and City Council

From:

Councilor Stephanie Martins

Date:

May 27, 2025

Agenda Item:

An order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Stephanie McColaugh to the Planning Board for a term of three (3) years, expiring May 31, 2028

Background and Explanation:

Attachments:



CITY OF EVERETT - OFFICE OF THE MAYOR 484 Broadway Everett, Massachusetts 02149

8 617-394-2270

nayorcarlo.demaria@ci.everett.ma.us

May 19, 2025

The Honorable City Council Everett City Hall 484 Broadway Everett, MA 02149

Dear Honorable Members:

Please be advised that in accordance with Section 3-3 of the City Charter and, Section K (II) of the City of Everett Administrative Code, I hereby appoint, subject to confirmation by the City Council, Stephanie McColaugh to the Planning Board for a term of three (3) years, expiring May 31, 2028.

Thank you for your favorable consideration in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carlo DeMaria Mayor



May 19, 2025

City of Everett, Massachusetts CITY COUNCIL

Offered By:		
	Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President	

Bill Number:

Be it

Bill Type: Order

Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as

follows:

I hereby submit for your approval the appointment of Stephanie McColaugh to the Planning Board for a term of three

(3) years, expiring May 31, 2028.



C0182-25

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Councilor Stephanie Martins

Date: May 27, 2025

Agenda Item:

An order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Stephanie McColaugh to the Conservation Commission for a term of two (2) years, expiring May 31, 2027

Background and Explanation:

Attachments:



CITY OF EVERETT - OFFICE OF THE MAYOR 484 Broadway Everett, Massachusetts 02149

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May 19, 2025

The Honorable City Council Everett City Hall 484 Broadway Everett, MA 02149

Dear Honorable Members:

Please be advised that in accordance with Section 3-3 of the City Charter and, Section III, E. II of the City of Everett Administrative Code, I hereby appoint, subject to confirmation by the City Council, Stephanie McColaugh to the Conservation Commission for a term of two (2) years, expiring May 31, 2027.

Thank you for your favorable consideration in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carlo DeMaria Mayor



May 19, 2025

City of Everett, Massachusetts CITY COUNCIL

Offered By:	
	Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

Bill Number: Bill Type: Order Be it

Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as

follows:

I hereby submit for your approval the appointment of Stephanie McColaugh to the Conservation Commission for a term of two (2) years, expiring May 31, 2027.



C0197-25

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Councilor Stephanie Martins

Date: May 27, 2025

Agenda Item:

An order that proposes to amend the City of Everett's Division III (Revised General Ordinances), Chapter 9 – "Flood Damage Prevention".

Background and Explanation:

Attachments:

CITY OF EVERETT Office of the Mayor

Carlo DeMaria Mayor



Everett City Hall 484 Broadway Everett, MA 02149-3694 Phone: (617) 394-2270

Fax: (617)381-1150

May 21, 2025

The Honorable City Council City Hall 484 Broadway Everett, Massachusetts 02149

RE: C0XXX-25

Dear Honorable Members:

I am submitting to the Council an order that proposes to amend the City of Everett's Division III (Revised General Ordinances), Chapter 9 – "Flood Damage Prevention".

This amendment was initiated by request of the State (Department of Conservation and Recreation) in order to ensure Everett's compliance with the Federal Emergency Management Administration's (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program. Working collaboratively with the State and professional consultants, this amended ordinance will update the ordinance to reflect updated data and best practices provided by FEMA. Without amending the ordinance as drafted herein, we would run the potential risk of being excluded from the National Flood Insurance Program.

Thank you for your favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Calo De Maria

Mayor

Carlo DeMaria Mayor



May 21, 2025

City of Everett, Massachusetts CITY COUNCIL

Offered By:			
•	Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President		

Bill Number:

Be it

Bill Type: Order

Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as follows:

Division III, Chapter 9 of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Everett is hereby amended as follows:

Striking, in its entirety, the existing language of Chapter 9 and replacing it with the attached language.

This language shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor.

Chapter 9

FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION

Article I In General		Article II Administration		
Section 9-1. Section 9-2. Section 9-3. Section 9-4. Section 9-5. Section 9-6.	Statement of Purpose. Establishment. Definitions. Application of Provisions. Enforcement; Violations. Abrogation and Greater Restrictions.	Section 9-26. Section 9-27. Section 9-28. Section 9-29. Section 9-30. Section 9-31.	City EngineerAppointment. Permitting. Regulations Notification Requirements. Variances. through Section 9-45.	
Section 9-7.	Warning and Disclaimer of Liability.		(Reserved)	
Section 9-8. Section 9-9.	Severability. through Section 9-25. (Reserved)			

Article I In General

Section 9-1. Statement of Purpose.

It is the purpose of this Chapter to:

- (a) Ensure public safety through reducing the threats to life and personal injury;
- (b) Eliminate new hazards to emergency response officials;
- (c) Prevent the occurrence of public emergencies resulting from water quality, contamination, and pollution due to flooding;
- (d) Avoid the loss of utility services which if damaged by flooding would disrupt or shut down the utility network and impact regions of the community beyond the site of flooding;
- (e) Eliminate costs associated with the response and cleanup of flooding conditions; and
- (f) Reduce damage to public and private property resulting from flooding waters.

Section 9-2. Establishment.

This Chapter is established pursuant to the City of Everett's compliance with Title 44, Chapter 1, Code of Federal Regulations, establishing eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

- (a) All special flood hazard areas within the City of Everett are designated on the Middlesex County Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the administration of the NFIP, dated July 8, 2025. These maps indicate the 1%-chance regulatory floodplain.
- (b) The exact boundaries special flood hazard areas shall be defined by the 1%-chance base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the Middlesex County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated July 8, 2025.
- (c) The effective FIRM and FIS report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file in the City Engineer's Office.

Section 9-3. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this Chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section:

- (a) DEVELOPMENT means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to building or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation or drilling operations or storage of equipment or materials. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]
- (b) FLOODWAY. The channel of the river, creek or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than a designated height. [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]
- (c) FUNCTIONALLY DEPENDENT USE means a use which cannot perform its intended purpose unless it is located or carried out in close proximity to water. The term includes only docking facilities, port facilities that are necessary for the loading and unloading of cargo or passengers, and ship building and ship repair facilities, but does not include long-term storage or related

- manufacturing facilities. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59] Also [Referenced Standard ASCE 24-14]
- (d) HIGHEST ADJACENT GRADE means the highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to the proposed walls of a structure. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]
- (e) HISTORIC STRUCTURE means any structure that is:
 - (1) Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places (a listing maintained by the Department of Interior) or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as meeting the requirements for individual listing on the National Register;
 - (2) Certified or preliminarily determined by the Secretary of the Interior as contributing to the historical significance of a registered historic district or a district preliminarily determined by the Secretary to qualify as a registered historic district;
 - (3) Individually listed on a state inventory of historic places in states with historic preservation programs which have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior; or
 - (4) Individually listed on a local inventory of historic places in communities with historic preservation programs that have been certified either:
 - a. By an approved state program as determined by the Secretary of the Interior or
 - b. Directly by the Secretary of the Interior in states without approved programs.

[US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

- (f) NEW CONSTRUCTION. Structures for which the start of construction commenced on or after the effective date of the first floodplain management code, regulation, ordinance, or standard adopted by the authority having jurisdiction, including any subsequent improvements to such structures. New construction includes work determined to be substantial improvement. [Referenced Standard ASCE 24-14]
- (g) RECREATIONAL VEHICLE means a vehicle which is:
 - (1) Built on a single chassis;
 - (2) 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection;
 - (3) Designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
 - (4) Designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use.

[US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

- (h) REGULATORY FLOODWAY see FLOODWAY.
- (i) SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA. The land area subject to flood hazards and shown on a Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard map as Zone AE [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]
- (j) START OF CONSTRUCTION. The date of issuance for new construction and substantial improvements to existing structures, provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, placement or other improvement is within 180 days after the date of issuance. The actual start of construction means the first placement of permanent construction of a building (including a manufactured home) on a site, such as the pouring of a slab or footings, installation of pilings or construction of columns.

- (k) Permanent construction does not include land preparation (such as clearing, excavation, grading or filling), the installation of streets or walkways, excavation for a basement, footings, piers or foundations, the erection of temporary forms or the installation of accessory buildings such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or not part of the main building. For a substantial improvement, the actual "start of construction" means the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor or other structural part of a building, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the building. [Base Code, Chapter 2, Section 202]
- (l) STRUCTURE means, for floodplain management purposes, a walled and roofed building, including a gas or liquid storage tank, that is principally above ground, as well as a manufactured home. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]
- (m) SUBSTANTIAL REPAIR OF A FOUNDATION. When work to repair or replace a foundation results in the repair or replacement of a portion of the foundation with a perimeter along the base of the foundation that equals or exceeds 50% of the perimeter of the base of the foundation measured in linear feet, or repair or replacement of 50% of the piles, columns or piers of a pile, column or pier supported foundation, the building official shall determine it to be substantial repair of a foundation. Applications determined by the building official to constitute substantial repair of a foundation shall require all existing portions of the entire building or structure to meet the requirements of 780 CMR. [As amended by MA in 9th Edition BC]
- (n) VARIANCE means a grant of relief by a community from the terms of a flood plain management regulation. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]
- (o) VIOLATION means the failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community's flood plain management regulations. A structure or other development without the elevation certificate, other certifications, or other evidence of compliance required in §60.3 is presumed to be in violation until such time as that documentation is provided. [US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 44, Part 59]

Section 9-4. Application of Provisions.

The provisions of this Chapter shall apply to all areas of special flood hazards within the jurisdiction of the city.

Section 9-5 Enforcement; Violations.

The City Engineer shall enforce the provisions of this Chapter. Whoever violates the provisions of this Chapter shall be subject to a fine in accordance with Section 1-8 of these Revised Ordinances of the City of Everett.

Section 9-6. Abrogation and Greater Restrictions.

The floodplain management regulations found in this Chapter shall take precedence over any less restrictive conflicting local laws, ordinances or codes.

Section 9-7. Warning and Disclaimer of Liability.

The degree of flood protection required by this Chapter is considered reasonable but does not imply total flood protection. Property owners are encouraged to investigate and implement such additional flood protection and mitigation measures as may be necessary or appropriate.

Section 9-8 Severability.

If any section, provision or portion of this Chapter is deemed to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court, the remainder of the ordinance shall be effective.

Section 9-9. through Section 9-25. (Reserved)

Article II Administration

Section 9-26. City Engineer--Appointment.

The City of Everett hereby designates the position of City Engineer to be the official floodplain administrator for the City.

Section 9-27. Permitting.

- (a) No construction or other development is permitted in special flood hazard areas, including new construction or changes to existing buildings, placement of manufactured homes, placement of agricultural facilities, fences, sheds, storage facilities or drilling, mining, paving and any other development that might increase flooding or adversely impact flood risks to other properties, without issuance of a special flood hazard permit in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter.
- (b) Applications for special flood hazard permits shall be submitted to the City Engineer and shall demonstrate compliance with the Regulations set forth in Section 9-28. The proponent must acquire all necessary permits, and must demonstrate that all necessary permits have been acquired.

Section 9-28. Regulations.

- (a) Floodway encroachment. In Zone AE, along watercourses that have not had a regulatory floodway designated, the best available Federal, State, local, or other floodway data shall be used to prohibit encroachments in floodways which would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge.
 - In Zone AE, along watercourses that have a regulatory floodway designated on the City's FIRM encroachments are prohibited, including fill, new construction, substantial improvements, and other development within the adopted regulatory floodway unless it has been demonstrated through hydrologic and hydraulic analyses performed in accordance with standard engineering practice that the proposed encroachment would not result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge.
- (b) Unnumbered A Zones. In A Zones, in the absence of FEMA base flood elevation data and floodway data, the building department will obtain, review and reasonably utilize base flood elevation and floodway data available from a Federal, State, or other source as criteria for requiring new construction, substantial improvements, or other development in Zone A and as the basis for elevating residential structures to or above base flood level, for floodproofing or elevating nonresidential structures to or above base flood level, and for prohibiting encroachments in floodways.
- (c) Subdivision proposals. All subdivision proposals and development proposals in the floodplain overlay district shall be reviewed to assure that:
 - (1) Such proposals minimize flood damage.
 - (2) Public utilities and facilities are located & constructed so as to minimize flood damage.
 - (3) Adequate drainage is provided.
- (d) Base flood elevation data for subdivision proposals. When proposing subdivisions or other developments greater than 50 lots or 5 acres (whichever is less), the proponent must provide technical data to determine base flood elevations for each developable parcel shown on the design plans.

(e) Recreational vehicles. In AE Zones, all recreational vehicles to be placed on a site must be elevated and anchored in accordance with the zone's regulations for foundation and elevation requirements or be on the site for less than 180 consecutive days or be fully licensed and highway ready.

Section 9-29. Notification Requirements.

- (a) Watercourse alterations or relocations in riverine areas. In a riverine situation, the City Engineer shall notify the following of any alteration or relocation of a watercourse: adjacent communities, NFIP State Coordinator (Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation), and the NFIP Program Specialist (Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region I).
- (b) Requirement to submit new technical data. If the City acquires data that changes the base flood elevation in the FEMA mapped Special Flood Hazard Areas, the City will, within 6 months, notify FEMA of these changes by submitting the technical or scientific data that supports the change(s.) Notification shall be submitted to: NFIP State Coordinator (Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation), and the NFIP Program Specialist (Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region I).

Section 9-30. Variances.

- (a) Variances to building code floodplain standards. The City will request from the State Building Code Appeals Board a written and/or audible copy of the portion of the hearing related to the variance, and will maintain this record in the community's files. The City shall also issue a letter to the property owner regarding potential impacts to the annual premiums for the flood insurance policy covering that property, in writing over the signature of a community official that (i) the issuance of a variance to construct a structure below the base flood level will result in increased premium rates for flood insurance up to amounts as high as \$25 for \$100 of insurance coverage and (ii) such construction below the base flood level increases risks to life and property. Such notification shall be maintained with the record of all variance actions for the referenced development in special flood hazard areas.
- (b) Variances to local Ordinance related to community compliance with the NFIP. A variance from this Chapter must meet the requirements set out by State law, and may only be granted if: 1) Good and sufficient cause and exceptional non-financial hardship exist; 2) the variance will not result in additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, or fraud or victimization of the public; and 3) the variance is the minimum action necessary to afford relief.

Section 9-31. through Section 9-45. (Reserved)



C0143-25

To:

Mayor and City Council

From:

Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

Date:

April 14, 2025

Agenda Item:

That the City of Everett submit the question of whether to build a professional soccer stadium on lower Broadway to the voters of Everett during the City's biennial municipal election which is to be held in November of 2025.

Background and Explanation:

Attachments:

Part I ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT

Title VIII ELECTIONS

Chapter 53 NOMINATIONS, QUESTIONS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

VOTERS, PRIMARIES AND CAUCUSES

Section 18A NONBINDING PUBLIC OPINION ADVISORY QUESTIONS ON

LOCAL BALLOTS

Section 18A. As used in this section "governing body" shall mean, in a city, the city council acting with the approval of the mayor subject to the provisions of the charter of said city, in a town having a town council, the town council, and in every other town the board of selectmen.

A nonbinding public opinion advisory question may be placed on the ballot for a regular municipal election in any city or town no later than the thirty-fifth day preceding such election: by vote of the city council of such city, with approval of its mayor where so required by the city charter; by vote of the board of selectmen of a town or by vote of the town council of a town having a town council or by vote of the annual town meeting; or in conformity with the following provision of this section:

A proposal to place a nonbinding public opinion advisory question on the ballot for a regular municipal election in any city or town may be presented to the governing body thereof on a petition signed by at least ten registered voters of the city or town. If such governing body shall not approve said petition at least ninety days before said election, then the question may be so placed on said ballot when a petition signed by at least ten per cent of the registered voters of the city or town, but in no case less than twenty such voters, requesting such action is filed with the registrars, who shall have seven days after receipt of such a petition to certify the signatures. Upon certification of the signatures, the city or town clerk shall cause the question to be placed on the ballot at the next regular municipal election held more than thirty-five days after such certification.

The procedures established by this section shall be available to any city or town; provided, however, that if an alternative procedure is prescribed by a home rule charter, optional plan of government, or special act applying to such city or town, relative to the placing of public opinion questions upon the local ballot, then such alternative procedure shall apply.

Part I

ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT

Title VIII

ELECTIONS

Chapter 53

NOMINATIONS, QUESTIONS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

VOTERS, PRIMARIES AND CAUCUSES

Section 18B

INFORMATION RELATING TO QUESTIONS ON CITY, TOWN OR DISTRICT BALLOT; CONTENTS; WRITTEN ARGUMENTS BY

PRINCIPAL PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS; PUBLIC

INSPECTION

Section 18B. (a) As used in this section "governing body" shall mean, in a city, the city council or board of aldermen acting with the approval of the mayor subject to the charter of the city, in a town having a town council, the town council, in every other town, the board of selectmen and in a district as provided in sections 113 to 119, inclusive, of chapter 41, the prudential committee, if any, otherwise the commissioners of the district.

(b) The governing body of a city, town or district which accepts this section in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter 4 shall print information relating to each question that shall appear on the city, town or district ballot. The information shall include: (1) the full text of each question; (2) a fair and concise summary of each question, including a 1 sentence statement describing the effect of a yes or no vote, which shall be prepared by the city solicitor, town counsel or counsel for the city, town or district; and (3) arguments for and against each question as

provided in subsections (d) and (e). Not later than 7 days before an election at which the question shall be submitted to the voters in a city, town or district, the information in this subsection shall be sent to each household wherein a person whose name appears on the current voting list for the city, town or district resides.

- (c) Not later than the day following the date of the determination that a question shall appear on the ballot in an election, the governing body shall provide written notification to the city solicitor or town or district counsel and to the city or town clerk.
- (d) Not later than 7 days after the determination that a question shall appear on the ballot, the city solicitor or town or district counsel, as applicable, shall seek written arguments from the principal proponents and opponents of the question. For the purposes of this section, the principal proponents and opponents of a question shall be those persons determined by the solicitor or counsel to be best able to present the arguments for and against the question. The solicitor or counsel shall provide not less than 7 days' written notice to the opponents and proponents of the date on which the written arguments shall be received. Proponents and opponents shall submit their arguments, which shall be not more than 150 words, to the solicitor or counsel, together with a copy thereof to the city or town clerk or, in a district, to the clerk of each city and town within the district. The arguments and summary shall be submitted by the solicitor or counsel to the governing body at least 20 days before the election for distribution to voters in accordance with subsection (b). A copy of the arguments and summary shall also be submitted by the solicitor or counsel to the city, town or district clerk.

- (e) In determining the principal proponents and opponents of a ballot question, the solicitor or counsel shall contact each ballot question committee, if any, as defined in section 1 of chapter 55. The principal proponents or opponents of a ballot question may include officers of a ballot question committee or officers of a city, town or district office or committee including, but not limited to, a finance committee or a school committee. In addition, the principal proponents or opponents may include the first 10 signers or a majority of the first 10 signers of a petition initiating the placement of such question on the ballot. The solicitor or counsel shall determine, based on a review of arguments received, the person or group best able to present arguments for and against a question. If no argument is received by the solicitor or counsel within the time specified by the solicitor or counsel, the solicitor or counsel shall prepare an argument and submit the argument to the governing body and to the city or town clerk or, in a district, to the clerk of each city and town within the district within the time specified in subsection (d).
- (f) All arguments filed or prepared pursuant to this section and the information prepared pursuant to subsection (b), shall be open to public inspection at the office of city or town clerk or, in a district, at the office of the clerk of each city and town within the district. In addition, each city or town clerk shall make such information available to the voters at all polling places within the city, town or district.

Legislative Affairs & Election Committee April 28, 2025

The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Monday, April 28, 2025 at 6:00pm in the City Council Chambers.

The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present were Councilor Robert Van Campen, presiding, Councilors Michael Marchese, Stephanie Smith and Katy Rogers.

The Committee considered a Resolution offered by Councilor Robert Van Campen: That the City of Everett submit the question of whether to build a professional soccer stadium on lower Broadway to the Voters of Everett during the City's biennial municipal election which is to be held in November 2025.

Chairman Van Campen acknowledged that private resources would be spent to build the stadium but noted that public funds would also need to be expended to improve infrastructure and transportation. He stated that he would like the people of Everett to have a say on this type of project on a nonbinding public opinion. Councilor Smith questioned whether having the public vote on this would cause the Krafts to pullout of the project. She explained that she couldn't vote for this before she can get an answer to that question. Councilor Rogers stated that she also wants more information and also would like to hear from the Krafts. Chairman Van Campen informed the Committee that he was not looking to stop project but to make it better by forcing the developer to have more community meetings and provide more concessions. He requested that the matter be granted further time.

The Committee voted: To grant further time.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley Clerk of Committees #1- C0143-25

Legislative Affairs & Election Committee May 12, 2025

The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Monday, May 12, 2025 at 6:30pm in the City Council Chambers.

The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present were Councilor Robert Van Campen, presiding, Councilors Michael Marchese, Stephanie Smith and Katy Rogers.

The Committee considered a Resolution offered by Councilor Robert Van Campen: That the City of Everett submit the question of whether to build a professional soccer stadium on lower Broadway to the Voters of Everett during the City's biennial municipal election which is to be held in November 2025.

Chairman Van Campen that he has been communicating with the Secretary of State as well as the City Clerk on this matter and requested that further time be granted.

The Committee voted: To grant further time.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley Clerk of Committees