

WEST HAVEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 20, 2025 6:00 P.M.
City Council Chambers
4150 South 3900 West, West Haven, UT 84401

Present:	
Rob Vanderwood	Mayor
Nina Morse	Councilmember
Ryan Swapp	Councilmember
Carrie Call	Councilmember
Ryan Saunders	Councilmember
Kim Dixon	Councilmember
Shawn Warnke	City Manager
Emily Green	City Recorder
Amy Hugie	City Attorney
Stephen Nelson	Community Development Director
Edward Mignone	City Engineer
Daniel Tanner	Code Enforcement Officer
John Wallace	Public Works Director
Sheri Bingham	Special Events and Grants Coordinator
Excused:	

5:00 Work Session - In City Council Chambers

NO ACTION CAN OR WILL BE TAKEN ON ANY CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED DURING PRE-COUNCIL WORKSHOP - DISCUSSION OF SUCH ITEMS IS FOR CLARIFICATION OF AGENDA ITEMS.

MEETING TO ORDER: MAYOR VANDERWOOD

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION AS FOLLOWS:

1. Discussion-Elected Officials and City Manager Updates

Shawn Warnke said that Stonefield Park restrooms had been damaged earlier in the year, but the repairs have been made and we are awaiting a final inspection. He said that work is under way for the pathway project and they have completed the segment from 3300 S to 2900 S. He said they started the structure of the bridge over the canal and the construction of the pathway from 2900 S to 2550 S. All the work is anticipated to be done by the end of next week.

2. Discussion-RAMP Grant Project List-Sheri Bingham, Special Events Coordinator

Sheri Bingham went over the suggested projects for RAMP grants. She suggested combining the concert and rodeo grants as one.

Mayor Vanderwood asked if it would be better to paint murals in the tunnels more or paint the public works building.

Councilmember Saunders said the public works building is more visible and should probably have a professional artist and suggested volunteers for the tunnel.

Shawn Warnke said the beautification committee discussed a call for submissions from artists and the different ways that could be approached.

Councilmember Dixon suggested doing a mural in another located for the 250th anniversary.

Sheri Bingham suggested doing more with the Arts Council for their monthly classes.

Councilmember Dixon asked if there are any grants that could help the Historic Preservation Committee.

Sheri Bingham suggested historical markers or a program.

Mayor Vanderwood suggested artwork for the Council chambers. He suggested putting together a list of potential costs for each project.

3. Presentation-West Haven Days Report-Sheri Bingham, Special Events Coordinator

Sheri Bingham went over revenue and expenses for the 2025 West Haven Days event.

4. Discussion-Possible Betterments for UDOT SR 108 (Midland Drive) Clinton to West Haven Road Widening Project-Shawn Warnke, City Manager

Shawn Warnke said the overall budget for this project includes funds for betterments and the current suggestion is to powder coat the streetlights.

Councilmembers Swapp, Saunders, and Morse liked the idea of planting street trees.

6:00 Regular City Council Meeting

1. MEETING BROUGHT TO ORDER:

The Council met at their regularly scheduled meeting held in the Council Chambers.

Mayor Vanderwood brought the meeting to order at 6:05 PM and welcomed those in attendance.

2. **OPENING CEREMONIES**

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
B. PRAYER/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilmember Swapp Councilmember Dixon

3. <u>PUBLIC PRESENTATION</u>: Resident(s) attending this meeting will be allotted 2 minutes to express a concern or ask a question about any issue that IS NOT ON THE AGENDA. No action can or will be taken on any issue(s) presented.

Tyler Peterson said he has serious concerns for the connector road outlined on the general plan from 3300 S to 3600 S. He suggested trying another option in where to place the road.

Jessica Peterson expressed safety concerns for children if the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S is constructed. She said she does not want the connector road.

Steve Prevedel said he would like the City to purchase his property if they plan on building the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S.

S'Tracy McClellan expressed concerns about the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S making things unsafe for pets and children

David McClellan expressed concerns about the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S creating noise pollution and vehicles speeding.

Emerson Steed expressed concern about the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S coming in because he feels his children would be required to play in the backyard only. He asked the City to consider a study for the road and reconsider the placement of the road.

Nicole Simmons strongly opposes the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S. She said she understands the need to address traffic concerns but that it would come at a great price to the people the City Council represents by taking homes, investments, and memories. She expressed safety concerns for children and said this would diminish property values.

Missy Haslam said she was frustrated that she did not know about the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S in advance of purchasing her home. She said she expected the kids to be able to use the area slated for the road as a way to get to other homes to play with their friends.

Bill Gibson said he found out about the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S two years ago. He expressed concern over noise pollution with the traffic. He asked the City to reconsider where they put the road.

Josh Luck said he strongly opposes the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S. He said he lives in a quiet safe neighborhood and this road would bring noise and light pollution and put children at risk. He asked the City to reconsider the placement of the road.

Angie Kellett asked the City to look at the properties in person before deciding on the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S.

Kyren Smith said he strongly opposes the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S going in. He said he moved here because small town feel and safety are prioritized by the City Council.

Dave Prevedel feels the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S is arbitrarily placed in the City. He said it seems the north and south roads are handling the traffic pretty well. He said that this road is not needed.

Susan Hymas said she bought her property to rehabilitate horses that were unwanted. She said that when 3300 S was expanded it created more noise and this connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S would also do the same. She expressed safety concerns for children and animals. She also expressed concerns for littering.

Givanni Mikel said they bought their home because they were told the area where the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S is planned would be open space.

Andrew Sieler opposes the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S. He said he doesn't see a traffic problem that would warrant the construction of this road. He suggested using the funds elsewhere that might benefit the community. Urged the City to reconsider.

Heather Young expressed concern about the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S creating safety concerns for children.

Sydney Fuller said their family had made great connections in their neighborhood and felt the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S would sever that connection. She expressed safety concerns for children.

Mark Haslam asked if the City could analyze all other options for the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S.

Zachary Orme said he is opposed to the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S. He feels it would divide the neighborhood and make it unsafe for the kids to cross.

Doug Whiting said that if a majority of the people in the area where the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S is supposed to go do not want it, why would we do it.

Rendal Robinson said he wouldn't be able to get to the back of his property if the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S goes in. He said he opposes the connector road.

Michael Morris said he plans on raising a family here soon and expressed concerns about safety and littering if the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S is put in. He said they would not have purchased their home if they had known the road was coming in.

Sage McCammon she said her property falls into the agricultural zone and that the connector road from 3300 S to 3600 S would take away their farm land and their ability to farm. She expressed safety concerns for children and concern about littering. She said she is strongly opposed to it.

Mayor Vanderwood said he has a lot of empathy for this and said a lot of us come from rural backgrounds. He said there isn't a way to make everyone in the city happy. He noted that on the community survey, residents most wanted to see commercial development and infrastructure. He said that for this particular corridor there are no set entry or exit points. He said this corridor was planned by the Wasatch Front Regional Council and Weber Area Council of Governments. He said he appreciates the residents being here tonight.

Councilmember Dixon said she appreciates how respectful everyone was tonight and is thankful for their participation.

Councilmember Morse said she has a great deal of respect when a neighborhood comes together like this.

4. **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Music Circle
Senior Lunch Bunch
Arts Festival
Utah League of Cities and Towns Annual Convention
Utah League of Cities and Towns and Wasatch

August 25, 2025
August 27, 2025
September 20, 2025
October 1-2, 2025
Utah League of Cities and Towns and Wasatch

Front Regional Council Administrative Advisor Event September 3, 2025 5:30-8:00 PM

5. COUNCIL UPDATES

Councilmember Dixon said that they elected new Youth Council leaders and would like to have the swearing in ceremony next meeting.

Councilmember Saunders said the Beautification Committee will be doing their day of service on September 6, 2025, at Poulter Pond at 8:00 AM.

***AGENDA ACTION ITEMS ***

6. <u>ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA</u>

 A. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
 MEETING HELD
 August 6, 2025

 B. PLAY & PARK STRUCTUES
 \$57,123.62
 Inv.# PJI-0082349

 C. PLAY & PARK STRUCTUES
 \$145,980.92
 Inv.# PJI-0082243

Councilmember Call made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Saunders seconded the motion.

ocumentation out made a motion to approve the consent agencia. Counciline motion out motion.	
AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

7. <u>PUBLIC HEARING-</u>FOR THE PURPOSE OF SOLICITING PUBLIC INPUT ON AMENDING THE CITY CODE CHAPTER 155: STORMWATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Edward Mignone said the changes made in the draft are to meet the state statute.

Councilmember Dixon made a motion to enter into public hearing. Councilmember Morse seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

Mayor Vanderwood invited the public up for comment.

No one came up at this time.

Councilmember Morse made a motion to leave public hearing. Councilmember Saunders seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

8. <u>ACTION ON ORDINANCE 09-2025-</u>AMENDING THE CITY CODE CHAPTER 155: STORMWATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT-EDWARD MIGNONE, CITY ENGINEER

Councilmember Swapp made a motion to adopt ordinance 09-2025. Councilmember Morse seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

9. <u>PUBLIC HEARING-</u>FOR THE PURPOSE OF SOLICITING PUBLIC INPUT ON AMENDING THE WEST HAVEN CITY CONSOLIDATED FEES AND FINES SCHEDULE RELATING TO STORM WATER

Councilmember Dixon made a motion to enter into public hearing. Councilmember Morse seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

Mayor Vanderwood invited the public up for comment.

No one came up at this time.

Councilmember Swapp made a motion to leave public hearing. Councilmember Morse seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

10. <u>ACTION ON RESOLUTION 41-2025-AMENDING THE WEST HAVEN CITY CONSOLIDATED FEES AND FINES SCHEDULE RELATING TO STORM WATER-EDWARD MIGNONE, CITY ENGINEER</u>

Councilmember Morse made a motion to adopt resolution 41-2025. Councilmember Saunders seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

11. ACTION ON PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING RECOMMENDATION(S)

A. APPROVAL OF ALTERNATIVE BUILDING MATERIALS-APPROX. 2301 S 1900 (PARCEL #15-72-005)-GARDIN INVESTMENTS, LLC

Malcom Jenkins said they have storefront windows for better aesthetics. He said they exceed the minimum requirement of primary materials on some building facades.

Councilmember Saunders made a motion to approve the additions of glass storefronts, replace the architectural features, and provide comparable aesthetics. **Councilmember Morse** seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

12. <u>ACTION ON RESOLUTION 42-2025-</u>WEBER COUNTY UTAH PRE-DISASTER MITIGATION PLAN 2024-DANIEL TANNER, EMERGENCY MANAGER

Dan Tanner said the Wasatch Front Regional Council developed a pre-disaster mitigation plan that was approved by various cities. He said that Weber County partnered with other cities in the county and used the Wasatch Front Regional Council pre-disaster mitigation plan to create their own plan in 2016. He said in order to maintain grant eligibility they needed to update the plan which is the draft presented.

Councilmember Dixon made a motion to adopt resolution 42-2025. **Councilmember Morse** seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

13. <u>ACTION ON RESOLUTION 43-2025-</u>AMENDING THE WEST HAVEN CITY PERSONNEL POLICY HANDBOOK-SHAWN WARNKE, CITY MANAGER

Shawn Warnke said the personnel policy had a note about converting sick time into vacation time. This portion needed to be removed, that deletion was reflected in the updated staff report.

Councilmember Call expressed concern about changing the lunch break in the personnel policy handbook. She said she understands the reason this topic has been discussed. She said she has been at City Hall and watched employees working through lunch and she has also seen employees utilize the lunch break. She expressed reservations about changing the schedule for employees who have had this benefit for so long.

Councilmember Morse said if employees are working through their lunch break, she would be ok with them having a paid working lunch. She clarified that if they leave the building or are in the break room eating their lunch and not working, they should clock out.

Councilmember Dixon agreed with Councilmember Morse.

Councilmember Saunders said he does not have an issue with it but if it makes it more difficult to manage that could be problematic.

Shawn Warnke said he thinks the personnel policy does need to be clarified. He said he thinks employees who are out in the field do need breaks but it just would need to be minimal or an appropriate amount of time and he would rely on department heads to monitor that.

Mayor Vanderwood said this is something that should be managed by the department heads.

Councilmember Call made a motion to adopt resolution 43-2025 and removing sections 3.10, 3.4, and in section 11.3 to remove line E. **Councilmember Dixon** seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

14. ACTION ON RESOLUTION 44-2025-APPROVING TERMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE EXTENSION OF THE UTOPIA FIBER NETWORK TO CITY PARKS, WITH UTOPIA BEING AN INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THESE INTERNET CONNECTIONS-SHAWN WARNKE, CITY MANAGER

Shawn Warnke said this project has been budgeted for.

Mayor Vanderwood asked if this a cost per month in each area and if this is for camera installation.

Shawn Warnke confirmed it is.

Councilmember Call made a motion to adopt resolution 44-2025. Councilmember Swapp seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

15. <u>ACTION ON RESOLUTION 45-2025-</u>SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND AVENUE CONSULTANT FOR ADDITIONAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION SERVICES-EDWARD MIGNONE, CITY ENGINEER

Councilmember Morse made a motion to adopt resolution 45-2025. Councilmember Call seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

16. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION-AT THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL'S ELECTION CONTINUATION OF ANY AGENDA ITEM FROM THE 5:00 WORK SESSION

There were not items to discuss.

17. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Councilmember Morse made a motion to adjourn at 7:54 PM. Councilmember Dixon seconded the motion.

AYES:	Councilmember Dixon, Councilmember Call, Councilmember Saunders, Councilmember Swapp, Councilmember Morse
NAYS:	
RECUSED:	

Emily Green

City Recorder Date Approved: 9/17/25