



CITY OF REPUBLIC

MEETING AGENDA
Monday, May 18, 2026
5:00 PM

- CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 PM Action
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Action
- ROLL CALL Action
- AGENDA APPROVAL Action
- CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL Action
 - Review Minutes for May 4, 2026
 - Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT Amount – TBD
 - Review accounts payable check #'s & amount – TBD
 - Review County Transmittal - TBD
- PUBLIC COMMENT Information
 - Chamber of Commerce – Prospectors Events
 - West 9th St Residents – Complaints About People's Pantry New Location
- CORRESPONDENCE Information
- OLD BUSINESS Information
- NEW BUSINESS Information
- ORDINANCES/RESOLUTION Action
 - Resolution 2026-03 – Property Surplus – Black F-150
- DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS Information
- MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS Information
- ADJOURN Action



CITY OF REPUBLIC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 4, 2026

Those Present:

Council: Mayor Gabe Becklin, Council Members: Liz Stinson, Mari Jo Olsen, Marty Rugo, Heather Brice & Loni Simone

Employees: Clerk-Treasurer Nick Olsen, Deputy Clerk Robyn Turcotte & PW Director Todd Cole

Meeting Called to Order: 5:00 pm

Roll Call: All Present

Agenda Approval:

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Heather, seconded by Mari Jo.

Consent Agenda:

- Review Minutes for April 20, 2026
- Review Special Minutes for April 22, 2026
- Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT Amount - 4452 - 4455 - \$27,181.59
- Review accounts payable check #'s & amount - 66140 - 66158 - \$77,946.28
- Review County Transmittal - \$34,297.14

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo.

Public Comment:

Ricky Buffer- City Resident

Ricky was present to hear the Council's discussion following a walkthrough of the Sampson Lane property regarding fencing and locked gates. Council approved allowing Ricky to install gates with locks across Sampson Lane. The City will be provided with keys to the locks.

Buffy - City of Republic Librarian

Buffy presented information regarding the Library's Annual Tie Dye Event at Patterson Park. She also discussed beautification efforts in celebration of America's

250th anniversary and the 4th of July. Buffy requested Council approval for the City to purchase red, white, and blue bunting for the library.

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to allow up to \$600.00 for decorating the library by Mari Jo, seconded by Heather.

Buffy also noted that children will be replanting the hanging baskets purchased last year, with flowers donated by Wild West.

Laura Wolley- Forget Me Not Shelter

Laura stated that the shelter does not have the capacity and cannot enter into a contract with the City. The shelter prioritizes abused and abandoned animals rather than short-term holds. She reported that she was told the Ferry County Prosecutor is unwilling to prosecute animal-related citations because there is no contract with the City. Laura also mentioned discussions with Doris Bacon, who may be able to hold dogs temporarily; however, the holding period is limited to 72 hours, after which animals must be released or euthanized.

Correspondence:

Kerri Clark - Council reviewed a letter regarding the potential purchase of a City-owned parcel adjacent to her property. Council will schedule a site visit before further discussion.

Michael Baumgartner - A town hall meeting will be held at the Republic School multipurpose room this evening.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

The Republic School/City of Republic Agreement for bus usage & Chamber of Commerce/City Agreement for bus usage were presented. These contracts are needed to utilize school vehicles during prospector days.

Motion: Unanimous approval for both contracts after a motion by Heather; seconded by Liz.

Leak Forgiveness Request- 640 S Louisiana

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to approve leak forgiveness for \$130.00 plus tax by Marty; seconded by Mari Jo.

Ordinances / Resolutions:

- Resolution 2026-01 Updated Employee Wage Chart

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to approve Resolution 2026-01 by Marty; seconded by Mari Jo.

- Resolution 2026-02 Writing off of Bad Debt

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to approve Resolution 2026-02 by Marty; seconded by Liz.

Department Head Reports:

Todd Cole – Public Works Director – Reported on the following:

- Ordered materials for sewer expansion at:
 - Hesse Blvd for Library
 - North Star addition
- Evergreen Rural Water assisted with repacking Well #3.
- Public Works lost an employee; Caleb McKenzie has been hired and brings extensive plumbing experience.
- Patterson Park basketball courts will be cleaned this week to prepare for the potential fixes this coming weekend.
- Cement forms have been removed from the new retaining wall in Patterson Park.

Nick Olsen- Clerk Treasurer- Reported on the following:

- City Hall server (approx. 23 years old) requires replacement.
 - The New Server and installation will be \$5,000.00

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to approve \$5,000.00 for a new server with installation by Mari Jo; seconded by Liz.

- The Washington turfgrass grant that would have repaired the sprinkler system at Slagle Park and hydroseeded Patterson Park and the ballfields was not awarded to the City. The City had received 2 quotes to repair the sprinkler system for the grant.
 - Quote 1- \$1,620.00 (labor only)
 - Quote 2- \$1,898.75 (includes parts and labor)

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to approve \$1,898.75 for Slagle Park Sprinkler System Repairs by Mari Jo, seconded by Marty.

- Chamber Building window installation scheduled for May 13, 2026.

Mayor / Council Reports:

Gabe Becklin- Reported on the following:

- Requested approval to surplus the Black F-150 and purchase a surplus Toyota Tacoma from Ferry County Public Works (\$17,000.00).

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to purchase the Toyota Tacoma for \$17,00.00 from Ferry County by Mari Jo; seconded by Marty.

- Fire District #13 will be purchasing a new fire truck from New Jersey.

Mari Jo Olsen- Reported on the following:

- Meeting scheduled with Seth at Curlew Job Corps on May 14, 2026.
- RERC- Mari Jo will be unable to attend; Heather is replacing her as City representation.

Liz Stinson- Reported on the following:

- The GFCI breakers in Patterson Park tripped a lot during last year's Prospectors days; a potential upgrade may be needed.
- Attended RYAC Meeting- Earth Day was a success

Marty Rugo- Reported on the following:

- No Housing Authority Meeting

Heather Brice- Reported on the following:

- Met with a resident on Portland Street regarding concerns about reopening S. Portland Street, including concerns about foot traffic.

Loni Simone- Reported on the following:

- Attended Conservation Fair; reported strong attendance.

Motion: The meeting adjourned at 5:53 PM following a motion by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

GABE BECKLIN- MAYOR

ROBYN TURCOTTE – DEPUTY CLERK

RESOLUTION # 2026-03

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of Republic, Washington, declaring certain property to be surplus to the City of Republic.

WHEREAS, the City of Republic, Washington a Municipal Corporation of the State of Washington, is the owner of certain property as described in “Attachment A-1” attached hereto as fully set forth; and

WHEREAS, the City is desirous of disposing of said property described in “Attachment A-1” attached pursuant to statutory authority of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, said property is in excess and surplus to the present foreseeable needs of the City of Republic,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Republic, Washington, that the property described as “Attachment A-1” attached hereto and incorporated herein as set forth is not necessary to the needs of the City of Republic and is surplus and excess to the foreseeable needs of said City. City staff is hereby authorized to dispose of said surplus via a “first come first serve” practice with a purchase price of \$7,499. The first person to come to City Hall and pay for the item will be the new owner and shall have 2 business days to remove it from City property.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REPUBLIC THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2026

ATTEST

GABRIEL BECKLIN, MAYOR

NICOLAS OLSEN, CLERK-TREASURER

Attachment A-1 Resolution 2026-02

Make	Model	Year	VIN
Ford	F150 4x4	2011	1FTFW1EF6BKD98043