

AGENDA FOR SALINA CITY CORPORATION
at the Salina City Hall
90 West Main Street, Salina, Utah
7:00 P.M. June 24, 2026

COUNCIL AND STAFF PRESENT:

Mayor Brent Beach
Earl Taylor
Kevin Mickelsen
Randy Christiansen
Allen Tietjen
Tammy Hales

Ashlee Larsen, City Recorder
Maintenance Supervisor
Jorgen Mickelson, Brad Allen
Al Taylor, Chief of Police

Visitors:

Ross Mitchell	Carol Lowman
Jim Evans	Lisa Torgerson
Bobby Robins	Dave Torgerson
Riley Robins	Wendy Jensen-Central com
Pat Robins	Preston Noyes
Katie & Zach Cowan	Levi Noyes
Kathy & Mel Anderson	Braden Shaw

Mayor Brent Beach called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. led the pledge of allegiance and Allen Tietjen offered the opening prayer.

Recurring Business:

Approval of City Council meeting on June 10, 2026, was approved by **Allen Tietjen**. **Randy Christiansen** seconded. **Earl Taylor** and **Kevin Mickelsen** abstained. Motion carried 3 to 2

Approval of Bills Submitted for Payment was approved by **Earl Taylor**. **Randy Christiansen** seconded. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Visitors:

Kathy Anderson-Present Fiber of the Community Award, **Mayor Beach** presented Kathy Anderson with the Fiber of the Community Award on behalf of Centra Com. **Mayor Beach** stated that Salina City appreciates Mrs. Anderson for all of her hard work on Miss Mary's Historical Board. Salina City is proud to recognize Mrs. Anderson for her outstanding dedication and service in preserving the history of our community her efforts have helped protect and promote our local heritage, ensuring that future generations can learn from and appreciate the rich history of Salina City.

Braden Shaw, Burns Saddlery – Presented Business of the Quarter **Tammy Hales** presented Braden Shaw of Burns Saddlery with the Business of the Quarter Award and thanked the company for its outstanding business and contributions to the community.

Braden Shaw stated that Burns Saddlery has been in business for 150 years, with 128 of those years spent in Salina City. **Hales** stated Burns Saddlery is a valuable asset to our community, and Salina City appreciates its long-standing commitment to serving residents and supporting local economic growth.

Levi Noyes – Discussion of an Outside City Water Connection **Levi Noyes** stated that he would like to receive a water connection on the north fence of the Pioneer Cemetery and construct two homes on the property. The proposed connection is located approximately 60 feet from a valve and 100 feet from a fire hydrant. **Mr. Noyes** explained that on the east side of the road, a 2-inch water line runs past Barney's farm. Approximately 40 feet past the fire hydrant, there are valves that run across the asphalt road and down through the cemetery. He also noted that there is a 1-inch line from their farm that runs down the west side. **Mr. Noyes** stated that they already have a city water connection in place. **Tammy Hales** asked if the property is located in the county. **Mr. Noyes** stated yes, but the farm borders the city cemetery. **Kevin Mickelsen** asked whether the cemetery is within the city limits. **Mayor Beach** stated that it is not; it is simply Salina City property. **Kevin Mickelsen** stated that the issue is the Noyes farm is not located within the city limits. **Mayor Beach** explained that the current ordinance requires a property to be within the city limits and meet fire flow requirements in order to receive a residential water connection. **Preston Noyes** asked whether any exceptions could be made. **Mayor Beach** stated that exceptions would only apply if a previous agreement had been established before the ordinance was adopted. **Mr. Noyes** asked about the original connection that is already in place. **Mayor Beach** stated that it does not meet current standards and that there would not be sufficient fire flow. He explained that the water line would need to be upgraded to an 8-inch line rather than a 6-inch line, and the property would need to be annexed to the city limits. **Mr. Noyes** stated that they do not want to annex into the city. He then asked whether the city plans to annex the cemetery. **Mayor Beach** stated that current state law would not allow that because the cemetery is considered an island. He suggested that they contact their bordering neighbors to determine whether they would be interested in annexing into the city limits. **Allen Tietjen** stated that all properties are required to annex into the city if they become contiguous with the city limits, unless there are any previous agreements in place. He explained that Salina City recently allowed a property owner to receive city services because of an agreement established in 2016. As part of that agreement, the property owner was required to sign a document stating that if the property ever became contiguous with the city limits, it must be annexed into the city. **Tietjen** stated that Salina City plans to significantly increase water rates for properties receiving city water service that are not annexed into the city. The Mayor and City Council noted that the parcel being referenced already had an 8-inch water line in place and that the property owner had paid for the water line and fire hydrants to be installed before the ordinance was amended. The Mayor and City Council thanked Levi and Preston Noyes for attending the City Council meeting.

AGENDA TOPIC

Mayor

Brent Beach

Approval of laptops & server hard drives for the City Office **Allen Tietjen** voiced concerns about continuing to use a server, stating that he did not feel it was a safe option for Salina City. He suggested using a software service instead. **Mayor Beach** explained that Salina City uses a server to support all the city's camera systems and phone system he suggested that Mr. Tietjen discuss his concerns with the city's IT provider, Spencer Redden. In the meantime, Salina City will continue using the current server.

Tammy Hales motioned to approve the purchase of 3 laptops for the Salina City Police Department in the amount of \$6,915.27, two laptops for the Salina City Office in the amount of \$3,002.34, and hard drives for the server in the amount of \$1,824.00. **Earl Taylor** seconded. **Allen Tietjen** abstained. Motion carried 4-1.

Approval for Pat Robins to use the Park for a wrestling camp **Pat Robins** asked if Salina City would allow participants in the wrestling camp to camp at Salina City Park on June 14, 15, and 16 of next year. He explained that the wrestling teams have had difficulty finding places to camp within the city. The Mayor and City Council agreed to allow the wrestlers to use Salina City Park, provided that Mr. Robins rents portable restrooms and additional trash receptacles. The Mayor and Council also asked Mr. Robins to ensure the park remains clean during their stay and suggested that the park gates be locked with some form of security in place. **Mayor Beach** stated that he would work with Mr. Robins to draft an agreement outlining the terms and conditions for the wrestlers' use of the park and thanked him for attending City Council. **Allen Tietjen** motioned to approve Pat Robins' request to use the Salina City Park and to waive the camping fee for the wrestlers. **Earl Taylor** seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Approval of micro-surface treatment for the bike path on State Street **Mayor Beach** stated that the bid to apply micro-surface treatment to the bike path on State Street came in at \$45,000 and felt the cost was too high. The Mayor and City Council agreed to table the item pending further investigation.

Discussion of Governor's fireworks request The Mayor and City Council discussed Governor Cox's request to ban fireworks. They noted that the decision was left to individual municipalities. After discussion, the Mayor and City Council agreed to ban aerial fireworks and allow only ground fireworks within the community. Zach Cowan stated that he sells fireworks during the season but supports the City's decision to ban aerial fireworks this year due to the recent fires. He explained that they simply would not sell fireworks this season. **Tammy Hales** motioned to permit only ground fireworks for this year's Fourth of July celebration and to ban aerial fireworks. **Allen Tietjen** seconded the motion. **Earl Taylor** and **Randy Christiansen** voted nay. The motion carried 3-2.

Update on city projects **Mayor Beach** reported that the sewer project is progressing well. During a recent meeting, the project team discussed a punch list, with particular attention given to rough roads throughout town. The project is expected to be completed by the end of July.

Safe Sidewalk Project **Mayor Beach** reported that the Safe Sidewalk Project is nearly complete. He stated that a change order was recently approved to complete the asphalt work on 400 North. The original bid included only sidewalk replacement and did not include paving the roadway to tie it into the new sidewalk. **Mayor Beach** also explained that the School District had asked why the sidewalk on 3rd North does not connect adjacent to the bus parking lot. He informed them that the project had run out of funding. However, the School District obtained bids and offered to pay 50% of the cost to complete the sidewalk. The total bid came to \$18,643.00, with Salina City's portion totaling \$9,321.50. **Mayor Beach** noted that the City's share could be slightly less than that amount. The City Council discussed the project location, drainage, and the materials that would be used for the sidewalk. **Mayor Beach** emphasized that completing the sidewalk connection is needed to improve safety for children. **Kevin Mickelsen** motioned to approve connecting the sidewalks. **Allen Tietjen** seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Beach also reported that Salina City will receive funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for the second phase of the park project. The funding will be used to purchase picnic tables, bleachers, and construct two additional pickleball courts with lighting and signage.

Mayor Beach reported that the Lost Creek Road Project is progressing well and is expected to be completed within approximately one month. The installation of pipes, drainage improvements, and

grading have all been completed. He also stated that the Inland Port agreement has nearly been finalized, after which the housing project will be able to move forward.

Discuss Wildfire update Mayor Beach stated Salina Fire Department sent 3 firemen to help fight the Cottonwood Wildfire. He voiced his concerns about all the fires going on in our state.

Blackhawk Arena
Director Jake Van:

Police Chief
Al Taylor:
Planning and Zoning
Chairperson:

Maint. Supervisor
Jorgen Mickelson
Brad Allen:

Approval of culvert installation Jorgen Mickelsen Jorgen Mickelsen stated that Salina City had previously discussed replacing the 5-foot culvert at the east entrance to the City Park. He reviewed the bids received for the project: Scholzen's: **\$10,680.00**, Peterson Plumbing: **\$11,333.40**, Mountainland Supply: **\$11,332.80** **Jorgen Mickelsen** stated that the culvert is 60 feet in length. The Mayor and City Council agreed to purchase the culvert during the 2026 budget year. **Kevin Mickelsen** motioned to approve the purchase of the culvert from Scholzen's in the amount of **\$10,680.00**. **Randy Christiansen** seconded. Motion carried **5-0**.

Approval of weed spray around town Jorgen Mickelsen presented bids for weed spray around town. The bids received were from Intermountain Farmers in the amount of \$8,409.23 and United Soil in the amount of \$7,493.00. **Kevin Mickelsen** motioned to approve the purchase of weed spray from United soil in the amount of \$7,493.00. **Randy Christiansen** seconded. Motion carried **5-0**.

COUNCIL MEMBER BUSINESS

Earl Taylor: reported that, after speaking with Jake Van, the three south barns at Blackhawk Arena have lost power. Jake Van indicated that he will not need power to those barns for approximately three weeks. Earl Taylor stated that he will meet with Mr. Van to inspect the issue and determine the cause of the power outage.

Approval of new concessionaire for Blackhawk Arena, was tabled.

Kevin Mickelsen:

Randy Christiansen:

Allen Tietjen: Although the item was not listed on the agenda, **Allen Tietjen** provided an update on the Salina/Gunnison Airport chip seal project. He reported that the lowest bid received was \$134,000 and reviewed the amounts of the other bids with the Council. **Tietjen** explained that the engineering firm will evaluate all submitted bids to ensure they meet project requirements and are accurate. He stated that he expects to have additional information and a recommendation at the next scheduled Council

Tammy Hales: **Balloon Festival report Tammy Hales** reported that the Balloon Festival was a great success this year. She stated that they had a lot of great help, and the balloons were able to fly on Friday and Sunday. The Bingo event was a success and sold out, with approximately 50 people being turned away due to limited capacity. The kite activities were also successful, and the children enjoyed making and flying their kites. **Mrs. Hales** thanked everyone who assisted with the setup and cleanup of the event. She also noted that the committee has compiled a list of potential improvements for next year's festival. **Mrs. Hales** read a letter from a vendor expressing sincere appreciation to Larea Rasmussen for the opportunity to attend the Eyes to the Sky Festival. The vendor stated that they had a wonderful time, felt the event was very well organized, and enjoyed their experience so much that they fell in love with Salina.

Tammy Hales reported that the library recently started a book club for adults ages 18 and older, along with a LEGO Club and a crocheting club. She added that many great activities and programs are taking place at the library.

Earl Taylor motioned to adjourn the City Council at 8:15 pm. Randy Christiansen seconded. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Date 7/8/24 Mayor 
Date 7/8/2026 City Recorder 