



UINTAH CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2nd, 2025
6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

City Council Members Present: Mayor Cutler, Council Member Bell, Council Member Combe, Council Member Patterson

City Staff Present: City Attorney Lauren Thomas, City Recorder Michelle Mortensen, Planning Commission Chair Deb Wickizer

Attendees: Teague Sorensen, Brandon Everett, Jill Smith, Don & Marilyn Pearson

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. **MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Cutler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Cutler

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Don Pearson wanted more details about the wildlife code.
- Brandon Everett thanked council for approving to stream city council meetings. He raised concerns about the Wildland Urban Interface ordinance. He referenced that the WUI map was done years ago. He also raised concerns about homeowners' insurance, citing trends in other states where coverage is being lost. He suggested holding an open house with Weber Fire to inform the public.
- Kim Rindlisbacher requested an update on their annexation status.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA: Action Item**

A. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes – November 18, 2025

B. Approval of Invoices - None

C. Financial Reports – None

- A motion was made by Council Member Roberts to approve the consent agenda.
- Council Member Combe seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion carries.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

None

5. **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. **ORDINANCE 299-25 WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE CODE: AN ORDINANCE OF UINTAH CITY, ADOPTING CHAPTER 11.11 ENTITLED "WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE (WUI) BUILDING CODE" INCLUDING THE WUI SENSITIVE LANDS/HAZARD AREA MAP IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2025 UTAH LEGISLATURE HB 48; SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Presenter: Mayor Cutler

- Mayor Cutler explained David Reed from Weber Fire explained this yesterday at staff meeting. He advised us that we needed to pass this ordinance and mentioned that there is a lot of unknown information relating to this bill.
- Council Member Roberts had concerns because she does not understand how it is going to affect our citizens and wants to know what, if any, recourse we have. There is confusion regarding what we would be approving as the

details are unclear.

- City Attorney Lauren Thomas mentioned that it is required by state law, but she is willing to investigate it. It does go into effect January 1st, but you do have some time.
- Council Member Patterson disagrees with this ordinance especially not knowing what that is.
- Council Member Bell asked what map we are approving and would like to see what other cities in our area have done.
- Council Member Roberts wanted to look at what the penalties would be if this is not adopted and wondered if there is a grace period.
- Council Member Combe stated that it refers to a map which we have no map. His fear is that all funds come through the state and if they hold them, we could be in trouble. An idea of what the map is and when the map would be released should be answered.
- The Mayor noted an outstanding unsettled bill from the Uintah fire several years ago. We have been told not to pay any more, but the situation is still ongoing.
- A motion was made by Council Member Patterson to table Ordinance 299-25 Wildland Urban Interface Code to get more information from legal.
- Council Member Roberts seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion. Council Member Combe asked if we could have the fire Marshall attend the next meeting.
- All in favor; the motion carries.

B. UINTAH DATA PRIVACY POLICY

Presenter: Michelle Mortensen

- City Recorder Michelle Mortensen
- Ms. Mortensen explained that this is another policy from the state that we are required to adopt. She gave an overview that it would take 10 years to put this in place.
- City Attorney Lauren Thomas explained some of the requirements of the policy. We must identify the documents that we have within the city and notify the citizens of what information of theirs is being collected. The City will have to make sure it has retention schedules so the citizens are aware of how long the City will retain that information. Employees will have to have training, and the information must be posted on our website. This applies to contractors of the city as well. If there is a data breach, the citizens would have to be notified. There will be more to come next year. Every municipality will have to file reports each year and putting this policy in place is the first step.
- Council member Combe re-iterated that if there is a breach, this makes it so there is a way to handle it.
- Council Member Patterson stated that these are all things that are smart and that we should be doing.
- A motion was made by Council Member Combe to approve the Data Privacy Policy.
- Council Member Patterson seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion carries.


7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A. Planning Commission Report: Planning Commission Chair Wickizer
- B. Public Works Report: None
- C. Sheriff's Report: None
- D. Council Reports:
 - Council Member Bell met with Waste Management last week, and nothing has really changed. She also heard from South Ogden and Washington Terrace, and both cities have agreed that they will write a letter of recommendation for the RAMP grant that we will be applying for.
 - Mayor Cutler stated that the next city council meeting will be the last of the year. He thanked the citizens for their support over the years.

8. MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

- A motion was made by Council Member Combe to adjourn the city council meeting at 6:37 p.m.
- Council Member Bell seconded the motion.
- Mayor Cutler asked if there was any discussion on the motion; there was none.
- All in favor; the motion carries.


Michelle Mortensen, Uintah City Recorder


Date