



WHITE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 1, 2025, 6:00 PM

WHITE CITY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
999 E GALENA DRIVE, WHITE CITY, UTAH 84094

Mayor: **Mayor Paulina Flint**

City Council: **Council Member Greg Shelton**
Council Member Linda Price
Council Member Phillip Cardenaz
Council Member Tyler Huish

Staff: Rori Andreason, City Administrator; Paul Ashton, Attorney; Dave Sanderson, Financial Manager; Chief Ken Aldridge, UFA; Chief April Morse, UPD; Daniel Torres, Economic Development Manager; Chad Anderson, Engineer; and Jeff Miller, Planner

6:00 PM – Workshop

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton called the workshop meeting to order at 6:00 PM and confirmed that all Council Members were present. There were no public comments.

2. Discussion/Clarification of Agenda Items

No items were discussed.

3. Discuss Brief Overview of Projects and Activities in Emergency Planning and Preparedness that Benefits White City

Brian Buckhout, Emergency Planner, said currently the city has the multijurisdictional hazard mitigation plan that was incorporated across the county. Every city was able to contribute to this. It captures all White City's reports, data and historical risk. They also captured the data of neighboring cities around White City and added it to White City's report. They captured changes in priorities and development, previous hazard events, jurisdiction specific vulnerabilities, and jurisdictional information they will be using to generate annexes. The current status of the hazard mitigation plan is under review by the Department of Emergency Management (UDEM) and also FEMA. The plan for the county are expected to be done before September. The cities will have an opportunity to review the plan and adopt it. Even though it's

not an operation plan, there are benefits from adopting the plan. The recommendations will allow time for the county and cities to make edits and resubmit or adopt the plan.

Mr. Buckhout said a hazard mitigation is where they go through a threat assessment, identify hazards and describe those hazards, identify community assets, analyze those impacts and summarize the vulnerabilities. That's what they call a THIRA, which is a Threat, Hazard, Identification and Risk Assessment. The city will receive a report regarding the top hazards. He said the consultants they worked with did a lot of public outreaches which went on for about a month, so they were able to capture a lot of data.

The Building Resilience Infrastructure and Communities program (BRIC) is a federal program that has been discontinued. This is a sizeable program that supports state and local with mitigation grants. They are looking to see what other kinds of mitigation grants would be available. The MSD and other cities have not used the BRIC grant so he did not think there would be any impact with the discontinuation of the program.

The EMPG, Emergency Management Performance, grant funds a lot of emergency management positions across the country. UFA has two positions that are completely funded here by this grant. He said they are asking cities and jurisdictions to plan their budget to not have the EMPG grant in the future. Also, SB97, an emergency shelter bill for animals did not pass. SB182, regarding Code Red also, did not pass. Code Red is for sheltering individuals from the extreme heat. They will be looking for other ways to fund this need.

Evacuation Zones is a hot topic with the recent Palisades Fire in California. They started off with a zonal approach for every city. The plan is that they will have a county wide evac zone map. These areas could also be used for sheltering in place, pods, and distribution for logistical hubs. This allows cities to prioritize the evacuation by those most impacted by the hazard and limits the need to evacuate larger areas than what's needed.

Mr. Buckhout discussed some training opportunities in the near future. He reviewed the great shakeout event that took place where they include radio ham operators. They are looking to increase the number of radio ham operators that they can leverage and work with in case of emergencies. The MSD is looking to procure satellite phones.

4. Legislative Update

Paul Ashton, City Attorney, gave a comprehensive review of legislative bills that passed during the 2025 Legislative Session that may impact the city:

- Ordinance violations – Increased fines for ordinance violations
- Election – Conflict of Interest Forms are now required for the Declaration of Candidacy
- Data protection process – Privacy training is now required

- Records – Every employee must be trained
- Election process – Ballots will require the last four digits of a driver's license or social security number soon.
- Water – Imposition of fees on drinking water by state

5. Discussion of future agenda items – No items were discussed

Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton closed the workshop meeting.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. Welcome and Determine Quorum

Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton stated a quorum was present allowing the meeting to proceed.

2. Financial Report

Dave Sanderson, Financial Manager, said the MSD was behind in getting him the financial report so this item will not be discussed at this time.

3. UNIFIED FIRE AUTHORITY REPORT

Chief Ken Aldridge said the UFA budget was discussed at the last Board Meeting. The member fee increase will pay for two new engine companies being placed into service in Eagle Mountain and Kearns. Their recruit camp has 33 firefighters and is progressing well. Last month they have been focusing on wildland firefighting, hazmat operations, technical rescue, and multi-company live fire rescue scenarios. They finish on May 14 with graduation in Riverton. The next camp, camp 60, will begin August 4, 2025, and they expect to hire another 20 to 24 firefighters. He discussed the battalion chief promotion process. Eight candidates made the roster and that will be a two-year registry for promotions as positions become available.

Unified's Wildland Division is actively preparing for wildland fire season and expects it to be busy. They've hired 40 seasonal firefighters to the hand crew and engines where they will be responding all along the Wasatch Front and out of state. He said they are excited to be in the final phase of their hotshot crew's certification process. It's a 20-member type one team and they are the real deal firefighters being deployed nationally. It's been a long process of four years to get them certified as a type one team.

Chief Wade Russell was promoted to Assistant Chief over Administration and Planning. Wade Watkins was promoted to the new Fire Marshall position where he will be working in the

fire prevention and community risk reduction division. They also promoted five paramedics and two wildland specialists in the last month.

4. UNIFIED POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Morse and Detective Josh Smith were present from UPD. Detective Smith said the numbers look good with a few isolated incidents. Their calls are still in the mid 30's, but as the weather warms up, they could increase. As it warms up, people sometimes leave things in their vehicles that can be stolen. He suggested making sure all items are stowed away and not out in the open. Property crimes have been increasing, and car prowls are their biggest issue in the summer. The community knows who should be here and not so please call if you see anything suspicious.

Chief Morse said they are having issues with people reporting things to Facebook rather than the police. She said to please call the police. Outside agencies come into White City for enforcement and normally will let UPD know. However, there has been a couple over the last few months that have been more of a task force setup with different agencies working together and the notification of UPD has been slipping. She has been reminding them to give UPD a courtesy call to let them know what's going on. She said they are in the middle of the budget and are still working on it and maintaining a 5% proposed budget increase minimum.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

5.1 RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2026 WHITE CITY TENTATIVE BUDGET BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

Council Member Cardenaz, seconded by Council Member Price, motioned to open the public hearing. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dave Sanderson discussed the FY2026 proposed tentative budget which has been given to the MSD.

Mayor Pro-Tem Shelton opened the public comment section of the public hearing.

There were no public comments

Council Member Cardenaz, seconded by Council Member Price, motioned to close the public hearing. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**ACTION: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05-01
ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 WHITE CITY TENTATIVE BUDGET
BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2026**

Council Member Price, seconded by Council Member Cardenaz, motioned to approve Resolution No. 2025-05-01 adopting the Fiscal Year 2026 White City Tentative Budget beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.1 APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 3, 2025

Mayor Flint, seconded by Council Member Price, motioned to accept the minutes of April 3, 2025. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

6.2 SET DATE AND TIME [JUNE 5, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M.] FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE FY2026 WHITE CITY FINAL BUDGET, AND FY2026 WHITE CITY FEE SCHEDULE

Council Member Cardenaz, seconded by Council Member Price, motioned to Set date and time [June 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.] for a public hearing to receive public comment and consider adoption of the FY2026 White City Final Budget, and FY2026 White City Fee Schedule. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

6.3 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05-02 APPOINTING GREG SHELTON AS MAYOR PRO-TEMPORE TO SERVE AS WHITE CITY'S ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE ON THE GREATER SALT LAKE MUNICIPAL SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Paul Ashton said as the townships became cities, the makeup of the MSD Board of Trustees had to be adjusted because it was based on the old metro township model. That statute automatically appointed the mayor as the member of the MSD Board and the mayor pro-tem as the alternate member to act in the mayor's place as needed. When the legislature appealed the metro township statute, they forgot to put in place the alternate. So as part of the clean-up bill this year the Professional Special District Association asked the legislature to pass a bill that allows for an alternate MSD Board of Trustees members to be appointed.

Council Member Cardenaz, seconded by Mayor Flint motioned to approve Resolution No. 2025-05-02 Appointing Greg Shelton as Mayor Pro-Tempore to serve as White City's Alternate Representative on the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District Board of Trustees The motion passed by unanimous vote.

6.4 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05-03 ADOPTING THE WHITE CITY ENGINEERING STANDARDS & SPECIFICATIONS

Chad Anderson said HB368 was passed this year requiring with provisions that require inspection standards to be adopted by each municipality. With engineering under the County until recently, White City has not had these standards. He said he presented the proposed engineering standards and specifications to the Council at the last meeting. Since then, they have presented it to the Planning Commission, where they received their approval. He was now bringing it back to the Council for final approval.

Mr. Anderson reviewed the changes made after the discussion at the last meeting to include the city engineer having the ability to approve exceptions to the standards. There was also some discussion on standard provision 255. In the County standards enforced previously, there was a provision that required anyone cutting into roads to provide a mill and overlay wider than just the trench if the cut was longer than a couple hundred feet long. He said APWA standards have been commonly adopted across the state and other cities do provide for exceptions. He said his recommendation based on Council discussion at the last meeting would be a mill and overlay would never be required where there's an upcoming city project that will mill and overlay or reconstruct the road within two years. Otherwise, the mill and overlay will be required when the pigment is less than three years old or the street cut is longer than 300 feet and the pavement is 3-7 years old and not required if the pavement is greater than seven years old.

Paul Ashton said on behalf of the Water District, he appreciates the exceptions.

Mr. Anderson said there was a lot of discussion on the lights. He said he had not yet received the light details, so he removed the light details from the standards. Once he receives the light detail from the vendor, he will add it to the standards.

Council Member Cardenaz, seconded by Mayor Flint, motioned to approve Resolution No. 2025-05-03 Adopting the White City Engineering Standards & Specifications. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

6.5 CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2025-O-04 AN ORDINANCE OF THE WHITE CITY COUNCIL AMENDING SUBSECTION 19.46.100 INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, CLARIFYING WHEN INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS MUST BE INSTALLED BY A DEVELOPER SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS ON EXACTIONS IN UTAH CODE

Jeff Miller, Planner, said he was covering for Brian Tucker. He discussed the proposed Ordinance amending Subsection 19.46.100 of the White City Municipal Code regarding infrastructure and public improvements. He said in June 2023, White City had repealed and replaced its subdivision Title 18 as well as the zoning ordinance, which was Title 19. Staff have been using the ordinance for a year and a half and have noted that a code section requiring infrastructure and public improvements to be installed by a developer was inadvertently left out of the adopted Title 19 in 2023. These improvement installation requirements are subject to the limitations on exactions in the Utah Code. He said this ordinance was presented to the Planning Commission, which was approved.

Council Member Huish mentioned a correction in the ordinance to replace Magna with White City.

Council Member Price, seconded by Mayor Flint, motioned to approve Ordinance No. 2025-O-04 Amending Subsection 19.46.100 Infrastructure and Public Improvements, clarifying when Infrastructure and Public Improvements must be installed by a Developer subject to the Limitations on Exactions in Utah Code subject to the typo. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

7. COUNCIL REPORTS

7.1 Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District/Council of Governments

Mayor Flint said she would like to defer her report since the MSD is just doing open houses and getting acquainted with the new building.

7.2 Unified Fire Authority/Unified Fire Service Area

Council Member Price said she attended the UFA meeting for Council Member Huish. She said Chief Alridge covered most of the items. She said UFA sent a group of firefighters to Texas for disaster training so our firefighters could experience a large-scale disaster training. There was an incident in Little Cottonwood canyon where a climber fell. The climber was hanging upside down by his foot for over a half hour. They did a joint rescue with other agencies and

were having trouble deciding how to save the climber. They ended up using dish soap and oil to soften the tissue to release him from hanging upside down. They have to be able to think on their feet and come up with solutions they haven't done before.

7.3 Mosquito Abatement/Salt Lake County Animal Control

Council Member Price said the cost of everything is going up. The Mosquito Abatement District made a comparison of the supplies they use, which have all increased. They have not raised their rates in years but may need to in the future. There will also be more employees this year, which will increase their budget. They had 41 applicants for seasonal positions and 11 for internships. She said they have done a lot of job fairs, so they received a great pool of prospective employees. She said mosquito season started today and they are expecting a heavy season this year.

Council Member Price said congratulations to Salt Lake County Animal Services who received "Best of State" again for the 18th year. One thing they discussed at their meetings was professional dog walkers. The maximum number of dogs permitted is six. The question is whether it's feasible for six very large dogs or six smaller dogs. She said six large dogs are not feasible. They will take this under advisement, but ultimately the city can set their own rules if desired. They are having the Spaygetti Gala on October 10th and the Petapaloosa on September 13, which will be a two-day event at Wheeler Farm.

7.4 Unified Police Department/SLVLESA

Council Member Cardenaz said he was able to be part of the swearing in of new officers, which was great to see. He said they discussed UPD benefits and compensation, where they want to make sure they are still competitive. As far as compensation, they are currently 15th in state and are hoping to be around ninth or tenth. Each of the entities of UPD were asked to sign a letter in favor of a grant from Representative Burgess Owens.

Council Member Cardenaz said in the SLVLESA meeting, they swore in some members from the County, and Rachel Anderson conducted Open Meetings Act training. He also reported that Kearns is looking to relocate their building and were asking for \$200,000. However, in doing so, they pointed out that they would actually be saving money over the next five years due to the costs of the utilities and the building rent.

7.5 Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District

Council Member Shelton said SCRP program is underway, registration started this morning. If someone got a dumpster last year, they go to the end of the waiting list, so it gives others the opportunity to get a dumpster. Council Member Cardenaz said there were two postcards that came out, one for today for those that did not get a dumpster last year, and then one for May 5th.

Council Member Shelton said the Board approved the monthly billing after great length of discussion based on pros and costs. That will go into effect January 2026. They will be notifying residents and providing education to residents. The big push from the Board to work on is cost saving measures. The more people they can get on electronic billing will significantly reduce the expense of mailing bills 12 times a year instead of four. Residents can go online to sign-up for electronic billings. He announced that Pam Roberts, General Manager, will be retiring on September 30th.

8. Closed Sessions if Needed as Allowed Under Utah Code Ann. §52-4-205

No closed session was needed.

9. Adjourn

Mayor Flint, seconded by Council Member Cardenaz, motioned to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Flint declared the meeting to adjourn 7:20 pm.

Rori L. Andreason

Rori L. Andreason, City Recorder

Approved this 5th day of June, 2025.