

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF KAMAS CITY, UTAH, AMENDING KAMAS CITY CODE §15.22.030 TO  
REDUCE THE WETLANDS SETBACK TO TWENTY-FIVE (25) FEET IN ALL ZONES AND  
PROHIBITING PERMANENT STRUCTURES WITHIN THE WETLANDS SETBACK**

**WHEREAS**, Kamas City has adopted land use regulations to protect wetlands and minimize impacts to environmentally sensitive areas; and

**WHEREAS**, Kamas City Code §15.22.030 currently requires a wetlands setback of fifty (50) feet from the delineated wetland edge in all zoning districts; and

**WHEREAS**, The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers does not mandate specific wetland setback distances but requires avoidance and minimization of wetland impacts, leaving setback standards to local jurisdictions; and

**WHEREAS**, The Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing on November 18, 2025, and further considered the proposed amendment on January 6, 2026, and forwarded a positive recommendation to City Council to reduce the wetlands setback to twenty-five (25) feet in all zones while prohibiting permanent development within the setback; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council finds that a reduced setback of twenty-five (25) feet, coupled with limitations on permanent development, balances reasonable use of property with continued protection of wetlands;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF KAMAS CITY, UTAH:**

**Section 1. Amendment to Kamas City Code §15.22.030** Kamas City Code §15.22.030.4.a.iii is hereby amended to read as in Exhibit A.

**Section 2. Severability** If any provision of this ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 4. Effective Date** This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication as provided by law.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Kamas City Council of Kamas, Utah, this \_\_\_ day of January, 2026.

KAMAS CITY

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Matt McCormick, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kim Peacock, City Recorder