

**TREMONTON CITY CORPORATION
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 2, 2026**

Members Present:

Kristie Bowcutt
Brent Jex
Beau Lewis
Sharri Oyler—excused
Blair Westergard
Bret Rohde, Mayor
Linsey Nessen, City Manager
Cynthia Nelson, City Recorder

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

Mayor Rohde called the June 2, 2026 City Council Workshop to order at 5:01 p.m. The meeting was held in the City Council Meeting Room at 102 South Tremont Street, Tremonton, Utah. Those in attendance were Mayor Rohde, Councilmembers Bowcutt, Jex, Lewis, and Westergard, City Manager Nessen, and City Recorder Nelson. Also in attendance were Building Official Kirk Ward, Code Enforcement Greg Horspool, Finance Director Jami Heiner, Fire Chief Jeff Jarrow, Community Services Director Zach LeFevre, and Police Chief Dustin Cordova. Councilmember Oyler was excused.

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Conflict of Interest
2. Council Reports and Updates and Reading of Use of Personal Devices by City Recorder

Councilmember Lewis said Kelly Wood is doing a great job and will be here on June 16 to discuss Main Street America and their program, along with things we currently have. As a Council we can give more direction there. There will be some downtown community events coming up and efforts there with design. We have a proposal for the facade grant. Our economic development efforts have been a full-time job. There is a lot of interest in Tremonton. I have meetings this week with potential companies wanting to come. Our goals around bringing in new revenue are well under way.

Councilmember Bowcutt said thank you to the police and fire for escorting the lacrosse state champs back into town. The Rocket Road project is coming along, and the Cemetery roads will be paved at the same time. They have started the fence on the equalization basin. Public Works is not responsible for the revenue. We are. They have fixed costs, operation expenses, employees, equipment, data, and depreciation. Infrastructure is not a fixed income. Within the last two weeks, they had to drain one of the tanks, which resulted in an expensive \$500,000 job. The proposed rate increase will only satisfy the water bond and does not help Director Mackley, who has some concerns. When in St. George, the very first speaker advised us to pay our bonds off early. Financial debt is not a positive for our budgets. Director Mackley would like to have a rate study done. If we go ahead with the rate increase before that, his concern is it will

impede anything that comes out of the recommendation. If we move this increase forward to help pay for the water bond, he is concerned we will not get more money to help with needs. Those fees have not been updated since 2013 for Public Works. He asked someone to do it in November but has not received anything back. He will do a request for a proposal. He wants bi-weekly meetings and will be sending guidelines. The library summer kickoff party was a hit.

Councilmember Jex said we are still recovering from D.C., but that was a really great event to honor our officers. Thanks to all those who came and for other agencies who covered our shifts. I want to thank the Council and department heads for the work you put in and for helping me learn my role. I 100% trust the department heads and everybody seated here. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with you. The police department needs more funding and hopefully we get that figured out. I think we are in a much better place to get all the departments where they need to be. There are some things we can do in the meantime to shore that up. We have really good people.

Mayor Rohde asked Recorder Nelson to read a personal devices memorandum. Recorder Nelson said we are sharing this as a friendly reminder of what Utah law already asks of us when we serve on a public body. Nothing is new or aimed at any one person. We just want to all be on the same page. When we are sitting on the dais, our phones, tablets and laptops are fine for looking at the agenda packet, City code, a map, or a fact that helps us do the work. What they cannot be used for is anything that moves the meeting off the record. Under Utah's Open and Public Meetings Act, all deliberation among members of a public body has to happen out loud in the open for both the public and recording. That means during a meeting we do not text, message, or email another member of the same body about anything on the agenda or anything that could come before us; use group chats, Zoom chats, or any side channel among members; communicate with outside parties, applicants, developers, family with an interest, anyone about how we are going to vote or what is being said. Under Utah's Governmental Records Access and Management Act, anything we text on any device, City issued or personal, about City business is a public record. That includes texts to staff, notes typed on a phone, and messages we might later delete. Deletions do not erase the record and can make things worse. What we can do is look up packet materials, code, maps, or facts relevant to what is being discussed. We are asking that we hold ourselves and others to the standard the law already sets. If a question comes up about whether something is okay, ask our City attorney.

3. Presentations:

a. **Title:** Discussion of New Ambulance Purchase and Staff Increase

Chief Jarrow said we have had interest in the two ambulances sitting outside. Hyrum City has asked about a donation. Other cities have expressed interest in buying. One of them has an air compressor issue, which is a minor fix, but they are old and not going to generate more than \$8,000. Would the Council like us to donate one or both or do we want to sell them? Councilmember Jex said personally it would be nice to donate to a City in need. However, \$8,000 could be allocated in our City. If we could help a

struggling City get by, I am in favor of the donation. Chief Jarrow said I agree. I think a donation would be nice, because they are going to have to put some money into them to make them operational and benefit their city, but if the Council would rather, I could try to sell them. Mayor Rohde said we could set a ceiling and if we do not get anything over \$5,000 by August 1, then we donate them.

Chief Jarrow said previously we were on a replacement schedule. Every two years, we were buying a new ambulance. Somewhere along the way, we got off that schedule. We finally got our new ambulance. We waited a good four years for that and are still behind. We have four in service, but three of them are old. They are coming up on ten years and we need to replace them. We are working with a new company for the next one. The plans are in place. We are just waiting to sign paperwork. If so, the delivery date would be April 2027. The turnaround time is substantially better than in the past. Cost is currently \$385,000. We can pay for the ambulance outright. Some of the benefits, obviously, are going to be a uniform fleet. We are changing the color to red. By getting a newer fleet, we have less money going into maintenance. There will also be less downtime and higher resale value when we have newer equipment. So, do we pay for it outright or do we lease it? That would be a three-year lease at a 4.73% interest. Cost would be \$137,000 over a three-year period. If we did every five years, it would be \$86,000. When asked about lifespan, Chief Jarrow said we stretched them to ten years. They would be in much better condition if we do not do transfers. That is another option we could look into. We could buy a sprinter van-style ambulance for a fraction of the cost to be used just for transfers. They are better on fuel and are a fraction of the cost. (\$125,000 to \$130,000 versus \$300,000 to \$400,000). If we go that route, it would only be used for transfers. All the medical equipment from our old ambulances have been taken out and put into the new one. We have rotated it through. Medical equipment is its own expense and a topic for another day. Whether we are leasing or just saving money and putting it aside, that is up to the Council. I am just laying out the options and getting ahead of the problem. Councilmember Westergard said I think we want to pay for one at a time and have to get the schedule back in place for replacement and having money set aside. Chief Jarrow said leasing would help us avoid the problem we had previously where we waited four years to get one. By leasing we are ordering the ambulance and getting the same product every three years. We would already have it on the schedule once we sign the lease. Councilmember Westergard said we bought them every three years forever and never had any problems until this last time when we waited four years. Mayor Rohde said the sprinter van makes a lot of sense for transfers. Finance Director Heiner said I have it in the proposed budget to buy one outright. My preference would be to buy this next one with the anticipation of rolling it over in three years, and then coming back to discuss a sprinter van. I have been diving into the weeds and I want to come back with a capital equipment program. I will review the history and get with Chief to bring that program forward for the whole City. My concern is the budget. You will see a \$400,000 line item in the amendment for fiscal year 2026. If we sign the document now, we are on the hook for that purchase order. That is why we have to have it on the budget and then you will see it again in next year's budget. It is just a timing issue. We are not going to buy two. There is some pressure because if we do not sign the document, the price could go up July 1. We would be signing a purchase order so I am trying to

protecting the City on that. Chief Jarrow said it is less than a month away and I think this is something we could communicate with them, but I am totally fine waiting until July to sign it. My biggest worry is getting it in the budget and being able to get another ambulance to replace. The Council agreed to take that transfer to the fire budget for this year (\$400,000) and move it to Fiscal Year 2027.

Chief Jarrow said next is increased staffing. I am proposing we add one part-time staff member. We currently have four. Three full-time and one part-time. We have 68 part-time shifts, which would be 12-hour shifts. We had several 24-hour shifts that were not filled by part-time staff for various reasons. We had four part-timers, but are now down to three. The biggest issue is when we are down to three, we can only send one ambulance out and are waiting for people to come back to the station. My proposal is if we add a second part-timer, that would bring us from four on staff to five and we would have a buffer staff member to account for sick leave and things like that. Ideally, if staffed at five, we have two part-timers and three full-timers, then we can send out an ambulance on a transfer and still have an ambulance in town or a full-engine crew, to respond to whatever incident we have. Finance Director Heiner said if they show up for every shift that is an additional \$52,000 a year to add one person (365 days a year for 24 hours a day). Since he was short-handed this year, the salary line was not extended. There would be funds that would roll over to the fire fund to use next year. Mayor Rohde said this could help reduce overtime pay as well.

Finance Director Heiner said Gold Cross is doing a better job at collecting revenues. Chief Jarrow said that is a perfect segue into my next topic. I would like to propose we start billing for fire services. For example, we go on a traffic accident and in the past, we have billed their auto insurance company for oil cleanup, extrication, and things like that on the freeway. There is a company, Fire Recovery USA, I am proposing we work with. Currently we are not collecting on anything like that. We are not asking for any payments on those type of calls. We are only collecting on EMS calls. This company would not charge us unless we went on a call and then they would bill based off these rates. From January 1 until June 1, we have missed these types of payments on 38 calls. About \$27,000 is what we would have been able to accrue. If we start doing this, we would be able to accrue those costs. When asked if they are billing the County or Elwood for these type of incidents, Manager Nessen said they are working on that, but have not received any payments. The Council agreed the surrounding agencies should be paying their portion, especially when they are charging their residents for fire services. Mayor Rohde said should the City bill residents or only their insurance? Chief Jarrow said they give us the option to bill residents or not? They will go for the insurance first and if they only pay a portion of the bill, they then leave it up to us to have the citizen be responsible for that or not. We can opt out and say, we are not going to bill our citizens. This would be all external, so our staff is not burdened with having to go to collections. This is just for automobile fire type calls, including hazmat, structure fires, and wildland fires.

Next, Chief Jarrow reviewed the fee schedule. We need to be charging more for fire. We were charging \$20 for a residential small commercial building. Most of the departments are charging \$55; they are also charging for a re-inspection - \$65, and charging by the

square foot; 1 to 20,000 square feet would be \$100, while 20,001 square feet up to 50,000 would be \$200; 50,001 and more would be \$300. This is just a general fee. We used to not charge anything. We would charge \$25 for inspections for government buildings. Our fees for apparatus rental, if someone wanted the firetruck to do a standby event, would be \$585 per hour. That included the staff on the engine. We were only charging \$25 and losing money. I looked at what people are making and determined that needs to be \$72 an hour. We also adjusted our fees to drive more than two miles off road, it used to be 10 miles, but a lot can happen off-road with an ambulance. Considering the wear and tear and fuel costs. There were set fees for use of extrication equipment. They also discussed some additional adjustments with personnel sitting at a booth and copy costs for paperwork. We are just behind on a lot of fees, and this needed to be updated. There were some places we were not recuperating costs, basically just giving the service and products for free. We would like to stop renting out the fire station because it is now a living area for our workers as the station has grown. With everything going on, I do not think it is appropriate to rent that anymore. The Council agreed there are other places to rent.

b. Title: RES 26-29 Amending Fees & Fines Schedule

Manager Nessen said they should get rid of the temporary occupancy permits altogether. We want people to finish the house before they move in. They also discussed the update to real-time payments. Those who use their bank to pay will be charged a dollar rather than a 3% charge. Director LeFevre said for Parks and Rec, we have several fees that are low. We purposely kept them low in the past to encourage people to rent our facilities. We have come to a point where they are being reserved and people are even fighting for those. We increased that cost from \$5 to \$10, but we also added a resident and non-resident fee. That is mostly for our field rentals. We also did that with our bowery. Instead of \$20, we went to \$25 for residents and \$40 for non-residents. Anything less than four hours is a half day and anything more is a full day. If a tournament wants to come to town, then we charge them a flat rate per field. That includes one prep. We have the prep fee if someone wants to host a local game. We took out the stage rentals, but it is under the community event permit. We have had several organizations wanting to rent out the entire park. If it does not fall within a rental process, then they fill out the event application and we charge accordingly. They can rent out the stage under a community event. We are working on refreshing the signs and getting all the rules updated.

Finance Director Heiner said there is a \$5 increase for water, \$1 for wastewater, and \$1 for the sewer. Manager Nessen said Director Mackley's concern is will the Council want to do another increase once the utility rate studies is done. He would like time to see what the rates really should be. Councilmember Bowcutt said he wants to do a utility rate study and hold off on this for now, but we need this in order to cover our problems. Finance Director Heiner said the crucial one to increase now is the \$5 to stay in the covenants of that bond. The other two can wait, but I would be surprised if it is just a dollar. The reality is the funds are hurting. Mayor Rohde said I do not think we should raise the same fee twice in a year. We ought to wait and just do it once. Finance Director Heiner said the \$5 increase would just cover the bond covenants and operating expenses. We have not talked about capital and infrastructure. That is a whole other conversation to come. The

Council agreed they would raise the base rate to \$5 to cover the bond and wait for more information before increasing the others.

c. **Title:** Strategic direction on Pillar 2

Mayor Rohde said someone asked me what my agenda is and that got me thinking. My agenda as Mayor is that the Council sets strategies while our departments carry them out and citizens help shape them. This is to create a more connected Tremonton with stronger relationships, vibrant and safe spaces, and roots built to last. So, as a Council, we are going to set the strategies. Our departments will figure out how we are going to carry these out with input from our citizens. We are working horizontally all together. That is my vision. If we can accomplish this, we will do some wonderful things. Last week we discussed Pillar 1. I took some of that discussion and built one. Today we want to discuss Pillar 2—connecting to each other. Director LeFevre said I feel connected to the community and typically review the surveys. I am out in the community and on the fields talking with people. These are the challenges I hear the most facing those living in Tremonton. It is up to the Council to set the strategies to overcome the challenges. You will also set the priorities. The strategic focus should be belonging, inclusion, transparency, trust, and building community relationships. We do face challenges of intolerance and social division. There is low civic engagement and education. We are a very blue-collar community. The statistics say only 14% of our residents have community college education. People feel a lack of openness, there is also social toxicity and bullying. We have a lot of gossip and drugs. This is in almost every small community and a lot of these are not unique to us, but they are challenges we face. After discussing some of the social media challenges and negative commentary that comes with that, the Council agreed they need to work on finding the good within the community and sharing those stories. Mayor Rohde said the desired outcome are highlights of the good and a campaign where we build connection and growth guided by our currently adopted comprehensive plan. Having a good plan in place would really help. We are working on the dignity index and treating each other with respect. A modern actively administered City website should come out on July 16. We will add these to the desired outcomes and come back for a discussion next time and present those to the staff.

d. **Title:** RES 26-30 Compensation & Classification Plan

Manager Nessen said this one just solidifies the increase to the pay scale for the fire department, which we have already figured in the budget. At the next meeting, the budget will come back with all the 3% COLA increases and police and fire pay scales. The pay scale increase will not be in effect until July 1. It is already figured in the budget, but I wanted it to be approved.

e. **Title:** RES 26-31 Clarification on Water Rights

Manager Nessen said after talking with our attorney about our water rights in Honeyville, this is our attempt to see if the State will accept this and let Vince Rogers put that water right in his name. We had this purchase to have the water rights and property sold to

Vince Rogers in order to get the Bear River canal water shares. Mayor Rohde said this is a resolution to give Vince Rogers the rights to use the water that he has on the land. We are just trying to find a way to make it work. Manager Nessen said that was the original intent. We did not realize we could not do that as a municipality.

f. **Title:** RES 26-32 MOU with BESD for School Resource Officers

Chief Cordova said we have contract services for policing in Garland and are taking on the schools. That money will come directly to Tremonton and will be renegotiated every five years. We are providing a service, but this is basically free money to the City. The school district pays half the wages. Manager Nessen said here is the spreadsheet for employee expenses for the budget. This is the total compensation value we are paying for the two officers.

g. **Title:** RES 26-33 Interlocal Agreement with Garland for Court Services

Manager Nessen said this is a local agreement with Garland for court services because now we are going to be combined. We have the contract to be the police department for Tremonton and Garland, it does not make sense to have the Garland Justice Court going to the County, which they have been doing for the last year. This agreement would just mean that every citation that our officers write, Tremonton or Garland, will come to our court rather than the Tremonton tickets coming here and Garland tickets going to the County. Mayor Rohde said this saves drive time and brings us together. If approved this will go to Garland for the option to approve it or not.

h. **Title:** Discussion of Fisher annexation at 3101 W 1000 N

Manager Nessen said this is one we cannot annex anyway. This is the process the County goes through. They applied for a permit in the County and the County says, we cannot give you a permit until you go to Tremonton City. They must come to us to get an approval or denial. This would create an island. There are several reasons why we cannot annex it, but we thought it was good to have it on here and get your official denial.

4. *CLOSED MEETING: No Closed Meeting held at this time.*

- a. *Strategy session to discuss the purchase of real property when public discussion of the transaction would disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration or prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms; and/or*
- b. *Strategy session to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual; and/or*
- c. *Strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation; and/or*
- d. *Discussions regarding security personnel, devices or systems*

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. by consensus of the Council.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Rohde called the June 2, 2026 City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Tremonton City Council Meeting Room at 102 South Tremont Street, Tremonton, Utah. Those in attendance were Mayor Rohde, Councilmembers Bowcutt, Jex, Lewis, and Westergard, City Manager Nessen, and City Recorder Nelson. Also in attendance were Building Official Kirk Ward, Code Enforcement Greg Horspool, Finance Director Jami Heiner, Fire Chief Jeff Jarrow, Community Services Director Zach LeFevre, and Police Chief Dustin Cordova. Councilmember Oyler was excused.

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation by: Councilmember Kristie Bowcutt
Pledge led by: Student Rayden Vance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Councilmember Lewis to approve the agenda of June 2, 2026. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bowcutt. Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None.
6. Presentations
 - a. Tremonton City Citizenship Award to Elementary and Intermediate Students

Mayor Rohde said this presentation of awards for these young kids and their great examples in the schools is one of the best times of the evening. Councilmember Jex read their names to present their awards and they took a picture.

- b. Years of Service Award for Zach Olds for 5 years at the Fire Department

Chief Jarrow read a bio on Mr. Olds and the Council thanked him for his service.

7. Citizen Engagement

Chris Gamble said I am here today as someone who still feels the weight of two tragedies in our neighborhood. The deaths of our officers last year and the death of the young boy in our neighborhood. On September 21, 2025, while we were still grieving the loss of our heroes, an ambulance arrived at my neighbor's home because of a recent trauma. I had made it a point to be more present for my neighbors and ran over to help. I believed the mother was having a medical emergency, but what I found was much worse. The children were taken out of the home and placed in a car. I went to the car and held them as they were crying about their brother. When the EMTs carried the boy out, it was clear his life was slipping away. Later, we learned the boy was gone. On May 8, 2026, the community learned that the parents had been arrested and accused of horrific crimes, including child

abuse, homicide, and child torture. The details reported publicly were disturbing. They described acts no child should ever endure. Days later, we learned that both individuals had been released. It has been more than three weeks since the arrest, and I have learned a few additional details to suggest there may be conflicting information surrounding the abuse and homicide accusation. I have several questions. Why was there communication failure between the Tremonton and Garland Police Department and the County Attorney's Office? Why have no charges been filed. If the evidence is insufficient, why has a public statement not been released? If there truly is insufficient evidence to charge the parents, then why are their children still separated from them? Ultimately, when will a decision be made? I do not know who is really at fault for this situation, but my assessment is this situation is not just unsettling, it reflects a failure of leadership, communication, and basic community protection. If the delay is due to poor communication, that is a profound professional failure. If the delay is due to leadership decisions, that is a profound moral failure. Either way, the community deserves better, the boy deserves better, and the parents deserve the respect of the justice system that protects their rights and standing in the community and protects their children. In short, great leaders take responsibility, solve problems, and communicate. We need mercy for our neighborhood, safety for our children, expediency in the investigative and legal process, accountability from those entrusted with protecting us. Our neighborhood has endured too much and we would like that peace and safety.

Chris Danvers said I would invite the gentleman who just spoke to join the Emotional Wellness Committee. I think his concerns align exactly with that. I would invite you to come to our next meeting. Here are my ideas from the workshop. Have you guys ever considered having a city fleet mechanic versus outsourcing somebody to do the preventive maintenance? I do not know if it would be saving money or just adding another cost as far as ambulance delivery. Maybe before you sign that contract there could be a rebate if it is not delivered on time. You get insured to either save money or get your vehicle on time. As far as the fire department goes, reach out and get volunteers from the community. I know this used to be a volunteer fire department. The fire department needs to get out there and sensationalize what they do and get the youth excited about it. You could also coordinate with the Board of Education and see if they can require, 100 hours of service for their high school graduates. The fire department fees for anything that includes man hours should include the loaded cost as opposed to just the hourly cost because the City is also paying for benefits. I have more, but will put it in an email or come to the next meeting. You guys are doing great.

Val Burton said I am a little concerned about what I am hearing being proposed for a home in our community. I believe it is 700 North 200 East. Most of you are familiar with what happened there. I am hearing about a group home moving in and that does not seem appropriate for that location. I realize they need them, but it would be close to a school. A little over a week ago, I witnessed something there. I heard disturbing things have been going on there. A week ago, I witnessed one of them. I was at a home next door and a fellow came around the corner and was attempting to go in a backyard. The owner was out of town. A neighbor recognized the young man and told him he could not go in the yard, but he kept trying to. He made several attempts and I understand this is not

uncharacteristic for one of these boys that live there. I do not think that kind of thing is appropriate. I know this is on your agenda in two weeks, but I am not going to be here and wanted to provide my comments. I hope there is something that can be done to provide safeguards.

8. Unfinished Items from City Council Work Session

Councilmember Jex said Officer Nick Nesson, who is one of our School Resource Officers (SROs) at the middle school, was awarded the Employee of the Month. I want to make sure he was recognized for the solid work he does at the middle school. Councilmember Lewis said we have a company that is interested in using our billboard. I am working with their head of marketing to negotiate the terms. We should hear back on that soon.

9. Consent Agenda - Any Councilmember may request an item be removed for separate discussion – Roll Call Vote
- a. Approval of minutes – May 19, 2026
 - b. Approval of Resolution No. 26-29 Amending Fees & Fines
 - c. Approval of Resolution No. 26-30 Compensation & Classification Plan
 - d. Approval of Resolution No. 26-31 Clarification on Water Rights
 - e. Approval of Resolution No. 26-32 MOU with BESD for SROs
 - f. Approval of Resolution No. 26-33 Interlocal Agreement with Garland for Court Services
 - g. Denial of Fisher Annexation

Motion by Councilmember Jex to approve the Consent Agenda with the amendment that Resolution 26-29 remove the \$1 increase for wastewater and sewer at this time. The Council is only going forward with the \$5 increase Motion seconded by Councilmember Westergard. Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

10. Strategic Business (Ordinances & Policies) – None at this time

11. Reports and Calendar
- a. City Leadership Report

Manager Nessen is finalizing some grants that were done three to four years ago. I did get the RCOG for Midland Square so that is closed. They only gave us 90% up front and we did get the other \$40,000 they still owed. We had a tourism grant that I finished up and then we have a water grant I am working on for the equalization basins and ASR project.

Councilmember Jex said Lynette Sorensen had a benefit walk that she organized in Lee's memory. Chief Cordova is working on a \$400,000 grant to fund a detective for two and a half years. After that, we would have to agree to keep them on. It is built around a major investigation unit, which is the one we discussed if one of the ambulances would be a good forensic unit. He has already received letters of support from the Box Elder County

Sheriff, the Chief of Perry, and the Chief of Brigham City for that collaborative effort and should have more details for our next meeting.

b. Upcoming Calendar Items

Mayor Rohde said we have our summer concert series in Shuman Park 6-8 p.m. The Mugs and Bananas Drag Night will be June 20. They will also hold a concert at Midland Square. The Farmer's Market is hosted by a business the first Saturday of each month. We have an Outdoor Adventure challenge put on by the State. Let us work on getting our kids out a bit more.

Mayor Rohde said we need to go into a Closed Meeting to discuss property.

Motion by Councilmember Jex to move into closed meeting. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lewis. Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler – absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

The Council moved into a closed meeting at 7:39 p.m.

12. *CLOSED MEETING:*

- a. *Strategy session to discuss the purchase of real property when public discussion of the transaction would disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration or prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms; and/or*
- b. *Strategy session to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual; and/or*
- c. *Strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation; and/or*
- d. *Discussions regarding security personnel, devices or systems*

Motion by Councilmember Jex to return to open meeting. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bowcutt. Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

The Council returned to open session at 8:33 p.m.

Councilmember Bowcutt said there are some places in Tremonton that need to be beautified. She reviewed the code and what they could do as a City to help and discussed some of the problem areas. Manager Nessen said the problem is Code Enforcement Horspool needs help. He is one person. We have doubled in size and not done anything for that department. Code Enforcement Horspool discussed the liability issues that have or could arise if the City tries to take care of the problems and bill the owners. That is why steps have been taken to go through the court process instead. He reviewed some of the areas they are working on and how they can get things fixed up and maintained. They also discussed the best route in dealing with renters and having the homeowners be responsible for the maintenance. If things are not done, they could revoke their right to rent out the property. They also discussed a building on Main Street and the efforts that

are going into getting that figured out, as well as ensuring a similar situation does not happen elsewhere.

13. Adjournment.

Motion by Councilmember Bowcutt to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by consensus of the Council. Vote: Councilmember Bowcutt - yes, Councilmember Jex - yes, Councilmember Lewis - yes, Councilmember Oyler - absent, Councilmember Westergard - yes. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

The undersigned duly acting and appointed Recorder for Tremonton City Corporation hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes for the City Council Meeting held on the above referenced date. Minutes were prepared by Jessica Tanner.

Dated this 16th day of June, 2026.

Cynthia Nelson, City Recorder