

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL

Monday, September 28, 2026

6:00 p.m. – City Hall Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ptak called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Ptak, Aldermen Demes, Thompson, Reynolds, and Jeppson

Excused Absence: Aldermen Lavieri, Herndon, and Crane

Others Present: Deputy Clerk Brent Bader, Finance Director John Duncan, Economic Development Director Curt Bedei, Fire Chief Jerry Janick, City Engineer Brian Brown, and Police Chief Jason Stubler

A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Thompson to approve the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting from the September 14, 2026, meeting.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS

City Engineer Brian Brown updated the committee on the status of the sledding hill at Rotary Park. The used tow rope he intended to purchase for approximately \$55-60,000 is no longer available. A new rope is priced at \$80,000 and has the capacity to handle more people. Funding for it is available through the grant program. In addition, lighting the hill was not part of the original proposal, but Brown would like to add it. Power is available at the hill. Original cost estimates were \$17,500, but Brown was able to reduce the cost to approximately \$14,500.

The grant for the project is an OSLAD (Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development) grant where 50% of the project costs are paid for through the grant. Total amount of the project is \$600,000 - \$300,000 to be funded by the city and \$300,000 in grant funding.

The project includes a parking lot, pickleball courts, exercise facility, and the sledding hill. Additions to the original project include additional pickleball courts and lighting on the

sledding hill. The feasibility of snow-making machines was also discussed. Council members thanked City Engineer Brown for the update.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Alderman Reynolds and seconded by Alderman Thompson to adjourn the meeting.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Chairman Ptak adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Liz Bishop". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Liz" and last name "Bishop" clearly legible.

Liz Bishop, City Clerk