

Manchester Community Advisory Council Minutes

October 6, 2026 Public Meeting

Manchester Library Meeting Room

Members in Attendance: Carol Malmquist (Chair & Northern Neighborhoods), Janelle Overton (Co-chair and California Neighborhood), Carrilu Thompson (Manchester Community Association), Susan Shaw (Port of Manchester), Sharon Holst (Colchester Neighborhood), Gentry Brierly (At-Large), Janet Grimly (At-Large), Michael Harris (Business Representative), Patty Olson (At-Large), Chuck Williams (Friends of the Manchester Library)

Excused Absence: Michael Harris

Guests: Lisa Ward, Bob Ballard, Rashmi Ballard, Leigh Swanson, Therese Deal, James Deal, Rex Nelson, Jay Bonner, Chris Cooley

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Carol at 6:30 pm.

Guest Speakers:

Captain Therese Deal of the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office Citizens on Patrol unit gave a presentation of the organization's structure, methods, and goals. They are volunteers giving at least 16 hr/mo, relieving KCSO of such duties as abandoned vehicle ticketing and removal, disabled parking notifications, traffic control, and other non-criminal matters. The 14 COPs currently serving have been the equivalent of 3 full-time deputies.

They are always looking for volunteers; for more information see <https://www.kitsap.gov/sheriff/Pages/CitizensOnPatrol.aspx>

I. Administrative Items

- A. Approval of the minutes from the September 2026 meeting: Gentry (motion), Sharon (second); minutes approved. (Janet, Patty, and Chuck abstained.)

II. Business Items

- A. Approval of a motion to send a letter inquiring about the current status of the California Avenue project of the Transportation Improvement Plan to the Board of County Commissioners: Carrilu (motion), Janelle (second); motion approved.

III. Announcements and Public Comments

- A. Janelle reported that this year's Oktoberfest - sponsored by the Manchester Community Association - was a great success, with high turnout.
- B. Carrilu mentioned that the Christmas Tree Lighting will be celebrating its 40th birthday in December.
- C. The next meeting of the MCAC will be held November 3.
- D. There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm: Janet (motion), Gentry (second); meeting adjourned.