



Sandy City, Utah

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Ryan Mecham, District 1
Alison Stroud, District 2
Zach Robinson, District 3
Marci Houseman, District 4
Aaron Dekeyzer, At-large
Brooke D'Sousa, At-large
Cyndi Sharkey, At-large

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

5:15 PM

City Hall and Online

5:15 Council Meeting

Present: 7 - Council Member Alison Stroud
Council Member Zach Robinson
Council Member Marci Houseman
Council Member Cyndi Sharkey
Council Member Ryan Mecham
Council Member Brooke D'Sousa
Council Member Aaron Dekeyzer

Council Staff in Attendance
Dustin Fratto, Council Director
Justin Sorenson, Assistant Director
Chris Edwards, Council Clerk
Tracy Cowdell, Council Attorney

Administration in Attendance
Mayor Zoltanski
Shane Pace, CAO
Lynn Pace, City Attorney
Ryan McConaghie, Fire
Greg Severson, Police
Tom Ward, Public Utilities
Todd Assay, Parks and Recreation
Ryan Kump, Public Works
Scott Ellis, Public Utilities
James Sorensen, Community Development
Brian Kelley, Administrative Services
Martin Jensen, Deputy CAO
Kim Bell, Deputy Mayor
Susan Wood, Public Affairs/PIO
Barb Smith, Communications
Paul Farr, Justice Court
Megan Sundquist, Risk
Myrna Groomer, Public Utilities

Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and Introductions

Council Chair Aaron Dekeyzer welcomed those in attendance.

Shane Pace, CAO, offered the Prayer.
Council Member Aaron Dekeyzer led the Pledge.

Council moved to Item 1 on the Agenda.

General Citizen Comment Period (No earlier than 6:00 PM)

Council Chair Dekeyzer invited the citizens to participate in General Citizen Comment.

Mr. Tim Gibson provided copies to the Council Director of an official complaint against the Council Chair, Aaron Dekeyzer, regarding his conduct at the April 29th council meeting.

Mr. Craig Ulrich spoke on the budget and property taxes. He asked the Council to continue to reduce budget expenses and be fiscally responsible.

Ms. Shana Davis surveyed her neighbors and most of them like the printed newsletter mailed to their homes. She expressed support for the printed newsletter. She also thanked the Council for all they do for the community.

Ms. Kellie Forbes suggested an opt in process for those residents wishing to receive a printed newsletter mailed to their homes. This would solve the problem. She also suggested sending out the newsletter with the utility bill.

Ms. Cathy Spuck thought that the prior year's property tax increase was necessary, and she expressed appreciation that there is no property tax increase this year.

Mr. Glen Burton expressed safety concerns at a trax intersection.

Public Comment closed.

Council moved back to Item 2 on the Agenda and continued the department budget presentations.

Council Business**Informational Items**

1. 25-144 Comcast RISE presenting on their grant initiatives to the City Council

Attachments: RISE Information
Presentation

Mr. Nate Martinez with Comcast Cable, presented on the Comcast Rise program. This program is built to help businesses and their communities thrive with a focus on economic growth. This year, Comcast Rise will award 100 Utah recipients with an incredible grant package that includes: \$5,000 grant, creative production and technology makeovers, education resources, and business consultation services. The application due date is May 31st.

Council moved to Item 4 on the Agenda.

2. 25-140 Public Works, Public Utilities, Administrative Services, City Attorney, Justice Court, City Council Office, Community Development and Non-Departmental Departments presenting an overview of their FY 2025-26 tentative department budgets.

Attachments: FY 2026 Department Budget Presentations 5-20-25

Public Hearing continued: Department Budget Presentations on the FY 2026 Tentative Budget.

Ryan Kump, Public Works Director, provided an overview of the Public Works department tentative budget for FY 2026. The Public Works budget includes the following: General Fund, Capital Projects, Weekly Waste, Bulk Waste, and Fleet. He provided an overview of budget requests for both ongoing and one-time funds and reviewed the budget cuts to his department. Council questions and comments followed. Mr. Kump thanked the Council for their support.

Council Member Marci Houseman joined the meeting at 5:29 pm.

Following the public works department budget presentation, Council moved to General Citizen Comment at 6:04 pm.

Council resumed Item 2, department budget presentations, at 6:13 pm.

Myrna Groomer, Public Utilities presented the Public Utilities department tentative budget for FY 2026. She provided an overview of the department mission statement, revenue sources, uses, cost and budget increases to ongoing, one-time, and capital expenses, and a proposed rate increase. Budget decreases included the pay off of two bonds and cost decreases associated with payment integration, credit card processing, and risk management. Ms. Groomer also reviewed the tentative budget for FY 2026 for storm water and street lighting. She provided detailed information regarding the Public Utilities Asset Management which included replacement costs of scissor hydrants, waterline replacement costs, flood claims, storm water capital projects, storm drain systems, and street lighting capital projects. Council questions and comments followed.

Brian Kelley, Administrative Services Director, presented the Administrative Services tentative budget for FY 2026. He provided an overview of the department budget reductions to the General Fund for all divisions of \$59K and \$161K in ongoing budget reductions to Information Technology division. Department accomplishments included the management of new bonds for Monroe Street Phase VI, Fire Station 31 rebuild, and the implementation of the new Workday Enterprise Resource Planning software. The City maintains a AAA rating for sales tax bonds. The finance and accounting department has received the GFOA award of excellence in reporting for 37 consecutive years and the distinguished budget presentation award for 21 consecutive years. He also reviewed division accomplishments for the Human Resources, Facilities, and Information Technology divisions. Council questions and comments followed.

Lynn Pace, City Attorney, presented the tentative budget for FY 2026. Over 97% of the Legal Department's budget is salaries and he stressed the importance of maintaining his staff and personnel. One-time budget requests include costs associated with the 2025 municipal elections. Council discussed with Mr. Pace the proposed staff addition of a real property manager and the function and responsibilities of that position. Currently, most departments outsource property management needs. Bringing this role in-house, could result in substantial savings to the city.

Council convened a recess at 8:03 pm
Council reconvened at 8:13 pm.

Budget presentations continued.

Judge Paul Farr and Sammie Srila presented the tentative budget for FY 2026 for the Sandy Justice Court. Personnel costs are the predominant part of the Justice Court's budget. Budget cuts to the department included the elimination of two Full Time Employee (FTE's) positions. He also spoke on the importance of a local justice court and the impact to residents and law enforcement staff. The Justice Court budget was cut by approximately 12%. Council questions and comments followed.

Dustin Fratto, Council Director presented the tentative budget for FY 2026 for the City Council Office. Mr. Fratto reviewed the department budget requests which includes a position reclassification and a modest increase in the professional services line item. He also reviewed the budget cuts proposed by the budget committee. Mr. Fratto also discussed one-time capital requests associated with a chamber remodel. Council questions and comments followed.

James Sorensen, Community Development, presented the tentative budget for FY 2026 for the Community Development Department. He spoke about the addition of the Administrative Law Judge and the positive results from that process. He also mentioned that both the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment committees also use the chambers and would benefit from any upgrades or remodel. He reviewed budget cuts to his department which approximate 3%. Maintaining employee compensation is important. He reviewed ongoing expenses, fiscal health, and employee satisfaction. His department received a \$200K grant which will offset the cost of the Land Development Code update. He also mentioned that the line item for the ALJ had been moved to non-departmental. Council questions and comments followed.

Brian Kelley, reviewed the tentative budget for fiscal year 2026 for Non-Departmental. He reviewed budget cuts to each of the line items. Council questions followed. Klm Bell, Deputy Mayor responded to questions regarding costs associated with the Sandy Ambassador program.

3. 25-143 First Reading: Council Members Sharkey, D'Sousa, and Stroud proposing amendments to the "Policies and Procedures for participation in events by City Officials."

Sponsors: Sharkey, D'Sousa and Stroud

Attachments: Memorandum_May 20th
Redline Amendments

Council Members Stroud, Sharkey, and D'Sousa presented amendments to the Policies and Procedures for participation in events by City Officials. Council questions followed. This is a first reading. This item will come back to the Council for consideration and action at a future Council meeting.

Public Hearing(s)

4. ANX0331202 Hidden Hollow Annexation (R-1-40A Zone)
5-006938(CC 10665 S. Dimple Dell Road and 3075 E. Deer Hollow Drive
) [Community #29]

Attachments: Vicinity Map
Staff Report
Resolution 25-12C
Ordinance 25-13
Legal Description
Annexation Plat
Physical Posting of property
Powerpoint

Public Hearing: Community Development presented Ordinance 25-13, for the Hidden Hollow Annexation request for property located at 10665 S. Dimple Dell Road and 3075 E. Deer Hollow Drive, approximately 5.42 acres. The Planning Commission forwarded a positive recommendation. The Applicant thanked the staff and the Council.

Public Hearing comment period opened.
Public Hearing comment period closed.

Following the vote on the motion, Council moved back to Item 2 on the Agenda and continued with department budget presentations.

A motion was made by Aaron Dekeyzer, seconded by Zach Robinson, to adopt Ordinance 25-13, an ordinance annexing parcels of a contiguous unincorporated area, totaling approximately 5.5 acres, located at 10665 South Dimple Dell Road and 3075 East Deer Hollow Drive in Salt Lake County into the municipality of Sandy City; establishing zoning for the annexed property; also providing a severance and effective date for the annexation...The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 6 - Alison Stroud
Zach Robinson
Cyndi Sharkey
Ryan Mecham
Brooke D'Sousa
Aaron Dekeyzer

Excused: 1 - Marci Houseman

Nonvoting: 0

Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Aaron Dekeyzer, seconded by Marci Houseman to approve the Consent Calendar...The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

5. 25-146 Council Members Stroud and Robinson recommending that the Council appoint Paul Mismaque to serve as a regular member of the Sandy City Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Committee

Attachments: Paul Mismaque 2025

Item approved.

6. 25-141 City Council Office recommending an amendment to the 2025 City Council Annual Meeting Schedule.

Attachments: Resolution #25-19C with Exhibits

Item approved.

7. 25-142 Risk Management requesting Council approval of amendments to Sandy City Code Chapter 10-9, Motor Assisted Scooters and Electric Assisted Bicycles.

Attachments: Ord 25-12 E-Bike Ordinance

Item approved.

Council Voting Items

8. 25-145 Possible Closed Session: character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.

Council convened a closed session in the Council Conference Room at 10:08 pm to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and adjourned the Council meeting immediately following the closed session.

A motion was made by Marci Houseman, seconded by Cyndi Sharkey to convene a closed session in the Council Conference Room to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and adjourn the Council meeting immediately following the closed session...The motion carried by the following roll call vote.

Yes: 6 - Alison Stroud
Zach Robinson
Marci Houseman
Cyndi Sharkey
Ryan Mecham
Brooke D'Sousa

No: 1 - Aaron Dekeyzer

Nonvoting: 0

Standing Reports

Agenda Planning Calendar Review & Council Office Director's Report

Dustin Fratto, Council Director, asked the Council to reach out to staff for assistance in creating budget proposals. The Sandy Senior Center barbecue is on Friday. Next week, the Council will hear a presentation from Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake and Sandy. There is also a closed session on the agenda for next week related to property acquisition.

Council Member Business

Council Member Zach Robinson spoke about the Sandy Ambassadors. The group is very engaging and he appreciated the opportunity to act as the Council Liaison for the committee.

Council Member Marci Houseman provided an update from the Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District. The board discussed the process of hiring a new director.

Council Member Aaron Dekeyzer attended the Wetlands dedication. It was a great event. He encouraged the community to go to Granpa's Pond and see the newly established wetlands area.

Council Member Alison Stroud mentioned that the Sandy Youth Council has received 36 applications which was an excellent response. The Historic Committee chair resigned and the Council will need to appoint someone to the committee. She mentioned the Wildland Community event sponsored by the Fire Department was a well attended event.

Council Member Cyndi Sharkey wished Dave Goldhardt well in his retirement from the City. She attended the Hale Centre Theatre with the CDBG Committee members last week and enjoyed the evening. She is enjoying the discussions on the budget with the Council and staff.

Mayor's Report

No report.

CAO Report

No report.

Adjournment

Council convened a closed session at 10:08 pm and adjourned the meeting immediately following the closed session.