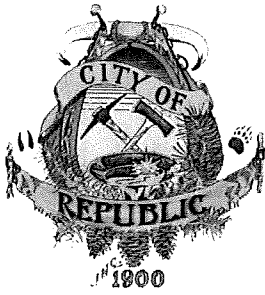




CITY OF REPUBLIC

MEETING AGENDA
Monday, June 1, 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 18, 2026
 - Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT Amount – TBD
 - Review accounts payable check #'s & amount – TBD
 - Review State Transmittal - \$48,727.21
- PUBLIC COMMENT Information
 - Cherie Gorton – Would like to discuss the opening of Portland St
 - Marcella Lewis – Proposal for West 9th St Parking Restrictions
- CORRESPONDENCE Information
- OLD BUSINESS Information
- NEW BUSINESS Information
- ORDINANCES/RESOLUTION Action
- DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS Information
- MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS Information
- ADJOURN Action



CITY OF REPUBLIC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 18, 2026

Those Present:

Council: Mayor Gabe Becklin, Council Members: Liz Stinson, Mari Jo Olsen, 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: Absent Marty Rugo

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to excuse Marty by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo.

Agenda Approval:

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

Consent Agenda:

- Review Minutes for May 4, 2026
- Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT Amount - 4456 - \$831.15
- Review accounts payable check #'s & amount - 66159 - 66172 - \$31,674.88
- Review County Transmittal - \$72,840.68

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

Public Comment:

Kim Tanner - Chamber of Commerce

- Requested approval to shut down Clark Ave from Delaware to 6th Street beginning Friday at approximately 4:00 PM through completion of the 3-on-3 basketball tournaments on Saturday, June 14.
- Requested permission to close Clark Ave from Klondike to 8th Street from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM for the parade.
- Reported that the Chamber is expanding activities this year, including:
 - Kids games on Keller Street across from Fat Guys.

- Rodeo at the Ferry County Fairgrounds on Friday starting at 4:00 PM with music afterwards.

Marcella Lewis - City Resident

- Expressed concerns regarding the People's Pantry moving onto West 9th St.
- Main concern centered on safety issues caused by increased traffic, potentially blocking emergency vehicle access.

Maragret - President People's Pantry

- Attended with volunteers to hear neighborhood concerns.
- Stated willingness to work with West 9th Street residents.

Council advised:

- Holding a neighborhood meeting to address concerns.
- Implementing traffic control measures to minimize congestion since the city does not have zoning regulations.

Rick Buffer - City Resident

- Voiced concerns regarding roadway size and lack of additional shoulder parking.

Emily Burt - FORL

- Spokane Boys & Girls Club withdrew from the Early Childhood Learning Center project to focus on Spokane-area needs.
- Project Review Committee presentation scheduled for May 29, 2026.

Kevin Berry - City Resident

- Thanked local volunteer firefighters for their service to the community.
- Asked about alternate routes for youth riding dirt bikes and ATVs into town due to the closure of the Perry Wilderness ORV trail.
 - Requested signage at the Lower Clark Ave trail entrance indicating the ORV trail is closed to through traffic.

Buffy - Republic Librarian

- Thanked the council for the restroom step stool for children.
- Reported that library bunting will be installed in June.

Shannette Kirwin - City Resident

- Requested yellow curb painting on N. Keller to better identify driveways and curbs due to people blocking business entrances.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Ordinances / Resolutions:

- Resolution 2026-03 Property Surplus- Black F-150

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

Department Head Reports:

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

- ORV trail signage ordered.
- Purchase of a new Public Works truck from the County.
- Introduction of new employee Caleb McKenzie.
- Ongoing new water service installations.

Nick Olsen - Clerk Treasurer - Reported on the following:

- Western State CAT Generator Contract

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion to approve Western States CAT Generator Contract by Mari Jo; seconded by Heather.

Mayor / Council Reports:

Mari Jo Olsen- Reported on the following:

- Finalizing the Job Corps work schedule for the City-Wide Clean-up week.

Liz Stinson- Reported on the following:

- Inquired about the Porta Potty for the skate Park.

Heather Brice- Reported on the following:

- Attended the Library Garden Party.
- Will be attending the TEDD Meeting
- Will be attending the SWAC Meeting

Loni Simone- Reported on the following:

- Attended the Michael Baumgartner Town hall at the school.

Motion: The meeting adjourned at 5:46 PM following a motion by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo. Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

GABE BECKLIN- MAYOR

ROBYN TURCOTTE – DEPUTY CLERK

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Distribution</u>	<u>BARS Code</u>	<u>Withholding</u>	<u>Amount Distributed</u>
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5/29/2026	Local Sales Interest	3614000	0.00	45.58
5/29/2026	MVFT & SFT - Cities	3360087	0.00	1,322.86
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5/29/2026	Sales & Use	3131100	0.00	23,496.06
5/29/2026	Transient Rental	3133100	0.00	1,147.22
Total Amount:				48,727.21

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Request for Agenda Placement – Residential Roadway Parking Safety

Hello,

I attended the May 18 City Council meeting and submitted written public safety questions regarding the proposed increase in roadway usage and parking on our narrow residential dead-end street (West 9th St).

I would like to request placement on the agenda for the June 1 meeting, or otherwise request that the council receive and consider a proposal regarding roadway parking restrictions and public safety concerns for narrow residential streets without shoulders.

Because the roadway is a dead-end street, all vehicles entering must later exit using the same route. Vehicles parked within the roadway would effectively reduce traffic flow to a single lane, creating concerns related to emergency vehicle access, opposing traffic movement, visibility, and pedestrian safety.

Please let me know the preferred process or any submission deadlines for agenda materials.

Thank you,

Marcella Lewis, RN

PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW OF ROADWAY PARKING RESTRICTIONS

West 9th Street – Republic, Washington

Submitted by: Marcella Lewis

Purpose:

This proposal requests that the City of Republic review and consider adoption of roadway parking restrictions, traffic control measures, or related municipal code provisions for narrow residential dead-end streets lacking adequate shoulders or safe off-road parking capacity.

Public Safety Concerns:

West 9th Street is a narrow residential dead-end roadway without shoulders. Because the roadway terminates in a dead end, all vehicles entering must later exit using the same route.

Parking vehicles within the roadway would effectively reduce traffic flow to a single lane, requiring opposing traffic to alternate use of the remaining travel lane. This creates concerns related to:

- Emergency vehicle access
- Fire and ambulance response
- Visibility limitations
- Opposing traffic movement
- Pedestrian safety
- Snow removal and roadway maintenance
- Access for residents and delivery vehicles

I support the purpose and mission of the local food pantry and recognize the importance of community food access services. This request is submitted solely as a matter of roadway safety, traffic flow, pedestrian protection, and emergency access, as the People's Pantry has publicly stated their intent to operate out of 499 W 9th St, including semi-truck deliveries and weekly food distribution anticipated to generate a significant volume of vehicles expected to park within the roadway.

A legally blind disabled resident with impaired mobility uses this roadway daily as a pedestrian route and may require emergency access at any hour for medical emergencies. Increased roadside parking and congestion on this narrow roadway raises significant concerns regarding safe pedestrian passage and emergency vehicle accessibility.

Requested Action:

I respectfully request that the City of Republic review this roadway and consider one or more of the following actions:

- Adoption of roadway parking restrictions for narrow residential dead-end streets lacking adequate shoulders
- Designation of West 9th Street as a no-parking roadway
- Installation and enforcement of “No Parking” signage
- Public works or traffic safety evaluation of roadway width and emergency access clearance
- Any other measures the council deems appropriate to maintain safe traffic flow and emergency access

Thank you for your consideration.

Marcella Lewis, RN

