

**Pleasant Grove City
City Council Meeting Minutes
Work Session
Tuesday, February 17, 2026
4:30 p.m.**

Mayor: Eric Jensen

Council Members: Dianna Andersen
Cyd LeMone
Dustin Phillips
Steve Rogers
Todd Williams

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
Christine Petersen, City Attorney
Wendy Thorpe, City Recorder
Denise Roy, Finance Director
David Packard, Human Resources Manager
Drew Engemann, Fire Chief
Neal Winterton, Public Works Director
Sierra Pierson, Assistant to the City Administrator
Keldon Brown, Police Chief
Megan Zollinger, Recreation Director
Daniel Cardenas, Community Development Director
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Deon Giles, Parks Director
Amber Ard, Assistant Library Director

Excused: Sheri Britsch, Library & Arts Director

The City Council and Staff met in the Community Room, 108 South 100 East, Pleasant Grove, Utah.

4:30 P.M. WORK SESSION

Mayor Eric Jensen called the Work Session to order at 4:30 p.m. and welcomed those present.

a. Utility Rate Study.

Public Works Director, Neal Winterton, reported that utility rates should be reviewed every five to seven years, and more often in certain situations. Bowen, Collins and Associates was asked to review the following rates:

- Secondary water;
- Culinary water;

- Sewer;
- Storm drain; and
- Transportation.

Utility rates must meet financial obligations and be administrable, fair, and legal. Those principles are used to create the level of service (“LOS”) that determines the utility’s quality, quantity, and reliability. Director Winterton reported that the City’s LOS has increased dramatically over the past five years. He then reviewed the specific areas that must be considered with each principle.

Principle 1: Meet financial obligations

1. Day-to-day operations
 - Personnel
 - Supplies
 - Computers and subscriptions
 - Contracted services
 - Increased regulations and mandates
 - Deferred maintenance
2. Debt/Bond Payments
 - Minimum fund balances
3. Capital projects
 - Water quality improvements
 - Replacement and upsizing
 - New installations
 - Deferred projects

Principle 2: Fair

1. User classes
 - Property size
 - Residential
 - Commercial
2. Use more, pay more
 - Utilities must be built for the system’s peak, and those with the ability to use more should pay more
3. Two Charges
 - Fixed base rate
 - Volume charges equalize the “use more, pay more” concept

Principle 3: Ability to Administer

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1. The City has one account clerk and 9,500 accounts.
2. Exceptions, agreements, deals, allowances, and special cases are hard to track and manage.
3. No hand calculations or interpretations.
4. Bills must be easy to understand and explain.

Principle 4: Legal

1. There are federal laws related to fairness and balanced methods, although the City Council currently has broad authority in this area.
2. State Code requires tiered water rates.

Director Winterton reported that capital projects are the only financial obligation for which the City has some leeway. Day-to-day operating costs must be covered and debts must be paid, but the project schedule can be altered. Information from Pleasant Grove's 10-year capital plan and annual needs list, which ranks each planned project by importance and year, was used to create the rate proposals.

Keith Larsen of Bowens Collins and Associates presented the rate study. Mr. Larsen is a civil engineer who specializes in utility rate planning for municipalities on the Wasatch Front, including recent studies for American Fork, Provo, Herriman, and Sandy.

Pleasant Grove faces three major challenges: system expansion and new regulations, inflation, and aging infrastructure.

Inflation is affecting communities across Utah. Long-term inflation is traditionally projected at 3% annually, in line with the Consumer Price Index. Construction costs, however, have increased three times more than expected. As a result, many communities are facing the need for significantly increased funding. Pleasant Grove is in much better shape than other communities Mr. Larsen works with because the City Council has been committed to funding its utility systems. Most of those communities need increases of 20% to 30%.

Secondary Water

Mr. Larsen reviewed historic and projected secondary water system revenues and expenditures. Current rates fall short of project needs, and that deficit will increase significantly over time. Two options were created, one to immediately solve the problem and provide funding for the future and one to phase increases in. If rates are kept steady, the City will run out of money for its secondary water system within two to three years.

The monthly median secondary water bill increase for each option would be as follows:

- Option 1
 - 2027: \$4.45
 - 2028: \$0.99
 - 2029: \$0.93
 - 2030: \$7.75
 - 2031: \$1.15
 - 2032: \$1.10
- Option 2
 - 2027: (\$0.47)
 - 2028: \$3.28
 - 2029: \$3.02
 - 2030: \$3.02
 - 2031: \$3.02
 - 2032: \$3.02

Mr. Larsen reported that the 2027 decrease shown for Option 2 would be due to a change in the rate structure.

In response to a question raised by Council Member Rogers, Mr. Larsen clarified that the graphs being displayed were for the secondary water system only (right) and combined culinary and secondary systems (left). The graphs were combined because cash reserves for both systems are kept in the same fund. The proposed rate increases were for secondary water only.

Culinary Water

Mr. Larsen reported that the City has a large amount of needed capital asset expenditures relative to operations and maintenance costs due to its aging culinary water system. Large portions of the culinary system are from the 1950s and have reached end of life.

The rate increase options for culinary water are:

- Option 1
 - 2027: \$18.05
 - 2028: \$1.41
 - 2029: \$1.33
 - 2030: \$5.27
 - 2031: \$1.63
 - 2032: \$1.67
- Option 2
 - 2027: \$6.39
 - 2028: \$5.21
 - 2029: \$5.21
 - 2030: \$5.21
 - 2031: \$5.18
 - 2032: \$1.67

Sanitary Sewer

Operations and maintenance costs due to treatment costs at the Timpanogos Special Service District are the primary expenditure. The City has done a good job of maintaining the system, but adjustments are needed to keep up with increased costs and to increase cash reserves.

The rate increase options for sanitary sewer fees are:

- Option 1
 - 2027: \$8.06
 - 2028: \$1.99
 - 2029: \$2.05
 - 2030: \$7.57
 - 2031: \$2.54
 - 2032: \$2.91
- Option 2
 - 2027: \$6.52
 - 2028: \$4.96
 - 2029: \$2.10
 - 2030: \$7.72

- 2031: \$2.60
- 2032: \$3.38

Storm Drains

Mr. Larsen reported that the City has a large number of upcoming storm water projects, but cash reserves will cover some of those.

The rate increase options for storm drain fees are:

- Option 1
 - 2027: \$13.86
 - 2028: \$0.02
 - 2029: \$0.02
 - 2030: \$0.12
 - 2031: \$0.02
 - 2032: \$0.02
- Option 2
 - 2027: \$3.93
 - 2028: \$3.93
 - 2029: \$3.93
 - 2030: \$3.93
 - 2031: \$3.93
 - 2032: \$2.86

Transportation Utility Fund

This fund can only be used for projects. A significant increase is proposed for 2027 based on identified needs. This fund has almost no cash reserves. Option 1 would maintain a positive balance in the fund. The original fee was calculated at \$8.45 in 2018 but a fee of \$6.76 was adopted. With inflation and actual construction costs, it should have increased to \$13.86. Option 2 would keep the fund in the negative but would bring the fee to \$13.86, and Option 1 would keep some cash in reserve.

The rate increase options for transportation utility fees are:

- Option 1
 - 2027: \$11.28
 - 2028: \$0.82
 - 2029: \$0.82
 - 2030: \$0.88
 - 2031: \$0.87
 - 2032: \$0.90
- Option 2
 - 2027: \$7.10
 - 2028: \$2.23
 - 2029: \$2.23
 - 2030: \$2.23
 - 2031: \$0.87
 - 2032: \$0.90

In response to a question raised by Mayor Jensen, City Administrator, Scott Darrington reported that the City had never increased its Transportation Utility Fee. Pleasant Grove was sued after the fee was instituted, so it was not collected for a couple of years. When it was reintroduced, it was reduced by 20%. The amount was always number driven, and this proposal changed it to a project-driven model. Mayor Jensen asked if other revenues were taken into consideration. Administrator Darrington clarified that the rate study only considers fees, not Class C Roads funds or other revenues. The project list includes those revenues, but the study only considers items that cannot be funded through other sources.

Mr. Larsen reviewed results based on legal and industry standards for cost of service.

Secondary Water

HB 242 requires all secondary water connections to be metered and HB 274 requires tiered rates for secondary systems by 2030. Four secondary tiers were proposed. Mr. Larsen reviewed a chart of recommended and expected usage. Estimated average use falls into tier two, with tiers three and four being for above-average use. Users currently pay a flat fee based on meter size. Moving forward, they propose decreasing the base fee by almost \$19 and charging volume rates based on capacity.

In response to a question raised by Council Member Williams, Mr. Larsen confirmed that the proposed rates were based on capacity. If someone owns but does not use a four-inch line, the system must still have the storage and production capacity to support its use. Tiered rates would be based on volume, and the amount of water received would be adjusted by tier. For example, someone with a four-inch meter would receive 167,000 gallons at Tier 1 pricing. Someone with a large yard and more capacity will pay more but will also receive larger volumes of water at a lower price.

Mr. Larsen reviewed a comparison pricing chart and indicated that the average user would pay \$43 per month, \$1 less than they currently pay. The 10th percentile user would see a reduction and the 90th percentile user would see a significant increase.

Culinary Water

Historically, culinary water has been billed at the same rate regardless of meter size. The study proposed that Pleasant Grove begin charging based on capacity using the same principles and tier sizes as secondary water. Culinary water includes those with and without access to pressurized irrigation ("PI"). Because of that, different tiers are proposed for those with PI. The average user with access to PI has steady usage, whereas those without access have higher water usage in summer

Sanitary Sewer

No significant structural changes were proposed. Currently residential is charged a flat rate of \$31.59 on a per-door basis. Commercial, industrial, and institutional were charged on a per-business-unit basis, which can be difficult to administer. The study proposed moving these users to capacity-based billing. The cost per 1,000 gallons is determined by the Timpanogos Special Service District.

Storm Water

A flat, across-the-board increase with no structural changes was proposed.

Transportation

The proposed percentage increases would also utilize the current structure.

Mr. Larsen reviewed the average monthly increase for typical users for Option 2.

- Secondary Water: (\$0.47)
- Culinary Water: \$6.39
- Sanitary Sewer: \$6.52
- Storm Drain: \$3.93
- Transportation: \$7.10
- Total increase: \$23.47

Mayor Jensen stated that residents had a lot of questions about secondary water rates. Administrator Darrington stated that people who use more secondary water will pay more now that it is metered. The largest percentage of users will see a small decrease. Most residents have three-quarter-inch meters, and a few have two-inch meters.

Council Member LeMone stated that she lives on a large lot and asked how her rate would be affected if she removes her grass and does not water. Mr. Larsen reported that she would pay a reduced volumetric rate but a higher monthly rate. Director Winterton added that residents have the option of decreasing their line size by one unit. For example, a two-inch line could go down to 1.5 inches. All residents are allowed one free meter exchange. Mr. Larsen added that a resident with a one-inch line would currently pay \$52.68, which would decrease to \$42.68 plus the volumetric rate for their tier. High water users may want to pay higher base rates to have access to larger amounts of water.

The study used capacity ratios created by the American Water Works Association. A one-inch meter has the ability to flow at 50 gallons per minute, and a three-quarter-inch meter flows at 30 gallons per minute. The ratio is determined by dividing the original capacity by the additional capacity.

Council Member Phillips stated that it is a matter of education because the rate table may be overwhelming. Council Member Williams stated that people will only see the rate increase. He would like the opportunity to review the numbers. Council Member Rogers stated that he lives in an agricultural area with large lots. His neighbors switched their irrigation to PI based on the promise that it would remain affordable, and he believes the City had broken its promise to not raise irrigation water rates. He would also like to review the underlying numbers and consider alternate solutions.

In response to a question from Administrator Darrington, Mayor Jensen stated that he remembered someone saying it would only cost \$15 per month and never increase. That was not an elected official but may have been someone who worked for the City. Council Member Rogers stated that it may not bind the City legally, but when PI was installed, water sharers were told not to worry. People were irrigating their fields with their own water rights, and then Pleasant Grove made representations at meetings that the PI system would be affordable. It may have been taken out of context. Mayor Jensen agreed that they did not account for future growth or maintenance. It is a perception and policy problem. Council Member Rogers does not believe the City should incentivize development in areas where it wants to maintain rural zoning, but it will be impossible to maintain with this water structure.

City Attorney, Christine Petersen stated that she understands residents' perception of what was discussed when the City moved to secondary water, but no one knew that the State would mandate the secondary meter project that is costing Pleasant Grove millions of dollars and require a tiered rate structure. Those requirements were not even on the horizon when the public meetings were held.

That does not make the situation easier for residents, but it may help the Council to know that no intentional misrepresentations were made. Rather, factors came into play that were not anticipated.

Council Member Rogers stated that it behooves the Council to evaluate what can be done to ensure that longstanding residents who have the least ability to pay seven times more than their current bill are not forced to do so. They need to evaluate whether it is reasonable to charge \$256 per month for a three-inch water meter even during the eight months that the water is not available. He found the proposal untenable.

Administrator Darrington stated that Staff can work with the consultant on ways to bring the base rate down and asked if the Council would prefer something closer to the 2026 base rate. Council Member Rogers stated that the usage rate should be what makes the difference. He understands that it costs extra to service a large pipe due to its potential usage, but the State's purpose is to encourage conservation and that is what should be incentivized. Council Member Williams stated that all utility fees should be reevaluated in the same way.

Council Member Andersen asked if usage correlates to pipe size. Mr. Larsen stated that there is not enough data available for two-inch or larger pipes, but the other data could be evaluated. He can also pull in data from other communities.

Director Winterton stated that the City must meet its day-to-day obligations and pay for projects, and the way to accomplish that is through rates. The base rates can be softened, but the revenue will need to be made up for elsewhere. If the City Council believes it is fairer to pay based on volume, those rates can be changed to meet the revenue goal.

Council Member Phillips stated that only 121 units are 1.5 inches or above. A minor adjustment could be added to the other rates to accommodate a decrease in those rates. Council Member Rogers stated that many people in his neighborhood are retirees who have lived in their homes their entire lives. They do not overwater, but they do have large lots. The 121 households' costs can be decreased dramatically by spreading it over the entire system and shifting the larger burden to the usage rate. Charging more for higher usage is an easier conversation because that is controlled by the consumer. Most residents had no control over their irrigation pipe size, and dramatically increasing their monthly rate based on the size of the line would be unfair.

Administrator Darrington thanked the Council for their feedback. The proposed rates would be modified and brought back for further discussion. The presentation, spreadsheets, and other available data would be forwarded to the Council for review.

b. Staff Business.

Staff business was moved to the Regular City Council Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: At 5:32 p.m. Council Member Williams moved to ADJOURN the Work Session. Council Member LeMone seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Rogers, Phillips, LeMone, and Williams voting "Yes."

The City Council Work Session Minutes of February 17, 2026, were approved by the City Council on March 24, 2026.

**Pleasant Grove City
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Regular Session
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6:00 P.M. REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eric Jensen called the Regular Session to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed those present.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fire Chief, Drew Engemann.

3) OPENING REMARKS

The Opening remarks were offered by Council Member LeMone.

4) **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

City Attorney, Tina Petersen, reported that item 10C would be continued to a date uncertain.

ACTION: Council Member LeMone moved to APPROVE the Meeting Agenda, as amended. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, LeMone, Phillips, Rogers, and Williams voting “Aye.”

5) **RECOGNITION OF THE PGHS 2026 DRILL TEAM 5A STATE CHAMPIONS**

Mayor Jensen expressed the Council’s appreciation for and pride in the Pleasant Grove High School Drill Team. Council Member Williams stated that his daughter danced for the Vikettes and won the national championship with Weber State, but the state championship eluded her. He then read the following recognition:

The City Council is very proud that the state championship is now part of the Drill Team’s legacy. On behalf of Mayor Jensen and City Council, it was his honor to recognize and celebrate the extraordinary accomplishments of the Pleasant Grove Vikettes Drill Team. Setting a new standard in 5A, the team captured the regional championship and went on to earn Pleasant Grove’s first ever 5A state drill team championship. They then carried that momentum to the national stage in Florida, where they were crowned national champions in hip hop with a show routine that remained undefeated all season long. Comprised of nine seniors, twelve juniors, eight sophomores, and two freshmen, the team has demonstrated what is possible through dedication, teamwork, and a commitment to something bigger than themselves. Their success is not measured in titles but in the pride, unity, and spirit they have brought to the community. The City Council was incredibly proud of each member of the team and grateful for the way they represent Pleasant Grove and congratulated them on a historic championship season.

A video of the team's winning performance was played.

Mayor Jensen stated that the Council is very proud of what the Vikettes accomplished for the community. He then read the Recognition for Coach Sami Jo Carson.

On behalf of the Mayor and Pleasant Grove City Council, it is our privilege to recognize Sami Jo Carson for her outstanding leadership and congratulate her on being named 5A Coach of the Year. After seven years of dedicated service as an assistant coach, this was her first year as head coach, and what a remarkable year it was for her. Leading the team in 5A, she guided them to a regional championship and Pleasant Grove's first-ever state drill team title and national championship in hip hop with a routine that went undefeated throughout the entire season. Her leadership, preparation, and commitment to her athletes have built a culture of excellence that will have a lasting impact on this program and our community moving forward. She has not only developed champions on the floor but strong, confident young leaders for the future. We are proud to recognize Sami Jo Carson for this well-deserved honor and thank her for the difference she is making in the lives of students in Pleasant Grove.

Photographs were taken with the City Council.

6) **OPEN SESSION**

Mayor Jensen opened the Open Session. There were no public comments. The Open Session was closed.

7) **CONSENT ITEMS**

- A. **City Council Minutes for the January 20, 2026 meeting.**
- B. **To consider for approval Payment No. 19 to HydroVac Excavation for the Pressurized Irrigation Meters Installation Project.**
- C. **To consider for approval Change Order No. 4 to Geneva Rock Products, Inc. for the 2025 Pavement Preservation Project.**
- D. **Payment Approval Report for February 5, 2026.**

ACTION: Council Member Andersen moved to APPROVE the Consent Items, as presented. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, LeMone, Phillips, Rogers, and Williams voting "Yes."

8) **BOARD, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:**

- A. **None Scheduled.**

9) **PRESENTATIONS**

- A. **None Scheduled.**

10) **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

A. Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance (2026-005) for a zone change on approximately 1.98 acres of land from the RR (Rural Residential) Zone to the R1-10 Zone, located at 1381 North 600 West. Applicant: Scott Dent. Presenter: Director Cárdenas.

Community Development Director, Daniel Cardenas presented the Staff Report and indicated that application was to rezone the subject property from RR, which requires 0.50-acre lots, to R1-10, which allows 10,000-square-foot lots. An aerial map was reviewed, and Director Cardenas reported that the property is directly south of the Makin Dreams subdivision that is currently under construction. Neighboring properties are zoned R1-8 Zone, R1-10, and R1-12, and the General Plan supports rezoning the property to R1-10. The item was presented to the Planning Commission, which forwarded a unanimous recommendation of approval.

In response to a question raised by Council Member Rogers, Council Member Williams stated that the subject property is currently a flag lot, and the property owner is looking at options to incorporate the parcel into the Makin Dreams development. Director Cardenas confirmed that the City would require a road connection.

Mayor Jensen opened the public hearing. No comments were offered. The public hearing was closed.

ACTION: Council Member Williams moved to APPROVE Ordinance 2026-005 for a zone change on approximately 1.98 acres of land from the RR (Rural Residential) Zone to the R1-10 Zone, located at 1381 North 600 West. Council Member Phillips seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Rogers, Phillips, LeMone, and Williams voting “Yes.”

B. Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance (2026-006) to amend Section 10-11E-1-1: Table of Permitted, Conditional and Accessory Uses, to amend the qualifying provisions for mixed use developments, by making sales tax revenue generating uses required for mixed use development. Presenter: Director Cárdenas.

Director Cardenas reported that for the past nine years, mixed uses have been allowed on Main Street in the Downtown Commercial Zone. For every three residential units, 1,000 square feet of commercial space is required. The amendment will require the commercial use to be one that generates sales tax revenue. The Planning Commission reviewed the item and forwarded a unanimous recommendation of approval.

In response to a question raised by Council Member Rogers, Director Cardenas clarified that other uses like professional services would still be allowed but would not count toward the requirement for residential units. He has always communicated to developers that the commercial use must be retail in nature, and the amendment would codify that requirement.

Mayor Jensen opened the public hearing. No comments were offered. The public hearing was closed.

ACTION: Council Member Rogers moved to APPROVE Ordinance 2026-006 to amend Section 10-11E-1-1: Table of Permitted, Conditional and Accessory Uses, to amend the qualifying provisions for mixed use developments, by making sales tax revenue generating uses required for mixed use

development. Council Member Andersen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, LeMone, Rogers, Williams, and Phillips voting “Yes.”

C. Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance (2026-004) to amend Section 10-6-2: Definitions, to Modify the definition of Building Height applicable to all residential and commercial buildings, including an effective date. *Presenter: Director Cárdenas*

This item was continued to a date uncertain and will be re-noticed.

11) ACTION ITEMS READY FOR VOTE

A. To consider awarding the 800 North Area Waterline, Drainage and Roadway Reconstruction Project to Condie Construction Co., LLC with a base bid price of \$3,556,724.10 authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed and the Agreement upon receipt and Approval of Final Contract Documents. *Presenter: Director Winterton.*

Director Winterton reported that 14 bids were received for the project. He was very pleased with the bids as the engineer’s estimate was approximately \$4.5 million. Condie Construction Co., LLC is a competent contractor, and he recommended approval of the Notice to Proceed.

Council Member Rogers asked if there were any concerns about change orders increasing the project cost. Director Winterton stated that he has worked with the contractor many times. If there were only a few bidders with a large gap between the bids, he would have a discussion with them to ensure that the bid is solid. In this situation, many of the bids were in the same range as the winning proposal. Conditions can warrant a change order, and sometimes the City initiates a change in scope. Condie Construction is a reputable company that typically completes much larger projects, and he was very pleased that they submitted a bid.

ACTION: Council Member Williams moved to AWARD the 800 North Area Waterline, Drainage and Roadway Reconstruction Project to Condie Construction Co., LLC with a base bid price of \$3,556,724.10 authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed and the Agreement upon receipt and Approval of Final Contract Documents. Council Member Andersen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, LeMone, Phillips, Rogers, and Williams voting “Yes.”

B. To consider for approval a Permit to Exceed Noise Restrictions for Geneva Rock Products, Inc. for the purpose of performing pavement preservation activities throughout various locations in the City between May 1, 2026 and August 31, 2026 from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am. *Presenter: Director Winterton.*

Director Winterton presented the item and reported that outside of emergencies, even the City must comply with noise ordinances. Geneva Rock Products will be performing work on the City’s roads this summer, and work on the busier roads will be completed at night. To avoid closing these roads during daylight hours, an exception to the noise ordinance must be granted.

ACTION: Council Member Phillips moved to APPROVE a Permit to Exceed Noise Restrictions for Geneva Rock Products, Inc. for the purpose of performing pavement preservation activities throughout various locations in the City between May 1, 2026 and August 31, 2026 from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am. Council Member LeMone seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, LeMone, Phillips, Rogers, and Williams voting “Yes.”

C. To consider Resolution (2026-08) authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Cooperative Agreement between the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands and the City of Pleasant Grove regarding Wildland Fire Management; and providing an effective date. Presenter: Fire Chief Engemann.

Fire Chief, Drew Engemann reported that the item was renewal of the five-year contract and meets an insurance requirement. After a fire approximately six years ago, insurance costs rose to \$3,400 per year. It is now approximately \$1,500 per year. This agreement is not associated with the Wildland Urban Interface (“WUI”) Map.

ACTION: Council Member Anderson moved to APPROVE Resolution 2026-08 Authorizing the Mayor to sign a Cooperative Agreement between the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands and the City of Pleasant Grove regarding Wildland Fire Management; and providing an effective date. Council Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Rogers, Phillips, LeMone, and Williams voting “Yes.”

12) ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

A. Continued items from the Work Session, if needed.

The Staff Business portion of the Work Session continued.

Police Chief, Keldon Brown reported on the following:

- Awards Banquet attendance was the highest ever.
- They will be celebrating Pi Day early, on Thursday, March 12 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- An officer will be retiring in April, and they are performing a background check on their potential replacement.
- Night shifts have been conducting parking enforcement in problem areas of the City and red tagging a lot of vehicles. The effort will be ongoing to remedy concerns that were brought up to Mayor Jensen.
- Officer Christian Erickson was recognized by the Brigham Young University Police Department for his outstanding service in intercepting a problem person before an incident occurred.

Community Development Director, Daniel Cardenas reported on the following:

- He has received a lot of questions about Magleby's. It will be a full-service restaurant, not just catering. They passed the final inspection the previous week and are now working to obtain their business license. The Utah County Health Department inspection is pending.
- He did not have specific information the Freddy's Frozen Custard and Steamburgers development but would report on it at the next meeting.

Public Works Director, Neal Winterton reported on the following:

- He thanked the City Council for attending the Public Works Department recognition event.
- He was happy to see the storms, but the dry weather had allowed them to complete many additional projects.
- Employees completed all concrete in the 1100 East project area. Completing the work in-house was significantly less expensive than contracting it out.
- They were caught up on asphalt and pothole patching.
- The storm drain audit is ongoing, as is cleaning and maintenance of detention basins.
- Street sweeping has continued throughout the winter.
- Construction began on the Battle Creek Trailhead parking lot.
- A pre-construction meeting was held for the 1100 East project, which is expected to start soon.

Fire Chief, Drew Engemann reported on the following:

- He shared an email regarding HB 65, which expanded cancer screening for firefighters. Firefighters are 9% more likely to be diagnosed with cancer and 14% more likely to die from it. Testing began approximately six months previously. Out of 128 firefighters who have been tested to date, 13 cancers were found, all asymptomatic. There were also 103 additional findings. In response to a question from Council Member Andersen, Chief Engemann reported that testing involves an MRI, CAT scan, and examination by a dermatologist and urologist. They plan to test 500 firefighters every year.

Assistant Library Director, Amber Ard reported on the following:

- They recently met with Overdrive, the company that owns the Libby ebook and audiobook app. The Beehive Library Consortium includes most libraries in Utah. Similarly sized consortiums average 50,000 unique users per month, but Beehive averages 130,000 uses who check out more audio books than ebooks. Hold times average 49 days, which is lower than average. Overdrive complimented the consortium on its efficient management of the demand. The top 10 audio books from the past six months were *Pride and Prejudice*, three volumes of *The Unselected Journals of Emma M. Lion*, *The House of My Mother*, *The Housemaid*, *The Women*, *The Anxious Generation*, *Sunrise on the Reaping*, and *The Four Winds*. It is also "Love Your Library" month.

13) **REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE MARCH 3, 2026, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA.**

Attorney Petersen reported that the City Council will review an Interlocal Agreement with the Utah County Water Conservancy District to set terms for installation of two Flock cameras at the diversion dams in Battle Creek and Grove Creek. A surplus property resolution will also be reviewed for a 2016 Harley Davidson that the Police Department will be trading in for a new leased Harley Davidson. The Work Session will include a budget discussion.

14) MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS.

Mayor Jensen thanked Assistant to the City Administrator, Sierra Pierson and City Recorder, Wendy Thorpe for their help with recognition video and wording.

In response to a question from Council Member Rogers, Mayor Jensen stated that City Event Coordinator, Andi Veenker and others have been working on America250 events. A video had been forwarded to the City Council, and he asked for their feedback on that item.

Council Member Rogers stated that there was vigorous discussion about the rate study, but he appreciated Director Winterton ensuring that they have the best information possible to maintain infrastructure and remain a great city moving forward.

Council Member Phillips stated that in his experience, construction costs vary significantly. The consultants may have used research from the COVID period where supply chain issues were at play. The Council was just presented with a bid 25% below the engineer's estimates, so maybe costs are coming down. If so, the projections may not be quite as bleak.

Mayor Jensen thanked Staff for continuing to provide a high level of service. He is grateful for their dedication. He also thanked everyone who attended the gala to recognize businesses in the community. They served great cookies from a local business, Cam's Cookies, as well as truffles from CandyCo in Lindon. A total of \$6,000 was raised for Choose Kindness donations.

15) SIGNING OF PLATS.

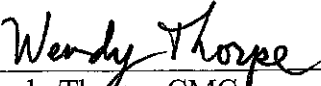
No plats were signed.

16) REVIEW CALENDAR.

17) ADJOURN

ACTION: At 7:03 p.m., Council Member Williams moved to ADJOURN. Council Member Rogers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Williams, LeMone, Phillips, and Rogers voting "Yes."

The City Council Minutes of February 17, 2026, were approved by the City Council on April 14, 2026.



Wendy Thorpe, CMC
City Recorder
(Exhibits are in the City Council Minutes binders in the Recorder's office.)