

MINUTES OF THE SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, January 20, 2026

The City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, met in Formal Session on Tuesday, January 20, 2026.

The following Council Members were present:

Alejandro Puy, Chris Wharton, Daniel Dugan, Sarah Young, Eva Lopez Chavez, Erika Carlsen, Victoria Petro

Present Legislative Leadership:

Jennifer Bruno – Executive Director, Lehua Weaver – Deputy Director, Nick Tarbet – Deputy Director

Present Administrative Leadership:

Rachel Otto – Chief of Staff, Jill Love – Chief Administrative Officer

Present City Staff:

Mark Kittrell – City Attorney, Keith Reynolds – City Recorder, Stephanie Elliott – Minutes & Records Clerk, Matthew Brown – Deputy City Recorder, Taylor Hill – District Liaison/Policy Specialist, Scott Corpany – Staff Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

A. OPENING CEREMONY:

1. Council Member Alejandro Puy will conduct the formal meeting.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Welcome and Public Meeting Rules.
4. The Council will approve the work session meeting minutes of May 13, 2025, as well as the formal meeting minutes of November 25, 2025.

Motion:

Moved by Council Member Dugan, seconded by Council Member Lopez Chavez to approve the May 13, 2025, work session meeting minutes and the November 25, 2025, formal meeting minutes.

AYE: Alejandro Puy, Chris Wharton, Daniel Dugan, Sarah Young, Eva Lopez Chavez, Erika Carlsen, Victoria Petro

Final Result: 7 – 0 Pass

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Public Hearing: Creation of The Silo Park Public Infrastructure District

The Council will accept public comment for a required public hearing as a step in the process that would create the Silos Park Public Infrastructure District (PID) at approximately 470 West 600 South. As provided in the petition, the proposed district would assist with financing the construction of public infrastructure related to development, including construction and maintenance of a right-of-way (a curb, a gutter, a sidewalk, a street, a road, a water line, a sewage line, a storm drain, an electricity line, a communications line, a natural gas line, or street lighting). The public hearing allows for input on whether the requested service is needed and if the service should be provided by the City, County, or the proposed district, and all other matters relating to the proposed district. The decision on the creation of the PID will not be made on January 20, 2026. Future briefings and a resolution will be necessary before a final decision is made. Petitioner: Joseph McKay, representing Olympus QOZB, LLC, Silos South Apartments Building 3, LLC, Silos Midblock QOZB, LLC, and Silos South Apartments, LLC.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing - Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Set Public Hearing Date - Tuesday, January 13, 2026

Hold hearing to accept public comment - Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 7 p.m.

TENTATIVE Council Action - TBD

Staff Recommendation - Refer to motion sheet(s).

Summary:

Jennifer Bruno gave a brief introduction and noted that the proposed PID was in the early development stage, with additional information and governing documents to be provided to the Council in the coming weeks.

There were no public comments.

Motion:

Moved by Council Member Dugan, seconded by Council Member Petro to close the public hearing and defer action to a future meeting.

AYE: Alejandro Puy, Chris Wharton, Daniel Dugan, Sarah Young, Eva Lopez Chavez, Erika Carlsen, Victoria Petro

Final Result: 7 – 0 Pass

C. POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS:

1.

Ordinance: Consolidated Fee Schedule Corrections – Public Utilities

The Council will consider adopting an ordinance amending the Salt Lake City Consolidated Fee Schedule (CFS). During the budget process for fiscal year 2025-26, the CFS was updated with several changes. After the schedule was approved and adopted by the Council, Departments noticed errors and omissions that needed to be corrected. The changes include adding the Title "Fire Lines" and the Description "Per Inch" to one of the rate tables in the CFS for Public Utilities.

Motion:

Moved by Council Member Wharton, seconded by Council Member Petro to adopt Ordinance 2 of 2026, amending fees and fee information in the Salt Lake City Consolidation Fee Schedule related to certain fire line fees and implement the full FY26 fire line fee structure upon adoption as presented in the updated rate table. The Council also supports the Department of Public Utilities crediting customers for the per-inch multiplier portion of fire line fees paid from July 1, 2026, through the date of adoption of this ordinance.

AYE: Alejandro Puy, Chris Wharton, Daniel Dugan, Sarah Young, Eva Lopez Chavez, Erika Carlsen, Victoria Petro

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D. COMMENTS:

1. Questions to the Mayor from the City Council.

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Council Member Wharton requested clarification on which programs were available to the immigrant community regardless of immigration status. Rachel Otto responded that the administration had recently updated the Mayor's New Americans Resources page on SLC.gov with additional information on City services and public resources.

2. Comments to the City Council. (This is a one-hour time slot for the public to comment on any City business not scheduled for a public hearing. Each person will have two minutes to talk. General comment registration closes at 7:30 p.m.)

Council Remarks:

Council Member Puy highlighted that the rules of decorum were intended to ensure inclusion, transparency, and respectful dialogue in public meetings, and emphasized the Council's commitment to a safe, productive environment where all viewpoints could be heard.

Council Member Wharton thanked community members for participating in public comment and stated that the Council was actively addressing public input, including concerns related to immigration.

Council Member Lopez Chavez thanked the public for speaking and affirmed a commitment to addressing community concerns regarding United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) operations.

Council Member Petro expressed a commitment to protecting community members and requested a task force to address public safety concerns related to ICE operations and enforcement.

Council Members invited the public to contact the Council regarding actionable steps to address public safety concerns on any matter, including ICE operations.

Public Comments:

MJ Powell spoke about homelessness and public safety concerns related to ICE operations.

Michael Valentine spoke about police department budget allocations and the need to maintain public safety during ICE operations.

Kaile Akina spoke on public policy to maintain boundaries against partnering with ICE and on reinstating an unlimited public comment period.

Rose spoke on community concerns regarding ICE operations and requested additional measures to protect residents from aggressive enforcement.

Marina Price spoke about community safety concerns related to ICE operations and

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requested local government support in protecting residents.

Ty Young spoke about the proposed detention center in Utah and called for halting ICE operations in Salt Lake City.

Samantha Shrives spoke about federal conduct, ICE operations, and the need to protect immigrant communities.

Haylee Monfredi spoke about ICE operations and requested that no public funding or assistance be provided to federal agencies.

Daniel Schelling spoke on the Save Our Foothills community proposal and requested a review of the proposed map and stewardship terms.

Hilary Jacobs requested review and adoption of the Save Our Foothills proposal to help protect the Foothills ecosystem.

Lilliana White spoke on community design and requested further discussion of development to increase city activation.

Kylie Hansen spoke about ICE operations and requested additional policies to protect the community.

Esiah Rodriguez spoke on reinstating the unlimited public comment period and addressing community concerns regarding ICE operations.

Olivia Peterson Jacoby spoke on policies to maintain public safety and ensure access to community services amid federal enforcement.

Stephen Otterstrom requested reinstatement of a longer public comment period and the adoption of additional policies to prevent ICE detention facilities in Salt Lake City.

En Canada spoke about public safety concerns during ICE operations and requested further action to protect community members.

Oak Robin spoke about reinstating the unlimited public comment period and policies to protect community members.

Rylan spoke on further action to address safety concerns related to federal enforcement.

Isabella Acuña spoke about ICE operations and requested further Council action to address enforcement concerns.

Dawnnicole was called to speak, but was not present.

Abdirizak Ibrahim spoke on the need for additional public services on the Westside of Salt Lake City, including a hospital and high school.

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Lili Black spoke on budget funding allocations and concerns regarding ICE operations.

Kroegeor Green spoke on abolishing ICE and requested that the Salt Lake City Police Department address community safety concerns.

E. NEW BUSINESS:
NONE.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
NONE.

G. CONSENT:

1. Ordinance: Zoning Map Amendment at Approximately 265 East 100 South

The Council will set the date of Tuesday, February 3, 2026 at 7 p.m. to accept public comment and consider adopting an ordinance that would amend the zoning for the property at approximately 265 East 100 South from MU-8 (Mixed-Use 8) to D-1 (Central Business District). The proposal would enable redevelopment of the site with a mixed-use development including ground floor retail and residential units on the upper floors. Consideration may be given to rezoning the property to another zoning district with similar characteristics. The project is within Council District 4. Petitioner: Dave Hunter of Silverado Development, LLC, representing the property owners, Raven One, LLC. Petition No.: PLNPCM2024-01377.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing - Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Set Public Hearing Date - Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Hold hearing to accept public comment - Tuesday, February 3, 2026 at 7 p.m.

TENTATIVE Council Action - Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Staff Recommendation - Set date.

2. Ordinance: Zoning Administration Text Amendment

The Council will set the date of Tuesday, February 3, 2026 at 7 p.m. to accept public

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comment and consider adopting an ordinance that would amend multiple sections of Title 21A of the *Salt Lake City Code* to clarify and update provisions related to the administration of the zoning code. The proposal would primarily align the code with established processes, current practices, and recently adopted state laws. The proposal does not modify how the Planning Division administers the zoning code but is intended to strengthen the legal standing, support staff in code implementation, and enhance transparency. Petition No.: PLNPCM2025-00164.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing - Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Set Public Hearing Date - Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Hold hearing to accept public comment - Tuesday, February 3, 2026 at 7 p.m.

TENTATIVE Council Action - Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Staff Recommendation - Set date.

3. **Board Appointment: Business Advisory Board – Kandi Tesen**

The Council will consider approving the appointment of Kandi Tesen, resident of District 4, to the Business Advisory Board for a term ending December 31, 2029.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

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Set Public Hearing Date - n/a

Hold hearing to accept public comment - n/a

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Staff Recommendation - Approve.

4. **Board Appointment: Business Advisory Board – Mazhar Kathi**

The Council will consider approving the appointment of Mazhar Kathi, resident of District 1, to the Business Advisory Board for a term ending December 31, 2029.

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Briefing - Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Set Public Hearing Date - n/a

Hold hearing to accept public comment - n/a

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Staff Recommendation - Approve.

5. **Board Reappointment: Business Advisory Board – Scott Lyttle**

The Council will consider approving the reappointment of Scott Lyttle, resident of District 7, to the Business Advisory Committee for a term ending December 31, 2029.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing - n/a

Set Public Hearing Date - n/a

Hold hearing to accept public comment - n/a

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Staff Recommendation - Approve.

6. **Board Reappointment: Mosquito Abatement District – Amanda Barth**

The Council will consider approving the reappointment of Amanda Barth, resident of District 7, to the Mosquito Abatement District Board for a term ending December 27, 2029.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing - n/a

Set Public Hearing Date - n/a

Hold hearing to accept public comment - n/a

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Staff Recommendation - Approve.

Motion:

Moved by Council Member Dugan, seconded by Council Member Wharton to approve the Consent Agenda.

AYE: Alejandro Puy, Chris Wharton, Daniel Dugan, Sarah Young, Eva Lopez Chavez, Erika Carlsen, Victoria Petro

Final Result: 7 – 0 Pass

H. ADJOURNMENT:

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Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes Approved: May 5, 2026

City Council Chair – Alejandro Puy

City Recorder – Keith Reynolds

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