



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, April 08, 2026
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The following are the minutes of the City Council meeting of the Herriman City Council. The meeting was held on **Wednesday, April 8, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.** in the Herriman City Council Chambers, 5355 West Herriman Main Street, Herriman, Utah. Adequate notice of this meeting, as required by law, was posted in the City Hall, on the City's website, and delivered to members of the Council, media, and interested citizens.

Presiding: Mayor Lorin Palmer

Councilmembers Present: Terrah Anderson, Matt Basham, Jared Henderson, Teddy Hodges

Staff Present: City Manager Nathan Cherpeski, City Recorder Jackie Nostrom, Finance Director Kyle Maurer, Assistant City Attorney Matt Brooks, Communications Manager Jonathan LaFollette, Interim Police Chief Cody Stromberg, Assistant to the City Manager Trevor Ram, Community Development Director Blake Thomas, City Planner Michael Maloy, Public Works Director Justun Edwards, UFA Assistant Chief Anthony Widdison, Operations Director Monte Johnson, Building Official Cathryn Nelson, Human Resources Manager Travis Dunn, City Engineer Bryce Terry.

5:30 PM – WORK MEETING: (Fort Herriman Conference Room)

1. Council Business

Mayor Lorin Palmer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1.1. Review of this Evening's Agenda

The Mayor and Council briefly reviewed the agenda.

1.2. Future Agenda Items

There were no future agenda items requested.

1.3. Council discussion of future citizen recognitions

There were no future citizen recognitions discussed.

2. Closed Session

The Herriman City Council may temporarily recess the City Council work meeting to convene in a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual, pending or reasonable imminent litigation, and the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, as provided by Utah Code Annotated §52-4-205

Councilmember Matt Basham moved to temporarily recess the City Council work meeting to convene in a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual, as provided by Utah Code Annotated §52-4-205 at 9:35 p.m. Councilmember Henderson seconded the motion.

The vote was recorded as follows:

<i>Councilmember Terrah Anderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Matt Basham</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Jared Henderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Teddy Hodges</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Lorin Palmer</i>	<i>Aye</i>

The motion passed unanimously.

The Council reconvened the Council meeting at 6:24 p.m.

3. Administrative Reports

3.1. Additional Items for the City's Strategic Plan

City Manager Nathan Cherpeski presented additional items that had been requested for inclusion in the City's Strategic Plan. He explained that he had gone through and included how the items would be worded, wanting to ensure he was capturing what the Council was seeking. City Manager Cherpeski noted that one of the things his team had been working on was actually looking at all the strategic plan items to determine whether anyone was currently working on them, so the plan would not just be text without action.

City Manager Cherpeski indicated that if the Council approved the additions, he would have further discussions that would involve high-level policy discussions about whether these concepts were still what the Council wanted to pursue, and what their role would entail.

City Manager Cherpeksi discussed setting levels of service or accepting levels of service as a Council responsibility. He noted this was not currently included in the strategic plan but represented what he planned to discuss in the future, providing specific instances to ensure everyone was on the same page.

Councilmember Terrah Anderson expressed concerns about the wording of the housing item in the Strategic Plan. She stated she would love to look at the language again, noting she was uncertain whether they needed to state that the City was trying to achieve attainable housing in the Strategic Plan. Councilmember Anderson explained that when she first brought up this topic, she was more concerned about the fiscal responsibility of money the City was collecting and ensuring that money was used to benefit residents.

Councilmember Anderson acknowledged this might be a subtle difference in wording but expressed concern that someone looking at their plan might think the City was spending time and resources on creating attainable housing. She indicated she was open to conversation about this if that was the intention of the Council.

Councilmember Teddy Hodges agreed with Councilmember Anderson, stating he thought creating attainable housing was outside their purview. He suggested perhaps the language should reflect that the City would not impede or create roadblocks, though he was unsure how to word the concept. Councilmember Hodges clarified that his understanding was about the budgetary and financial component, ensuring the set-aside money had a proper plan for utilization.

City Manager Cherpeski confirmed he could rework the housing section to match closer to concerns raised. He indicated that when the item was brought back, He would highlight the changes to focus more on the housing monies and allocated funds received from Community Redevelopment and Renewal Agency and how those funds would be used.

Councilmember Anderson wanted to focus on how the Council could more effectively engage with and monitor the strategic plan to ensure it remained relevant and actively supported. Councilmember Anderson emphasized the importance of the Council having a clearer and more consistent role in reviewing the plan, rather than limiting engagement to an annual review. She noted that while staff conducted regular tactical reviews of the plan, there had been value in the Council establishing its own mechanism to stay connected to key priorities and maintain awareness of ongoing work.

Councilmember Anderson explained that her original intent in raising the issue had been to help the Council better understand and articulate its collective priorities, thereby enabling more focused

and informed discussions. She suggested that the Council could consider regularly reviewing its top strategic priorities or adopting another structured approach to ensure the plan remained visible and central to Council work. She further distinguished the proposed Council-level engagement from staff's operational oversight, suggesting that the Council could take ownership of select priorities to support implementation at a higher level.

Councilmember Hodges inquired whether the process would occur on a legislative session basis or be aligned with the budgetary session. Mayor Palmer responded that these matters could be assigned to committees, particularly for regional issues such as those involving UTA, which required substantial coordination across jurisdictions. He further noted that board assignments could be structured similarly to other existing boards, with members providing updates to the full Council.

Mayor Palmer provided an example from a recent lunch meeting, during which the athletic complex project was discussed. He explained that bringing the project to the senator's attention had helped position it for potential funding opportunities, as the City might be able to secure significant funding in the following year. Mayor Palmer emphasized that clearly identifying and communicating Council priorities enabled productive advocacy and created tangible opportunities for support. Councilmember Hodges concurred, noting that a similar approach had been used in discussions where consistent talking points and defined priorities had supported effective engagement.

City Manager Cherpeski suggested that staff could review the strategic plan to identify items aligned with the areas of focus already held by members of the Council. He indicated that staff would bring forward recommendations on where Council involvement would be most beneficial in advancing the plan's objectives. He further noted that staff would identify opportunities to leverage Council participation to help move initiatives forward and determine the areas in which Council engagement would be most effective in supporting implementation.

Councilmember Anderson expressed support for the City Manager's proposed approach and emphasized the importance of staff maintaining awareness of opportunities for Council engagement. She stated that if staff identified roles where Council participation would be beneficial, they should communicate those opportunities so Councilmembers could provide appropriate support. She further explained that clearly defined Council priorities would help members remain engaged and responsive, enabling them to assist staff effectively in advancing key initiatives and ensuring Council involvement was directed where it would be most impactful.

Councilmember Anderson also requested to be considered as a secondary participant in UTA-related activities. Mayor Palmer agreed with the request, noting that her involvement would be

well suited to that area. He additionally indicated a desire for her to be engaged in housing-related matters. Councilmember Hodges commented that this approach reflected the Council's broader philosophy of ensuring that the right individuals were engaged in the appropriate discussions to advance the right issues.

3.2. Discussion of the proposed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for fiscal years 2027 to 2036 – Kyle Maurer, Director of Finance and Administrative Services

Finance Director Kyle Maurer presented the proposed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for fiscal years 2027 through 2036. He distributed handouts outlining the next two years of capital projects, including project descriptions, and noted that several transportation projects were labeled in phases without detailed explanations. City Manager Cherpeski clarified that certain items appearing to be associated with City Hall improvements actually included upgrades such as replacement of aging Council Chambers equipment and other information technology-related enhancements.

Director Maurer explained that he had included vehicle request forms used by departments to request replacements following vehicle condition assessments. He noted that a fleet committee and fleet manager evaluated and scored vehicles, and those meeting established thresholds became eligible for replacement consideration. He offered to provide the underlying condition assessment documentation to further clarify the basis for proposed replacements.

Director Maurer outlined the objectives of the presentation, which included reviewing the CIP development process, discussing proposed capital projects, obtaining Council input and clarification on specific items, and reviewing next steps in the budget process. He emphasized that the materials presented did not represent a finalized recommendation, as staff sought Council feedback prior to preparing the formal tentative budget proposal. He also noted that some capital items, such as the audiovisual system replacement, were included in the budget but did not appear on the CIP list.

Director Maurer further described the CIP development process, which began at the start of each calendar year when departments submitted capital requests, including items previously discussed by the Council. A CIP committee composed of representatives from all city departments reviewed and ranked the submissions, after which formal recommendations were made to the City Manager regarding inclusion in the budget. Staff then reviewed a tentative list with the City Council for input before final recommendations were incorporated into the City Manager's tentative budget. He noted that the City Council ultimately adopted the capital budget in June as part of the overall budget process, unless a tax increase was proposed.

Director Maurer reported that staff had proposed approximately \$88 million in capital projects. He highlighted potential bond-funded projects, including a proposed bond for a public safety building,

which required further Council discussion. He also identified a second proposed bond related to a Master Development Agreement obligation, noting that it may warrant reconsideration or potential delay in light of recent developments. City Manager Cherpeski clarified that these items were those previously identified as matters to be addressed at a later time, and he stated that the Council had now reached the point where those decisions needed to be made.

Director Maurer reviewed general capital projects funded through general city revenues without dedicated funding sources. He highlighted several higher-cost items, including a reimbursement agreement for portions of 11800 South and 12600 South associated with impact fee arrangements involving the Teton project. He noted that the Council had amended this agreement in the prior year and that, although impact fees were being used as the reimbursement basis, only a portion of the costs qualified under transportation impact fee eligibility.

He then discussed the planned animal services facility, noting that the current lease was nearing expiration. The proposal included remodeling the former Fire Station 103 as part of the transition, with an estimated cost of approximately \$1.2 million. He indicated that this estimate required further refinement as specific building needs were assessed. City Manager Cherpeski added that HVAC requirements were expected to represent a significant portion of the cost but confirmed staff intended to work within the budgeted amount, adjusting scope if necessary. He noted that the City would eliminate its current lease expense and could repurpose some existing equipment, such as kennels, but would assume maintenance responsibilities for an older structure originally designed for fire service use. He also stated that an RFP for architectural and construction services was being issued.

Finance Director Maurer presented a proposed beautification initiative involving public art, including a potential mural project. He noted that an initial concept location was a park on Main Street but indicated flexibility in placement pending Council direction. He identified a forthcoming opportunity for traffic signal integration with UDOT, which had not been included in the distributed packet due to its recent emergence after packet distribution. He also noted ongoing internal discussions regarding relocation of the city's message boards, which had been removed during development of the commons and were currently stored at the public works yard. A preliminary cost estimate for relocation was provided, though a final site had not yet been determined. City Manager Cherpeski noted that multiple locations had been considered but presented challenges, and further discussion was needed. Councilmember Hodges suggested installing signage at all road entrances.

Director Maurer also noted that, as part of the City's participation in TransJordan, annual capital contributions of \$100,000 over four years had been included in the budget. He further reported that staff recommended replacement of the Rosecrest splash pad, though internal discussion

continued regarding whether a full replacement or targeted equipment replacement would be more appropriate, given cost pressures in park-related infrastructure.

He added that the streetlight replacement program continued as an ongoing annual initiative to upgrade aging infrastructure throughout the City. Staff also proposed establishing a new park amenity replacement fund to provide consistent annual funding for lifecycle replacement of park assets, rather than relying on reactive replacements as items failed or aged.

Director Maurer reminded the Council of the second phase funding for the Rose Crest Road reconstruction, noting that pavement management funds had previously been reallocated for the project and that \$700,000 would return to pavement management in fiscal year 2028, supplemented by prior year savings. He identified the public works facility as a key discussion item, with a proposed \$900,000 allocation for continued planning and design work.

Director Maurer reviewed available funding sources for the Capital Improvement Plan, noting that the City currently had approximately \$4.5 million in the capital projects fund balance. He reminded the Council that approximately \$3.5 million in unspent general fund revenues from the previous year had been transferred into the capital projects fund in accordance with the City's fund balance policy, making those funds available for capital expenditures.

He explained that the projected general fund contribution reflected planned transfers to support capital projects, including \$700,000 of the \$805,000 total, which had been reallocated from pavement management funds to support the Rose Crest Road reconstruction project. In total, available funding was estimated at approximately \$5.3 million. After accounting for the proposed capital projects, the remaining fund balance for capital projects was projected to be approximately \$460,000.

Director Maurer also referenced the ten-year capital plan, noting that general capital projects averaged approximately \$2.4 million annually. He stated that the CIP committee had worked to smooth project funding over time to maintain a consistent annual investment in capital projects, rather than experiencing significant year-to-year fluctuations.

Director Maurer reviewed proposed uses of Park Impact Fee funds, noting that only a limited number of projects were planned for fiscal years 2027 and 2028. These included the Bonneville Shoreline Trail and a trail associated with the 11800 South Business Center. The most significant proposed project was Phase 1 of Jackson Park, estimated at \$3.5 million. He explained that total funding requests amounted to approximately \$3.7 million, which would result in a shortfall of approximately \$1.2 million if all projects were fully funded based on currently available resources.

Director Maurer presented a ten-year financial analysis, illustrating projected Park Impact Fee fund balances if all planned projects were completed. The analysis indicated a negative fund balance over time, reflecting that planned expenditures exceeded anticipated revenues. City Manager Cherpeski emphasized that while certain projects qualified for impact fee funding, eligibility did not ensure the availability of sufficient funds. He noted that in cases of shortfall, such projects would need to compete with other priorities for general fund resources.

Councilmember Hodges observed that the current plan effectively allocated approximately three years of park impact fee revenue toward a single park project, while still leaving a funding gap of roughly \$1 million. Director Maurer added that the projected negative balance was further influenced by a \$9.9 million bond issued for developer-related obligations, largely tied to park impact fees, with associated debt service payments beginning in fiscal year 2028.

Mayor Palmer suggested that there may be an opportunity to incorporate Jackson Park into the broader athletic complex funding strategy, given its related scope, potentially allowing portions of the project such as open space elements, to be funded through that mechanism. City Manager Cherpeski concurred, noting that successful pursuit of athletic complex funding could provide a viable path forward for the project. He also acknowledged the availability of federal grant opportunities but expressed a preference to avoid them due to prevailing wage requirements and administrative challenges associated with reimbursement processes.

Director Maurer indicated that staff had also considered further phasing of the Jackson Park project to distribute costs over a longer period. Councilmember Hodges cautioned that while there may be interest in initiating the project promptly, it would be more prudent to delay until a complete and sustainable funding plan was established. City Manager Cherpeski added that project estimates had consistently exceeded initial expectations, requiring ongoing adjustments to plans and funding strategies.

Director Maurer reviewed the status of transportation impact fee funding, noting that the City had recently adopted a new transportation impact fee master plan and updated rate structure, which had been incorporated into the financial model. He outlined several high-cost projects planned within the near term, including traffic signal installations at Dansie Oaks and Herriman Main Street, Miller Crossing and Herriman Main Street, and Auto Row at 12600 South, as well as Phase 1 of McDougall Road and Phase 3 of Soliel Hills. He added that the Engineering Department annually requested funding to maintain and update the transportation master plan in response to the City's rapid growth and evolving infrastructure needs.

Director Maurer explained that the transportation impact fee fund currently had little to no fund balance and was projected to generate approximately \$2.4 million in revenue under the updated

rate structure. However, with approximately \$4.2 million in proposed project requests over the next two years, the City faced a projected shortfall of approximately \$1.7 million. He further noted that the ten-year financial outlook reflected a more significant imbalance between projected revenues and planned expenditures.

City Manager Cherpeski reiterated that, historically, projects had often been identified as impact fee eligible without confirming the availability of sufficient funding within the respective accounts. As a result, some projects would need to be deferred to future years. Director Maurer confirmed that higher-cost projects would likely need to be delayed and explained that, over time, the City would need to rely on general fund support to supplement impact fee revenues as growth-related collections were realized. He noted that these projects would compete with other capital and maintenance priorities, reflecting a common challenge for rapidly growing municipalities.

He also explained that one-time funds previously held across various accounts had now been segregated, contributing to declining available balances, while collection rates had changed. At the same time, several significant projects had been removed from the City's responsibility, which helped mitigate some financial pressure. Looking ahead, Director Maurer identified major transportation projects within the ten-year plan, including the 13000 South expansion, and indicated that the City would need to pursue alternative funding strategies, such as grants or state funding, to advance these projects given the limitations of the current impact fee revenue stream.

Director Maurer reviewed departmental equipment and vehicle requests included in the Capital Improvement Plan. The Streets Department requested the purchase of a new skid steer and asphalt roller, as well as replacement of existing four-wheelers due to age and usage. They also proposed replacing variable message boards on a staggered basis, with one unit scheduled for replacement each year.

The Parks Department requested funding for a new equipment trailer and the replacement of two mowers. Facilities staff requested replacement of their existing van, while the GIS division and Fleet each requested replacement of their respective vehicles due to age and mileage considerations.

Director Maurer noted that police vehicle replacements were funded through a dedicated vehicle replacement fund. The plan included replacement of 14 vehicles and the addition of 2 new vehicles in fiscal year 2027, followed by 10 replacements and 1 new vehicle in fiscal year 2028. He explained that, historically, police vehicle purchases had occurred in large groupings, but staff were working to distribute replacements more evenly over time to avoid significant portions of the fleet aging simultaneously. He added that additional vehicle replacement requests from the Streets, Parks, and Animal Services departments were also incorporated into the plan.

Director Maurer reviewed additional capital and equipment requests across departments. The Streets Department requested installation of radios in fleet vehicles to improve safety and communication, particularly during storm response operations. He also noted a number of information technology initiatives, including hardware refreshes and system upgrades across departments.

A significant identified need was the procurement of a new work order software system. Director Maurer explained that the current system was tied to the building department's software, which was being replaced using funding approved in the prior year's budget. As a result, the City would need to implement a new standalone work order solution to maintain operational continuity.

He further noted that replacement of the Council Chambers audiovisual system was planned for fiscal year 2028, along with related AV improvements for the court system.

Director Maurer reviewed considerations related to the proposed second bond for completion of remaining Master Development Agreement (MDA) projects. He noted that when the initial bond was approved and funded in June of the previous year, staff had indicated a subsequent bond would be needed to address outstanding obligations. Since that time, several factors had emerged that could affect the scope and timing of the second bond.

He explained that there was potential for remaining funds from the first bond issuance to be applied toward projects initially anticipated for the second bond, with preliminary estimates suggesting a balance of approximately \$2 million or more, pending final cost determinations. For park-related projects, including the Hidden Oaks open space, he emphasized the need for more refined planning and cost validation. He noted that the MDA did not always specify fixed dollar amounts, requiring staff to apply value engineering principles to ensure projects were delivered efficiently and cost-effectively.

Director Maurer also addressed the previously identified \$2 million athletic complex seed funding, which had originally been an obligation under the Creek Ridge MDA for a regional park. He explained that this obligation had been removed through a subsequent amendment, and staff now proposed reallocating those funds toward the athletic complex, consistent with the intent of the amendment.

He further discussed bond compliance considerations, noting that the City had an 18-month period from issuance to expend bond proceeds in order to avoid arbitrage penalties, as federal regulations prohibit earning interest on unspent tax-exempt bond funds. He indicated that upcoming budget amendments would reflect instances of positive arbitrage, which could require repayment, and

emphasized the importance of ensuring that projects funded through bonds were ready to proceed in a timely manner, particularly given current interest rate conditions.

Director Maurer presented a proposed request for fiscal year 2027 to allocate \$1.5 million for design and engineering of a new public safety building, with construction anticipated in fiscal year 2028 at a total estimated cost of \$21.5 million. He explained that public safety facilities would be funded through the Herriman City Safety Enforcement Area, and that issuing a bond for this project would likely require a tax increase to support associated debt service. To illustrate the financial impact, he provided multiple bonding scenarios outlining potential tax increases needed to cover repayment obligations. He also noted that only approximately \$2.4 million of the total project cost would be eligible for impact fee funding, and only if storage components were included as part of the bond, due to the impact fee analysis distinctions between building and storage eligibility. City Manager Cherpeski clarified that the purpose of the presentation was to convey the scale of the financial commitment required for the project. He further noted that additional costs, such as fixtures, furnishings, and equipment, would likely add approximately \$1 million beyond the base construction estimate.

Director Maurer also identified additional public safety infrastructure needs, including police substations associated with two future fire stations, with an estimated cost of approximately \$1.6 million. He indicated that a funding source had not yet been determined, though these projects could potentially qualify for new growth property tax funding, depending on Council priorities and allocation of that revenue stream.

Director Maurer addressed two planned future fire stations, including one near the Salt Lake Community College campus and another near 7300 West. He indicated that updates to the long-range financial model were needed to fully assess the impact of these projects on property tax revenues, particularly in light of changes involving the fire district's participation in redevelopment areas and potential cost-sharing for command staff.

Councilmember Hodges inquired about prioritization between the proposed fire station near Salt Lake Community College and the station planned for the 7300 West area. City Manager Cherpeski responded that while the timing remained uncertain, development activity near the college suggested it may require service sooner. He added that staff would continue monitoring call volumes and response times from the recently completed Station 103 to better inform sequencing decisions, noting that prior data had identified the southwest portion of the City as having the longest response times.

Councilmember Hodges sought clarification on whether the illustrated tax impacts applied solely to the proposed public safety building rather than the current budget. City Manager Cherpeski

confirmed that the projections were specific to the future construction phase and were not included in the current budget proposal. City Manager Cherpeski emphasized that the discussion was intended to initiate consideration of long-term facility needs and associated financial impacts. He noted that current police facilities were operating at capacity, with staff utilizing multiple locations to accommodate personnel. He identified evidence storage as a critical concern, explaining that existing conditions were inadequate and posed operational risks. Interim Police Chief Cody Stromberg acknowledged that while current operations were being managed, the system had limited capacity and could be strained by future demands, particularly given state requirements for evidence retention.

Director Maurer turned the discussion to the public works facility which had been discussed at prior meetings, including schematic presentations by the Public Works Director. The project was currently structured in two phases, with Phase 1 requesting \$900,000 in fiscal year 2027–2028 for continued design and engineering. Construction for Phase 1 was tentatively planned for fiscal year 2029 at an estimated cost of \$17.3 million, which would result in an annual debt service obligation of approximately \$1.4 million if bond funded. Phase 2 was projected for 2034 at an estimated cost of \$15.5 million.

Director Maurer also presented alternative phasing scenarios under consideration, including separating the fleet facility into its own phase. This approach was preliminarily estimated at approximately \$6 million and would reduce the associated annual debt service to approximately \$455,000, offering a more manageable financial impact compared to the larger initial phase.

The discussion then shifted to the Water Department’s capital projects and associated bonding strategy. Director Maurer reminded the Council that, based on the most recent water rate study, major water capital projects would be financed through bond issuances. He confirmed that the proposed project list and associated bond amounts had been incorporated into the City’s financial model to ensure feasibility. Planned projects included a secondary reservoir for Zone 4, water transmission infrastructure for Olympia Zones 5 and 6, secondary wells and pipelines, and a portion of a water tank for Zone 3 in Olympia, among other system improvements.

Public Works Director Justun Edwards provided additional detail on the proposed Zone 4 secondary reservoir, clarifying that the identified location near Wide Hollow Trailhead did not limit service to a single area but served broader system needs. He explained that the facility would likely be an enclosed tank with an estimated capacity of approximately two million gallons, including associated water line infrastructure within the projected \$7 million cost. He noted that the current system relied on variable frequency drive pumps, which were insufficient to meet peak demand, making additional storage necessary for system reliability. He further clarified that while the project would not immediately expand service to new areas without additional distribution

infrastructure, it would improve operational efficiency and had been identified in long-term planning documents for several years.

Director Maurer noted that the City would not necessarily issue the full projected bond amount at once. Instead, staff would coordinate with engineering and public works teams to align bond issuances with project timelines, potentially funding design phases with cash and reimbursing those costs through bond proceeds. He emphasized the need for further refinement of project schedules and bond timing to ensure compliance with expenditure requirements and effective financial management.

Director Maurer reviewed storm water capital projects, noting that several requests had been submitted for storm drain infrastructure, including both repair and improvement efforts. He reported that the storm water fund was in a favorable financial position, with sufficient fund balance and projected revenues to cover proposed expenditures over the upcoming two-year period.

Despite the positive funding outlook, Director Maurer recommended that the City undertake a storm water fee rate study. He explained that although staff had intended to complete such a study for several years, it had not been prioritized due to limited capacity. He emphasized that, given the length of time since the fund's creation without a formal rate evaluation, it was appropriate to move forward with the study to ensure long-term financial sustainability.

Mayor Palmer expressed appreciation for the presentation, noting that the Council's increased understanding of the Capital Improvement Plan process represented a significant improvement compared to prior years. Director Maurer acknowledged the volume and complexity of the information presented. Councilmember Hodges added that the structured approach to capital planning had improved communication with residents and enabled a more predictable progression of projects, reducing the need for repeated annual discussions regarding priorities.

4. Adjournment

Councilmember Henderson moved to adjourn the City Council work meeting at 7:13 p.m. Councilmember Hodges seconded the motion, and all voted aye.

7:00 PM – GENERAL MEETING:

5. Call to Order

Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order at 7:21 p.m.

5.1. Invocation/Thought/Reading and Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Jill Lemon led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5.2. City Council Comments and Recognitions

No comments or recognitions were offered.

6. Public Comment

Jordan Marsh of Terrapin Electric Concepts addressed the Council to present a proposal for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations within the City. He described his company's objective as expanding EV infrastructure in a manner intended to generate revenue and broaden access for residents. He stated that the company proposed installing EV charging stations at the City's expense, with resulting revenue to be shared between the City and its residents without additional conditions. Mr. Marsh further noted that the company had observed existing stubbed-out electrical infrastructure in certain locations that could potentially support EV charging installation. He indicated that these existing utilities could reduce implementation barriers and facilitate deployment of the proposed charging stations.

Carrie Mercer addressed the Council on behalf of South Valley Performing Arts and presented the organization's mission to create transformative musical theater experiences that inspire, educate, and unite, while empowering artists of all ages and investing in the community through arts education, volunteerism, and charitable support for future generations. She also referenced the organization's guiding statement, "bringing stories to life and giving back through every act." Ms. Mercer reported that she had maintained a long-standing working relationship with Herriman City focused on providing youth and teens with opportunities to build confidence and experience joy through stage performance. She described the organization's regional structure, noting that South Valley Performing Arts had established liaisons representing multiple municipalities, including West Jordan, South Jordan, Riverton, Herriman, and Bluffdale, with coordination through each city's Arts Council. She explained that the organization's programming was designed to bring participants from across these communities to Herriman for master classes, musical performances, summer camps, and educational classes. She noted that recent master class participation reflected balanced representation from each participating city. Ms. Mercer further reported that the organization had partnered with the Jordan Education Foundation to gain access to schools for performances and, in return, committed to providing a portion of proceeds to support school performing arts programs.

7. City Council Reports

7.1. Councilmember Jared Henderson

Councilmember Henderson provided an update on Unified Fire Authority activities, noting that the next phase of the budget process was scheduled to begin the following day with a finance committee meeting.

He also reported on discussions related to the Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District, referencing a meeting held the previous Thursday. He explained that two potential pathways had been identified moving forward: reaching a mutual agreement with the district or waiting for new legislation to take effect and proceeding under its provisions. He noted that the district's representative had indicated the City was expected to initiate an offer to pursue a mutual agreement.

Councilmember Henderson suggested that the Council direct the working group to develop a proposal for consideration as a potential mutual agreement. He emphasized the importance of advancing both options concurrently, including preparation to operate under the forthcoming legislative framework while continuing efforts to achieve a negotiated agreement in the interim.

7.2. Councilmember Teddy Hodges

Councilmember Hodges reported that he would be attending a wastewater treatment conference in St. George the following week. He stated that the purpose of the attendance was to recognize and support awards and acknowledgments received by staff from the Jordan Basin Improvement District.

7.3. Councilmember Matt Basham

Councilmember Basham reported on updates from the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District board meeting. He noted that the board had established the annual water supply availability level at level 2 on a scale of 0 to 4, where 0 represents abundant supply and 4 represents severely limited supply. He explained that the level 2 designation would result in a 10% reduction in typical water use across wholesale member agencies, including Herriman City. He further stated that exceeding 110% of the City's contracted water allocation would result in significant surcharge penalties.

He reported that the public was being encouraged to reduce overall water consumption by 10% and that residential and commercial outdoor watering restrictions would be implemented, with the goal of maintaining lawn viability rather than optimal growth. He noted that drought conditions required adjusted expectations for landscaping performance.

Councilmember Basham also reported on his participation in Fire School 101, conducted by Unified Fire Authority and labor representatives. He described the full-day program as an

opportunity for elected officials to observe and experience aspects of firefighter and paramedic duties. He noted that the training ran from early morning to late afternoon and provided valuable insight into the operational demands and responsibilities of first responders. He expressed appreciation to Unified Fire Authority for providing the training opportunity and for their ongoing service to the community.

7.4. Councilmember Terrah Anderson

Councilmember Anderson did not have anything to report.

8. Mayor Report

Mayor Palmer had nothing to report.

9. Consent Agenda

9.1. Approval of the March 11, 2026, City Council meeting minutes

9.2. Approval of the March 25, 2026, City Council meeting minutes

Councilmember Henderson moved to approve the consent agenda as written. Councilmember Basham seconded the motion.

The vote was recorded as follows:

<i>Councilmember Terrah Anderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Matt Basham</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Jared Henderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Teddy Hodges</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Lorin Palmer</i>	<i>Aye</i>

The motion passed unanimously.

10. Discussion and Action Items

10.1. Discussion and consideration of an ordinance to Amend Section 4-2-3 of the Herriman City Code regarding Firework Discharge Restrictions and Adopting an updated Restriction Map – Wendy Thomas, Assistant City Manager

Community Development Director Blake Thomas presented a follow-up item regarding proposed updates to the City’s fireworks restriction map, as requested during a prior Council meeting. He reported that staff had reviewed the Council’s feedback, gathered additional information, and updated the map to reflect revised restricted areas.

He explained that the updated restrictions included additional areas in the western portion of the City along 7530 West, areas surrounding The Cove, and the Salt Lake Community College vicinity. Staff also recommended expanding restrictions north of Midas Creek to maintain

consistency with South Jordan's adjacent restrictions, which encompassed all of Daybreak. The revised map was also aligned with neighboring jurisdictions, including Riverton and Bluffdale, particularly along creek corridors.

Director Thomas presented firework-related incident data, noting a significant increase in 2024 with 183 reported calls between July 11 and August 10 related to fireworks discharged in the Miller Crossing storm drain system. He clarified that despite the high volume of calls, only one fire incident occurred in that area, as the concrete infrastructure did not present combustible conditions. He also noted that the area in question was already designated as restricted open space. Fire department data further indicated that approximately 66% of fire related calls occurred during peak firework season.

Director Thomas reviewed the proposed ordinance amendment, which would simplify existing code language by removing specific distance measurements and location descriptions and instead referencing the updated fireworks restriction map directly. This change would allow staff to update the map annually in coordination with county requirements without necessitating repeated code amendments.

Councilmember Hodges inquired about the removal of distance-based language from the ordinance, and Director Thomas confirmed that while the code would no longer include specific distances, those parameters would remain defined on the official map and could be adjusted administratively as needed. City Manager Cherpeski clarified that some restrictions were based on state statute related to environmental hazards and that certain setback requirements were not unique to the City but derived from state-level regulations.

Councilmember Henderson raised concerns regarding public awareness of liability associated with fireworks use and emphasized the importance of communicating the potential legal and financial consequences of firework-related incidents, including those involving minors and parental responsibility.

Unified Fire Authority Assistant Fire Chief Anthony Widdison explained that state law already provided for both civil and criminal liability in cases of human-caused fires, including those resulting from fireworks. He noted that igniting fireworks in restricted areas could be considered negligent or reckless behavior and subject to criminal prosecution. He explained that individuals could be held responsible for suppression costs and damages, including expenses related to aerial firefighting resources, and that parents could be held liable for actions taken by minors.

Councilmembers Henderson and Hodges both emphasized the broader safety risks associated with fireworks, including the potential for severe injuries and property damage. Councilmember

Basham acknowledged the complexity of balancing public safety with personal use of fireworks, noting that even compliant use could result in liability if damage occurred. He stated that fire risk conditions were expected to remain elevated due to seasonal factors and recent weather patterns, despite temporary vegetation growth from rainfall. He emphasized the importance of maintaining an annual review of restrictions to balance safety concerns with public enjoyment.

Mayor Palmer noted that the Council had previously considered a full fireworks ban but had instead worked toward a balanced approach. He expressed appreciation for staff’s efforts in updating the map and identifying high-risk areas for restriction.

Councilmember Basham moved to approve Ordinance No. 2026-09 amending section 4-2-3 of the Herriman City Code regarding firework discharge restrictions and adopting an updated restriction map. Councilmember Hodges seconded the motion.

The vote was recorded as follows:

<i>Councilmember Terrah Anderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Matt Basham</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Jared Henderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Teddy Hodges</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Lorin Palmer</i>	<i>Aye</i>

The motion passed unanimously.

10.2. Discussion and Award of Grant Funding for Fiscal Year 2027 Herriman City Grant

Applications – Kyle Maurer, Finance Director

Director Kyle Maurer presented the fiscal year 2027 grant funding requests, reporting that the City had received four applications totaling \$169,512. The applicants included Terrapin Electric Concepts, the KMS Foundation, Friends of Herriman, and South Valley Performing Arts. He noted that the prior year’s total grant funding had been \$90,500 and that staff recommended maintaining that baseline for the current year. He indicated that Assistant City Manager Wendy Thomas had led the evaluation and funding recommendation process.

Mayor Palmer acknowledged the quality of all submissions but stated that the proposal from Terrapin Electric Concepts did not align with the intent of the grant program, which was focused on arts-related funding. He suggested that the City could engage separately with the applicant to explore alternative opportunities related to the proposed electric vehicle charging initiative.

Mayor Palmer proposed reallocating \$15,000 from previously budgeted but unused sponsorship funds to supplement the grant program. Based on this approach, he recommended awarding

\$90,500 to Friends of Herriman and allocating \$7,500 each to the KMS Foundation and South Valley Performing Arts, noting that this would provide partial funding to the latter organization, which had requested a higher amount. City Manager Cherpeski explained that the sponsorship funds had been established in prior years for discretionary requests but had largely gone unused and could be reassigned to the grant program without impacting the overall general fund balance.

Councilmember Henderson supported the proposed approach, stating that consolidating funding into a structured grant program would provide a more consistent and transparent process for community funding requests, rather than addressing them on an ad hoc basis throughout the year. Councilmember Hodges also expressed support for combining previously separate funding categories into a single, unified grant program.

Mayor Palmer indicated that the proposed approach represented a more effective and accountable use of public funds, while acknowledging that the prior sponsorship model had served a purpose when it had been more actively utilized.

Councilmember Henderson moved to award grant funding in the following amounts to the following organizations: \$7,500 to KMS Foundation, \$90,500 to Friends of Herriman, and \$7,500 to South Valley Performing Arts. Councilmember Basham seconded the motion.

The vote was recorded as follows:

<i>Councilmember Terrah Anderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Matt Basham</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Jared Henderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Teddy Hodges</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Lorin Palmer</i>	<i>Aye</i>

The motion passed unanimously.

10.3. Consideration of Construction Management Contract with Civil Science, Inc. for the Herriman Boulevard Extension Project – Bryce Terry, P.E., City Engineer

City Engineer Bryce Terry presented an update on the Herriman Boulevard extension project, noting that design work was nearing completion, and the project was close to being ready for construction. He explained that the project would extend Herriman Boulevard from its current western terminus to connect with the U-111 project being advanced by Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT). Although the extension was initially part of UDOT’s scope, responsibility for delivery had been transferred to the City, while funding would still be provided through UDOT allocations originally designated for the project.

He emphasized that, due to UDOT funding requirements, the roadway must be constructed to UDOT standards and subject to UDOT-level inspection to ensure reimbursement eligibility. As a result, staff needed to utilize a construction management firm selected from UDOT’s pre-approved consultant pool. Following evaluation of qualified firms, staff recommended Civil Science to provide construction management services, including oversight through a resident engineer, materials testing, and inspection of public infrastructure, landscaping, and irrigation systems.

City Engineer Terry reported that the total cost for construction management services was just over \$1,000,000, with the expectation that these costs would be fully reimbursed by UDOT upon completion, provided compliance with required standards was maintained. He also clarified project timing, noting that while preliminary grading had begun in the surrounding area by UDOT and the Olympia Public Infrastructure District, the formal construction contract for the roadway itself had not yet been awarded and construction had not officially commenced.

Councilmember Hodges moved to approve the construction management contract with Civil Science for construction management services on the Herriman Boulevard extension project. Councilmember Basham seconded the motion.

The vote was recorded as follows:

<i>Councilmember Terrah Anderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Matt Basham</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Jared Henderson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilmember Teddy Hodges</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Lorin Palmer</i>	<i>Aye</i>

The motion passed unanimously.

11. Future Meetings

11.1. Next Planning Meeting: April 15, 2026

11.2. Next City Council Meeting: May 13, 2026

12. Events

12.1. Senior Bingo: April 16, 2026 Herriman City Hall @ 10:00 a.m.

12.2. Hungry Herriman Food Truck Roundup: April 27, 2026 Crane Park 5:00 p.m.

12.3. Herriman Youth Council Concert in the Park: May 1, 2026 Crane Park @ 6:00 p.m.

13. Closed Session

The Herriman City Council may temporarily recess the City Council meeting to convene in a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health

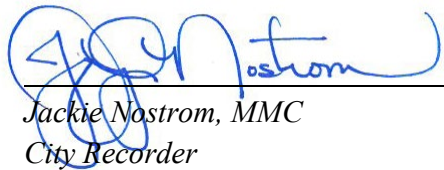
of an individual, pending or reasonable imminent litigation, and the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, as provided by Utah Code Annotated §52-4-205

14. Adjournment

Councilmember Hodges moved to adjourn the City Council meeting at 7:59 p.m. Councilmember Henderson seconded the motion, and all voted aye.

15. Recommence to Work Meeting (If Needed)

I, Jackie Nostrom, City Recorder for Herriman City, hereby certify that the foregoing minutes represent a true, accurate and complete record of the meeting held on April 8, 2026. This document constitutes the official minutes for the Herriman City Council Meeting.



Jackie Nostrom, MMC
City Recorder

