

**MINUTES OF LAYTON CITY  
COUNCIL WORK MEETING**

**JANUARY 15, 2026; 5:30 P.M.**

**MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS  
PRESENT:**

**MAYOR JOY PETRO, MIKE KOLENDRIANOS,  
CLINT MORRIS, BETTINA SMITH EDMONDSON,  
AND DAVE THOMAS**

**PARTICIPATING ELECTRONICALLY**

**ZACH BLOXHAM**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

**ALEX JENSEN, CLINT DRAKE, STEPHEN  
JACKSON, WESTON APPLONIE, DAVID PRICE,  
ED FRAZIER, AND KIM READ**

**The meeting was held in the Council Conference Room of the Layton City Center.**

Mayor Petro opened the meeting.

**AGENDA:**

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Petro announced Myron Bachman, North Davis Sewer District, recently retired. She mentioned the sewer line installation within Layton City had been uniquely interesting and extremely challenging, and reported Whitaker Construction had hired a professional videographer to produce a video specific to the project. The video could be viewed via LinkedIn.

She mentioned myHometown and expressed her desire to create a Board consisting of representatives from faith-based organizations and local businesses to assist with the service projects. She mentioned she would be holding a meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

**COUNCILMEMBER'S REPORTS**

Councilmember Smith Edmondson informed the Council, Communities That Care (CTC) would have new leadership for the upcoming year. She announced Jess Brewer, Layton resident, Davis School District and North Davis CTC would be on the Board and Melissa Coates, Layton resident would be the Vice-Chair. She mentioned she would remain on the Executive Team/Advisory.

She reported she had attended LPC (Legislative Policy Committee) on Monday, January 12, 2026, and mentioned most of the bills were tax related and suggested further research would be needed. She would be sending emails to Tracy Probert, Finance Director, and Alex Jensen, City Manager, to determine the effects to the City.

Mayor Petro pointed out the Youth Council would be attending their event at the Capitol and encouraged the Council's support. She mentioned the City would be having 15 youth participants attending. Councilmember Thomas mentioned he had encouraged those on the Youth Council to reach out to their respective City Employee counterpart. He stated the tour of the Capitol Building would be provided by Senate President Stuart Adams.

Councilmember Morris reported the RAMP (Recreation, Arts, Museum, and Parks) Commission had met on Monday, January 12, 2026, and stated grant applications had been received totaling \$2.7 million of requests for \$2.2 million of funding. He reminded the Council \$1.1 million had already been appropriated for a new bubble at Surf 'n Swim. He indicated Mayor Petro would be recommending individuals to fill vacancies on the RAMP Commission.

Mayor Petro mentioned one round of interviews had already taken place and requested the Council's input specific to the applicants and a discussion followed. Councilmember Morris reported on the 'listening' session. He emphasized the RAMP Commission appointments were needed sooner rather than later.

Mayor Petro announced Councilmember Bloxham was participating electronically.

A discussion took place regarding how to proceed with RAMP and it was determined to move forward with the appointments now and a future meeting could take place at a later date specific to its Bylaws.

### **DAVIS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION**

Isa Perry, Health Strategy Manager and Davis4Health Coordinator, Davis County Health Department, shared a presentation regarding Davis Links, a centralized resource connection program. She distributed a handout highlighting the Program.

Councilmember Smith Edmondson shared a personal example regarding Davis Links.

Ms. Perry shared recent statistics associated with the Davis Links site.

Councilmember Morris inquired about funding and Ms. Perry responded COVID funding had been used for this purpose; however, those funds were no longer available. She indicated she would be requesting CDBG Grant funding during the City Council Meeting on Thursday, February 5, 2026.

Ms. Perry continued to share how a 'provider' would claim space on Davis Links and be responsible for that specific service/program.

### **DAVIS ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTATION**

Nancy George, Board Chair, Ross Marshall, Vice-Chair, Davis Arts Council (DAC), provided an overview of the prior season. She reviewed the history and timeline of the Davis Arts Council and the Board of Trustees and employees. She highlighted the following programs:

- Free Sunday night concerts
- Free Friday night films
- Small Stage Series
- Active Pages throughout Layton Commons Park
- Snow Horse Art Gallery
- 'Thriller' from Odyssey Dance Theatre
- Various Layton City events – Pioneer Day, Voices of Liberty, Whispers in the Dark, and Heritage Museum events

Ms. George pointed out DAC encouraged and supported the RAMP Ballot Initiative and expressed appreciation for the City's continued support.

Councilmember Smith Edmondson inquired if and when DAC identified a permanent location for its Small Stage Series whether it would continue performances at the Abbington. She expressed her opinion the Abbington had been gracious in offering DAC a space for the concert series and had also provided an added benefit to that facility and its residents. Ms. George responded she wouldn't rule that out and spoke to the success of concert series experienced at that venue.

The Council expressed appreciation to Ms. George and Davis Arts Council.

Ms. George, Mr. Marshall, and Ms. Perry left the meeting at 6:28 PM.

**APPROVE AND GRANT PERPETUAL EASEMENTS TO THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RELOCATION OF WATER FACILITIES AS PART OF THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IDENTIFIED AS US-89; FARMINGTON TO I-84 IN DAVIS AND WEBER COUNTIES, UTAH, PROJECT NUMBER S-0089(406)398 – RESOLUTION 26-01 – VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY**

Stephen Jackson, Public Works Director, explained Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) had completed the construction of the project identified as US-89; Farmington to I-84 in Davis and Weber Counties. Layton City owned various properties: 1985 Valley View Drive, 2130 North 2900 East, and Marvin Way Dream’s End and identified the location of each. The Bureau of Reclamation owned water facilities within the extent of the Project. The Project’s construction necessitated the relocation of these facilities, which required easements to be established. The City’s obligation would be to establish easements, upon the completion of the relocation, which had been outlined in previously executed Relocation Agreements, approved and executed by the City, at the onset of the Project.

Mr. Jackson explained approval of the Resolution would grant Perpetual Easements to the Utah Department of Transportation for the Relocation of Water Facilities, as part of the construction project identified as US-89; Farmington to I-84 in Davis and Weber Counties. He clarified the City had previously agreed to grant the easements in previous agreements; however, approval of these easements would be a final step in that process.

Councilmember Kolendrianos clarified City Engineering Staff had expressed satisfaction with the completed work and that all legal descriptions in the easements were accurate. Mr. Jackson responded in the affirmative.

**CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE CHARACTER AND/OR COMPETENCY OF AN INDIVIDUAL(S), PENDING OR REASONABLY IMMINENT LITIGATION, PURCHASE, SALE, EXCHANGE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, WATER RIGHTS OR SHARES, AND/OR DEPLOYMENT OF SECURITY PERSONNEL, DEVICES OR SYSTEMS AS PERMITTED UNDER UTAH CODE §52-4-205**

**CLOSED MEETING:**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Kolendrianos moved to adjourn the meeting and convene in a closed meeting at 6:33 p.m. to discuss the Purchase, Exchange, or Lease of Real Property, Including Any Form of a Water Right or Water Shares. Councilmember Smith Edmondson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Smith Edmondson moved to open the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Councilmember Morris seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.**

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Kimberly S Read, City Recorder

**SWORN STATEMENT**

The undersigned hereby swears and affirms, pursuant to Section 52-4-205(1) of the Utah Code Annotated, that the sole purpose for the closed meeting of the Layton City Council on the **15th day of January, 2026**, was to discuss the Purchase, Exchange, or Lease of Real Property, Including any Form of a Water Right or Water Shares.

Dated this 19th day of March, 2026.

ATTEST:

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JOY PETRO, Mayor

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KIMBERLY S READ, City Recorder