



# Regular City Council Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 6:30 pm

**75 West Center, Fillmore, Utah 84631 - (435) 743-5233**

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**MAYOR:** Curt Hare

**CITY COUNCIL:** Kyle Stevens, Eugene Larsen, Michael B. Winget, Dennis W. Alldredge, Amber Rausch

## 1. CALL TO ORDER and Pledge of Allegiance

### Minutes:

The regular meeting of the Fillmore City Council held April 28, 2026 in the Council Chambers of the Fillmore City Building. Notice of the time and place of the meeting was posted on the Utah State Public Notice website, the Fillmore City website, the Council Chambers, the City Office bulletin board, and the President Millard Fillmore Library. Notice was also provided to each member of the governing body on April 24, 2026.

**Those present were:** Mayor: Curt Hare, Council: Dennis W. Alldredge, Kyle Stevens, Eugene R. Larsen, Michael B. Winget (excused), Amber Rausch ; Recorder: Kevin Orton  
Mayor Hare excused Attorney Payton Harris

**Others present were:** Alison Robinson, Deyanira Diaz, Russell Shields, Payton Stott, Jim Young, Sharal Young, Jan Davis, Vance Davis, Shauna Gill, Carl Aldrich, Pat Bennett, Larry Edwards, Kristine Ewert, Gayle Cluff, Dan Rowley, and Vickiann Mitchell.  
6:30 p.m. Welcome and pledge of allegiance by Mayor Hare. Mayor Hare excused Councilmember Winget.

## 2. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

### a. Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting

#### Minutes:

- **MOTION:** To accept the meeting minutes of the April 14, 2026 city council meeting, as written. By: Councilmember Larsen; Second: Councilmember Alldredge
- **VOTE:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

#### Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

### b. Approve Purchase Orders, Payroll and Payment of Bills

**Minutes:**

Payroll and Bills

MOTION: To approve the payment of bills listed on the invoice register dated April 15, 2026 – April 28, 2026, and payroll dated April 26, 2026. By: Councilmember Alldredge

Second: Councilmember Larsen Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Purchase Orders

MOTION: To approve Purchase Order 26-44 payable to Sunrise Engineering in the amount of \$17,209.50 for new fire station engineering. By: Councilmember Stevens

Second: Councilmember Rausch Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Purchase Orders

MOTION: To approve Purchase Order 26-45 payable to J-U-B Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$36,995.55 for project formulation for rehabilitation runway and turnaround for airport.

By: Councilmember Larsen

Second: Councilmember Stevens Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

**c. Licenses and Permits**

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- Building Permit Application 26-08 for Joe & Sarah Tarbet located at 160 E Canyon Road for an addition to an existing home.
- Building Permit Application 26-11 for Del Barnhurst located at 360 West 200 South for construction of a new storage shed.
- Building Permit Application 26-12 for Ulises Mendoza located at 245 West 200 North for construction of a new car port.
- Building Permit Application 26-36 for Craig Jones located at 275 East 600 North for construction of a new garage/shop.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes: Russell Shields stated that a code enforcement officer for the city is not necessary. There are more creative ways to enforce the city’s code with the city resources that are already in place. Mr. Shields suggested that many code enforcement issues could be handled by the fire marshal. Mr. Shields also suggested that the city staff do a thorough review of the city code. Some of the code may be arbitrary. He thanked the council for what they do and said that he appreciates their time and effort.

Councilmember Rausch stated that it is important for the council to hear what citizens have to say before the city gets too far into drafting a new ordinance. Mayor Hare stated that going forward, discussion items will be placed on council agendas before any other step in the process takes place.

**3. COMMUNICATIONS AND REQUESTS**

**a. Presentation to city council regarding upcoming family night out event for Millard County and request to close city road section for the event**

**Minutes:**

The East Millard Prevention Coalition, represented by Alison Robinson and

Deyanira Diaz, will be hosting the event on May 11th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The coalition promotes strengthening families and sharing information regarding health and safety for the community. The family night out event is an annual event designed to bring families together and to connect citizens with local prevention resources. The coalition requested that the section of 100 South between Main Street and 100 West be closed during the event. Last year over 700 people attended the event. The council approved to have the above mentioned section of the road to be closed during the event.

#### 4. OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE COUNCIL

##### a. Discussion and possible action regarding property agreement between Fillmore City and James Young

**Minutes:**

The city's legal council is recommending that the city council approve to accept an easement from Mr. Young where the city can use the property south of Chalk Creek for the purpose of improving the Wildlife Park.

MOTION: To approve the acceptance of the easement from James Young at the Wildlife Park.

By: Councilmember Alldredge

Second: Councilmember Larsen Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

##### b. Discuss and possibly accept a Planning Commission recommendation to deny a proposed city code enforcement ordinance

**Minutes:**

MOTION: To accept the planning commission recommendation to DENY the proposed city code enforcement ordinance and to send it back to the planning commission for further review.

By: Councilmember Alldredge

Second: Councilmember Stevens Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

#### 5. COUNCIL/CITY ATTORNEY/MAYOR DEPARTMENT REPORTS

**Minutes:**

Councilmember Rausch Celebrations • Several cities are doing service projects to commemorate the 250-year celebration. Councilmember Rausch would like to do the same thing. This would further bring the community together as the other celebration events do.

Parks • The high school would like to use the upper section of the North Park for a yearbook signing on May 18th.

• Councilmember Rausch is working on getting new walking/bike trails in Fillmore and improving the existing trails. She would also like to start a community garden, and there is seven acres of city property on 500 South that isn't being used right now that could be a good place for one. Such a community garden could also help the local food bank. It would also be a opportunity to teach the community how to garden.

• The Stella Day monument in the North Park and other monuments around town need attention/repairs. Stella Day did a tremendous amount of things to help preserve the history and beauty of Fillmore.

Historic Preservation • Fillmore stands apart from other cities in Utah, and one way is

that it was the first capital, and another way is that there are so many historic buildings. The city has not done enough to preserve Fillmore's history. Councilmember Rausch would like to place informational plaques along the walking trails in the parks that explain things that make Fillmore unique. The city should continue the work that our ancestors did to preserve the history and make Fillmore the great city that it is.

- There is a homeless problem in Fillmore. Councilmember Rausch will find out what resources are out there to help the homeless.

Councilmember Stevens Fire Department • Plans for the new fire station continue to move forward and the city is getting closer to finalizing the planning part of the project. The volunteers have put in a lot of hours with Sunrise Engineering in "fine tuning" the details.

Sewer • The design process for the sewer lagoon is 90% complete. With the new flow measuring system, the city has realized that they are not in as much of a rush to complete the project as originally thought.

Councilmember Alldredge Millard County Commission • Nothing will change in terms of ownership of the horse racetrack and the indoor arena. Councilmember Alldredge stated that the public was heard on this issue, and nothing will change.

Other • The residential development project on 400 North just east of the interstate is now underway. Low-cost rentals will be built there.

Councilmember Larsen Power • There was some public opposition to the Millard County power project that was discussed in the recent UAMPS meeting held in Holden. A landowner offered to lease his property for the project, however, a \$700 million project cannot be completed on leased property. The landowner then decided that he would sell 65 acres, and 320 acres would be leased, and on that property, there is a gravel pit that can be used for the construction. This property is located two miles north of the original proposed property and is a "straight shot" for the transmission line from the nearest substation. • UAMPS recently received refunds from PacificCorp Transmission in the amount of over \$47,000. In an effort to avoid what happened a few years ago where cities were hit with catastrophic power purchase costs, they took the 90 most expensive electric days over the last three years and developed a formula of where they think the city should be to protect the city in a worst case scenario where the purchasing prices become extremely high. \$114,000 is what is needed in this fund to protect the city. For every megawatt that the city purchases, \$0.75 will go into that fund. An interest rate for the city on these funds will be put into place and that rate will be higher than the PTIF rate. • Councilmember Larsen has been voted to be on the board of directors of IPP.

Airport • A full reconstruction of the airport runway cannot be funded by State Aeronautics, so that project will not happen in the foreseeable future. The project will be funded in 2030, so in the meantime, the city should crack seal the runway to keep it functional until the full reconstruction project. The runway is now rated for a maximum of 30,000 pounds.

Mayor Hare Mayor Hare and city staff have been looking into a fitness grant where the city can (if they can come up with funding) construct a new outdoor fitness center in the North Park. Councilmember Stevens stated that when he served his mission in Columbia, they had several of these outdoor fitness centers and that they were used by many people, but he wonders if one would be used here in Fillmore.

Mayor Hare distributed to the council a state house of representative's resolution regarding religious freedom in public places. He also shared a Senate resolution

regarding animal sheltering during disasters.

The city has currently raised \$500,000 towards the library expansion project. Mayor Hare is hopeful that the city can raise another \$100,000 from the Eccles Foundation. The council unanimously approved to advertise for bids for the architectural and engineering phase of the project.

It will not be long before the city will need to be using the second well full-time. Once that happens, the city will have no redundancy in the culinary water system. The council approved moving forward with a well siting study to find out where it would make sense to place the next well.

Cocoon Homes builds tiny homes that are built to the same quality of stick-built homes. They are looking to build in Fillmore, and this would provide housing for the anticipated growth that Fillmore will be experiencing. It would also provide a low-cost housing opportunity for those who cannot afford much else.

Closed Executive Session

MOTION: To go into a closed executive session at 7:47 p.m. to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation as described in Section 52-4-205 (1)(c), and to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property as described in Section 52-4-205(1)(d). Those asked to attend the closed session in addition to all councilmembers were Attorney Payton Harris and City Administrator/Recorder Kevin Orton. Councilmembers Larsen, Stevens, Alldredge and Rausch all voted yes.

By: Councilmember Larsen

Second: Councilmember Alldredge Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

## 6. ADJOURN

### **Minutes:**

Prior to adjournment of the meeting, the council held the following discussion. Councilmember Stevens stated that the city is at the point where they need to establish a funding plan for the new fire station. The idea of bonding for the project was discussed at length. Impact fees may need to be implemented to help fund the project. Generally, impact fees are more generally accepted by the public than other fees especially when they are impact fees for firefighting operations. The current plans for the new fire station should accommodate for the next 60 years of growth in the community, plus the facility will be expandable. The firehouse drawings are about 90% complete.

The council discussed some of the issues regarding the pump and sprinkler system and the cemetery and discussed ways that the city and Sunrise Engineering are working together to resolve the issues.

Upon motion by Councilmember Larsen and second by Councilmember Stevens, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be held May 12, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.