

## ALPINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

**June 16, 2026**

Mayor Carla Merrill called the meeting to order at 11:04 am.

### I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call** Mayor Carla Merrill  
 The following were present at the anchor location: Sarah Blackwell and Andrew Young. Brent Rummeler, Jessica Smuin, and Chrissy Hannemann attended by Zoom.  
 Staff: Shane Sorensen, Caden Lyon, and DeAnn Parry  
 Others: No residents were in attendance.
- B. Prayer** Jessica Smuin
- C. Pledge** Sarah Blackwell

### II. CONSENT CALENDAR

#### A. Resolution R2026-24: Adopting the Certified Tax Rate for 2026

The city is required to adopt the certified tax rate (or an adjusted rate) each year. The Utah State Tax Commission publishes the rate that will maintain the same property tax for the City, in addition to new growth. The city is required to adopt a tax rate by June 22, if no property tax increase is proposed.

The Utah County Auditor's office has provided the required information to the State Tax Commission to allow tax rates to be calculated. With our regular City Council meeting schedule, we face the challenge each year of receiving our rate prior to our first meeting in June and adopting the rate by June 22, which is the day before our second meeting in June this year. The Utah County Auditor's office sent the certified tax rate information later in the day on June 11. Following is the info that was provided:

*The certified tax rate for 2026 is 0.001174 which will provide property tax revenue in the amount of \$2,743,304. This provides an increase in property revenue of approximately \$38,503 due to new growth. The tax rate for last year was 0.001201.*

For the tentative budget, staff estimated an additional \$45,000 in property tax due to new growth. With the final property tax revenue now being made available, this line item in the final budget for FY2027 will be reduced by \$6,500 to \$2,743,300.

The packet included a spreadsheet showing the value of new growth that was submitted by Utah County to the Utah State Tax Commission for the new growth increase in property tax revenue. For Alpine City, the new growth value was \$35,071,198.

#### B. Approval of Additional Services Request 02 for Fire Station/Community Center Exterior Design Changes – Babcock Design, \$22,750.00

Staff clarified that this charge is for the edits to plans and structural updates for the exterior changes to the fire station approved at the June 9, 2026, meeting.

Mayor Carla Merrill said that this is just the cost for the design changes. We hope the materials will not increase the cost, but we will not know until the bids come through.

Andrew Young said he thinks this is too much money, and he would like the council to be more cautious about changes in the future.

Mayor Carla Merrill said she was concerned about this result when the council began making changes to the exterior fire station plans.

Shane Sorensen explained that we have a signed contract with the architect that was approved by the City Council last year which outlined how changes would be handled. Babcock Design is following the contract.

**Motion:** Chrissy Hannemann moved approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Sarah Blackwell seconded the motion. There were 4 yes votes and 1 no vote, as recorded below. The motion passed.

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Brent Rummler	Andrew Young	
Jessica Smuin		
Sarah Blackwell		
Chrissy Hannemann		

**Motion:** Sarah Blackwell moved to adjourn the meeting. Brent Rummler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.