# City Council Minutes – Budget Hearing

Fountain Green City Council held a FY2027 Budget Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2026, in the Fountain Green City Hall, 375 N. State.

Attendance – Kerry Farnsworth, Vaughn Jacobson (via zoom), Rich Walker, Kim Johnson, and Jacob Littlefield.

Presiding – Mayor Willard Wood

## 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor. This hearing was held to review the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget and prepare for its final adoption.

## 2. Budget Summary

Michelle provided an overview of the proposed FY 2027 budget, noting that the figures are estimates and may be amended as needed. The State of Utah allows municipalities to open and amend budgets throughout the year to adjust revenues and expenditures. The final budget must be submitted to the state by June 30 annually.

## 3. General Fund

- Revenues: $1,291,040
- Expenditures: $1,291,040
  - The general fund must balance.

Major Revenue Increases (Grant Awards):

1. Safe Routes to School – Sidewalk Grant: $403,236
2. State Emergency Fund – Cemetery Bridge Replacement (flood damage): $285,100
3. Park Improvements Grant: $177,916

These grants account for the significant increase compared to last year's budget.

## 4. Road Fund

- Revenues: $189,945
- Expenditures: $189,945
  - This fund also must balance.

## 5. Water Fund (Enterprise Fund)

- Revenues: $240,500
- Expenditures: $226,477
- Surplus: $54,023
    - Surplus may be reserved for future emergencies or infrastructure needs.

## 6. Sewer Fund (Enterprise Fund)

- Revenues: $189,268
- Expenditures: $137,335
- Surplus: $51,913

## Notes on Enterprise Funds

- In past years, water and sewer funds were used to supplement the general fund.
- Due to improved revenues (including property tax growth), the city has not needed to transfer enterprise funds into the general fund for the past several years.
- This places Fountain Green in a strong financial position compared to many other cities.

## 7. Debt Service

- Three long-term loans were paid off during the past year.
- Funds from the sale of the old city hall were placed in savings and is being used first, when those funds are exhausted, the payments from the retired loans will be redirected to finish paying off the building without raising taxes.

## 8. Public Comment

- Resident James Mitchell asked for clarification regarding the loan payoff.
- Michelle and council members confirmed that three loans were fully paid off this year and explained the long-term plan that ensured no tax increases to pay for the new city hall/fire station.

## 9. Council Discussion

No additional questions or concerns were raised by council members.

Michelle Walker

Michelle Walker, City Recorder

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