Regular City Council Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 6:30 pm

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To join remotely: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84634328005?pwd=YTlTrMuamsuZUocMfvvRajJOdga1I6.1

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 May 22, 2026.
Those present were: Mayor: Curt Hare, Council: Dennis W. Alldredge, Kyle Stevens (excused), Eugene R. Larsen, Michael B. Winget, Amber Rausch ; Staff: Wayne Jackson; Mayor Hare excused Councilmember Stevens
Others present were: Chris Carling, Breanne Listan, Joseph Anderson, Marissa McIff, Thomas Peterson, Dan Rowley, Steve O'Camb, Sherri Callister, Larry Edwards, Landon Rowley, Chad Imlay, Danny Wardle, Kris Ewert
6:30 p.m. Welcome and pledge of allegiance by Mayor Hare. Mayor Hare excused Councilmember Stevens.

2. **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

   a. **Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Minutes:
MOTION: To accept the meeting minutes of the May 12, 2026 city council meeting, as written. By: Councilmember Larsen; Second: Councilmember Winget VOTE: Unanimous. Motion carried. (Councilmember Alldredge abstained)

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

Minutes:
MOTION: To approve Purchase Order 26-48 payable to Sunrise Engineering in the amount of $15,000 for completion of a hydrogeological well siting study. By: Councilmember Larsen Second: Councilmember Winget Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

c. **Licenses and Permits**

Minutes:
Building permit application # 26-39 for Rob & Renee Davies located at 120 East 100 North, for an addition to an existing home.
Business license application # BL26-15 for Frampton Cuts Lawn Care located in Fillmore Utah. Business description is lawn care services.

PUBLIC HEARING 6:35 PM

Public hearing to receive public comment regarding Resolution 26-07, a resolution amending Article VII, Utility Rates, Section A, Electric, of the Fillmore City Fee and Rate Schedule, to increase the residential and commercial electric rates by $0.0025 per kilowatt hour.

Minutes:
Motion by Councilmember Alldredge and second by Councilmember Larson to go into the public hearing at 6:38 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Edwards asked how much of a monthly increase per household that would equate to. The council explained that the increase will be about $4.00 per month to each household.

Chad Imlay asked how much the citizens are currently being charged, to the which the council explained that the rate is $0.105 per kilowatt hour. The rate will be increased by a quarter of a cent.

Motion by Councilmember Winget and second by Councilmember Alldredge to go out of the public hearing at 6:41 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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No comments were offered by the public.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS AND REQUESTS**
4. **OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE COUNCIL**
    a. **Discuss and possibly adopt Resolution 26-07 amending Article VII, Utility Rates, Section A, Electric, of the Fillmore City Fee and Rate Schedule, to increase the residential and commercial electric rates by $0.0025 per kilowatt hour.**

Minutes:
Councilmember Larsen explained that the city manages three enterprise funds (water, sewer, and electric). They are each run as a business would be run, meaning that money can be saved up or put away to be used for catastrophic failures to the system or for regular system maintenance. In 2016, the Creamery Substation was destroyed and fortunately the city had the reserves to pay for construction of a new station. If the city would have had to take a loan, they would have been forced by the lender to raise electric rates. The city did not have to, and did not, raise rates at this time. This is why it is important to run the electric fund at a profit year in and year out. Councilmember Larsen also stated that during his several years of specializing in power operations for the city, costs have never been as volatile as they are now. Small and steady increases are better than large infrequent ones. Councilmember Alldredge recalled that several years ago when the city was involved with a nuclear project in Idaho, cities dropped out of the project because the price per kilowatt hour increased to $0.08, and they thought that price was too high. Now, the going rate that the city pays is $0.11 per kilowatt hour. Councilmember Alldredge reiterated that because of this, the city must keep building reserves to keep ahead financially.
MOTION: To adopt Resolution 26-07.
By: Councilmember Larsen Second: Councilmember Winget Roll-Call Vote: Councilmember Larsen – Yes Councilmember Winget – Yes Councilmember Rausch – Yes Councilmember Alldredge - Yes
Unanimous. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

b. **Discuss and possibly approve annual write-off accounts for 2026**

Minutes:
MOTION: To NOT approve the write-offs accounts list for 2026.
By: Councilmember Larsen Second: Councilmember Alldredge Vote:
Unanimous. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

c. **Discuss and possibly take action regarding possible options for Danny Wardle regarding land acquisition of city-owned property adjacent to the Filly's Cafe**

Minutes:
Councilmember Alldredge stated that as long as the driveway to the south does not interfere with the fire station, then he will agree to sell the property to Mr. Wardle. The property will need to be subdivided so as to eliminate the "L" shape to the property. Mayor Hare explained that before the city can sell the property, they will need to establish a fair market value of the property and then go through a public hearing process where that market value is divulged.
The council unanimously agreed to move forward with this land sale to Mr. Wardle.

d. **Discuss and possibly approve purchase of a mudjacking pump for repairs of city sidewalks**

Minutes:
Councilmember Winget explained that budgeted funds have been earmarked in the current budget for this purchase. Councilmember Rausch entertained the idea of hiring an outside person or company to do sidewalk repairs as opposed to the city doing them in-house. If the city were to do the repair and something went wrong, the cost and time to fix it would be extensive, whereas if someone else installed it and made a mistake, that is on them to fix it. Councilmember Alldredge agreed that hiring out might be more economical than purchasing another expensive piece of equipment that occasionally gets used.
MOTION: To table. By: Councilmember Alldredge Second: Councilmember Larsen Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Vote results:
Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

e. **Discussion regarding the Community Wildfire System (CWS) and HB48 (High Risk WUI) and possibly approve the CWS with the State of Utah**

Minutes:
Colten Anderson presented and is the Millard County Fire Warden. The CWS (Cooperative Wildfire System) that was presented to the council a few months ago is an optional program. It is a partnership between the state and municipalities and the fundamental principle behind the partnership is that the municipality takes action to reduce their wildfire risk. If they are in a partnership with the state, then the state picks up the tab in the case of a wildfire as far as providing the resources necessary to fight the fire.
The High-Risk WUI (Wildland Urban Interface) program is not optional. Under this program, every resident in a high-risk area has the option to receive a personalized lot assessment where an expert will come onto their property and let them know what they can do to improve the fire risk on their property. There are fees attached, but if the property owner does work to mitigate risk to their property, then the fee can be reduced. Mayor Hare stated that two of the three designated high-risk areas assigned to Fillmore do not make sense because there is nothing in those areas to burn. There is an appeal process if a municipality would like to have the designated boundaries changed. The annual fee imposed on the city for areas within the high-risk boundary would be between $20 and $100 per structure within the boundary.
It was stated by Mr. Anderson that enforcing the WUI code protects citizens and fire departments. Insurance companies soon will only want to insure homes that are built according to WUI code.
Mayor Hare stated that ongoing discussions will be needed to improve the council's understanding of the program before they vote to enter into an agreement.

f. **Discuss and possibly approve the continuation of the previous golf course water assistance agreement for one year with Tod Monsen, Pistol Rock Golf Course**

Minutes:
Councilmember Alldredge and Councilmember Larsen recalled an agreement between the City and Mr. Monsen regarding the water utility for the golf course for Mr. Monsen's first year of operation. Mayor Hare reviewed a prior meeting to determine whether an agreement had been reached, and he could not make a determination. Mayor Hare suggested the item be tabled to allow for a more in-depth review of prior agreements
MOTION: To table. By: Councilmember Rausch Second: Councilmember Larsen Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

5. COUNCIL/CITY ATTORNEY/MAYOR DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Minutes:
Councilmember Rausch:
The city clean-up will commence on Monday of next week. Dumpsters will be placed around town for household garbage. Councilmember Rausch asked everyone to check with their neighbors to find out who needs help.
The celebrations committee will soon be holding meetings to plan for this year's 4th of July celebration.
A spot has been chosen for the community garden. It will be placed at the Stella Day Park. It is not a huge space, but it has water. Stella Day loved gardening and started a community garden in Fillmore many years ago.
Councilmember Alldredge:
There may be some roads in the county that will be widened to accommodate the new data centers.
Councilmember Winget:
No report
Councilmember Larsen:
The city council agreed to pay $700 to have the rest of the cracks on the airport runway and apron filled. The city needs to determine how they are going to manage cracks between now and when the complete reconstruction of the runway will happen several years from now.
Travis Biggs who is an airport project manager managed the Heber City airport for many years, and he shared that the secret to the success of that airport was building hangers. Once hangars were built, many more dollars were spent at the airport and surrounding communities. There currently is one person who is showing interest in building a 10,000 square foot hanger at the Fillmore airport.
By Friday of this week, the city needs to inform IPP of how much power they want to call back. In 2027, it is estimated that Fillmore City will be running 1.5 megawatts short of what they should be running. Calling back power has to be done one year ahead of time.
The city's current power rate structure is a declining rate. This needs to be looked at by the city council and it should be reconsidered in order to reverse that trend.
Wayne Jackson, Planning Coordinator
The developers that will be developing residential housing on 400 North have obtained their permits and are almost ready to start vertical building.
As stated earlier in the meeting, there is someone who has met with city officials regarding their interest in building a 10,000 square foot hangar at the airport.
Attorney Harris:

By October 1, 2026, the city is required to publish checklists for each type of land use application it has on the city website
By January 1, 2028, the city will be required to adopt a plan regarding water exactions based on numbers provided by the state engineer.
The closure and post-closure amounts for the landfill acquisition are being determined by engineers for both the city and the county, and those amounts will need to be agreed upon by the city and the county. The final estimate from the city's engineer is about $50,000 higher than the amount of the second opinion that the county received. Monies held in the PTIF do not belong to either the city or the county, they are only there to assist in closing the landfill should the entity go bankrupt and can't close the landfill on its own.

Mayor Hare

There are two properties in the industrial park that are past the deadline in terms of meeting the industrial park development requirements. The city council desires to re-acquire those properties as there is a developer that is interested in developing on those properties.
There is a landowner who owns property just to the east of the cemetery and that strip of land is where a city road designation is. The council would need to decide to vacate the road and allow that individual to develop on that property. If there is not an agreement in place for this to happen, then the city would follow their policy of only giving away property with due compensation.

Closed Session

MOTION: To go into a closed session at 9:40 p.m. to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real property, and to discuss a proposed development agreement, project proposal, or financing proposal related to the development of land owned by the state, as described in Utah Code 52-4-205(1).
By: Councilmember Alldredge Second: Councilmember Larsen Roll-Call Vote: Councilmember Larsen – Yes Councilmember Winget – Yes Councilmember Rausch – Yes Councilmember Alldredge - Yes
Unanimous. Motion carried.
The council returned to the open meeting at 9:45 p.m.

6. ADJOURN

Minutes:

Upon motion by Councilmember Alldredge and second by Councilmember Rausch, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.
The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be held June 9, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.
Approved, Curt Hare, Mayor: June 9, 2026