

Minutes of the meeting of the Logan Municipal Council convened in regular session on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, in the Logan Municipal Council Chambers located at 290 North 100 West, Logan, Utah 84321 at 5:30 p.m. Logan Municipal Council Meetings are televised live as a public service on Channel 17 and the City of Logan YouTube channel at: [go.loganutah.gov/CouncilMeetings](http://go.loganutah.gov/CouncilMeetings)

Councilmembers present at the beginning of the meeting: Chair Mike Johnson, Vice Chair Ernesto López, Councilmember Jeannie F. Simmonds, and Councilmember Melissa Dahle. Administration present: Mayor Mark A. Anderson, City Attorney Craig Carlston, Finance Director Richard Anderson, and City Recorder Teresa Harris.

Councilmember Katie Lee-Koven participated by phone.

Chair Johnson welcomed those present. There were approximately 34 people in attendance at the beginning of the meeting.

#### **OPENING CEREMONY:**

Community Development Director Russ Holley led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

**Meeting Minutes.** Minutes of the Council meeting held on February 3, 2026 were reviewed and approved.

**Meeting Agenda.** Chair Johnson announced there are two public hearings scheduled for tonight's Council meeting.

**ACTION. Motion by Councilmember Simmonds seconded by Councilmember Dahle to approve minutes from the February 3, 2026 Council meeting and the February 17, 2026 agenda as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote (5-0).**

**Dahle: Aye**

**Johnson: Aye**

**Lee-Koven: Aye**

**López: Aye**

**Simmonds: Aye**

**Meeting Schedule.** Chair Johnson announced that regular Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 5:30 p.m. The next regular Council meeting is Tuesday, March 3, 2026.

#### **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

**Chair Johnson explained that any person wishing to comment on any item not otherwise on the agenda may address the City Council at this point by stepping to the microphone and giving his or her name and address for the record. Comments should be limited to not more than three (3) minutes unless additional time is**

**authorized by the Council Chair. Citizen groups will be asked to appoint a spokesperson. This is the time and place for any person who wishes to comment on non-agenda items and items that are germane or relevant to the authority of the City Council. Items brought forward to the attention of the City Council will be turned over to staff to respond to outside of the City Council meeting.**

**Gail Hanson**, a resident of Logan, spoke regarding social cohesiveness and the importance of civic participation to combat cultural isolation. She invited the community to a community fair on February 28th at the First Presbyterian Church (Bruner Hall).

**Joshua Molitor**, a resident of Logan, noted the passing of civil rights leader Jesse Jackson and requested a moment of silence. He also encouraged the Council to follow the work of State Representative John Arthur.

**Linda Johnson**, a resident of Logan, advocated for increased recreation funding and requested a study on highly reflective road lines to improve safety during inclement weather. She also suggested solar lighting in residential areas to increase visibility of pedestrians and wildlife.

There were no further comments or questions for the Mayor or Council.

**MAYOR/STAFF REPORTS:** [\(13:21\)](#)

Mayor Anderson stated that the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our nation is approaching. Many activities and volunteer opportunities are being planned and he presented the following to the City Council.

**Logan City Plan: Three Pillars — Education, Engagement, Service & Inspiration**  
**Logan City’s America 250 initiative is built around three primary pillars:**

**Education**

Library Programming (June - August):

Monthly lecture series at the Logan Library featuring professors from Utah State University.

Topics include history, civics, local government, and significant events.

Two movies per month for adults and children.

Resident Academy (Launching Fall):

Open to residents interested in learning how city government works.

Behind-the-scenes experiences with Police, Fire, Public Works, Environmental Department, wastewater treatment facility, landfill, and compost facility.

Held twice monthly for 3 - 4 months.

May be limited in size due to expected interest.

## **Service**

75,000 Volunteer Hours Goal:

City employees are encouraged to collectively serve 75,000 hours in 2026.

Service may take place anywhere neighborhoods, nonprofits, churches, city, county, or statewide.

Hours will be tracked (optionally anonymous).

Focus on sharing meaningful service experiences.

250 Tree Planting Initiative:

In celebration of America's 250th anniversary, the city will plant 250 trees.

Goal: Encourage the community to match, reaching 500 total trees.

2 - 3 inch caliper trees funded by the city.

Major planting events planned for October to expand Logan's urban forest.

## **Inspiration (Student Grants)**

"Dream Big, Execute Small" Grants:

Nine \$500 grants awarded:

3 to Mount Logan Middle School

3 to Logan High School

3 to Utah State University

Students propose community-impact projects that can be accomplished with \$500.

Applications available on Logan City's America 250 webpage (QR code and video submission options available).

Goal: Empower youth to inspire the broader community through meaningful, achievable projects.

## **Community Engagement & Events**

Major celebrations planned around:

July 3rd: Concerts, activities at Lob Plaza and Willow Park, fireworks, downtown partnerships, and Cruisin' weekend.

July 4th: Concerts at Lob Plaza and expanded fireworks viewing.

Pioneer Day: Traditional celebrations and activities.

The city aims to create inclusive opportunities for residents to serve, celebrate, and connect reinforcing that community is built by serving, gathering, and participating together.

## **Overall Vision**

Logan City is partnering with state and county leaders to make America 250 a year of:

Learning

Service

Youth-driven inspiration

Community connection

Residents are encouraged to participate in even one activity to bring family and friends and help build a stronger, more connected Logan community.

No further Mayor/Staff Reports were provided.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS: (21:25)**

**Planning Commission Update – Councilmember Simmonds**

Councilmember Simmonds reported on three items:

- The Zollinger Complex: Construction of warehouse buildings at 1430 North 800 West.
- Jed Willets: A down-zone request for a 22-acre parcel at 1354 North 200 West.
- Maple View Subdivision: A rezone request to be heard in a future workshop.

**Council Announcements – Chair Johnson**

Councilmember Lee-Koven reported that she attended her first Cache Valley Center for the Arts board meeting, which focused on ensuring the center continues to maximize its relevance and community impact. The board reviewed ticket sales and attendance across productions and noted strong performance and a wide range of offerings. It was also clarified that the City owns and manages the facility, while the nonprofit Cache Valley Center for the Arts operates the venue, books touring productions, and balances rentals, performances, and classes to serve the community.

She also attended the Public Art Advisory Board meeting and gave an updated which included progress on a mural at the Willow Park Sports Complex Central Building, an extension of the mural in the library’s children’s area (privately funded and underway), and a proposal tied to a Community Development Block Grant to fund murals at four downtown bus stops—two designed by professional artists and two potentially by high school students. That proposal is expected to come before the Council next month. She also plans to attend an upcoming Forestry Board meeting later this week.

Chair Johnson announced a Hillcrest neighborhood meeting on Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. regarding the General Plan draft.

No further Council Business items were presented.

**ACTION ITEMS: (28:00)**

**PUBLIC HEARING - LOGAN CROSSROADS REZONE – Consideration of a proposed zone change. Josh Barnes/KLJB LLC, authorized agent/owner is requesting a zone change of 4.54 acres located at 790 & 796 South Main from Commercial (COM) to Mixed Use (MU) in the Woodruff Neighborhood – Ordinance 26-05 – Aimee Egbert, Planner**

At the February 3, 2026 Council meeting, Aimee Egbert, Planner, addressed the Council regarding the proposed rezone.

Ms. Egbert explained that the subject property consists of two parcels situated near the Hwy 89/91 “Y” intersection and is currently designated Commercial in the City’s Future Land Use Plan. One parcel is vacant and the other contains commercial-use structures. Access to the site is anticipated through a planned frontage road (80 East), with the property abutting Providence City on the east. The Mixed Use (MU) zone allows integrated residential and commercial development with enhanced pedestrian design standards, public gathering space requirements, and multi-story building forms. The MU zone requires residential components, whereas the COM zone only allows them in limited vertical mixed-use configurations.

Planning considerations summarized by staff included:

- The site’s infill location supports coordinated redevelopment near goods, services, and employment opportunities
- Mixed-use development may function as a transition between the Main Street corridor and adjacent neighborhoods
- MU zoning allows increased height and more flexible design compared to COM
- Future UDOT intersection modifications may increase visibility and commercial opportunity at this location
- No development plan is proposed at this stage; any future project must meet MU standards and undergo design review

Ms. Egbert noted that on January 22, 2026, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the rezone to the Municipal Council by a vote of 5-0.

At Planning Commission, there was significant discussion about the benefits of combining housing and commercial uses rather than maintaining strictly commercial zoning. Commissioners felt the site is well suited for denser housing as part of a gateway into Logan, and that mixed use could provide a more effective and activated use of the property.

One concern with rezoning is the potential impact on sales tax revenue, since commercial zoning typically generates more sales tax than residential uses. However, depending on future road classifications and collector street requirements, the mixed-use designation could ultimately result in more street-facing commercial space than previously anticipated.

While there are still uncertainties, particularly regarding potential road changes, there is no specific development proposal being approved at this time, and discussions remain at a conceptual stage.

Chair Johnson asked where on the map the proposed Y-intersection improvements would occur.

Ms. Egbert referenced the slide showcasing the proposed/draft Y-intersection.

Councilmember Simmonds requested confirmation that the commercial floor area must face the highway under the MU standards.

Ms. Egbert confirmed that the commercial space must front the highway.

Chair Johnson requested confirmation that staff recommended approval of the rezone.

Ms. Egbert confirmed that staff recommended approval.

Chair Johnson opened the meeting to a public hearing.

There were no comments and Chair Johnson closed the public hearing.

Chair Johnson stated that while there are still uncertainties particularly regarding potential road changes there is no specific development proposal being approved at this time, and discussions remain at a conceptual stage.

**ACTION. Motion by Councilmember Simmonds seconded by Vice Chair López to adopt Ordinance 26-05 as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote (5-0).**

**Dahle: Aye**

**Johnson: Aye**

**Lee-Koven: Aye**

**López: Aye**

**Simmonds: Aye**

**Consideration of a proposed resolution to adopt a new Mission Statement for the City of Logan – Resolution 26-05 – Mayor Anderson [\(34:46\)](#)**

Mayor Anderson addressed the Council regarding the proposed resolution to approve a new Mission Statement for the City of Logan.

Mayor Anderson stated that during the Mayor and Council retreat in January, significant time was spent developing a clear, concise mission statement to guide Logan City moving forward. After review by the Executive Committee and additional Council input, a final one-sentence mission statement was created:

*“Logan City improves the quality of life for the community by providing essential services that promote safety, well-being, and long-term sustainability, and preserves the city’s distinctive character through respectful, equitable, and transparent governance”.*

Mayor Anderson said the statement is intended to guide decision-making for elected officials, staff, and departments, and may also serve as a shared vision for the broader community. A resolution has been brought forward to formally adopt it as the City's official mission statement, and it will be incorporated into the City's General Plan.

Councilmembers emphasized that the mission statement was one of the most important outcomes of the retreat. Considerable discussion went into refining key words and values to ensure it accurately reflects the Council's priorities and provides a clear framework for evaluating future decisions. It was stated that while City does many things, this concise statement captures the core purpose and direction of the organization.

**ACTION. Motion by Councilmember Dahle seconded by Vice Chair López to approve Resolution 26-05 as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote (5-0).**

**Dahle: Aye**

**Johnson: Aye**

**Lee-Koven: Aye**

**López: Aye**

**Simmonds: Aye**

**PUBLIC HEARING - Budget Adjustment FY 2025-2026 appropriating: \$410,166 electric reserves toward a line truck replacement; \$470,520 golf course reserves toward the purchase of new golf carts - Resolution 26-04 – Richard Anderson, Finance Director ([40:00](#))**

Finance Director Richard Anderson addressed the Council regarding the proposed budget adjustments. He reviewed the discussion from the February 3, 2026 workshop, noting the following:

- \$410,166 from electric fund reserves is proposed to be appropriated toward the purchase of a replacement electric line truck. Due to supply chain lead times, the vehicle will take approximately two years from order to delivery, and purchasing now is expected to be more cost-effective than delaying the purchase.

- The line truck would be purchased from electric fund reserves with a commitment to replenish reserves in the next fiscal year.

Mr. Anderson confirmed he was comfortable with the level of electric fund reserves with the understanding that planned projects and commitments are carefully monitored and that staff will be cautious about future spending.

Mayor Anderson reiterated that purchasing the line truck now is expected to save money in the long term compared to deferring the replacement.

Mr. Anderson also summarized the proposal to appropriate \$470,520 in golf course reserves for the purchase of 60 new lead-acid battery-powered golf carts. He noted:

- The carts will allow the Logan River Golf Course to host a full golf tournament with two carts at each hole
- Leasing carts in the past has cost approximately \$75,000 per year
- The current annual cart rental revenue is approximately \$360,000, and staff anticipates that revenue will increase with newer carts
- Lithium battery-powered carts were evaluated but are currently significantly more expensive per year, and pricing structures remain uncertain
- The carts are expected to retain resale value and there are guaranteed buyback options to help maximize return.

Jeff John, Golf Pro at the Logan River Golf Course, commented on the operational advantages of lithium battery-powered carts, including lighter weight, reduced turf compaction, faster charging, and more user hours, while acknowledging the current cost differential.

Chair Johnson asked if the proposed carts were lead-acid battery-powered. Mr. Anderson confirmed that lead-acid battery-powered carts were being purchased at this time, with the intent to return to the Council in approximately three years to evaluate resale and potential purchase of lithium battery-powered carts.

The new carts will include GPS and geofencing technology to improve course management, monitor pace of play, protect course conditions, and enhance the golfer experience. Staff anticipate delivery in mid-April and noted that ownership provides flexibility in determining how long to keep the carts before resale.

Overall, both requests involve strategic use of reserves with plans to restore funds in future budget cycles.

Chair Johnson opened the meeting to a public hearing.

There were no comments and Chair Johnson closed the public hearing.

**ACTION. Motion by Councilmember Simmonds seconded by Councilmember Dahle to approve Resolution 26-04 as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote (5-0).**

**Dahle: Aye**

**Johnson: Aye**

**Lee-Koven: Aye**

**López: Aye**

**Simmonds: Aye**

**WORKSHOP ITEMS:**

No workshop items were presented.

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS: (49:50)**

Chair Johnson allowed a brief comment from a member of the public. Jorge ? addressed the Council and spoke about the City's decision not to renew the contract for the batting cages business he had purchased three years ago. He expressed frustration about difficulties renewing the agreement and uncertainty about the reasons for non-renewal.

Vice Chair López said he has talked with Jorge and Parks & Recreation Director Russ Akina and this is complicated issue.

Vice Chair López provided clarification, explaining that contracts are subject to renewal by mutual agreement and are not guaranteed indefinitely. He noted that there had been multiple operational issues over time, including inconsistent hours and scheduling challenges that impacted Parks and Recreation. While some concerns were addressed, ongoing inconsistencies led the City to determine it was in its best interest not to renew the contract. Jorge was notified within the timeline required by the agreement.

Mayor Anderson suggested that further discussion could be held with Parks & Recreation Director Russ Akina.

No further considerations were discussed.

**ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business, the Logan Municipal Council adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Teresa Harris, City Recorder