

Washington Tourism Development Authority
Board of Directors Special Meeting
Wednesday, Feb 10th, 2026
Washington Civic Center Conference Room
Minutes

ATTENDEES

Andrew Kuhn	Mayor Pro Tem Fritz (City Council Liaison)
Blanche Gibbs Tillis* (Secretary)	Shont'e Mason* (Treasurer)
Erin Ruyle	Stacy Jesso* (Chair)
Franz Holscher	Susan Strickland*
	Wanda Geisen (Vice Chair)

* WTDA Board Members

Absent: *Paula McCullough*

CALL TO ORDER:

WTDA Chair Stacy Jesso called the meeting to order at 10:12 pm.

Susan made the motion to approve the agenda, and Blanche seconded the motion. The agenda was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Attorney Bill: Vote

City Attorney Franz Holscher stated that he doesn't represent the WTDA, but is attending the meeting to offer guidance for the board. The board went over the history of the attorney bill, including those responsible for the bill (select members of the previous board and one member of the current board, Wanda Geisen. After discussion of options on how to approach the unpaid bill of \$10,000 (note: a separate bill of \$10,000 has already been paid), the WTDA board decided not paying the bill was the best course of action. Franz Holscher recommended sending a formal letter to the attorney to dispute the billed amount.

Wanda made a motion not to pay the bill, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fritz. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Susan made a motion to send a letter to the law firm, seconded by Shont'e. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

INFORMAL DISCUSSION & PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURN

Susan motioned to adjourn the meeting; Shont'e seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

The next board meeting is scheduled for 1:00 pm on March 19th, 2026, at the Washington Civic Center Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Kuhn

Marketing & Outreach Coordinator

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