

CITY OF SOUTH SALT LAKE  
CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING

COUNCIL MEETING Wednesday March 25, 2026  
6:00 p.m.

CITY OFFICES 220 East Morris Avenue  
South Salt Lake, Utah 84115

PRESIDING: Council Chair Sharla Bynum

CONDUCTING: Council Chair Sharla Bynum

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:  
Joy Glad, Sharla Bynum,  
Irvin Jones, Clarissa Williams, and Ray deWolfe

COUNCIL MEMBERS EXCUSED:  
Corey Thomas, Nick Mitchell

STAFF PRESENT:  
Mayor Cherie Wood  
Josh Collins, City Attorney  
Danielle Croyle, Police Chief  
Terry Addison, Fire Chief  
Sharen Hauri, Neighborhoods Director  
Joy Manwiller, Deputy Finance Director  
Matt Robins, Executive Assistant  
Jonathan Weidenhamer, Community & Economic Development Director  
Spencer Cawley, Senior Planner  
Jared Christensen, Deputy Fire Chief  
Craig Giles, Public Works Director  
Spencer Redden, Police Officer  
Eliza Ungricht, Community Development Deputy Director  
Jorge Morales, Business License Official  
Anthony Biamont, Parks Manager  
Carson Aprato, Police Sergeant  
Ariel Andrus, City Recorder  
Sara Ramirez, Deputy City Recorder

**Matters for Discussion**

**1. Council Priorities Survey Results**

Consultant, Lindsey Ferrari, presented the results of the annual City Council survey, which was conducted to gauge the priorities of the Council Members ahead of the upcoming budget season. It was noted that the survey received a higher response rate this year, providing more comprehensive data across each category. The presentation aimed to seek context and texture regarding some of the verbatim answers provided by the Council Members.

A copy of the presentation is attached and incorporated by this reference.

**2. Urban Forest Management Plan Discussion**

Neighborhoods Director, Sharen Hauri, presented the Urban Forest Management Plan, detailing the comprehensive approach the City takes toward community forestry. The plan was organized into functional buckets, including community forestry initiatives (such as the "plant a tree for free" program, park plantings, and recent Oxbow River restoration efforts) and internal City forestry operations. The recommended next steps included establishing a complete program supported by a diverse staff to manage the expanding urban canopy.

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**3. Continued – Council Rules Discussion**

Council Chair Bynum briefly addressed the ongoing review of the Council Rules. It was noted that Rules 1-8 had been discussed in the previous meeting, leaving Rule 9 and the subsequent rules for review.

To ensure adequate time for the final agenda item, the Council was instructed to email any proposed changes, additions, or suggestions regarding the remaining rules. The item will be added to the agenda of a future work meeting for formal review and adjustment.

**4. Discussion – Amendments to Liquor License Caps for Restaurants and Proximity Requirement Clarifications**

Senior Planner, Spencer Cawley, presented a proposed amendment to the City's liquor license requirements outlined in Title 5. Currently, all liquor licenses are grouped under a single umbrella category with a cap of 33 available licenses, of which 24 are currently occupied by restaurants.

The proposal recommended removing restaurant uses from this general category and placing them in their own separate category without a City-imposed cap. This change would immediately alleviate the backlog, making 23 licenses available for other businesses, and allow waitlisted applicants to move forward.

It was also noted that Title 17 would be updated to align the City's proximity measurement language with state code (measuring by the shortest route of ordinary pedestrian travel) to eliminate enforcement conflicts with the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services (DABS).

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The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

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Sharla Bynum, Council Chair

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Ariel Andrus, City Recorder