

Sunset City Corporation

City Council Minutes

August 5, 2025

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Minutes of a regular meeting held August 5, 2025 at Sunset City Hall, 200 West 1300 North, Sunset, Utah; Mayor Wiggill presiding.

REGULAR SESSION

Mayor and Council Present:

Scott Wiggill	Mayor
Sam Bartling	Council Member
Nancy Smalling	Council Member
Nakisha Rigley	Council Member
Hope Thompson	Council Member

City Employees Present:

Recorder Supp	Recorder
Brett Jamison	Police Chief
Jason Monroe	Public Works Director

Others Present:

Ray Chapman	Sunset
Cornel Thomas	Sunset
Tom Ewell	Sunset
Brenda Ewell	Sunset
Kay Gibson	Sunset
Robert F. Smalling	Sunset

Excused:

Ricky Carlson	Council Member
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The regular session was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Mayor Wiggill.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Council Member Bartling made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from July 15, 2025 as presented and Council Member Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Cool Covers in the amount of \$21,500 for the final payment for the bowery at the Veterans Park.

Mayor Wiggill explained this was the second and final installment for the bowery structure and encouraged members to visit the Veterans Park to see the improvements. The bowery was described as a valuable addition to the park.

Council Member Thompson inquired whether the total payment was \$43,000, which Mayor Wiggill confirmed included installation and delivery. Council Member Bartling asked whether any snow retention would be installed to prevent snow from sliding off the roof during winter.

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Mayor Wiggill responded that snow retention was supposed to be included on the east side, Director Monroe clarified Public Works will install snow cleats. Council Member Thompson asked about the cost of the snow retention, and Mayor Wiggill indicated it was assumed to be part of the original package. Director Monroe stated there is no cost for his crew to complete the snow cleat installation.

Council Member Smalling made a motion to approve the voucher for Cool Covers and Council Member Rigley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote from Council Members Bartling, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

Public Comments: There were none.

Regular Meeting

1. Mayor, Council and Department Head Reports: Council Member Bartling reported working on the CERT program reboot and had started coordinating with neighboring cities on potential collaboration, such as joint training sessions or mutual aid arrangements for emergencies.

Council Member Rigley provided an update on the upcoming Mental Health Awareness Craft Fair scheduled for September 13. Thirty-six participants had signed up, including nonprofits, vendors, and food trucks. The event was intended to focus on mental health resources while also offering entertainment to draw attendance. Council Member Rigley detailed plans for free inflatables, therapy dogs, nonprofit booths, live music from bands like "Los Dudes," who are willing to donate their time to play and a DJ potentially offering karaoke. Joni Phillips from Just Serve has been coordinating with Council Member Rigley to organize volunteer support for setup, takedown, and other related tasks. Efforts were being made to boost community awareness through social media and event websites. Council Member Rigley asked each Council Member to share and invite their friends, neighbors and families to the event. In hopes the event will generate about 1,000 interested people. Council Member Rigley also mentioned ongoing work on event logistics, including mapping vendor locations and scheduling volunteers. Once the Mental Health Craft Fair was over, she plans to focus her time and attention on building the Youth Council back up. Mayor Wiggill thanked Council Member Rigley for her dedication and acknowledged the considerable time and effort put into organizing the event.

Council Member Smalling reported there had not been a recent Mosquito Abatement Board meeting since the last Council session but shared that planning will soon begin for this year's Veterans Program, which would be held as a morning event instead of in the evening. Mayor Wiggill expressed appreciation for Council Member Smalling's efforts and acknowledged the success of past events due to her commitment.

Council Member Thompson reported on a RAB (Restoration Advisory Board) meeting and provided updates on ongoing environmental cleanup efforts, particularly issues related to PFAS (forever chemicals) and contaminated dirt from I-15 construction. Lindsey Burtt who is in charge of certain affected areas, is in charge of Sunset and his major concern was the lack of access for testing in Sunset, despite it being one of the biggest areas of the contamination plume. Council Member noted that residents were reluctant to allow air and water sampling, which was

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impeding the effort to collect necessary data. Mayor Wiggill thanked Council Member Thompson for the update.

Chief Jamison reported that Skate Park was once again being targeted by graffiti vandals, which was frustrating given recent cleanup efforts. The department was investigating and suspected a large group might be involved. In response to a question by Council Member Rigley, Chief Jamison indicated that similar vandalism had occurred in Roy City.

Chief Jamison also announced upcoming state-funded DUI enforcement shifts to take place from August 13 through Labor Day on weekends.

Additionally, Chief Jamison expressed serious concerns about the condition of properties throughout the City. Many yards were overgrown, and numerous properties had abandoned vehicles. The police department regularly issued warnings and citations, but some individuals remained non-compliant despite court action. One property on 2300 North near the railroad tracks was highlighted due to extensive weed growth and ownership confusion. Despite repeated attempts to determine responsibility, no party had taken accountability. Chief Jamison noted this presented a safety hazard, particularly with school starting soon, as the sidewalk in that area was impassable. Chief Jamison asked for suggestions from the Council on how to improve compliance and encourage community cooperation. Mayor Wiggill agreed with the concerns and thanked Chief Jamison.

Public Works Director Monroe announced that Wasatch Rod's big car show would be held at Rachael Runyan Park on Saturday.

Council Member Smalling commended Director Monroe and his crew for their prompt and thorough response to water issues near her home, including an old valve from the 1950s that was not on any official record. Director Monroe had taken initiative to investigate and repair the issue late at night, demonstrating dedication to the City. Council Member Smalling expressed deep appreciation for the effort and cleanup done afterward.

Council Member Bartling expressed appreciation and asked a question regarding a resident seeking sidewalk repair. Council Member Bartling mentioned resident, Mr. Fawcett, had submitted a request concerning a sidewalk issue and recently inquired about when the repair might take place. He wasn't sure of the status and sought clarification from Director Monroe. Director Monroe responded by stating that Precision Concrete Cutting was currently evaluating sidewalks Citywide. Once the evaluation was complete, staff would prioritize the worst areas for repair based on available funding. Director Monroe emphasized that this would be an ongoing annual process and mentioned that road evaluations were also underway.

Recorder Supp reported that the Moderate-Income Housing report had been submitted on the first of the month. Recorder Supp, along with Deputy Recorder Markel and the Planning Commission, had worked extensively on the report and were awaiting feedback from the State. Additionally, preparations for the City audit were about to be underway. She also noted that the new cleaning service had started and was currently working downstairs. Mayor Wiggill encouraged Council Members and staff to report any cleaning concerns during the initial

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transition period. He suggested the use of a checklist to help the new service understand expectations.

Mayor Wiggill shared that a walk-through of the bowery had been completed with representatives from Cool Covers, and praised both their professionalism and flexibility. He also discussed a meeting with a local business group to explore opportunities to bring new businesses into the community.

Mayor Wiggill highlighted the availability of Agent Orange materials in the foyer and encouraged Council Members to review them, noting a future discussion on the topic. He reminded everyone about the upcoming "Under the Sun" car show at Rachel Running Park, noting its long-standing popularity and detailing the event schedule. Mayor Wiggill then announced the upcoming retirement of Police Secretary Judy Hampton, who had served the City for nearly 33 years. A retirement celebration was scheduled for August 21 at noon in the Sunset Room.

Mayor Wiggill reiterated the potential value of the Agent Orange memorial project, which could be part of a national monument program and attract visitors to Sunset, thereby supporting local businesses. He expressed strong support for incorporating the memorial into the community. Mayor Wiggill also commended Director Monroe, Chief Jamison, and Recorder Supp for their hard work during a busy time. He acknowledged that some departments were short-staffed and thanked Public Works and the Police Department for going above and beyond to maintain operations and public safety.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session and move into a Work Session and Council Member Rigley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

Work Session

1. Discuss Playground Equipment for Rachael Runyan Park: Mayor Wiggill introduced the first item in the work session: playground equipment for Rachel Runyan Park. He asked if Council Member Thompson would present her research.

Council Member Thompson shared excitement about the project and presented multiple playground options within the City's \$13,000 budget. She explained that the space currently used for sand volleyball could accommodate any of the proposed options.

The first option was a \$9,100 seven-station fitness course that included pull-up bars, stretch bars, and other exercise equipment. The cost included shipping and installation, and all equipment met safety and accessibility standards.

The second option catered to younger children and included a pod climber, slides, drums, a rain wheel, and a line group. It had an ADA transfer station and was priced at \$10,389. Because it exceeded \$10,000, shipping would be free. The equipment colors could be customized to match the existing playground.

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The third option, called “Simon Says,” was designed for ages 2–7 and accommodated up to 30 children at once. Features included slides, crawl tunnels, activity panels, and an ADA transfer station. It was safety certified and used lead-free coatings. Though the full price was \$14,549, a \$7,000 grant from the Kiwanis Club could reduce the City’s cost to approximately \$7,500. The final and largest option had various play elements including monkey bars, climbers, slides, crawl tubes, and a learning station with interactive panels for math and handwriting. It was intended for ages 5–12 and measured 38 feet by 26 feet. With the Kiwanis grant, the cost would be \$9,549.99. Council Member Thompson noted this one was her favorite and appreciated the educational components.

Mayor Wiggill addressed the current lack of use of the sand volleyball court and supported transitioning that space into a more family-friendly area. He suggested forming an L-shaped playground sand area to integrate the new features with the existing equipment and proposed adding benches for parents. Funds previously designated for Central Park had been redirected for improvements at any park.

Council Member Thompson added that she had also priced out a package with playground components like swings, a merry-go-round, pod spinners, and a teeter-totter. This package included two swings with an eight-foot arch frame and cost was \$11,000. Mayor Wiggill confirmed that the \$11,000 would be in addition to the cost of the other structures. Council Member Thompson clarified that the package could be purchased independently or as an add-on. Mayor Wiggill mentioned the high demand for swings and emphasized the need to check the rules regarding their installation. He asked for general approval to proceed with park improvements. All council members expressed agreement.

2. Discuss Safety Rock Features in North Park: Mayor Wiggill explained that a minor had accidentally driven into the skate ramp at the John G. White park. As a precaution, the City planned to install large rocks as barriers.

After consulting with American Stone, the City was offered large rocks from their local quarry at a discounted price of under \$100 each, with the understanding that City staff would place the rocks. There were ten parking spaces near the skate park, and rocks would be positioned in front of them.

Council Member Bartling asked if American Stone required any signage or recognition. Mayor Wiggill confirmed that no signage was required, only that City staff place the rocks using a tractor with a bucket and thumb. With no objections, Mayor Wiggill stated that the City would proceed with acquiring and installing the safety rocks.

Mayor Wiggill thanked everyone for their participation and concluded by acknowledging a \$2,000 donation from the Sunset Mini Mart (Tesoro) towards pickleball courts, thanking the owners, Bill and Monica, for their generosity and support. He encouraged others to support local businesses like the Mini Mart that contribute to community efforts.

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Council Member Smalling made a motion to adjourn and Council Member Bartling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Bartling, Rigley, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

The Regular meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Approved – August 19, 2025

Scott Wiggill, Mayor

Nicole Supp, Recorder