

MINUTES
ENOCH CITY COUNCIL
June 3, 2026 at 6:00pm
City Council Chambers
City Offices, 900 E. Midvalley Road

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

STAFF PRESENT:

Ryan Robinson, City Manager
Ashley Horton, Treasurer
Lindsay Hildebrand, Recorder
Jackson Ames, Police Chief
Hayden White, P. Works Director

Public Present: Kim Whitehead, Delaine Finlay, Michael Platt, Jonathan Wilson, Marlene Haslam, Brenda Stout, Tristen LeBlue, Miles Wiser, Megan Bailey, Wendy Morris, Cindy Baldwin, Tom & Donna Phoenix, Shelly Hadley, Gaylen Matheson, and Linda Hahne

1. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING by Mayor pro-tem Stoor

- a. Pledge of Allegiance-** Led by Council Member Ley
- b. Invocation (2 min.)-Audience invited to participate-** Given by Mrs. White
- c. Inspirational thought-** Given by Council Member Ley
- d. Approval of Agenda for June 3, 2026- Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Miner seconded and all voted in favor.**
- e. Approval of Minutes for May 20, 2026 - Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Miner seconded and all voted in favor.**
- f. Conflict of Interest Declaration for this agenda-** None stated

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Platt from Platt & Platt Engineering presented concerns regarding the Boots-Frie development agreement, which was adjacent to the Pinion Springs development. Platt explained that while his team had resolved transportation issues and believed they were meeting ordinance requirements for open space, there remained questions about the parks situation and maintenance responsibilities. The discussion centered on what type of park amenities would be acceptable and who would be responsible for maintaining them, particularly regarding drainage ponds that could serve dual purposes as both functional stormwater infrastructure and recreational spaces.

Council Member Harris emphasized the council's desire to see meaningful recreational amenities developed within the open space rather than leaving large areas as undeveloped raw land. After considerable discussion, the parties reached a general understanding that the development agreement should specify the types of amenities to be included, such as playground equipment and potentially a ball field, which would provide recreation opportunities for the approximately one thousand homes anticipated in the development. Platt confirmed that meeting with other developers working on related

projects would help ensure coordinated infrastructure and street access to main arteries.

3. FRIENDS OF THE ENOCH DAUGHTERS OF THE UTAH PIONEERS (DUP) & HISTORICAL SOCIETY -Request regarding the Enoch Historical Markers

The council welcomed representatives from the Friends of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers and the newly formed Enoch Historical Society, who requested city support for restoring historical markers throughout the community.

Brenda Stout, captain of the Enoch Chapter Camp, explained that the organization had raised one thousand dollars and hoped the city would match this amount to improve the condition of markers that were in poor shape due to sun damage and deterioration. The group aimed to complete the restoration work before July 24th, when they planned to promote their organizations at the city fair by distributing maps of marker locations and recruiting new members.

The discussion revealed that the markers, which included vinyl-printed plaques mounted on metal bases, had deteriorated significantly in less than ten years. The group proposed exploring ultraviolet protective coatings and improved materials to extend the markers' longevity, though they acknowledged that bronze markers, which would provide superior durability, were cost-prohibitive at this time. Gaylen Matheson noted that replacing the surface plaques with new ones at approximately one hundred dollars each would allow the organization to refresh about ten of the worst markers with their existing funds.

Council Member Harris raised the practical concern about when the city would need the funding, noting that the current fiscal year budget ended on June 30th while the new budget would begin July 1st. City Manager Robinson indicated that the Public Works Department had signage funds available within the current year's budget. It was clarified that the city could pay invoices from the current budget and the legal requirement to pay actual invoices rather than provide a lump sum.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the \$1,000 matching funds for the work to restore historical markers in Enoch city. Council Member Ley seconded and all voted in favor.

4. PROPOSED MEMORIAL GARDEN AT THE ENOCH CITY CEMETERY

Cindy Baldwin, along with several community members including Wendy Morris, Megan Bailey, Heather Haight, and Shelly Hadley, presented a detailed vision for a proposed memorial healing garden at the Enoch City Cemetery. The project was inspired by the tragic loss of Tasha Haight and her five children in January 2023, although the garden was designed as a broader healing space for anyone in the community who had experienced loss, grief, or trauma.

Baldwin explained the genesis of the project, noting that following the tragedy, significant community donations had been directed toward therapy for affected families. When those funds were exhausted, community members completed a survey indicating that a permanent physical memorial would be meaningful for healing purposes, particularly since the family was buried near Tasha's parents in Levan rather than in Enoch. The group had since founded a nonprofit called Community Trauma Recovery to coordinate the project and fundraise for its implementation.

The proposed design featured a sixteen-foot by sixteen-foot metal gazebo with a pitched roof and four-by-four square beams, constructed from powder-coated galvanized steel for low maintenance and longevity.¹ Six benches would be arranged within the space,

each memorializing Tasha Haight and one of her five children, Macy, Briley, Emmon, Sienna, and Gavin. The garden would include a walking path connecting the gazebo to a sculpture, and the design incorporated intentional plantings such as milkweed to attract monarch butterflies, creating a calm and healing environment. The specific location measured approximately sixteen feet wide by one hundred two feet long, positioned between the old and new sections of the cemetery in an area with five mature pine trees.

The group requested only that the city provide the space in-kind within the cemetery, with the understanding that the nonprofit would fundraise for all construction costs and coordinate with the Public Works Department regarding irrigation systems and long-term maintenance as the cemetery expansion was developed. Council Member Miner inquired about maintenance responsibilities, and Baldwin clarified that while the group intended to maintain the space for many years, including conducting butterfly releases and community gatherings, the city would eventually assume maintenance of the landscape features, particularly regarding seasonal plantings.

City Manager Robinson noted that the presentation was not requesting final approval that evening but rather preliminary agreement to move forward with the project, with the understanding that more finalized designs would be presented for review before construction commenced. This approach would allow the nonprofit to pursue fundraising with confidence while ensuring that maintenance considerations were adequately addressed. Council Member Harris expressed support for the proposal, noting that it represented the best community memorial concept he had encountered since the tragic event.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the proposed memorial healing garden at the Enoch City Cemetery. Council Member Ley seconded and all voted in favor.

5. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE 2025-2026 BUDGET

Council Member Harris made a motion to close the regularly scheduled City Council meeting and open a public hearing for the adjustments to the 2025-2026 Budget. Council Member Ley seconded and all voted in favor.

There were no public comments.

Council Member Harris made a motion to close the public hearing and reconvene the regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Council Member Ley seconded and all voted in favor.

6. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-06-03-A, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED 2025-2026 BUDGET AND CLOSING THE BUDGET

Finance Director Ashley Horton presented several line-item adjustments that had not previously been discussed, including an additional sixteen hundred dollars needed for the Police Department's telephone budget due to higher-than-anticipated costs associated with the new building and the retention of previous phone systems. Additionally, eight thousand dollars was requested from the animal shelter donation fund for the installation of new enclosures at the facility. Minor adjustments were also needed to reallocate funds between salaries, wages, and benefits within the animal control budget to account for actual spending patterns.

Horton requested authorization to make minor year-end adjustments within the budget to eliminate any negative line items, as was customary practice, without requiring council approval for each small adjustment. Council Member Ley inquired whether the

substantial telephone cost increase had been anticipated in the next fiscal year's budget projections. Horton indicated she would verify this, acknowledging that while the increase was significant, the amount of fifteen hundred dollars was reasonable relative to the overall budget.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-06-03-A, a resolution approving the revised 2025-2026 budget and closing the budget. The Council also gave the authority to Ashley to make last minutes year end adjustments. Council Member Miner seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:
Council Member Harris: Yes Council Member Ley: Yes
Council Member Trower: Absent Council Member Miner: Yes
Mayor Pro-Tem Stoor: Yes

7. CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2026-06-03-A, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF REVISED ORDINANCES OF ENOCH CITY SECTION 11.300.344 UNLAWFUL PARKING – See Planning Commission Rec.

City Manager Robinson explained that previous discussions had focused on amending parking requirements in certain commercial zones due to planning commission concerns about safety and increased on-street parking. However, the city subsequently identified a more appropriate section of code, the unlawful parking section, where the proposed restrictions better belonged.

The proposed amendments included several safety-focused provisions. First, the ordinance would permit on-street parking only when snow was not present, addressing the need to keep streets clear for snow removal operations. Second, for fire lanes, the proposal required that one side of any twenty-eight-foot-wide lane be marked with red curbs to allow emergency vehicles access, with additional red curbing and signage required within twenty feet of building entrances and exits to maintain clear sightlines.

There was significant discussion regarding the specific language describing when overnight parking would be prohibited. Council Member Miner raised concerns that the original proposal establishing specific hours (10 p.m. to 5 a.m.) for overnight parking restrictions would be difficult to enforce fairly and would create situations where residents might face citations even when their vehicles were not actually impeding city functions. He noted that approximately fifty percent of homes on his street had vehicles parked on the curb during these hours, and he questioned whether the city actually intended to enforce such broad restrictions across the entire city or only in specific circumstances.

City Attorney Wayment provided important legal guidance, explaining that any ordinance must provide fair notice to citizens regarding what constitutes a violation. He cautioned that vague language such as "when parking impedes city functions" might not provide sufficient clarity, as residents would not necessarily know when a trash truck or snow plow would be present. The attorney suggested that painted curbs and signage were more effective mechanisms for clearly delineating where parking was prohibited during specific seasons. He further advised that the class B misdemeanor penalty associated with one provision of the existing ordinance seemed disproportionate for what was essentially a parking violation and should be changed to an infraction.

Police Chief Ames added that the department did not favor establishing rules in the ordinance that would then be enforced differently in practice, as this would create confusion and fuel neighbor-against-neighbor disputes when some residents called to report apparent violations. He acknowledged that the intent behind the proposal made

sense in certain contexts, such as when snow plowing was necessary, but emphasized the importance of clear, consistent language that matched actual enforcement practices.

After extended discussion, Council Member Harris suggested tabling the ordinance to allow City Attorney Wayment and City Manager Robinson time to refine the language. The primary concern centered on clarifying when the seasonal restrictions would apply, specifically, whether they applied only when snow was present or during a defined season, such as October through April.

Council Member Harris made a motion to table item number 7. Consider Ordinance No. 2026-06-03-A, an ordinance to amend the Code of Revised Ordinances of Enoch City Section 11.300.344 Unlawful Parking until June 17th. Council Member Miner seconded and all voted in favor.

8. CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2026-06-03-B, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF REVISED ORDINANCES OF ENOCH CITY SECTION 12.1900.1902 PERMITTED AND CONDITIONAL USES – See Planning Commission Rec.

City Manager Robinson explained that the Planning Commission had undertaken a proactive review of permitted and conditional uses across the city's zoning districts, recognizing the importance of periodically evaluating zoning regulations before applicants sought to introduce new use types. This review was prompted partly by a recent application requesting to establish a trailer park and RV overnight camping facility in the commercial zone, which the council had deemed inappropriate for that district.

The ordinance made several adjustments to the permitted and conditional uses within different zones. Changes included removing mobile home parks from zones where they were no longer desired, as such uses could still be accommodated through rezoning if a developer wished to pursue that route. The council recognized the importance of preserving commercial zones for commercial uses consistent with the city's economic development goals. Additionally, the ordinance listed airport facilities as a conditional use in research and industrial zones, acknowledging that while an airport was unlikely to locate in Enoch, the provision would allow flexibility should such an opportunity arise.

City Attorney Wayment provided important clarification regarding conditional use permits, explaining that such permits are legally presumed to be permitted uses, with conditions imposed to mitigate potential problems. He cautioned that conditional use permits should not be used as a mechanism to allow whatever a developer desired; rather, conditions must be rationally related to addressing specific identified issues. The council acknowledged this guidance, noting that the Planning Commission had received training on the proper use of conditional use permits and the types of conditions that could appropriately be imposed.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2026-06-03-B, an ordinance to amend the Code of Revised Ordinances of Enoch City Section 12.1900.1902 Permitted and Conditional Uses. Council Member Miner seconded and a roll call voted was held as follows:

Council Member Harris: Yes

Council Member Ley: Yes

Council Member Trower: Absent

Council Member Miner: Yes

Mayor Pro-Tem Stoor: Yes

9. APPOINT TWO PEOPLE TO THE APPEAL AUTHORITY BOARD

City Manager Robinson reported that the city's ordinance required three members and five alternates on the Appeal Authority. When the city contacted all eight previous members to solicit their continued service, only one person responded affirmatively. Robinson had successfully recruited Bob Tingey and Mike Trower, both of whom expressed willingness to serve. Additionally, Curtis Chamberlain, who was already serving on the board, had indicated his willingness to continue. Jolene Perkins also agreed to serve as an alternate.

Council Member Harris made a motion to appoint Bob Tingey and Mike Trower to the Appeal Authority Board. Council Member Miner seconded and all voted in favor.

10. DISCUSS CITY CLEAN UP

The council discussed the possibility of implementing a citywide cleanup program and reviewed cost estimates provided by Public Works Director Hayden White for various implementation approaches. White explained that Cedar City conducted annual cleanups using substantial equipment and personnel, but Enoch faced unique challenges due to the fact that only half the city featured curb-and-gutter infrastructure, while the other half relied on open ditches. This meant that a comprehensive citywide cleanup would require significant equipment, including multiple loaders, dump trucks, and traffic control resources, with substantial associated costs.

The estimated costs for a full citywide cleanup operation ranged considerably, depending on the scope and methodology. White noted that Cedar City accomplished its cleanup in three weeks using twelve employees, but Enoch's infrastructure differences made comparable operations more complex and potentially time-consuming. He calculated that operating an annual dumpster and dump facility generated approximately fifty thousand four hundred dollars in annual fee revenue, which currently funded dumpster placement, fuel, and one operator's salary throughout the city.

Council Member Harris observed that the costs presented seemed prohibitively high for a single month of cleanup activity. Various alternatives were discussed, including opening the city dump for extended hours during a designated spring cleanup week, potentially including Saturday hours to accommodate working residents. Mayor Pro Tem Stoor suggested coordinating a community service day in September 11th, which is recognized nationally as a day of service and remembrance. Council Member Harris expressed interest in organizing a community volunteer-based cleanup effort rather than a fully municipally operated program, noting that organizing volunteers through neighborhood participation could accomplish meaningful cleanup without substantial municipal expenditure.

Hayden White indicated that Public Works staff had expressed a desire for simply extending dump hours on a Saturday or adding one extra day per week rather than implementing a comprehensive citywide cleanup. He noted that since the weather had warmed, the dump's usage had increased threefold during normal operating hours. Council Member Miner mentioned that Cedar Mountain conducted community cleanups with fire department participation and organized large burn piles for organic debris, which might serve as a feasible model. After discussion, the council decided to table the citywide cleanup initiative in its current form but agreed to explore alternative approaches such as community volunteer efforts and extended dump hours during designated cleanup periods.

11. COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT

Public Works Director – Hayden White

- Well drilling reached 430 feet in depth; encountered cobble rock and gravel, slowing progress; three drill bits were used; gravel presence indicates good potential for water production
- Relief Society of Iron Mountain inquired about fundraising for a bathroom at the pickleball courts facility; estimated cost \$20,000; sewer stub already plumbed; water stubbed nearby; city willing to meet halfway or three-quarters of costs if Relief Society raises a significant portion
- Chip operations scheduled for the following week in the Three Peaks Subdivision and old Dairy Glen area; residents advised not to park on streets during operations

Police Chief Ames

- Increased summer activity with school dismissal; addressing youth operating ATVs and four-wheelers in parks
- Some youth are attempting to flee from officers during enforcement actions
- Advertised part-time administrative assistant position (30 hours per week); received 158 applications; position start date July 4th with new fiscal year; goal to eventually move to full-time

City Attorney- Justin Wayment

- Any public business conducted on personal cell phones is subject to Government Records Access Management Act (GRAMA) requests
- GRAMA requests may expose personal information mingled with public business
- Recommended using city email addresses; avoid personal text messages for official business; phone calls preferable
- While individuals cannot be forced to provide personal phones, refusal may result in legal challenges; the city is likely required to provide the requested information

City Manager – Ryan Robinson

- Appointed to Vision Iron County board; meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m.; board conducts surveys and develops visioning documents; welcomes additional city representatives
- The state designated Good Friday as an official holiday; most cities treating as a floating holiday
- Building permit and inspection fees have not increased in over 10 years despite growth; reviewing fee structures; will formalize Lynn Nielsen as Building Official
- Fire Prevention Agreement with Department of Natural Resources requiring a \$1,600 annual payment
- UDOT Academy training June 22-23 in Hurricane; city planning to send mayor and interested staff/officials
- Implementing YouTube streaming of council meetings for transparency; testing revealed sound issues
- Flag Day summer street fest in Cedar June 13th; flyers available for distribution
- Water restrictions remain in effect; even-numbered addresses water Monday/Wednesday/Friday; odd-numbered addresses water

Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday; no Sunday watering; time limitations apply with exceptions for new lawns

Council Member Ley

- Will attend planning commission meetings; hoping all boards and committees participate in Fourth of July activities
- Discussed veterans recognition through light pole displays; the area has many veterans, considering Reese Across America recognition and future Memorial Day initiatives

Council Member Miner

- Attended the Las Vegas economic development summit with the mayor and city manager; made valuable contacts; gained insights into economic development strategies from other small cities
- Attending Iron County Economic Advisory Board meeting following council session
- Summer Meals Program commenced at Boebert Park; distributed 160 milk kits today; operates Wednesdays 10:15 a.m. through summer; willing to provide donation collection trucks for September 11th day of service

Mayor Pro Tem Stoor

- Proposed September 11th day of service with community cleanup efforts; interested in coordinating community donation collection for the food bank; suggested the dump open that day

12. ADJOURN – Council Member Harris made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Ley seconded and all voted in favor.

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Lindsay Hildebrand, Recorder

Date