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Minutes of a regular meeting held June 17, 2025 at Sunset City Hall, 200 West 1300 North, Sunset, Utah; Mayor Wiggill presiding.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

# **Mayor and Council Present:**

Scott Wiggill Mayor

Sam BartlingCouncil MemberRicky CarlsonCouncil MemberNancy SmallingCouncil MemberNakisha RigleyCouncil MemberHope ThompsonCouncil Member

### **City Employees Present:**

Recorder Supp Recorder
Brett Jamison Police Chief

Jason Monroe Public Works Director

## **Others Present:**

Katherine Hunter Sunset Paula Collier Sunset Vince Collier Sunset Cornel Thomas Sunset David Solis-Aguiree Sunset Ray Chapman Sunset Lee Garcia Sunset April Larson Sunset Payton Osborne Sunset Brenda Ewell Sunset

The regular session was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Mayor Wiggill.

Council Member Smalling gave a prayer/inspirational thought and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from May 6, 2025 as presented and Council Member Smalling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Carlson, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

<u>Public Comments</u>: Ray Chapman – 836 N 250 W – Mr. Chapman stated that he was running for City Council and expressed a desire to see a "Meet the Candidates" night organized and recalled similar events held in the past at City Hall. Mr. Chapman asked to be informed if someone planned to host such an event but wanted July 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> noted as unavailable dates for him due to surgery.

Lee Garcia – 283 W 1600 N – Mr. Garcia apologized for arriving late and expressed concern about the recent delivery of a recycling bin. Mr. Garcia questioned how the City could mandate

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payment for a service that residents had not requested, characterizing it as a violation of federal and state laws. Mr. Garcia stated he did not produce enough recyclable waste to justify the cost and argued that the only beneficiaries were the corporations running the service. Mr. Garcia presented a calculation estimating over \$300,000 in revenue generated from 5,000 residents, stating that residents were essentially paying to provide labor for a for-profit business. Mr. Garcia argued that the recycling material would likely be exported and not benefit the local community. He cited legal concerns about forced payment for unsolicited services and questioned how the arrangement had been approved without pushback, noting that other cities, such as Layton, had opposed similar measures. Mayor Wiggill asked Mr. Garcia for a phone number to follow up, clarifying that Council was not permitted to engage in back-and-forth dialogue during the public comment period. Mr. Garcia reiterated that many community members, particularly the elderly, did not understand the reason behind the mandatory recycling fee, calling the issue serious. Mayor Wiggill thanked Garcia for sharing their concerns and for attending the meeting.

Vince Collier – 1627 N 350 W –Mr. Collier stepped forward and apologized to Council Members Smalling and Rigley for a previous social media post. Mr. Collier said he had refrained from tagging the individuals to avoid possible accusations of bullying or harassment. Mr. Collier addressed Police Chief Jamison directly, expressing sympathy for the chief's lack of control in managing a problematic resident who had been elected to the Council. Mr. Collier alleged that Council Member Thompson could retaliate by voting against departmental needs due to a past ticket. Mr. Collier thanked the chief for a quick response following the previous Council meeting but called the situation an embarrassment for the City, citing the need to call in outside assistance. He expressed disappointment in Mayor Wiggill's handling of the matter and stated that if Mayor Wiggill had experienced similar issues at his home, the problem would have been resolved sooner. Mr. Collier described an incident involving animal control that followed repeated calls and submission of photos. According to Mr. Collier, the animal control officers were shocked by the state of the backyard, with one reportedly saying, "Wow, this is bad." He continued, referencing social media posts made by the problematic Council Member accusing neighbors of harassing their dogs. Mr. Collier said their spouse had exited their car when the Council Member's dog charged the fence, causing fear. The spouse had reacted by velling at the dog, which Mr. Collier said was not harassment. He accused Council Member Thompson of blaming others for personal issues, citing examples involving public works, police, and yard maintenance, and offered to share recorded videos to support these claims. Mayor Wiggill thanked Collier for sharing their comments and for participating in the meeting.

Payton Osborne – 1634 N 350 W – Mr. Osborne explained that he had grown up in Sunset and had recently returned to purchase a family home. Mr. Osborne mentioned he now must move elsewhere for work but had concerns for the next family to occupy the property. He described a neighboring house with ongoing issues, including dogs that frightened children, reckless driving incidents, frequent arguments, and an increasing number of parked vehicles including a motor home and camper. Mr. Osborne said the property had become one to be avoided, expressing concern for future residents. Mayor Wiggill thanked Osborne for sharing those concerns.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>: Council Member Bartling made a motion to move into the Public Hearing and Council Member Smalling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Carlson, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

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- **F. To Solicit Input from Sunset City Residents for the Adoption of Fiscal Year 2025 Amended Budget:** Mr. Garcia interjected, stating that they did not believe the recycling program should be included in the City's fiscal budget. Mayor Wiggill acknowledged the comment and moved on to the next public hearing item.
- G. To Solicit Input from Sunset City Residents for the Adoption of Fiscal Year 2026 Final Budget: Mr. Garcia again requested that the recycling program be removed from both the FY2025 and FY2026 budgets. Mayor Wiggill acknowledged the request.
- H. To Solicit Input from Sunset City Residents on Fund Transfers for Fiscal Year 2025 and Reallocation of Park Funds: There were no comments.

Council Member Rigley made a motion to move out of the Public Hearing and Council Member Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Carlson, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

### **Regular Meeting**

- **1.** <u>Introduction and Updates from Wallace Stenger School Principal</u>: Council Member Bartling confirmed that the principal was unable to attend.
- 2. Consider Resolution 2025-15 Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Final Budget Amendments: Recorder Supp provided an overview, stating that the amended Fiscal Year 2025 Budgets included a \$900,000 transfer from the General Fund to the Public Works Capital Projects Fund to support infrastructure and park needs. Additionally, the previously approved \$25,000 allocated to Central Park was increased to \$30,000, allowing broader use across any City parks.

Council Member Smalling made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-15 and Council Member Rigley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Carlson, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

- **3.** Consider Resolution 2025-14 Adopting the Fiscal Year 2026 Final Budgets: The next item was consideration of Resolution 2025-14, adopting the Fiscal Year 2026 final budget. Recorder Supp shared key highlights, including:
  - A 5% cost-of-living increase for all employees, totaling \$84,910.
  - \$1,200 in unallocated donations to be distributed by Council for requests under \$200.
  - A \$329,530 increase in the General Fund budget compared to FY2025.
  - A \$79,070 increase in the Utility Fund budget compared to FY2025.
  - Funding for various capital projects including police vehicles, new staffing positions, a deputy recorder, administration upgrades, and communications systems.
  - Joint slurry seal project with Clearfield City on 800 North.
  - Parks improvements and upgrades.
  - A UDOT project on 1800 North, with \$195,985 in this fiscal year going toward the City's betterment costs.

Council Member Bartling asked whether the term "slurry seal" should be replaced with "chip seal." Director Monroe confirmed the project has a chip seal so no need to rephrase.

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Council Member Carlson made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-14 and Council Member Bartling seconded the motion. The motion passed with Council Members Bartling, Carlson, Rigley and Smalling voting yes and Council Member Thompson voting no.

**4.** Consider Resolution 2025-13 Adopting the Certified Tax Rate: Recorder Supp mentioned that this rate increased the City's revenue by approximately \$4,000 and this rate was not set by the City it was set by the County. Council Member Bartling inquired about the previous year's rate, and Recorder Supp noted that it was slightly lower.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-13 and Council Member Smalling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Carlson, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes

**5.** Mayor, Council and Department Head Reports: Council Member Bartling reported that he, along with the Public Works Director, had secured four pallets of emergency water and one case of reflective emergency blankets. He expressed gratitude to Director Monroe for facilitating this and also thanked residents running for Council seats, encouraging participation in the upcoming election.

Council Member Rigley expressed enthusiasm about the number of residents running for City Council and appreciated the high level of community involvement. She noted that preparations for Fun Days were underway, including laying out a map for vendor placements in the park. Council Member Rigley also mentioned organizing a scavenger hunt scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, July 7th and 8th—the week leading up to Fun Days. Participants would use a phone app to complete tasks and submit photos or videos, with prizes awarded Friday night at the event. Council Member Rigley invited residents to email them for the registration link or check their Facebook page. They also encouraged sign-ups for the City parade, stating the goal was to have a big turnout. Council Member Rigley shared that she served on the board for the Wasatch Integrated Waste Management District and welcomed public emails for information or discussion. She stated that although some may disagree, she believed the former executive director, Nathan Rich, who had just retired, was genuinely committed to keeping the landfill operational and was not acting out of self-interest. Council Member Rigley emphasized that she could vouch for his integrity.

Council Member Smalling reported attending the monthly Senior Days event, held on the second Wednesday. They described it as a quiet but meaningful experience that evolved into vibrant conversations. Council Member Smalling mentioned that she and others considered organizing a community story time, where seniors could share their life experiences with younger residents. She planned to work with a member of the senior activity on that initiative and explore additional intergenerational opportunities. Council Member Smalling also shared information about a suicide prevention training program called QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer), likened to CPR. She noted knowing a certified instructor who might be able to conduct a training session for the City and were gauging interest at this early stage. Regarding Mosquito Abatement Board, Council Member Smalling said she had attended the recent board meeting virtually. The board had conducted seasonal testing and determined that panel sensitivity needed slight refinement, even though results were within acceptable standards.

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She reported that 286 acres had been treated to date—117 of those by ground using ATVs, pedal bikes, and electric bikes. She noted the office had received 213 calls, mainly for specialty spraying requests, and encouraged residents to use the City's Mosquito Abatement link on the website to get to the Mosquito Abatement's online site, especially before hosting events. Council Member Smalling confirmed that both City parks would be treated ahead of Fun Days. She stated that the Mosquito Abatement Board's annual audit came back clean, with only minor findings. The board also adopted a slightly increased tax rate. In closing, Council Member Smalling noted there were approximately 18–19 parade entries confirmed so far, including UDOT and U-Haul, with the latter planning a large entry. She encouraged others to join and emphasized that entries did not need to be elaborate.

Council Member Thompson provided updates on the Fun Days car show, stating she had 108 registrants and expected around 60 participants. She was actively forwarding registrants the necessary information and links. Council Member Thompson also planned to visit Lifetime to select donations for the event, hoping to secure either a large item like a kayak or multiple smaller items. Council Member Thompson noted the next Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting was scheduled for July 31st and would include newly appointed members. She mentioned that the recent UTA audit went well and that no program cuts affecting the City were anticipated. The next UTA meeting was set for September 22nd. Council Member Thompson also highlighted programs offered by the North Davis Senior Center, including fall prevention courses, chronic disease and diabetes management, Medicaid assistance, medical transport services, and access to a nursing home ombudsman. She noted the center was in need of volunteers and encouraged community members to engage.

Council Member Carlson stated he didn't have much to report, but reminded everyone of the upcoming Public Hearing meeting with the Fire District on Thursday. Council Member Carlson clarified that budget resolutions would be passed during that meeting and noted he had served on the budget committee.

Chief Jamison acknowledged the Council's support, concerning the recently passed budget. He announced that registration was now open for the Davis County Citizens Police Academy, a 15-week program held every Thursday evening for a \$25 fee. The program was open to the public and hosted in collaboration with various law enforcement agencies throughout the county. Chief Jamison encouraged participation, noting the program provided a hands-on look at law enforcement. Council Member Carlson endorsed the Citizens Police Academy, saying he highly recommended it.

Director Monroe also expressed appreciation for the Council's support in passing the public works budget. He reported that UDOT's 1800 North project was progressing well, with the goal to have the south side paved from Main Street to the railroad tracks before winter. Once completed, work would shift to the existing road and overpass construction. Director Monroe noted that the overpass would need to sit for 365 days before paving due to compaction standards.

Director Monroe mentioned that significant demolition was underway at the Wineger property, causing their office to vibrate from the nearby equipment. He reported two park

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restrooms had been vandalized and a broken pipe at Central Park required daytime watering to prevent nighttime flooding. Preparation for Fun Days included cleaning and painting the bowery at the Rachael Runyan park used for the community breakfast. Council Member Smalling thanked Monroe for quickly responding to an email over the weekend and appreciated the resolution of the concern.

Council Member Bartling inquired about the asphalt patch on 250 North near the closed road sign. Recorder Supp responded that she had contacted the contractor, who promised to follow up through the manager. Since the manager had not yet responded, Recorder Supp committed to following up again.

Mayor Wiggill thanked Monroe and acknowledged the public works team's work on Flag Day setup. He noted the ongoing cleanup at the Wineger property and said it was good to see the housing project underway. Mayor Wiggill also thanked Council Member Smalling for attending the seniors' event in his place.

Mayor Wiggill reiterated that Fun Days would take place on July 11th and 12th. He noted the City's skateboard park had been damaged in an accident and was under repair to ensure it would be ready for the skateboard competition. Mayor Wiggill encouraged additional parade entries, especially from local businesses or residents running for office. He reminded the public that sign-ups were still open for the car show and cornhole tournament and that registration could be completed online.

Mr. Chapman asked whether parade participants would be allowed to throw candy. Mayor Wiggill confirmed that candy was allowed but emphasized that no sharp objects should be thrown. He added jokingly that they didn't want anything thrown back at them either.

Recorder Supp reported that newsletters had been picked up for delivery, but due to a printing error, they were being reprinted. She expected them to be delivered to the residents' homes by the end of the week or early the following week.

Mayor Wiggill stated that the meeting had covered all necessary topics and reminded attendees to sign the attendance sheet. He announced a short break before the Council would move into a closed session, to be held in the same room, and asked for a motion to adjourn the regular meeting.

Council Member Smalling made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session and move into a Close Session with a short break in between and Council Member Bartling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Carlson, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

The Regular meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m. Closed meeting began at 7:26 p.m. and adjourned at 7:43 p.m. (see closed session minutes)

Approved – July 1, 2025

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Scott Wiggill, Mayor	Nicole Supp, Recorder