

CLINTON CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

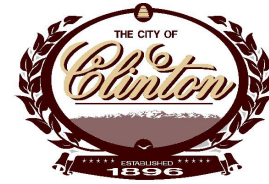
2267 N 1500 W

Clinton UT 84015

Date: September 8, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: 2267 N 1500 W, Clinton, UT 84015



Elected Officials:

Mayor: Marie Dougherty

Councilmembers: Spencer Arave, Jennifer Christensen, Chris Danson, Adam Larsen, and Dane Searle

Staff Present: City Manager Trevor Cahoon, Police Chief Shawn Stoker, Assistant Police Chief Matt Fawbush, Fire Chief Jason Poulsen, Assistant Public Works Director David Williams, Parks and Recreation Director Brooke Mitchell, Finance Director Cory Christensen, Deputy Recorder Amy Durrans, and Recorder Lisa Titensor

Public Present: Kirby Crowley, Lacy Richards, Nilson Homes, Dereck Bauer

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dougherty called the work session to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Christensen arrived shortly after the meeting began, after which the full City Council was present.

DISCUSSION – DATA PRIVACY

Mayor Dougherty introduced the discussion on data privacy and noted that the City handles protected and sensitive information in several areas, including utility accounts, police systems, emergency medical records, the City website, and automated license plate reader (ALPR) technology.

Councilmember Danson asked where data is stored, how it is protected, and responsibility in the event of a data breach.

City Manager Cahoon explained that some City information is stored internally while other information is maintained through partner agencies and contracted vendors, each subject to applicable security, privacy, and disclosure requirements.

The Council focused much of its discussion on the City's use of Flock Safety ALPR technology. Councilmembers raised concerns about vendor liability, data-sharing permissions, national lookups, audit logs, retention, and whether the City has sufficient control over access to its data.

Staff explained that the City owns its ALPR data, but recent review showed that certain network functions could generate broader national lookup activity than staff initially understood. Staff was reviewing settings to restrict or disable that access where possible.

Police Chief Shawn Stoker stated that ALPR technology is a valuable investigative tool and that the Police Department supports its continued use so long as it remains lawful, constitutional, and protective of residents' civil rights. He expressed concern with the breadth of national lookup functions and the lack

of clarity surrounding some vendor practices.

Mayor Dougherty discussed court decisions addressing ALPR technology and noted that while reading a license plate on a public roadway has generally been upheld, broader collection capable of reconstructing a person's movements may create additional Fourth Amendment concerns. The discussion reflected support for the basic use of ALPR technology while raising concerns about the retention, aggregation, sharing, and accessibility of the resulting data.

Chief Stoker advised that the current Flock contract is at its renewal point and recommended using the opportunity to evaluate whether Flock remains the best vendor for Clinton City. Staff had requested information regarding a possible month-to-month option while alternatives and anticipated State legislative changes are evaluated.

The Council discussed other vendors, including Motorola/Vigilant, and the potential benefit of using a provider that already supports other Police Department systems.

Staff noted that neighboring agencies using different platforms can assist one another with searches when needed, although that cooperation is not a substitute for the City's own camera coverage.

Councilmembers generally supported keeping ALPR technology active and avoiding a gap in coverage if a suitable alternative can be implemented in a timely manner. Councilmember Larsen also questioned whether the City should use a third-party auditor or other resource to verify that vendors are providing the security and privacy protections required by contract. The Council discussed consulting the City's insurance provider regarding available cybersecurity audit resources and standards.

Fire Chief Jason Poulsen reviewed protections for emergency medical information. He explained that ImageTrend, the Fire Department's patient-care reporting system, is SOC 2 compliant and undergoes recurring compliance review. He also discussed annual HIPAA training and cybersecurity protections supporting the department's Microsoft environment, employee accounts, endpoint and email security, monitoring, phishing protection, and related systems. Chief Poulsen stated that patient information is treated as highly confidential and that a breach within a vendor's system would be investigated under the applicable security and compliance requirements.

Data retention was also discussed. Chief Stoker expressed concern that a seven-day ALPR retention period would be too short for many investigations, particularly crimes reported after a delay, and would limit the Police Department's ability to review audit logs for possible misuse. Several Councilmembers expressed agreement that seven days appeared insufficient. Staff noted that images identified as evidence can be retained for an active investigation, but routine system data and audit information are otherwise subject to the vendor's retention period.

At the conclusion of the discussion, the Council expressed general support for continued use of ALPR technology and for staff to evaluate alternative vendors, data-sharing controls, retention periods, audit capabilities, costs, and contract provisions. The Council preferred, if feasible, to transition without a period of lost ALPR coverage. Staff will also monitor anticipated legislative changes that may affect the City's future use of the technology.

ADJOURNMENT

The work session adjourned at approximately 6:51 p.m.

**Dated the 25th day of September, 2026.
/s/Lisa Titensor, Clinton City Recorder**