



**HOOPER CITY  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 08, 2026 7:00PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
5580 W. 4600 S.  
Hooper, UT 84315**

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The Hooper City Council held a work meeting at 6:00pm and their regular meeting at 7pm on January 08, 2026, at the Hooper City Civic Center located at 5580 W. 4600 S, Hooper, UT 84315.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sheri Bingham – Mayor  
Dale Fowers – City Council  
Ryan Hill – City Council  
Larry Ropelato – City Council  
Ray Hancock – City Council  
David Craig – City Council - ZOOM

COUNCIL MEMBERS EXCUSED:

CITY STAFF & PLANNING COMMISSION PRESENT:

Darren Curtis – City Attorney  
Morghan Yeoman – City Recorder  
Malcolm Jenkins- City Planner

**6:00PM WORK MEETING**

1. Discussion on Agenda Items

At 6:00pm the City Council held a work meeting where agenda items were discussed, City Council assignments, HCC 1-1-4, Planning Commission, Proclamation for Just serve, 2026 City Council schedule, and Economic Development Policy.

**7:00PM REGULAR MEETING**

1. Meeting Called to Order – Mayor Bingham

At 7:00 pm Mayor Sheri Bingham called the meeting to order.

2. Opening Ceremony

a. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Ropelato led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

b. Reverence

Council Member Hill offered reverence.

3. Upcoming Events

- a) Mayor Bingham mentioned the removal of Wreaths from the Wreaths across America event at the cemetery Saturday at 9am.
- b) Mayor Bingham announced Western Weber CTC flyer and spoke on the class.
- c) Mayor Bingham spoke on the City Newsletter and where to find them.

4. Public Comments

David Harris –

David questioned what happens next with Economic Development Policy regarding the work meeting discussion.

5. Consent Items

- a) Motion- Approval of Minutes dated December 04, 2025  
With changes to Public comment- Robinson would like to give tour.

**COUNCIL MEMBER HILL MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES DATED DECEMBER 04, 2025 WITH A CORRECTION TO PUBLIC COMMENT. COUNCIL MEMBER ROPELATO SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
HILL	AYE
FOWERS	AYE
ROPELATO	AYE
HANCOCK	AYE
CRAIG	AYE

**MOTION PASSED.**

6. Public Hearings

- a. Request for a Release of Easement for Josh Bennett located at 5775 S 5900 W

**COUNCIL MEMBER FOWERS MOTIONED TO MOVE TO PUBLIC HEARING FOR A RELEASE OF EASEMENT FOR JOSH BENNETT LOCATED AT 5775 S 5900 W. COUNCIL MEMBER HANCOCK SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
HILL	AYE
FOWERS	AYE
ROPELATO	AYE
HANCOCK	AYE
CRAIG	AYE

**MOTION PASSED.**

Comments: None

**COUNCIL MEMBER HILL MOTIONED TO MOVE TO REGULAR MEETING. COUNCIL MEMBER FOWERS SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
HILL	AYE
FOWERS	AYE
ROPELATO	AYE
HANCOCK	AYE
CRAIG	AYE

**MOTION PASSED.**

i. City Council Discussion and/or Motion on request

Malcolm Jenkins, City Planner, explained the site plan and what easement is in question. Malcolm explained that PUE is a 10' but applicant is wanting to do 8'.

Darren Curtis, City Attorney, explained that the subdivision ordinance explains that you would need a 10' easement for a dedicated subdivision.

Darren advised not to approve the vacated easement but possibly an encroachment agreement. Council Member Ropelato clarified questions he had.

Josh Bennett, the applicant, asked if the other lots that have buildings on the their easement, why they were approved.

**COUNCIL MEMBER HILL MOTIONED TO APPROVE AN ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT WRITTEN BY LEGAL COUNSEL FOR JOSH BENNETT LOCATED AT 5775 S 5900 W. COUNCIL MEMBER CRAIG SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
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<b>HILL</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>FOWERS</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>ROPELATO</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>HANCOCK</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>CRAIG</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MOTION PASSED.</b>	

7. Discussion Items, Reports, and/or Presentations:

a. Emergency Preparedness Updates; Davis Harris.

David Harris provided updates on emergency preparedness with an informational packet handed out. Council will review the packet and get suggested revisions back to David to update the plan. Council Member Craig expressed excitement for involvement and ideas for youth council.

b. November Financial Statements for FY 26

Council Member Hill gave a run down of the budget. Questions were asked by City Council on certain budget items.

c. SWPPP Audit Report; Taylor Stauffer JUB

Taylor Stauffer presented the SWPPP audit report, discussing storm water GIS mapping needs, costs estimated at \$55,000. Council discussed the SWPPP Audit requirements with Taylor Stauffer and spoke on opening it up for bid.

8. Action Items.

a. Motion: Approval of Commercial Business license for Kyle Simmons; KSimmons Holdings LLC located at 5175 S 4000 S.

Kyle Simmons, the applicant, explained his business, Heavy Metal Laser, involving metal fabrication, powder coating, and inspections. Council discussed details on the business and asked if the fire department is doing an inspection. The applicant stated that it will be done there.

**COUNCIL MEMBER HILL MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE FOR KYLE SIMMONS FOR KSIMMONS HOLDINGS LLC LOCATED AT 5175 S 4000 S. COUNCIL MEMBER CRAIG SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS**

**FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
<b>HILL</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>FOWERS</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>ROPELATO</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>HANCOCK</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>CRAIG</b>	<b>AYE</b>

**MOTION PASSED.**

b. Motion: Approval of City Council Assignments.

Council discussed assignments, including Just Serve coordinator, youth council, emergency preparedness, animal control, community events, mosquito abatement, and tomato jam.

Nominations for mayor pro tem were made, with Council Member Craig selected.

Council Member Fowers Nominated Council Member Hill as Mayor Pro Tem  
Motion Failed.

**COUNCIL MEMBER ROPELATO MOTIONED TO APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBER CRAIG AS MAYOR PRO TEM. COUNCIL MEMBER HANCOCK SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
<b>HILL</b>	<b>NAY</b>
<b>FOWERS</b>	<b>NAY</b>
<b>ROPELATO</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>HANCOCK</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>CRAIG</b>	<b>AYE</b>

**MOTION PASSED.**

**COUNCIL MEMBER ROPELATO MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE CITY COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS. COUNCIL MEMBER CRAIG SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
<b>HILL</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>FOWERS</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>ROPELATO</b>	<b>AYE</b>

<b>HANCOCK</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>CRAIG</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MOTION PASSED.</b>	

9. Possible Closed Meeting

Concerning Pending and Threatened Litigation; Pending of Real Property; Development of Security Personnel, Devices, or Systems and/or Character, Professional Competence, or Physical or Mental Health of One or More Individuals.

**COUNCIL MEMBER FOWERS MOTIONED TO MOVE TO A CLOSED-DOOR MEETING. COUNCIL MEMBER HANCOCK SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
<b>HILL</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>FOWERS</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>ROPELATO</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>HANCOCK</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>CRAIG</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MOTION PASSED.</b>	

**COUNCIL MEMBER FOWERS MOTIONED TO MOVE TO REGULAR MEETING. COUNCIL MEMBER HANCOCK SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
<b>HILL</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>FOWERS</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>ROPELATO</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>HANCOCK</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MOTION PASSED.</b>	

- a. Possible motion to negotiate the purchase of Land.

**COUNCIL MEMBER HANCOCK MOTIONED TO NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF LAND LOCATED AT 5483 W 5100 S. COUNCIL MEMBER ROPELATO SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
HILL	AYE
FOWERS	AYE
ROPELATO	AYE
HANCOCK	AYE
<b>MOTION PASSED.</b>	

10. Adjournment

**AT APPROXIMATELY 9:17 PM COUNCIL MEMBER FOWERS MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. COUNCIL MEMBER HANCOCK SECONDED THE MOTION. VOTING AS FOLLOWS:**

<b><u>COUNCIL MEMBER:</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE:</u></b>
HILL	AYE
FOWERS	AYE
ROPELATO	AYE
HANCOCK	AYE
<b>MOTION PASSED.</b>	

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Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jamee Johnston, Deputy City Recorder

