



Public Hearing
Mount Pleasant City Council
June 24th, 2025
5:45 p.m.

Mount Pleasant City held a Public Hearing June 24, 2025 at 5:45 p.m. The hearing was held in the City Council Chambers at 115 West Main Street, Mount Pleasant, Utah.

The public hearing was called to order by Mayor Olsen:

Present: D. Lynn Beesley, Paul C. Madsen, Michael T. Olsen, Russell G. Keisel, Rondy G. Black

Excused: Cade A. Beck

Employees in Attendance: Natalie Crosby, Chief Steve Gray, Dave Oxman, Shane Ward, Monte Bona

Others in Attendance: Jeff McDonald, Claudia Jarrett

The Purpose of the meeting to discuss:

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, Mt. Pleasant City will hold Eight (8) public hearings starting at the hour of 5:45 p.m. in the Mt. Pleasant City Hall, 115 West Main, Mt. Pleasant, Utah, for the purpose of receiving public comment as follows:

1. The Mt. Pleasant Community Development and Renewal Agency will hold a public hearing to receive public comment regarding the Community Development and Renewal Agency amended budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025.

No Public Comment

2. The Mt. Pleasant Library will hold a public hearing to receive public comment regarding the amended library budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025.

No Public Comment

3. Mt. Pleasant City will hold a public hearing to receive public comments regarding the amended city budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025.

No Public Comment

4. The Mt. Pleasant Community Development and Renewal Agency will hold a public hearing to receive public comment regarding the Community Development and Renewal Agency budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

Jeff McDonald A member of the public asked about the difference between the 2024–2025 and 2025–2026 budgets. Dave Oxman responded that the difference is approximately \$100,000.

5. The Mt. Pleasant Library will hold a public hearing to receive public comment regarding the library budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026.



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A question was raised by Claudia Jarrett about whether the library budget is starting in a deficit, which was confirmed. Dave Oxman stated that a Truth in Taxation hearing will be held in August to address the shortfall and help bring the library's budget back into balance.

6. The Mt. Pleasant City Local Building Authority will hold a public hearing to receive public comment regarding the Local building authority budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

Claudia Jarrett asked why the balance of the Veteran's Memorial Fund is not being publicly reported by the City. Monte Bona responded that the General Fund had committed \$30,000 from the MPNHA and \$30,000 from the Eccles Foundation, and that \$100,000 currently held in the Local Building Authority (LBA) account consists of donation funds. Dave Oxman clarified that the \$95,000 listed in the budget is allocated for bond payments. Claudia expressed a desire for a more detailed breakdown of expenditure related to the funds. Mayor Olsen noted that it is difficult to project the total amount of donations the city will receive. There was also a question raised about why previously received funds were not carried forward in the current budget, given that they were designated for the Veteran's Memorial. Additional discussion followed regarding how and where the balance of the fund should be reflected in the budget.

7. Mt. Pleasant City will hold a public hearing to receive public comments regarding the city budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

Council member Jeff McDonald asked about the total difference in revenue between last year's budget and the current year. Finance Director Dave Oxman explained that the difference is approximately \$60,000, which is being drawn from retained earnings to potentially fund a new roof for the recreation center. Without that allocation, the budget remains essentially the same at approximately \$4,130,685.00. Mr. Oxman also noted that overall revenue is slightly lower compared to previous years. The council briefly discussed the possibility of revenue increasing in the 2025–2026 fiscal year, with potential growth expected from new businesses such as O'Reilly Auto Parts and Dollar General.

Mr. McDonald further inquired how the city could afford employee raises if revenue does not increase. Mr. Oxman responded that the raises have a minimal impact on the overall budget, and Shane Ward added that the raises were planned for in the departmental budgets ahead of time.

Claudia Jarrett asked about the increase in the general fund charge to the Power Department. Mr. Oxman explained that, like other departments, operational costs have gone up. She also noted a significant change in retained earnings. Mr. Oxman clarified that since a road project was not completed, the City was required to transfer funds into the Capital Projects Fund to remain compliant with state requirements.

Ms. Jarrett also questioned the increase in the legal services line item, referencing the HMH lawsuit and whether the same attorney would continue to represent the City. Mayor Mike Olsen confirmed that the matter is still in litigation.



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She then asked about the increase in Planning and Zoning professional services. Mr. Oxman stated this was due to the Transportation Master Plan, which is partially funded through a grant.

Additional questions were raised regarding:

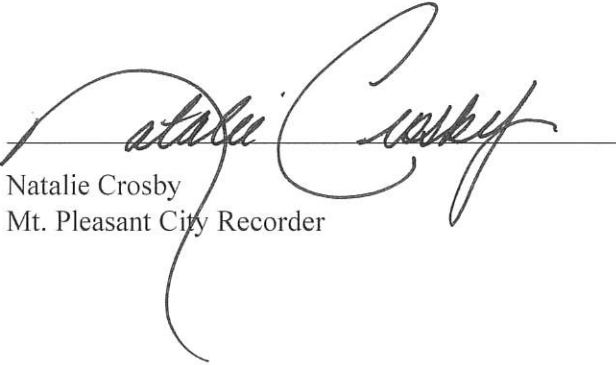
- The Recreation Department budget, which includes funding for a new roof at the recreation center.*
- Arena operating expenses, which increased due to power usage billed back to the city.*
- A decrease in materials for the Cemetery Department, attributed to fewer expenses budgeted for the upcoming year.*
- A transfer to the Debt Service Fund, which Mr. Oxman explained was related to the recent payoff of a road bond. Mayor Olsen added that another bond will be paid off in 2027.*

Finally, Mr. McDonald asked if the budget could be posted on the City's website for public review. Mayor Olsen said the city would look into making that information available online.

8. Mt. Pleasant City will hold a public hearing to receive input from the public on the cost-of-living adjustment, COLA, for executive municipal officers proposed for inclusion in the City's Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget.

No Comment

Public Hearing was closed at 6:17 PM


Natalie Crosby
Mt. Pleasant City Recorder