

ORDINANCE 2025-334
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30 OF THE LONSDALE CITY CODE FOR
THE FOUNDER'S DAY COMMITTEE

The City Council of the City of Lonsdale ordains:

Section 1. Section Chapter 30 of the Lonsdale City Code is amended to add a new Section 30.03 to read as follows:

§ 30.03 FOUNDER'S DAY COMMITTEE.

(A) Purpose. To promote and implement city-wide events and celebrations focused on the history of Lonsdale. There is hereby established a committee to be advisory to the City Council and to be known as the Founder's Day Committee. The Committee shall be organized and have the duties set forth in this section.

(B) Composition.

(1) Such Founder's Day Committee shall consist of five members, one appointed Councilmember as liaison and non-voting member, and one Staff member, recommended by the Mayor and approved by the majority of the City Council.

(2) Of the members of the Committee first appointed, two shall be appointed for the term of one year, one shall be appointed for the term of two years, one shall be appointed for the term of three years, one shall be appointed for the term of four years. Their successors shall be appointed for terms of four years. Both original and successive appointees shall hold their offices until their successors are appointed and qualified. Vacancies during the term shall be filled by approval of the City Council, upon recommendation by the Mayor, for the unexpired portion of the term. Every appointed member shall, before entering upon the discharge of his or her duties, take an oath that he or she will faithfully discharge the duties of his or her office.

(3) Members of the Founder's Day Committee shall serve without pay but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses accrued in the discharge of their official duties, with Council approval.

(C) Organization, meetings and the like.

(1) Officers. The Committee shall elect a chairperson from among its appointed members for a term of one year and the Commission may create and fill such other offices as it may determine. The Secretary need not be a member of the Committee.

(2) Meetings. The Committee shall hold one regular meeting every month or as determined by the Commission. Regular meetings may be cancelled by the Chairperson or City Administrator if there is no business before the Committee. All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public.

(3) Meeting attendance. Any Committee Member who is absent from three consecutive duly called regular meetings of the Committee shall be deemed to have resigned unless the absentee provides explanation to the Chairperson. The Mayor may remove a committee member by approval by the majority of the City Council.

(4) Quorum voting. Three members at a regular or special meeting shall constitute a quorum. All questions presented for a vote shall be decided by a simple majority of those present.

(5) Records, reports. The Committee shall keep a record of its transactions, recommendations and resolutions, which record shall be public record. The Committee shall make monthly report of its activities to the City Council.

(6) Finances. The Committee must receive City Council approval for each expenditure.

(7) Bylaws. The Committee may adopt bylaws and from time to time amend them. The bylaws, and any amendments to the bylaws, shall be approved by the City Council.

(D) Powers and duties of the Committee. The Committee is hereby designated to perform the following responsibilities:

(1) Consider, review, report and advise on all City sponsored historical special events, which the Council may refer to the Committee;


(2) Develop immediate and long-range plans for City sponsored special historical events and recommend to the Council a feasible means of financing such plans;

(3) Recommend to the Council operating policies and procedures for City sponsored historical events;

(4) The responsibility for enhancing City sponsored historical special events through evaluation, planning and initiating new programs and ideas;

(5) Coordinate and manage City sponsored historical special events;

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Lonsdale this 24th day of November, 2025.



Tom Berg, Mayor

ATTEST:



Joel Erickson, City Administrator