

MURRAY CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Tuesday, December 9, 2025
Murray City Hall, 10 East 4800 South, Council Chambers, Murray, Utah 84107

Attendance:

Council Members:

Paul Pickett	District #1
Pam Cotter	District #2 – Council Chair
Scott Goodman	District #3 – Excused
Diane Turner	District #4
Adam Hock	District #5 – Council Vice Chair

Others:

Brett Hales	Mayor	Jennifer Kennedy	City Council Executive Director
Doug Hill	Chief Administrative Officer	Pattie Johnson	Council Administration
G.L. Critchfield	City Attorney	Brooke Smith	City Recorder
Rob White	IT Director	Brenda Moore	Finance Director
Russ Kakala	Public Works Director	Aron Frisk	Public Works
Craig Burnett	Police Chief	Chad Wilkinson	Community & Economic Dev. Director
Jeff Martin	Parks Director	Joey Mittelman	Fire Chief
Greg Bellon	Power Director	Jeff Puls	Fire Marshall
Citizens and Guests		Ben Gray	IT Support

Call to Order: 6:30 p.m. – Council Member Cotter

Approval of Minutes: Council Meeting. November 18, 2025.

MOTION: Mr. Pickett moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Hock seconded the motion.

Voice vote taken, all “Ayes.” Approved 4-0

Citizen Comments:

Cathy Burton – Murray Resident

Murray Senior Center Advisory Board Member Ms. Burton shared about the senior center being 45 years old and how it evolved over time. She described classes and programs that benefit seniors and expressed gratitude for the City’s support. She also encouraged the City to consider expanding the building.

Robyn Simper – Murray Resident

Ms. Simper a life time Murray resident spoke about an issue with her neighbor and requested help from the City to resolve the matter.

Public Hearings:

1. Consider an ordinance related to land use; amends, updates, and renames the existing Fashion Place West Small Area Plan to the Fashion Place West Station Area Plan as an element of the General Plan. Planning Manager Zac Smallwood stated that a discussion about the updates occurred in the prior Committee of the Whole meeting and confirmed that staff and the Planning Commission recommended approval of the amendment to the City Council. Landscape Architect Mark Morris with VODA Landscaping and Planning offered the draft plan containing updates required by the State of Utah. He stated that the Fashion Place West Small Area Plan was adopted in 2021 and that for the last several months he worked with an in-house steering committee and conducted outreach to major stakeholders. The vision of the plan was to look at how the City can implement specific steps in the area to solve local

issues related to housing, transportation access and infrastructure investments from the City. Mr. Morris said implementation was the focus of the updates and noted conceptual tasks that should be looked at over the next five years to ensure that major changes occur to the area.

The public hearing was open for public comments. No comments were given, and the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Mr. Hock moved to approve the ordinance. Ms. Turner SECONDED the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote

Ms. Turner Aye

Mr. Hock Aye

Mr. Pickett Aye

Ms. Cotter Aye

Motion passed: 4-0

2. Consider an ordinance enacting Section 12.28.070 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to collection fees for outstanding balances owed to the city and amending Sections 7.04.030, 12.30.010, 13.04.040 and 13.48.050 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to the same. Finance Director Brenda Moore explained that the amendment would allow the City to add late fees to various past due balances owed to the City. It would also allow the collection agency to add their own collection fee to an outstanding balance, so that if collected, the City would now receive the entire amount due and not just a percentage.

The public hearing was open for public comments. No comments were given, and the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Ms. Turner moved to approve the ordinance. Mr. Pickett SECONDED the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote

Ms. Turner Aye

Mr. Hock Aye

Mr. Pickett Aye

Ms. Cotter Aye

Motion passed: 4-0

Business Items:

1. Consider a resolution finding that adopting the Utah Wildland Urban Interface Code to apply within Murray City is impracticable. Fire Chief Joey Mittelman explained that the proposed resolution was related to Utah House Bill 48, which required all cities to analyze whether they have any WUI (Wildland Urban Interface) areas within their boundaries. He stated that the bill was meant for places like Park City and along the summit in mountainous areas, and not necessarily in a urban suburban area like Murray City. Chief Mittelman read the resolution that formally recognized the absence of a WUI within Murray City's geographical boundaries and confirmed that the City has no current or anticipated areas that meet the criteria for a WUI designation.

MOTION: Mr. Hock moved to adopt the resolution and Mr. Pickett SECONDED the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Turner Aye

Mr. Hock Aye

Ms. Cotter Aye

Mr. Pickett Aye

Motion passed: 4-0

2. Consider an ordinance enacting Section 2.11.030 and Amending Sections 2.28.040, 17.67.060, 17.172.010 and 17.172.020 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to Code Enforcement. CED (Community & Economic Development) Director Chad Wilkinson explained that the proposed ordinance would create the new Code Enforcement Division within the department and provide related changes that would facilitate a new code enforcement program.

MOTION: Mr. Pickett moved to adopt the ordinance and Mr. Hock **SECONDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Turner Aye

Mr. Hock Aye

Ms. Cotter Aye

Mr. Pickett Aye

Motion passed: 4-0

3. Consider an ordinance enacting Title 11 of the Murray City Municipal Code establishing the Administrative Code Enforcement Program. Mr. Wilkinson stated that the ordinance would establish the Administrative Code Enforcement program and create a new chapter, Title 11 in Murray City Municipal Code. The new program would give the City additional tools as part of a new process where Code Enforcement officers would be able to issue administrative citations and notices of violations. He clarified that a citation would be issued for fairly easy to resolve matters like illegal street parking; a notice of violation would be used in situations where good cooperation was lacking and issues took longer to resolve.

Mr. Wilkinson explained how the established process would also include the hiring of an administrative law judge. Fine amounts would be discussed and established in the future and adopted in relationship to the consolidated fee schedule of the City. He noted that the City's philosophy has always been that enforcement is best handled with voluntary compliance, but the new program would provide staff and the City with important tools to resolve matters more efficiently.

MOTION: Mr. Hock moved to adopt the ordinance and Ms. Turner **SECONDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Turner Aye

Mr. Hock Aye

Ms. Cotter Aye

Mr. Pickett Aye

Motion passed: 4-0

4. Consider a Joint Resolution adopting the Murray City Privacy Program Policy. City Recorder Brooke Smith stated that the City must comply with Utah Code Section 63A-9-41 by adopting a privacy policy and program by December 31, 2025. Her work with the Mayor's office, the City Attorney's office, and the I.T. department would ensure the program followed the City's operational needs and legal standards and that the proposed Joint Resolution adopts a privacy policy that meets State expectations and deadlines.

MOTION: Ms. Turner moved to adopt the joint resolution and Mr. Hock **SECONDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Turner Aye

Mr. Hock Aye

Ms. Cotter Aye

Mr. Pickett Aye

Motion passed: 4-0

5. Consider a resolution of the Municipal Council (the "Council") of Murray City, Utah (the "City"), authorizing the execution of a Second Supplemental Indenture of Trust in connection with the City's Electric Revenue Bonds, Series 2025; authorizing the taking of all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution; and related matters. Ms. Moore confirmed that the proposed resolution would authorize a second indenture in connection with bond payments. She clarified that in the general indenture, a clause called the 1/6th 1/12th would no longer apply, which required the City to make monthly payments to a trust fund, that would then make bond payments twice a year for the City. She confirmed that all parties involved agreed to the proposal and that if approved the City would now make a bond payment every six months, an interest payment every six months and an interest payment with a principal payment once a year.

MOTION: Mr. Pickett moved to adopt the resolution and Ms. Turner **SECONDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Turner	Aye
Mr. Hock	Aye
Ms. Cotter	Aye
Mr. Pickett	Aye

Motion passed: 4-0

6. Consider a resolution adopting and approving the Murray City Investment Policy. City Treasurer Mindy Stacy said the City was looking to update the City's investment policy to match the Utah Money Management Act. The update would allow the City to invest in certificate of deposits and change how the City would select investment advisors and institutions.

MOTION: Ms. Turner moved to adopt the resolution and Mr. Hock **SECONDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Turner	Aye
Mr. Hock	Aye
Ms. Cotter	Aye
Mr. Pickett	Aye

Motion passed: 4-0

Mayor's Report and Questions: Mayor Hales announced a retirement party for Doug Hill who worked for Murray City for 35 years, that included eight years as Chief Administrative Officer.

Adjournment: 7:15 p.m.

Pattie Johnson
Council Office Administrator III