

Emigration Canyon Road Improvement Project

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Road Improvement Project Details

- Project Limits:
 - 5655 East to 6859 East Emigration Canyon Road
- Project Schedule:
 - Design – 2026
 - Pending MSD Approval in January
 - Construction – Anticipated 2027



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Project Goals

Increase Safety:

- Replace Existing Substandard Guardrails
- Evaluate Stopping Sight Distances
- Address Drainage Issues
- Slope Stabilization
- Bike Lanes:
 - 5' Uphill Bike Lane
 - Evaluate for 5' Downhill Bike Lane
- Culvert Evaluation for Replacement or Extension



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Phase 1

Project Priorities:

- Public Involvement
- Environmental Evaluation
- Existing Topography Survey & Existing ROW
- Identify & Map Existing Utilities
- Identify & Document Project Needs
- Preliminary Solutions



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Phase 2

Will Be Scoped Following Phase 1

- Complete:
 - Final Plans
 - Construction Documents
 - ROW Plans

Will Provide Public Involvement Through Construction



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Contract Pending

Prime Consultant – Avenue Consultants

Sub Consultants:

Geotechnical – GeoEngineers

Aquatic Delineation – Martin & Nicholson

Archaeology Survey – Logan Simpson

Utility Investigation & Mapping – KCI



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Phase 1 Public Involvement

Two Main Components:

- Public Meetings
- Public Information

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Public Meetings

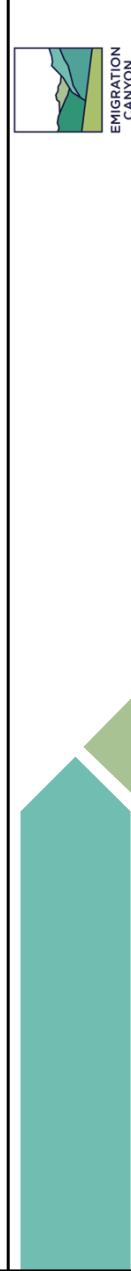
- 2 Public Meetings:
 - 1 Public Open House
 - 1 Public Hearing
- 2 City Council Presentations:
 - Beginning and End of Phase 1

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Public Information

- Dedicated Project Hotline
- Project Stakeholder Database
- Electronic Newsletter
- Project Team Communication Plan
- Project Website
- Proposed Media Outreach
- Public Participation Plan
(Including Social Media)



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Project Value	\$6,518,900
Federal Match	\$3,000,000
Local Government Match	\$361,640
State Match	\$3,157,260

Funding

- FY26 – \$265,960
- FY27 – Additional Funding Needed:
 - 2 Options: Request as MSD CIP or Self Fund
 - \$100,000 to Cover Local Match
 - If Anticipate Moving Forward
 - \$245,000 to Cover Full Cost of Phase 1 Study
 - Still Allow “Do Nothing” Option



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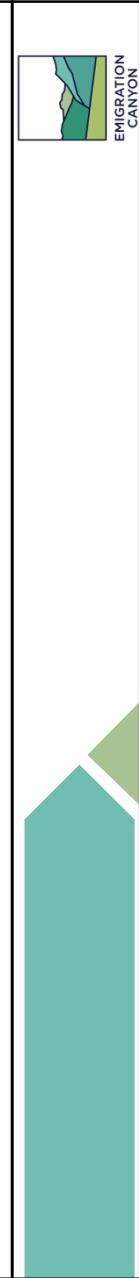
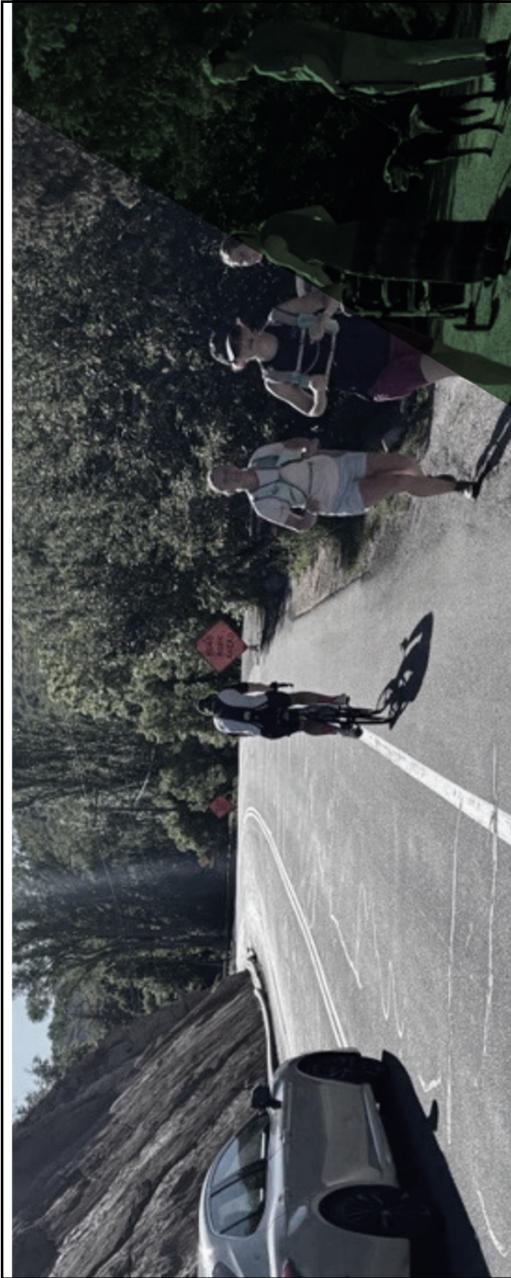
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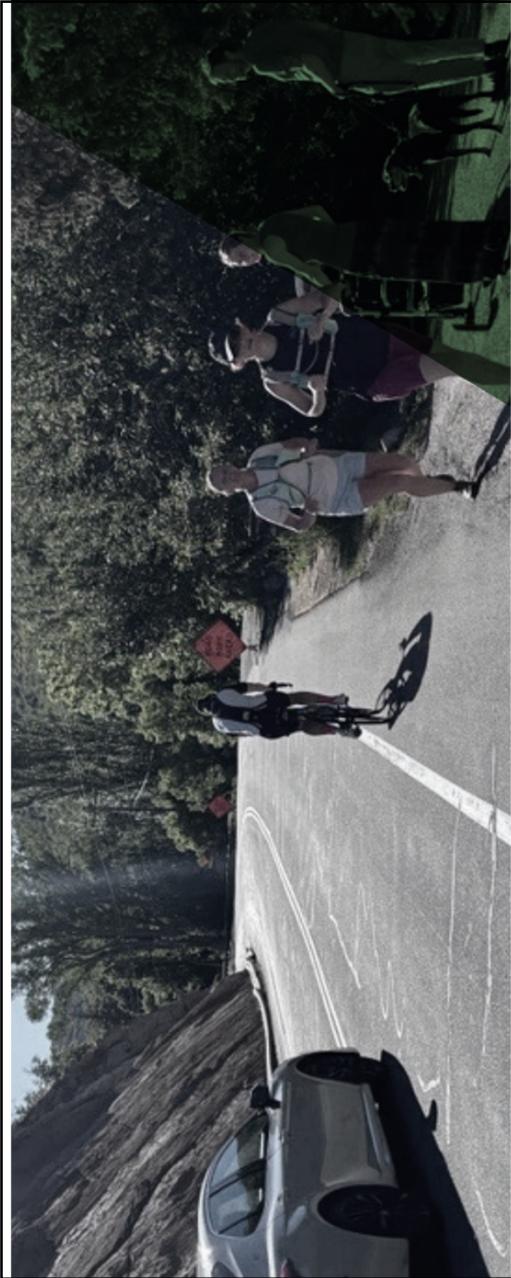
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Questions

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Utah Renewable Communities

Fall-Winter 2025 Update



Outline

- What is Utah Renewable Communities (URC)?
- How did Emigration Canyon get involved?
- What will the URC program mean for Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) customers in our community?
- Detailed look at URC development and status
- Upcoming milestones and estimated program launch sequence
- Next steps for community and upcoming decision points

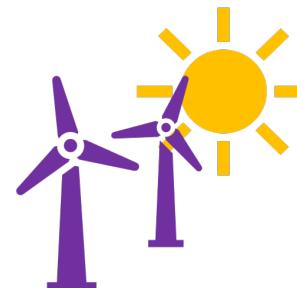


What is URC?

- URC is a **coalition of 19 cities** and counties pioneering a new option for clean energy for homes and businesses in our communities
- Development of the URC program is possible thanks to the Utah **Community Renewable Energy Act** passed in 2019 (since changed to Community "Clean" Energy Act)
- The primary goal is to make **net-100% clean electricity** available to homes and businesses in participating communities by 2030
- This goal will be accomplished by **acquiring clean energy to match 100% of annual energy consumed** on an annual basis – this makes it a "net-100%" goal



Consumption ("load")

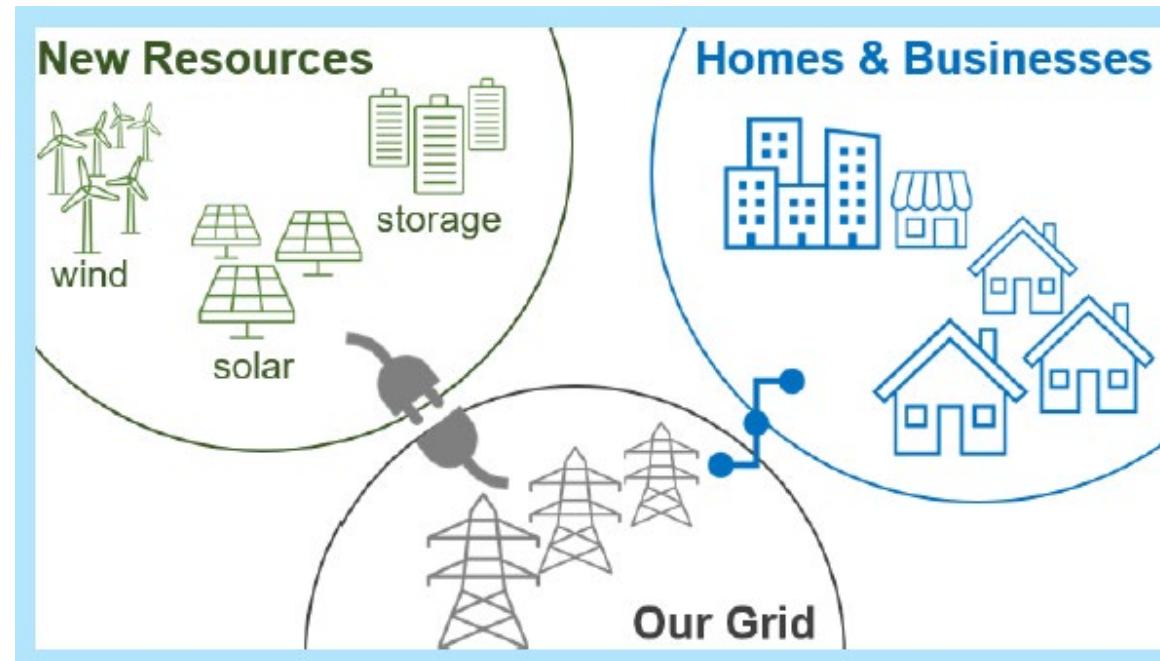


Clean energy generated



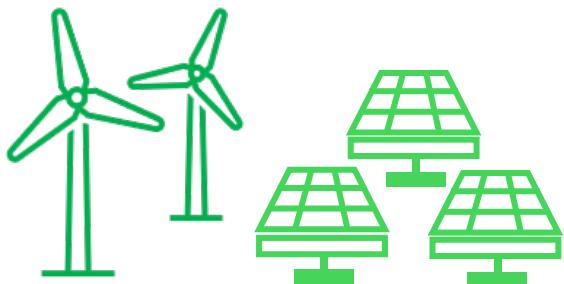
How would this work?

- The clean energy counting towards the URC program is proposed to come from both **existing clean energy** on the grid plus **new clean energy projects** built to serve URC customers
- These resources are and will be **part of the PacifiCorp grid**. PacifiCorp is RMP's parent company whose grid serves 6 states, including Utah
- The URC program is in collaboration with RMP, and all **URC participants remain RMP customers**



Why develop this new clean energy option?

- **Scale:** we have a unique opportunity to drive investment in new clean energy at scale: as a collective, URC represents about **25% of RMP's electricity sales** in Utah
- **Choice:** the URC program offers homes and businesses in Emigration Canyon a **new option** of where their electricity comes from through RMP
- **Investment:** clean energy investment **supports jobs and economies**, often in rural areas
- **Health and environment:** clean energy helps to **avoid pollution** from other energy sources

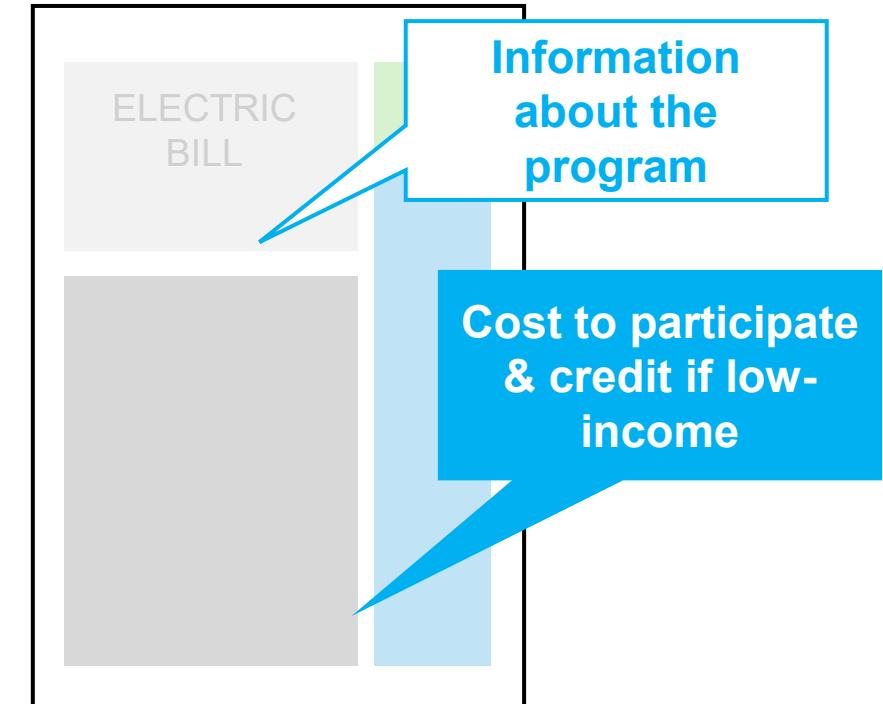


Involvement in URC

- Emigration Canyon joined the Community Renewable Energy Agency (aka the URC board) and subsequently **made financial contributions** to the Agency's budget, which were proportional to the community's population and energy load
- **Signed the Utility Agreement** along with all the other participating communities in time to be included in the initial Program Application filing in January 2025
- After the PSC approves the program (possibly as early as January 2026), Emigration Canyon **will have a final decision** whether to adopt the Program Ordinance

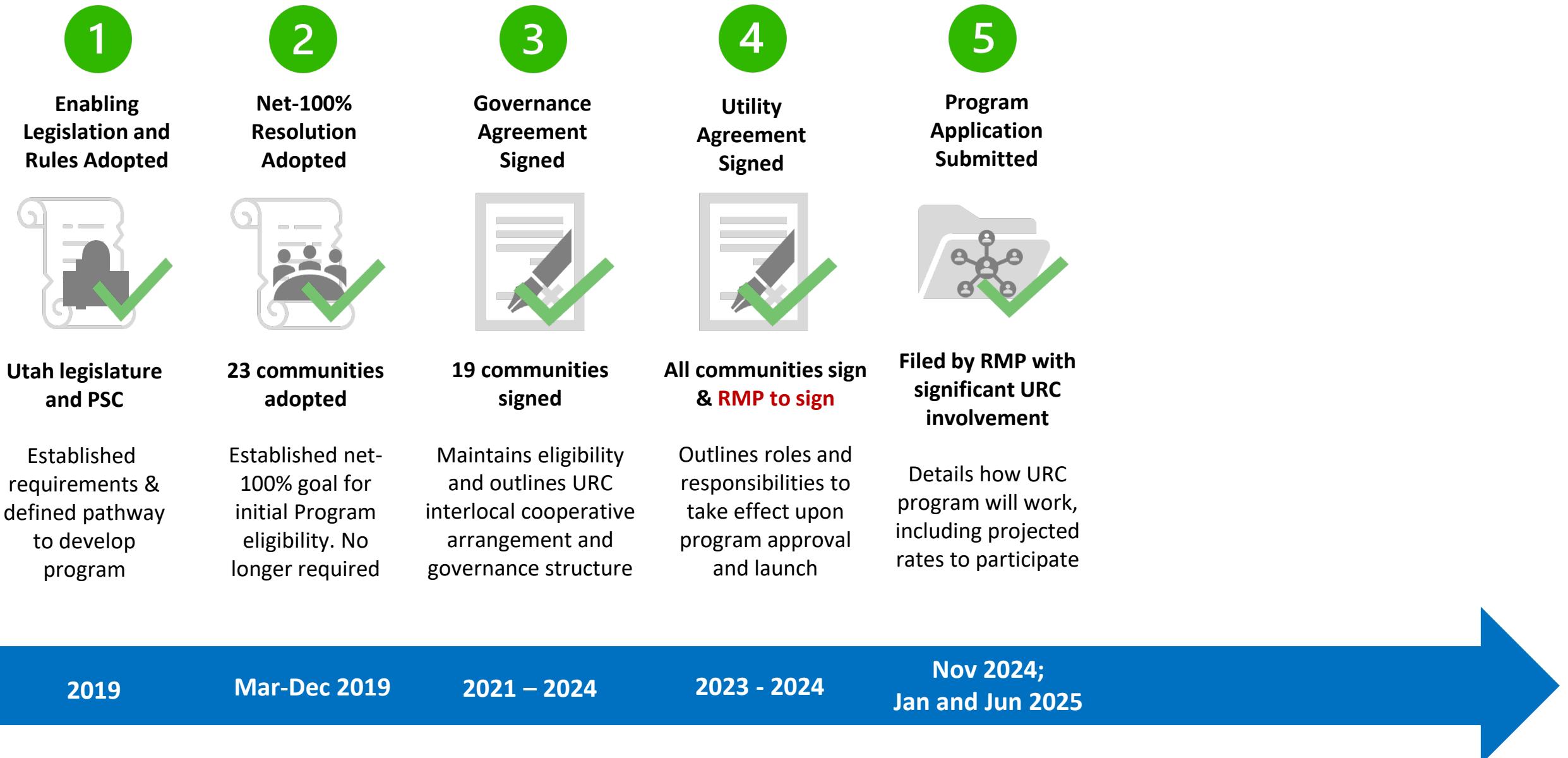
What URC is anticipated to look like for customers

- URC customers remain RMP customers receiving **reliable power**
- Upon program launch, URC customers will be **automatically enrolled** in the URC program with the **choice to opt-out**
 - A customer's desire to support and use clean energy and the estimated impact on their bill will likely be factors influencing their decision
- There will be **no cost to opt-out initially**, after that, there will be a fee to terminate participation
- The URC board's position is that the program increase the average household's electric bill **by no more than \$3-4/month**
- Low-income customer* provisions:
 - Ongoing **outreach and engagement**
 - **Monthly bill credit** to cover the monthly increase
 - **Waived termination fee** (if they decide to opt-out later in the program)
 - Like all customers, **can always choose to opt-out**



*These provisions will apply to customers enrolled in RMP Schedule 3 Home Electric Lifeline Plan (HELP)

URC program development process



Status of URC program development

Years of negotiation led to RMP filing two "dockets" with the Public Service Commission, (1) regarding solicitation of program resources in November 2024 and (2) the remaining full Program Application in January and June 2025

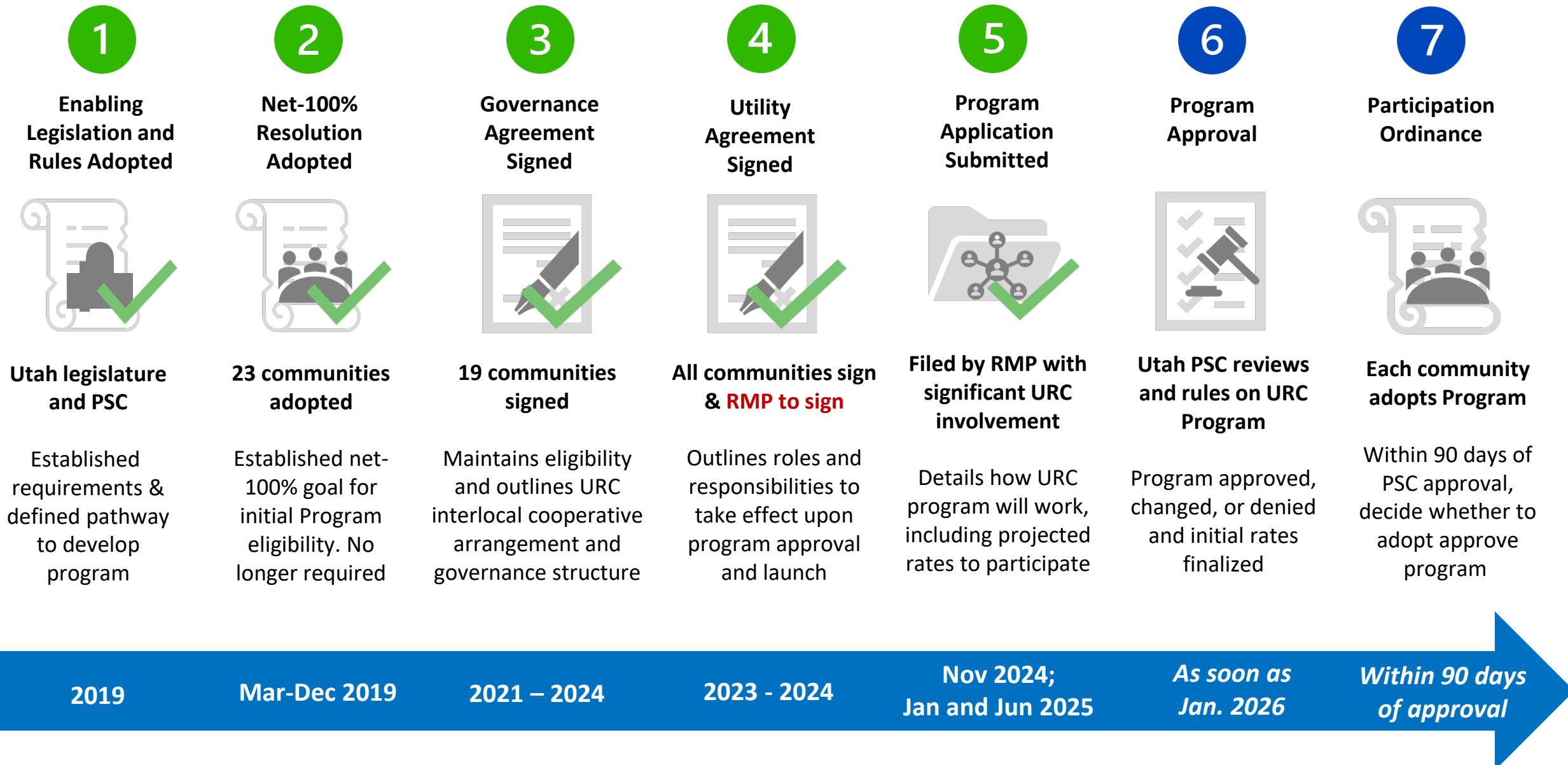
(1) RFP

- Approved by PSC in May 2025
- Launched RFP with bids due July 10; received 14 qualifying bids
- Following several rounds of scoring and evaluation, URC forwarded top 6 bids (the "Initial Short List") to PacifiCorp for the next stage of evaluation in September 2025

(2) Program Application

- URC filed its testimony into the docket in July 2025
- Testimony from other parties, including the Office of Consumer Services and Division of Public Utilities, was filed on October 10
- Rounds of rebuttal and surrebuttal through early December
- PSC hearing scheduled for December 16

URC program development process



Estimated* 2026 URC Timeline



PROGRAM

PSC hearings:
December 16th,
2025

PSC approval: as
early as Jan 2026
(est. 1/30/26)

Ordinance
adoption: within
90 days of approval
(est. 4/30/26)

RFP

System benefit
and indicative
costs discussion
(TBD)

“Final short list”
selected by URC
(TBD)

Execute PPAs
(TBD)

URC Agency and member tasks:

- Testify & provide comment at Dec 16th hearings
- Engage in settlement discussions
- Interpret PSC ruling
- Prep councils/commissions for ordinance
- Consider adopting ordinance

“Implementation Date”

RMP preps billing
system: 5 months
(est. 4/30/26 through
9/27/26)

Noticing begins:
60 days before
launch
(est. 9/28/26)

Noticing ends: 60
days after it
begins
(est. 11/27/26)

“Commencement Date”

Program revenues
begin: after
noticing ends
(est. 11/28/26)

No fee opt out
period ends: 100
days after
launch**
(est. 3/8/27)

URC Agency and member tasks:

- Supplement noticing with communications efforts
- Conduct outreach strategies outlined in Plans for Low-Income Assistance
- Revisit Agency membership and operations shifting from pre-approval to post-approval reality

**All estimated dates come from RMP’s June 2025 Program Application filing and are subject to change*

***URC has proposed a six-month no fee opt out period*

Key takeaways & action items

Upcoming

- **PSC hearings Tuesday, December 16th**, in-person at Heber M. Wells Building (160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City) and virtually:
 - **9am Technical Hearing** – Open to public, but only witnesses and key staff called on to contribute
 - **6pm Public Witness Hearing** – Opportunity for anyone to provide oral public comment

On the horizon

- Possible PSC approval: as early as January 2026
 - **The PSC has the final say**, including ruling on items that are not currently resolved, such as how program resources are valued, the role of renewable energy certificates (RECs), and how estimated costs to get the program up and running should be covered
- **90-day window** to consider Program Ordinance following PSC approval
- Approving the Ordinance would:
 - **Adopt the Program** for your community
 - **Obligate participating communities to reimburse RMP** for sending out two rounds of notices to customers
 - **Encourage coordination** with the other participating communities to help spread the word about the program



Learn more and follow the URC

- All meeting materials are posted to the Utah Public Notice website
- @UtahRenewableCommunities on Instagram, Facebook, YouTube
- Online at <https://www.utahrenewablecommunities.org/>
- Subscribe to the URC e-newsletter



MEMORANDUM REGARDING FILLING VACANT ELECTED POSITIONS

To: Emigration Canyon Mayor and City Council

From: Cameron Platt & Polly McLean

Date: December 15, 2025

Subject: Appointment of City Council Position Upon Vacancy

When a vacancy occurs in an elected position, Utah law requires that the municipality fill the vacancy following a specific procedure. Utah Code § 20A-1-510. The municipality must follow the procedure described in Utah Code § 10-3-302 and § 20A-1-510.

A vacancy occurs upon events such as resignation (effective on the date of an irrevocable resignation letter), death, removal, or when a council member assumes another incompatible office (e.g., becoming mayor). Resignations cannot be rescinded once submitted. In cases like a council member transitioning to mayor, the vacancy arises at noon on the first Monday in January following their election (Utah Code §§ 10-3-201 and 10-3-828). This date is January 4, 2026.

The municipality must follow the procedures below, or the Governor will make an appointment to fill the vacancy.

Step-by-Step Procedures for Appointment

1. Notification and Public Notice

- **Immediate Action:** When a vacancy occurs, the municipal council must notify the recorder or clerk immediately (Utah Code § 20A-1-510(1)(b)). This starts the 30-day clock for appointment.
- **Public Notice Requirement:** The municipality must provide public notice of the vacancy at least 14 calendar days before the meeting to fill the vacancy. This notice must include:
 - Date, time, and place of the appointment meeting.
 - Contact person to submit interest in the position.
 - Deadline for submissions.

2. Candidate Submission and Qualification Review

- **Candidate Requirements:** Appointees must be registered as voters in the municipality and meet qualifications under Utah Code § 10-3-301 (e.g., residency, age 18+, no felony convictions).
- **Disclosure Obligations:** Interested individuals must submit a conflict of interest disclosure statement per Utah Code § 10-3-301.5, filed with the council and clerk/recorder no later than the campaign finance deadline under § 10-3-208.
- **Public Access:** The clerk/recorder must post these statements electronically within two business days—on the municipality's website or the county's if none exists—and keep them posted for at least 10 days post-appointment (Utah Code § 20A-1-510(9)).

3. Interviews in Open Meeting

- **Mandatory Interviews:** In an open public meeting, interview every qualified candidate regarding their qualifications (Utah Code § 20A-1-510(1)(d)).
- **Participation Notes:** The resigning or outgoing council member (if applicable) may interview and vote but cannot self-appoint (Utah Code § 20A-1-510(4)). In council-mayor forms, the mayor cannot participate, veto, or break ties (Utah Code § 20A-1-510(3)). For five-member councils, a majority (e.g., three of four remaining members) is needed (Utah Code § 10-3-507).

4. Voting and Tie-Breaking (Appointment Meeting, Within 30 Days)

- **Initial Vote:** Vote among interviewed candidates. A majority wins; if not, advance the top two vote-getters to a second round.
- **Tie-Breaking Rules:** Use coin tosses conducted by the clerk/recorder in the council's presence:
 - Tie for second place: Reduce tied candidates to one via coin toss.
 - Tie among three+ for first: Reduce to two via coin toss.
 - No majority in second round: Decide by coin toss between the two.