

## **Councilmembers**

Position No.

1. Tod Gunther
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**Orting City Council**  
Special Meeting Agenda  
104 Bridge Street S, Orting, WA  
Virtual - Zoom  
April 3rd, 2024  
6:00 p.m.

## **Mayor Joshua Penner, Chair**

You may attend this meeting via the platform Zoom by clicking in the following link:  
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- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**
  - Pledge of Allegiance.
  - Roll Call.
- 2. VALUES, MISSION, VISION DISCUSSION**
  - Mayor Penner/Scott Larson
- 3. GOALS.**
  - Mayor Penner/Scott Larson
- 4. ADJOURNMENT.**

**Motion: Move to Adjourn.**

1. Criminal Code Update – Conduct an administrative review of Orting Municipal Code Title 6— Police Regulations to purge repealed statutes, update recently modified statutes, and add or adopt newly enacted criminal laws by reference to ensure consistency between municipal code and state statutes so Officers and prosecutors have the needed jurisdiction and enforcement authority via Orting Municipal Court.
2. PD Staffing – There has been council discussion regarding staffing levels. What is council’s goal regarding public safety staffing?

Task for this item may include:

- a. Conduct a review of operations, staffing, and current call volume. Benchmark the city against other similarly situated cities in Washington. Identify any current gaps in service delivery.
  - b. Establish metrics to determine staffing needs including officers, support staff, and command staff.
  - c. If there is a desire to change staffing, establish long term mechanisms to pay for staffing.
  - d. Establish supply side resources to bring additional staffing into the department.
3. SCADA and Telemetry Master Plan – Over the last year there has been a desire on the part of staff and council to address the city’s aging SCADA and Telemetry infrastructure.

Tasks for this item may include:

- a. Establish a set of project outcomes and goals.
  - b. Come up with a mechanism to prioritize system needs.
  - c. Allocate additional budgetary resources, if needed, to carry out policy goals.
4. New Council Packet - Compile a new councilmember orientation packet that will give newly elected Councilmembers a tool to use to familiarize themselves with how the City of Orting functions.

Topics of this resource may include:

- a. Duties of Council, Deputy Mayor, staff, and administration.
- b. Staff structure and responsibilities.
- c. Council committees.
- d. Council rules.
- e. Regular Meetings, Special Meetings, and Study Sessions.
- f. Ordinances and Resolutions.

- g. Resources for elected officials and information regarding conferences and peer engagement.
- 5. Development Permit Process – Review, clarify, and align the city’s development permitting process and appeal process for titles related to land use. Updates to this code will require Planning Commission public hearing and recommendation.
- 6. Whitehawk/Gratzer Park Master Plan – Similar to the Main Park Master Plan. Plan will need to incorporate Whitehawk Boulevard project into alternatives.

Tasks for this item may include:

- a. Having CGA and Council establish a vision and broad project outcomes for Whitehawk/Gratzer Park.
  - b. Hire a consultant based on council’s vision and project outcomes.
  - c. Work through alternatives and seek public engagement.
  - d. Adopt a final plan
- 7. Youth Advisory Board – The City of Orting aims to establish a youth advisory board of high school students to advise on city events and activities. Participants will work with the Parks and Recreation Department, volunteering for and planning major events, and suggesting classes for community engagement.
- 8. Downtown Revitalization and Economic Development – The city’s downtown core is constrained by existing development. The purpose of this goal would be to examine strategies to continue the work completed in the Main Park Master Plan to the other side of the street, provide cohesive development and create incentives for new businesses and redevelopment of existing structures.

Tasks for this item may include:

- a. Establish a vision of what we want our downtown to look like through evaluation of existing zoning, ADR’s, Main Park Master Plan, parking, and current business and property owners.
  - b. Engage the public through a survey and outreach process to determine what types of small-scale businesses the city should focus on recruiting.
  - c. Evaluate existing commercial structures and determine adequacy for commercial goals.
  - d. Investigate different financing options like tax increment financing and LID’s to provide desired and needed improvements.

Other Goal Ideas:

9. Council professional development – Establish goals for ongoing training and development opportunities for council members.