



MINUTES OF THE SOUTH OGDEN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AND CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025

WORK SESSION – 5 PM IN EOC ROOM

COUNCIL MEETING – 6 PM IN COUNCIL ROOM

WORK SESSION MINUTES

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Russell Porter, Council Members Susan Stewart, Mike Howard, Jeanette Smyth, Doug Stephens, and Jeremy Howe

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

City Manager Matt Dixon, Assistant City Manager Summer Palmer, Finance Director Peter Anjewierden, Fire Chief Cameron West, Deputy Fire Chief Brandon Storey, Police Chief Darin Parke, Communications and Events Manager Danielle Bendinelli, Accounts Payable Clerk Lori Hurd, and Recorder Leesa Kapetanov

OTHERS PRESENT

No one else attended this meeting.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

- At 5:02 pm, Mayor Porter called the meeting to order and called for a motion to begin
00:00:00

Council Member Howard so moved, followed by a second from Council Member Stewart. Council Members Stewart, Howard, Smyth, Stephens, and Howe all voted aye.

II. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

- Council Member Stephens asked several questions about the water rates
00:00:16

III. DISCUSSION ITEM

A. FY2026 Budget

- Finance Director Peter Anjewierden gave some information about past year budgets and reviewed some specific items in the budget. Mr. Anjewierden used several diagrams during this presentation/discussion. See Attachment A.

00:01:53

- The Finance Director pointed out an error in the budget that would need to be corrected in the motion to adopt the budget 00:47:30
- Discussion on water fund 00:49:30

IV. RECESS/ADJOURN

- At 6:00 pm Mayor Porter called for a motion to adjourn the work session

00:58:22

Council Member Stephens so moved, followed by a second from Council Member Smyth. All present voted aye.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT

Kathy Palmer, Steve Palmer, Bruce and Joyce Hartman, John Bradley, Pat Bradley

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I. OPENING CEREMONY

A. Call To Order

- Mayor Porter called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm. He then entertained a motion to begin the meeting. 00:00:00

Council Member Smyth so moved. The motion was seconded by Council Member Stewart. In a voice vote Council Members Stewart, Howard, Smyth, Stephens, and Howe all voted aye.

B. Prayer/Moment of Silence

- The mayor led those present in a moment of silence

C. Pledge Of Allegiance

- Council Member Stephens led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance

II. RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES

Introduction of New Firefighters Julie Williamson and Sephrane Keovilay

- Chief West and Deputy Chief Storey introduced Julie and Sephrane. They then took picture with the mayor and all fire personnel in attendance.

00:01:10

III. PRESENTATION

Acknowledgement of Service for Planning Commissioners Nic Mills and John Bradley

- Mayor Porter announced that Mr. Mills was unable to be in attendance. He then invited Mr. Bradley to come forward and presented him with a plaque for his 10 years of service.

00:03:27

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Kathy Palmer

00:04:51

Ms. Palmer commented on problems at the intersection of 5800 S 1400 E. She then suggested a flagpole be installed at intersection of Hwy. 89 and Harrison Blvd.

V. RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

- The mayor told Ms. Palmer the City would look into both items

00:06:39

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of July 15 and August 5, 2025 Council Minutes

- Mayor Porter asked if there were any questions or corrections for the minutes. City Recorder Kapetanov informed the mayor of some corrections that needed to be made.

00:06:48

- The mayor called for a motion to approve the consent agenda

00:07:18

Council Member Smyth so moved. The motion was seconded by Council Member Howe. All present voted aye.

VII. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

A. Consideration of **Resolution 25-25** – Adopting the FY2025-2026 Budget Including a Proposed Increase in South Ogden’s Portion of Property Taxes

- Finance Director Peter Anjewierden gave an overview of the budget, noting an error that would need to be corrected as part of the motion to adopt it

00:07:29

- The Council had no more discussion concerning the budget

- Mayor Porter called for a motion to approve Resolution 25-25, changing item 51-30-875 from \$10,000 to \$8,500 [00:10:21](#)

Council Member Howe so moved, followed by a second from Council Member Smyth.

Mayor Porter asked if they needed to include the certified tax rate in the motion and then said he would include it to be safe.

The mayor amended the motion to approve Resolution 25-25, changing item 51-30-875 from \$10,000 to \$8,500 and also establishing the certified tax rate at .002578%.

Council Member Howe so moved, followed by a second from Council Member Smyth.

Mayor Porter asked if there was further discussion. City Manager Dixon said that for full transparency he wanted to state that the City had three donations in this budget: \$3,600 to Bonneville Communities That Care, \$1,000 to Bonneville High School for graduation activities, and \$9,858 to the YCC as a one-time donation. **The mayor asked if there was any more discussion, and seeing none, he made a roll call vote:**

Council Member Stewart -	Yes
Council Member Howard -	Yes
Council Member Smyth -	Yes
Council Member Stephens -	Yes
Council Member Howe -	Yes

The FY2026 Budget was approved with the correction.

B. Consideration of Resolution 25-26 – Adopting the Weber County, Utah Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan 2024

- Fire Chief Cameron West explained the need for the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan and how it would be used [00:12:29](#)
- There was no discussion on this item
- Mayor Porter called for a motion to approve Resolution 25-26 [00:13:52](#)

Council Member Howe so moved. Council Member Stephens seconded the motion. After determining there was no further discussion, the mayor made a roll call vote:

Council Member Howe -	Yes
Council Member Stephens -	Yes
Council Member Smyth -	Yes
Council Member Howard -	Yes
Council Member Stewart -	Yes

Resolution 25-26 was adopted.

C. Consideration of **Resolution 25-27** - Approving an Agreement with Stryker for Preventative Service on Fire Department Medical Equipment

- Deputy Fire Chief Storey explained what the Stryker agreement included
00:14:10
- Council questions/discussion 00:15:41
- Mayor Porter called for a motion to approve Resolution 25-27
00:17:19

Council Member Stephens so moved, followed by a second from Council Member Smyth. There was no further discussion, so the mayor called the vote:

Council Member Stephens -	Yes
Council Member Smyth -	Yes
Council Member Stewart -	Yes
Council Member Howard -	Yes
Council Member Howe -	Yes

The agreement with Stryker was approved.

VIII. REPORTS/DIRECTION TO CITY MANAGER


- A. City Council Members
 - Council Member Howe - 00:17:42
 - Council Member Howard - 00:18:39
 - Council Member Stewart - 00:22:34
 - Council Member Smyth - 00:24:09
 - Council Member Stephens - 00:24:57
- B. City Manager 00:30:26
- C. Mayor 00:34:44

IX. ADJOURN

- At 6:40 pm, Mayor Porter called for a motion to adjourn the meeting
00:36:11

Council Member Stephens so moved. Council Member Howe seconded the motion. The voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, accurate and complete record of the South Ogden City Work Session and Council Meeting held Tuesday, August 19, 2025.


Leesa Kapetanov, City Recorder

September 16, 2025
Date Approved by the City Council

ATTACHMENT A

Finance Director Anjewierden's Visuals

Budget Historical Data and updates to questions

Year End Entries Reduction of Benefit Liability

				Year End pre-post Audit		Employees
51-40-130	Salary	Benefits	% of Salary	Entries	Comments	
2021	\$ 260,165	\$ 18,590	7%	\$ (92,000)	Retirement decreased net pension liability (anomalously low)	3.25-4.25
2022	\$ 243,316	\$ 70,398	29%	\$ (74,000)		4.25
2023	\$ 261,236	\$ 117,912	45%	\$ (24,000)		4.25
2024	\$ 254,758	\$ 95,406	37%	\$ (41,500)		4.25
2025	\$ 278,024	\$ 143,319	36%	\$ (43,500)	Anticipated total after audit Amount \$99,800	4.25

Council Budget

- 10-41-130 Benefits include only FICA, Social Security, and Cell Phone stipend
 10-41-210 Subscription / Memberships budget is actually high as we already paid the League for next year so we will move the expense
 10-41-230 Adjusted Travel Training for the Council to \$10,000

Non-Department Retirement (page 5)

10-49-130	Retirement benefits Prior Years		
	2022	2023	2024
Audit			6980
Dental	871.95	1329.84	1692.56
Payroll	28620.24	28393.21	32144.76
PEHP	19204.52	32468.76	46925.92
Grand Total	48696.71	62191.81	87743.24
Lump Sum Payments	3	3	4
Insurance recipients	3	3	4

10-49-515 Donations

Still includes funding for YCC \$9,858

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 Projected
Revenues	\$ 1,953,515	\$ 2,082,650	\$ 1,982,475	\$ 2,171,625	\$ 2,280,477	\$ 2,482,219	\$ 2,639,848
Expenses	\$ 1,587,319	\$ 1,430,214	\$ 2,725,208	\$ 1,734,277	\$ 2,688,326	\$ 3,339,171	\$ 4,123,171
Running Balance	\$ 2,694,331	\$ 3,346,767	\$ 2,604,034	\$ 3,041,382	\$ 2,633,533	\$ 1,776,581	\$ 293,258

