

**NORTH OGDEN CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

May 12, 2026

The North Ogden City Council convened on May 12, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the North Ogden City Public Safety Building at 515 East 2600 North. Notice of time, place, and agenda of the meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the municipal office and posted to the Utah Public Notice Website on May 7, 2026. Notice of the annual meeting schedule was posted on the bulletin board at the municipal office and posted to the Utah Public Notice Website on December 10, 2025.

Note: The timestamps indicated in blue correspond with the recording of this meeting, which can be located on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCriqbePBxTucXEzRr6felhQ/videos> or by requesting a copy of the audio file from the North Ogden City Recorder.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ryan Barker	Mayor	
Tera Carney	Council Member	
Jay D Dalpiaz	Council Member	
Chris Pulver	Council Member	Zoom
Christina Watson	Council Member	
Steven Nabor	Council Member	

STAFF PRESENT:

Rian Santoro	City Recorder
Jon Call	City Manager/Attorney
Brian Eynon	Police Chief
Scott Hess	Community and Economic Development Director
Timm Dixon	City Engineer
Peter Brown	Finance Director
Casey Hunsaker	Treasurer
Tyler Nicotera	Parks
Jaime Gill	Parks Supervisor
Katie Gerard	Human Resources Director

VISITORS:

Brian Bartholomew	McKell Christensen
Kevin Burns	John Arrington

Brenda Ashdown
Sandy Cochran
Reed Miller

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David Shupe
Kerry Wangsguard

0:00:00 Mayor Ryan Barker called the meeting to order. Council Member Nabor shared remarks recognizing National Police Week and expressed appreciation for law enforcement officers and the North Ogden Police Department. Council Member Nabor reflected on the recent honoring of fallen Tremonton officers in Washington, D.C., noted the Department's role in North Ogden being recognized as one of the safest cities in the State, and thanked those who serve in law enforcement. Council Member Nabor then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

0:03:03 No Conflict of Interest was disclosed.

PRESENTATION

2. RECOGNITION OF THE NORTH OGDEN PARKS DEPARTMENT BY THE UTAH RECREATION AND PARKS ASSOCIATION (URPA) AND SPORTS FIELD MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (SFMA) FOR BEST SPORTS FIELD ACHIEVEMENT

0:03:44 Mckell Christensen, Assistant Executive Director of the Utah Recreation and Parks Association, addressed the Council regarding the presentation of the Sports Field of the Year Award in partnership with the Sports Field Management Association. Mckell explained that the award recognizes excellence in sports field management, community use, conservation, and youth programming across the State.

Mckell stated that North Ogden's Oaklawn football field was selected due to its year-round community use, support of youth and family programming, and the high level of turf care provided by the Parks Department staff. Mckell recognized Jaime, Tyler, and the entire Parks crew for their efforts and thanked the Mayor and City Council for their support of the department.

Parks Supervisor Jaime Gill expressed appreciation to the Mayor and Council for their continued support of the Parks Department, stating that the recognition reflects the efforts of the entire City.

Jaime noted that the department's success is made possible through the support, tools, and trust provided by City leadership and stated the department will continue striving to improve and serve the community.

ACTIVE AGENDA

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

0:08:10 Kevin Burns, a North Ogden resident, congratulated the Parks Department on receiving the Sports Field of the Year Award and commented on the significant improvements made to the City's sports fields over the years. Kevin noted that the fields had previously received complaints regarding their condition and stated the department had done an excellent job improving and maintaining them.

Kevin also referenced ongoing discussions regarding Barker Park and asked whether the City was receiving revenue from activities being hosted at the park, specifically mentioning a yoga event charging an attendance fee.

0:09:36 Dave Shupe, a North Ogden business owner and Liberty resident, addressed the Council regarding concerns with utility work completed on his property by a contractor working under a City-issued permit. Dave stated that after his water service was restored, he discovered a leak and expressed frustration with the quality of the repairs and the burden placed on property owners to monitor contractor work. Dave requested guidance from the City regarding the appropriate course of action if additional issues are discovered.

Dave also raised concerns regarding sidewalk snow removal near the former City shops property, stating that sidewalks had not been cleared following a snowstorm, while residents are expected to comply with snow removal requirements on adjacent sidewalks. Dave expressed frustration regarding what he viewed as inconsistent enforcement and treatment related to sidewalk maintenance responsibilities.

4. CITIZEN BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

0:13:15 Brian Bartholomew, Chair of the Citizen Budget Subcommittee, spoke about his and the Subcommittee's concerns regarding repeated tax increases and the long-term financial sustainability of certain City programs and amenities. Brian encouraged the Council to evaluate programs and services to determine future funding priorities and sustainability.

Brenda Ashdown, a member of the Citizen Budget Subcommittee, expressed concerns regarding the committee process and stated that members would like to see more discussion and consideration given to the subcommittee's recommendations. Brenda stated the subcommittee's focus was primarily on financial impacts and long-term costs associated with City amenities and recreation programs.

Council Members discussed the value of the Subcommittee's work, the importance of evaluating both financial impacts and community benefits, and the need for continued discussion regarding long-term planning and sustainability of City programs and amenities. The Council provided direction to schedule a future Work Session on June 2, 2026, to further discuss the Citizen Budget Subcommittee's ideas and recommendations.

5. RESOLUTION 2026-04 – CONSOLIDATED FEE SCHEDULE AMENDMENTS

0:56:37 City Manager/Attorney Jon Call presented proposed amendments to the City's consolidated fee schedule, explaining that the changes included updates and clarifications recommended by various departments, adjustments to utility and recreation-related fees, and removal of outdated or unused fees. Jon noted that some utility-related fees were being adjusted due to increased material and operational costs.

The Council discussed proposed Green Waste fees for North Ogden and Pleasant View residents. Council Member Dalpiaz stated that his understanding from previous discussions was to temporarily maintain North Ogden resident rates at \$25 for a ten-punch pass and \$3 per individual visit, while Pleasant View resident rates would remain at \$50 for a ten-punch pass and \$6 per individual visit until additional cost analysis could be completed. Public Works Director/ Assistant City Manager Dave Espinoza explained that current fees do not fully cover staffing and operational costs and stated that new software would assist the City in tracking usage and costs more accurately for future evaluation.

Council Members also discussed maintaining higher Green Waste fees for non-residents while balancing regional cooperation with neighboring communities. Additional discussion occurred regarding business license renewal fees, Aquatic Center and recreation fee adjustments, Cherry Days parade fees, water and sewer utility updates, storm water fees, impact fee clarifications, and utility rate adjustments for properties outside City limits.

The Council reviewed several administrative clarifications related to annexations, utility billing coordination, utility franchise construction concerns, and impact fee policies. Jon Call stated that the City's impact fee studies were recently updated and believed the City was in a strong position regarding legislative review and compliance.

Council Member Dalpías motioned to approve Resolution No. 05-2026, adopting amendments to the Consolidated Fee Schedule, including establishing green waste fees at \$3 per individual visit or \$25 for a ten-punch pass for North Ogden residents, and \$6 per individual visit or \$50 for a ten-punch pass for Pleasant View residents. Council Member Nabor seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Dalpías	aye
Council Member Pulver	aye
Council Member Watson	aye
Council Member Carney	aye
Council Member Nabor	aye

The motion passed unanimously.

6. **COUNCIL PILLAR ASSIGNMENTS UPDATE**
COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES ON ASSIGNED STRATEGIC PILLARS

Community Unity – Council Member Pulver and Council Member Dalpías

1:25:55 Council Member Pulver provided an update regarding ongoing work related to the Council’s community pillars and stated that staff continues working on items, including the pool bubble and dog park discussions. Council Member Pulver also noted the importance of tracking goals and metrics related to community initiatives and public engagement.

Council Member Dalpías stated that a resident had expressed interest in participating in the future pool bubble committee. Council Member Dalpías also reminded residents about the upcoming spring cleanup event and invited Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Dave Espinoza to provide additional event details.

Employees – Mayor Barker

1:27:55 Mayor Barker reminded residents about the City's spring cleanup event and thanked Public Works staff for their efforts in managing the Green Waste and cleanup operations. Mayor Barker also recognized the Recorder’s Office for organizing the upcoming community shred day event.

Mayor Barker further recognized National Police Week and expressed appreciation to the Police Department for their continued service and efforts in helping maintain North Ogden as one of the safest cities in the State.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1:29:27 Brenda Ashdown, a North Ogden resident, asked for clarification regarding acceptable items for the City cleanup event and confirmed that water heaters would be accepted. Brenda also reiterated the Citizen Budget Subcommittee's desire for continued discussion regarding City-funded programs and amenities.

Brenda further expressed concerns regarding recreation scheduling and communication, stating that additional information regarding sports registrations and activities, including baseball and football sign-ups, would be helpful on the City calendar and website. Brenda also noted concerns regarding field reservation coordination and scheduling conflicts for youth sports practices.

1:31:39 John Arrington, a North Ogden resident and member of the Citizen Budget Subcommittee, shared his appreciation for the committee process and noted that subcommittee members represented a variety of perspectives and opinions. John stated that discussions within the subcommittee included both supporting and opposing viewpoints regarding City finances and programs. John expressed confidence that City staff had carefully documented the subcommittee discussions and would accurately relay the information to the Council. John also thanked the Council and staff for their efforts and stated that serving on the subcommittee had been a valuable learning experience.

1:34:28 Sandy Cochran, a North Ogden resident and member of the Citizen Budget Subcommittee, expressed disappointment regarding the presentation materials included in the meeting packet and stated that the subcommittee felt discouraged by the response to its recommendations. Sandy emphasized the amount of time and discussion contributed by subcommittee members and encouraged the Council to continue reviewing and discussing the subcommittee's concerns and recommendations. Sandy also expressed concerns regarding the cost and expansion of City amenities and programs, stating that not all residents utilize the same services and encouraging the Council to consider broader public input and priorities when evaluating future City spending and amenities.

1:36:57 Kevin Burns, a North Ogden resident, commented on the discussion regarding resident and non-resident fee structures, stating that he believed it was reasonable for non-residents to pay higher rates for City amenities and services, similar to practices used by neighboring communities. Kevin also commented on the evening's discussions and encouraged the Council to review the meeting process and identify opportunities for improvement moving forward.

1:38:30 Kerry Wangsguard, a North Ogden resident, encouraged the Council to carefully consider the cumulative financial impact of proposed utility, fee, and tax increases on residents. Kerry stated that while budget reductions may be difficult, the City should also focus on identifying opportunities to grow revenue through additional commercial and sales tax development. Kerry also encouraged the City to evaluate ways to better utilize and generate revenue from existing City assets and amenities, including parks, recreation facilities, sports programming, and the Aquatic Center. Kerry suggested exploring opportunities such as tournaments, concessions, rentals, and other programming to increase use and offset operational costs.

Additional discussion followed regarding a previously mentioned yoga event held at Barker Park. Staff confirmed that the organization had rented the facility through the City and paid the applicable rental fee.

8. MAYOR/COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

1:49:07 Council Members discussed ongoing and future commercial development projects intended to increase sales tax revenue within the City, including planned businesses such as a Fast Stop gas station, Sherwin-Williams, Wingstop, Jersey Mike's, and other approved developments. Council Members noted that although some projects are still under development, they are expected to generate additional sales tax revenue for the City in the future.

Council Members also discussed recreation and Aquatic Center fees, comparing North Ogden's rates to neighboring communities and noting recent efforts to improve financial sustainability.

Council Member Watson clarified previous comments about City amenities and stated that she remained open to continued public discussion and feedback on community programs and priorities.

Council Members expressed appreciation to the Citizen Budget Subcommittee for the time and effort invested in reviewing the City budget and providing recommendations. Additional discussion occurred regarding the importance of promoting and maximizing City assets, future commercial development opportunities, and the responsibility of elected officials to stay informed regarding the Citizen Budget Subcommittee discussions and recommendations.

9. **CLOSED MEETING - PERMITTED UNDER UTAH CODE ANNOTATED §52-4-205(1)(A) REGARDING THE CHARACTER, PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE, OR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH OF AN INDIVIDUAL**

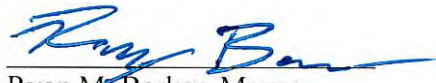
1:56:11 Council Member Watson moved to recess the public meeting and enter into a Closed Session as permitted under Utah Code § 52-4-205(1)(a) to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Council Member Carney seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those in attendance.

Following the closed session, Council Member Watson moved to close the closed session and reconvene the public meeting. Council Member Carney seconded the motion. All those in attendance voted aye.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

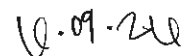
Council Member Watson motioned to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.


Ryan M. Barker, Mayor


Rian Santoro
City Recorder




Date Approved