

**MINUTES
ENOCH CITY COUNCIL
May 6, 2026 at 6:00pm
City Council Chambers
City Offices, 900 E. Midvalley Road**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

**Mayor Jim Rushton
Council Member David Harris
Council Member Shawn Stoor
Council Member Debra Ley
Council Member Kimberlee Trower
Council Member Jacob Miner**

STAFF PRESENT:

**Ryan Robinson, City Manager
Ashley Horton, Treasurer
Lindsay Hildebrand, Recorder
Jackson Ames, Police Chief
Justin Wayment, City Attorney
Hayden White, Public Works Director**

Public Present: Delaine Finlay, Ryker Ogden, and Jonathan Wilson

- 1. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING** by Mayor Rushton
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance-** Led by Council Member Harris
 - b. Invocation (2 min.)-Audience invited to participate-** Given by Ryan Robinson
 - c. Inspirational thought-** Given by Council Member Ley
 - d. Approval of Agenda for May 6, 2026- Item number 3 will be tabled. Item 9 will be moved to item number 3. Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the modified agenda. Council Member Ley seconded and all voted in favor.**
 - e. Approval of Minutes for April 15, 2026 – Council Member Ley made a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Harris seconded and all voted in favor.**
 - f. Conflict of Interest Declaration for this agenda-** None stated
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-06-A, A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
THE PINION SPRINGS MINOR SUBDIVISION ROAD DEDICATION**

**3. DISCUSS POTENTIAL CHANGES FOR ALL WATER IMPACT FEES & SET A
PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAY 20, 2026**

Hayden said they went through and changed the water impact fee for single-family residential. That was the only one we changed. We didn't change commercial or industrial. Ensign Engineering looked at the meter size. If we want to raise those two and change them to ERUs or meter size. He used Fosters Development as an example. They don't need a 6-inch meter. Should we charge by ERUs and charge for water in commercial and industrial? Council Member Stoor needed clarification on the 6-inch meter. Lin's had to install two of those to make that private. The impact fee for each of those meters is \$160,000. He suggested charging by ERUs. He used the new gym for the showers as an example. Council Member Harris said that makes sense for larger commercial buildings.

Harris asked to replace residential to ERU and that fee would stay the same. Ryker, with Ensign Eng., gave an example of residents having a one-inch meter as the standard. There was a discussion about the definition of ERU. Council Member Trower asked if we know how much water is a high amount of usage in commercial. Harris said item number ten would define what higher users are at the number of gallons they use each month. If a commercial is the equivalent of 3 ERUs then they would pay accordingly. Hayden said ERU is just for the impact fee. How much we anticipate how much water they will use. Ryker said you size your meter bases on peak flows. This is determined on an average usage of a home. One ERU is 800 gallons per day peak would be your one inch meter.

Council Member Harris made a motion to set a public hearing for potential changes for all water impact fees for May 20, 2026. Council Member Miner seconded and all voted in favor.

4. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05-06-B, A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE ENOCH TO CEDAR CITY TRAIL FUNDED THROUGH UDOT

City Manager Robinson said this is a trail system that they will put in. We didn't put the beginning and end because it could change. We will come back for a letter of support. It will be paved for walking and biking. Council Member Ley said we take over the maintenance. Robinson said we will take care of the trail portion. It will be 8 to 12 feet wide of asphalt. Storr said he liked that it goes along Highway 91. Robinson said we would only take care of the Enoch portion.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-05-06-B, a resolution to approve a letter of support for the Enoch to Cedar City Trail funded through UDOT. Council Member Stoor seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:

Council Member Stoor: Yes	Council Member Harris: Yes
Council Member Ley: Yes	Council Member Ley: Yes
Council Member Trower: Yes	Council Member Miner: Yes

5. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-005-06-C, A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE ENOCH CITY FEE SCHEDULE – Cemetery non-residential fee and water meters
City Manager Robinson said the cost of the meters just went up so we need to account for that. The other amendment we are requesting is regarding the sale of lots. A gentleman is barely outside of Enoch boundaries and will be requesting a plot. We spoke with Cedar Valley Mortuary and they said we should look at raising it to \$800.00. We want to change the annexation declaration line as well. Trower asked what the fees are used for. Robinson said it's cemetery maintenance. Ashley said it goes into a savings account. We used those funds to purchase more land to expand the cemetery. Ley asked if the fees for open and closing needed to change as well. Robinson said we can look at that.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-05-06-C to amend the Enoch City fee schedule regarding non-resident cemetery fees and water meters. Council Member Ley seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:

Council Member Stoor: Yes	Council Member Harris: Yes
Council Member Ley: Yes	Council Member Ley: Yes
Council Member Trower: Yes	Council Member Miner: Yes

6. OPEN THE BUDGET FOR 2025-2026 TO MAKE YEAR-END ADJUSTMENTS
Council Member Harris made a motion to open the budget for 2025-2026 to make year-end adjustments. Council Member Ley seconded, and all voted in favor.

Ashley showed the adjustments on the screen. She went through the revenues in all of the funds. She went over the larger adjustments first. Next, she went over the expenses.

- Streets and Roads
- Building Department
- Police Department
- City Office
- Drainage

Council Member Harris asked whether most of these are ongoing increases in expenses and not just one-time. Ashley said yes. This will be on display for the next couple of weeks.

7. ADOPT THE 2026-2027 TENTATIVE BUDGET AND SET A PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 20, 2026, FOR THE FINAL BUDGET

Ashley said that since she has met with the council members, there have been a few changes. We have talked about a tax increase, but adjusted it so that it is not needed. The police department will try and get by with a part-time employee for evidence tech/records management. Other than that, everything is pretty much the same. We were \$60,000 in the negative and to balance it, we are taking it from savings. It may not have to come from savings, with new businesses coming. Council Member Harris noted that he would like to go over this again. Ashley also noted that the fire department hasn't had a budget meeting for the new fire department. They may ask to increase that amount, and we pay 10%. Mayor Rushton noted that we should not do a property tax increase, but is there a chance we will have to do something more? Ashley said she wasn't sure if that 10% is a portion of all of it. City Manager Robinson said we will see what that is and what Cedar's budget will be.

Council Member Harris made a motion to adopt the tentative budget and set a public hearing for May 20, 2026. Council Member Ley seconded and all voted in favor.

8. SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR EXECUTIVE STAFF COMPENSATION AMENDMENTS FOR MAY 20, 2026

Council Member Harris made a motion to set a public hearing for May 20, 2026 for executive staff compensation amendments. Council Member Stoor seconded and all voted in favor.

~~9. DISCUSS POTENTIAL CHANGES FOR ALL WATER IMPACT FEES & SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAY 20, 2026~~

10. SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAY 20, 2026 TO CONSIDER AMENDING THE WATER RATE STRUCTURE AND USER FEE

City Manager Robinson said nothing has changed. Harris said we do have residential institutions, culinary, etc. It applies to the rates for all of those classifications. It's designed to encourage self-conservation. We have a restriction for new development of 50% of the yard can be lawn. We set the rates for people to choose. If they want to pay for it, they can, or they can conserve. Council Member Ley said that, because the older citizens had more

property, they shouldn't have to pay more. Harris said this is because of the over-allocation of water rights. We require an acre-foot of water, and we get a haircut. An acre-foot doesn't give them the right to the entire acre-foot. We own the right, and this is what they pay us to deliver to them. The older citizens were draining the aquifer, and they had the advantage of more water, theoretically, than we have had. Ley said if we had not had the increase in growth, then it wouldn't be that way. Trower said that with the change in weather patterns, the aquifer will decline with or without growth. So everyone needs to tighten their belt. St. George has an ultra water efficiency group that is meant for subdivisions. It's an idea. They also have a bracket for seasonal water use. They allow 8,000 gallons in winter. In the Summer, they get 15,000, and in the fall, they get 13,000 gallons. Harris said there are great ideas out there. We don't have as many zones in Enoch as St. George has in terms of high-density housing. We could introduce that and look at more encouragement for conservation. Mayor Rushton said the reuse getting back to type one would allow us to tie into our secondary water system. Trower said we are looking at creating a storage of runoff from the mountain. We are one step away from making it drinking water.

Council Member Harris made a motion to set a public hearing for the amendment of the water rate structure and user fee. Council Member Stoor seconded and all voted in favor.

11. REVIEW BOOTS-FREI DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

No action was taken.

12. COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT

Police Chief Ames

- We had a vacancy with a full-time officer in the department. We hired an applicant who was a part-time officer. His name is Nick Syrett. He has a little over 8 years of experience in law enforcement.
- They had their first annual conference for wellness in service. Collaboration between first responders and mental health. Dr. Kilmarten was the keynote speaker. Suicide rates, risk for cardiovascular disease have increased. Robinson said Nick was very impressive in interviews. Ley asked how much more training he would need. Chief said he had been in Bountiful for a few years. He was also in Cedar City under investigates and narcotics. Miner asked if we would get another part-time officer to fill his position. Not at this time.

Hayden White, Public Works

- Well rig is up at the Anderson well.
- They finished the water line on Half Mile Rd.
- Next week, they will start expanding the cemetery.
- Spring clean-up at the dump has increased their workload.
- Highway 91 got pushed off until August. They got a bid to do all of Highway 91. It ends at the ice rink.

Ashley Horton, Finance

- She is finishing things up from this year.
- She also mentioned that we have been looking at companies to redo our website. We decided on a local company. It's a one-time cost. City Manager Robinson said they look really good. Some of the other options are priced high. She will build it up and teach us.
- Miner asked if we want to look at some IT security? Robinson said we want to do

some more training on what to look for. Ashley said we thought maybe we could do a PowerPoint with the council.

City Manager Robinson

- Cindy Baldwin requested to put in a Healing Garden. She did a lot of work after the Haight incident. This garden would be in honor of that family. He showed a 3D rendering. They also asked about the city putting in some funding. They could try to raise the funds. It's about 16 feet wide. He talked about maybe doing some of the labor on it. Council Member Harris liked this idea as **long as it isn't a burden on city funds. Council Member Ley wondered if this would bring any backlash. Council Member Miner asked about City Attorney Wayment looking into it.**
- **He attended a two-day city manager training. He gave a few examples of what he learned about.**
- **Last week at the Planning Commission, Rob Terri gave a training on the roles of the Planning Commission. They have to have 4 hours of training every year.**

Council Member Stoor

- **The Rec Committee celebrated Arbor Day and they planted 10 trees at the cemetery. They are doing well.**

Council Member Harris

- **Water Conservancy District went to waste water management plant. Rep. Maloy went with them. She is putting in for another \$3.5 million to help develop that. She has been very supportive. Mayor Rushton said she appreciated the district coming together.**

Council Member Ley

- **All of the schools have gotten flyers for the contests.**
- **We got our bounce houses. Mayor Rushton said Johnny Macs will donate the wings for the Wings of Death.**

Council Member Trower

- **She recommended looking at that PowerPoint training.**
- **Cedar City came up with the idea to hold a booth at the water festival and train people on how to utilize that app. We are thinking about doing that.**
- **She attended a water conservation training.**

Council Member Miner

- **From the Local Homeless Council (LHC): Iron County Care and Share have approved tiny homes.**
- **The letter carriers will pick up food placed out by the mail box.**
- **On the economic side of things, we are getting more serious about how to get involved in economic development here. He is looking to put together a committee. If anyone has names that would be engaged and a benefit, let him know.**

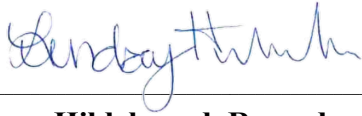
13. **CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: THE CHARACTER, PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE OR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH OF AN INDIVIDUAL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING; PENDING OR REASONABLY IMMINENT LITIGATION, THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING ANY FORM OF WATER RIGHTS OR WATER SHARES; DEPLOYMENT OF SECURITY PERSONNEL, DEVICES OR SYSTEMS; INVESTIGATIVE PROCEEDINGS REGARDING ALLEGATIONS OF CRIMINAL MISCONDUCT.**

Council Member Harris made a motion to close the regular meeting and move into a closed meeting for the discussion of buy, sell, or trade of real property, physical or mental health of an individual, or imminent litigation. Council Member Ley

seconded and all voted in favor.

14. ACTION FROM CLOSED MEETING – The staff was directed to move forward with the purchase of property as discussed.

15. ADJOURN – There was a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and all voted in favor.



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▪ Lindsay Hildebrand, Recorder

Date