

MINUTES OF THE SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, August 25, 2026

The City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, met in Work Session on Tuesday, August 25, 2026.

The following Council Members were present:

Alejandro Puy, Victoria Petro, Chris Wharton, Jennifer Napier-Pearce, Erika Carlsen, Sarah Young

The following Council Members were absent:

Daniel Dugan

Present Legislative Leadership:

Jennifer Bruno – Executive Director, Lehua Weaver – Deputy Director, Nick Tarbet – Deputy Director

Present Administrative Leadership:

Rachel Otto – Chief of Staff, Megan Yuill – Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

Present City Staff:

Mark Kittrell – City Attorney, Keith Reynolds – City Recorder, Caitlin Carlino – Minutes & Records Clerk, Andrew Johnston – Director of Homelessness Policy and Outreach, Allison Rowland – Senior Public Policy Analyst, Austin Kimmel – Public Policy Analyst, Kate Werrett – Budget & Policy Analyst, Michael Sanders – Budget & Policy Analyst, Tammy Hunsaker – Director of Community & Neighborhoods, Kelsey Lindquist – Planning Manager, Aaron Barlow – Senior Planner, Cassie Younger – Senior Planner, Jorge Chamorro – Director of Public Services, Alicia Seeley – Principal Planner, Mike Akerlow – Deputy Director of Community Services, Juliana Landis – Management Analyst, Christina Zidow – Behavioral Services Director, Christopher Milne – Assistant Fire Chief, Elizabeth Delka – 911 Communications Bureau Assistant Director, Lisa Kehoe – 911 Dispatch Director

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m.

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Work Session Items

1. **Ordinance: Zoning Map Amendment at Approximately 2025 and 2075 West 2670 North and 2620 North 2200 West** ~ 2:00 p.m.
20 min.

The Council will receive a briefing about a proposal that would amend the zoning of the properties at 2025 and 2075 West 2670 North and 2620 North 2200 West from AG-2 (Agricultural District) to M1-A (Northpoint Light Industrial District). The proposal would allow future light industrial uses on the properties at 2075 and 2025 West 2670 North, which are currently irrigated pastureland and contain no structures. The property at 2620 North 2200 West currently has a single-family home and would primarily function as an alternate access to and from 2200 West. Consideration may be given to rezoning the property to another zoning district with similar characteristics. The Planning Commission forwarded a negative recommendation. The project is within Council District 1.
Petitioner: Dustin Kuttler, representing the property owner.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing - Tuesday, August 25, 2026

Set Public Hearing Date - Tuesday, August 25, 2026

Hold hearing to accept public comment - Tuesday, September 22, 2026 at 7 p.m.

TENTATIVE Council Action - Tuesday, October 6, 2026

Summary:

Nick Tarbet introduced the item. Alicia Seeley and Aaron Barlow presented the proposed rezoning from AG-2 to M1-A, including site conditions, community concerns, and proposed development conditions.

Council Members, staff, and **Dustin Kuttler** (Applicant, Lone Peak Lofts) discussed:

- Additional protections for nearby residential properties, including screening, tree buffers, setbacks, and access restrictions
- The applicant's willingness to accept additional conditions responding to neighborhood concerns
- Council interest in prohibiting data centers from being developed on the properties
- Anticipated future light-industrial uses and existing site constraints

Straw Poll:

Support for prohibiting data centers on the subject properties as a condition of the rezoning. All Council Members present were in favor with Council Member Dugan absent.

2. **Ordinance: Zoning Map and General Plan Amendment at Approximately 1990 and 2002 South 500 East** ~ 2:20 p.m.

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20 min.

The Council will receive a briefing about a proposal that would amend the zoning of the properties at approximately 1990 and 2002 South 500 East from R-1/5000 (Single Family Residential District) to RMF-35 (Moderate Density Multi-Family District). The proposal would also amend the Central Community Master Plan Future Land Use Map from Low Density Residential to Medium Density Residential. The proposed amendments would facilitate the construction of 22 for-sale, four-bedroom townhomes with two-car garages and a playground amenity. The properties are located within the Liberty Wells neighborhood. Consideration may be given to rezoning the property to another zoning district with similar characteristics. The project is within Council District 5. Petitioner: Castlewood Development.

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TENTATIVE Council Action - Tuesday, September 22, 2026

Summary:

Allison Rowland introduced the item. Cassie Younger and Kelsey Lindquist presented the proposed zoning and General Plan amendments, and the proposal for a 22-unit townhome development.

Council Members and staff discussed with **Hayley Pratt** (Applicant, Castlewood Development) anticipated pricing of the townhomes, changes in the development process made in response to neighborhood feedback, landscaping, and open-space plans.

Council Request:

Council Member Puy requested that water-wise landscaping be included as a requirement in the development agreement. Hayley Pratt affirmed the water-wise component.

3. Ordinance: Alley Vacation at Approximately 750 South Main Street

~ 2:40 p.m.

20 min.

The Council will receive a briefing about a proposal that would vacate a City-owned alley between properties at approximately 750 and 778 South Main Street, 16 West 800 South, and 755 South Richards Street. If approved, the alley would support the construction of an off-site parking structure that will serve the future hospital. The alley is approximately 8.25 feet wide by 248 feet long and 2,042 square feet. The Planning Director forwarded a positive recommendation. Located within Council District 4. Petitioner: Chad Moynahan with Intermountain Health Services, Inc.

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Summary:

Michael Sanders introduced the item. Kelsey Lindquist presented the proposed alley vacation to support future Intermountain Health development. **Chad Moynahan** and **Steve Kelly** (Intermountain Health's Real Estate Team) presented further details of the property including its relationship with a Ken Garff auto dealership located adjacent to the alley.

Council Members, the applicants, and staff discussed:

- Whether a future skybridge remained part of the development plans
- Separate approval processes for the parking structure and skybridge
- Potential safety considerations associated with skybridges
- Future behavioral health and safety discussions related to the project

4. **Ordinance: Alley Vacation Near 2553 South Chadwick Street** ~ 3:00 p.m.
20 min.

The Council will receive a briefing about a proposal that would vacate portions of two City-owned alleys between approximately 2553 South Chadwick Street, 2554 South Dearborn Street, and 1407-1445 East Stratford Avenue. If approved, the alleys would be divided and allocated to the adjacent property owners. The first alley runs from Chadwick Street to Dearborn Street and measures 12 feet wide by 262 feet long. The second alley, along the east property line, is 12 feet wide and 51 feet long. Accessory buildings encroach on the alleyway, and most abutting properties have used the alley as their own. Five properties use the north-to-south alley accessed from Parkway Avenue. Located within Council District 7. Petitioner: Anne and Zach Taylor.

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Summary:

Austin Kimmel introduced the item. Kelsey Lindquist presented the proposed vacation of portions of two City-owned alleys.

Council Members and staff discussed the longstanding lack of usable alley access, existing structures affecting alley access, and the potential benefits of allocating the vacated portions to adjacent property owners.

5. Resolution: Building Fee Waiver for Ivory Innovations Development at Approximately 707 South 400 East ~ 3:20 p.m.
20 min.

The Council will receive a briefing on a development fee waiver for a new housing project at approximately 707 South 400 East, the former Liberty Wells Center. The applicant, Ivory Innovations, intends to develop 66 new housing units, with 75% of the units planned to be affordable for households at or below 80% Area Median Income (AMI). As required by ordinance 18.20.220, an informal public hearing was held on this application on January 14, 2026, by the Community and Neighborhoods (CAN) Division. After receiving additional information as needed, the application was approved by the CAN Director.

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Set Public Hearing Date - n/a

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Summary:

Allison Rowland introduced the item. Mike Akerlow and Juliana Landis presented the proposed building permit fee waiver for an affordable housing development.

There was no further discussion.

6. Tentative Break ~ 3:40 p.m.
20 min.

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7. **Ordinance: Administrative Organization Text Amendment for Public Services** ~ 4:00 p.m.
20 min.

The Council will receive a briefing about a proposal that would amend Subsections 2.08.080, 2.08.050, and 2.39.030 of the *Salt Lake City Code* pertaining to City department organizational and responsibility changes. The proposal would codify the move of the Engineering Division from the Department of Public Services to the Department of Community and Neighborhoods, the name change of the Compliance Division to Urban Services, and an updated description of the responsibilities and requirements of the City Architect, including the delegation of duties from the City Engineer to the City Architect.

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Set Public Hearing Date - n/a

Hold hearing to accept public comment - n/a

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Summary:

Kate Werrett introduced the item. Jorge Chamorro presented proposed City Code updates reflecting organizational changes within Public Services.

Council Members and staff discussed:

- Updated division names and responsibilities to improve clarity for residents seeking City services and assistance
- A separate proposal to rename the City and County Building as “City Hall”
- Potential benefits of reducing public confusion regarding City and County functions with the renaming of the City and County Building
- Administrative and Code changes that would be required for the proposed name change

8. **Informational: Salt Lake City's Emergency Diversified Response Programs** ~ 4:20 p.m.
60 min.

The Council will receive a briefing about the City's Diversified Response Programs. This briefing will focus on the four Emergency Response programs within the Fire and Police Departments. The programs include the Community Health and Access Team (CHAT, Fire Department), the Medical Response Team (MRT, Fire Department), the Community

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Connection Team (CCT, Police Department), and the Community Response Team (CRT, Police Department). Non-Emergency Responses will be briefed at a later date.

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Set Public Hearing Date - n/a

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Summary:

Allison Rowland introduced the first in a planned series of briefings on the City's diversified public safety response programs, highlighting their role in addressing behavioral health, homelessness, addiction, and other crisis-related calls while providing alternatives to traditional police and fire responses. Megan Yuill and Andrew Johnston presented an overview of the City's emergency diversified response programs.

Community Connection Team (CCT)

- Police Department social workers with the purpose of diverting calls from full teams of sworn officers, using trauma-informed and de-escalation approaches, and filling gaps in case management services
- Training related to behavioral health, substance use, crisis intervention, and de-escalation

Community Health Access Team (CHAT)

- Fire Department social workers with the purpose of responding to lower-level emergencies in order to prevent full deployment of Fire truck/teams and to provide short-term case management services
- Follow-up support intended to connect individuals with ongoing services and reduce repeated emergency-system use

Police Civilian Response Team (PCRT)

- Police Department use of civilian responders for lower-priority calls that did not require a sworn police officer
- Coordination between PCRT, CCT, and Police patrol when determining the appropriate response

Medical Response Team (MRT)

- Fire Department use of paramedics in smaller response vehicles for lower-acuity medical calls, allowing larger Fire apparatus to remain available for major emergencies
- Routing of medical calls between MRT and CHAT

Council Members, Megan Yuill, Andrew Johnston, Jennifer Bruno, Christina Zidow, Chief Christopher Milne, Rachel Otto, Elizabeth Delka, and Lisa Kehoe discussed

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coordination and information-sharing among City and regional response partners, dispatch and deployment of appropriate response teams, “warm handoffs” (and what those entailed in terms of referrals to shelters and other community resources), responder training, outcome tracking, and public communication regarding available services.

Council Requests:

Council Member Young requested clearer public education on the names and roles of the City’s diversified response teams and available response options. Chief Christopher Milne stated staff would accommodate the request.

Council Member Puy requested additional information regarding ongoing Police Department training beyond the academy, including training that assisted officers in identifying and connecting individuals with the appropriate response resources.

9. Board Appointment: Planning Commission – Ben Raskin ~ 5:20 p.m.
5 min.

The Council will interview Ben Raskin, resident of District 7, prior to considering appointment to the Planning Commission for a term ending August 25, 2030.

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Summary:

The Council interviewed Ben Raskin regarding appointment to the Planning Commission. Council Members discussed Raskin’s prior public service, community involvement, and interest in land-use issues. Council Member Puy stated the appointment would be placed on the Consent Agenda for formal consideration.

Standing Items

10. Report of the Chair and Vice Chair

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There were no reports of the Chair and Vice Chair.

11. Report and Announcements from the Executive Director

Report of the Executive Director, including a review of Council information items and announcements. The Council may give feedback or staff direction on any item related to City Council business, including but not limited to scheduling items.

There were no reports and announcements from the Executive Director.

12. Tentative Closed Meeting

The Council will consider a motion to enter into closed meeting. A closed meeting described under Utah Code Annotated (UCA) Section §52-4-205 may be held for specific purposes including, but not limited to discussing:

- a. discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
- b. strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining.
- c. strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
- d. strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, if public discussion of the transaction would:
 - (i) disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration, or
 - (ii) prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms.
- e. strategy sessions to discuss the sale of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, if:
 - (i) public discussion of the transaction would:
 - (A) disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration, or
 - (B) prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms.
 - (ii) the public body previously gave public notice that the property would be offered for sale, and
 - (iii) the terms of the sale are publicly disclosed before the public body approves the sale.
- f. discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.
- g. investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct.

A closed meeting may also be held for attorney-client matters that are privileged pursuant to Utah Code § 78B-1-137, and for other lawful purposes that satisfy the pertinent requirements of the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.

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Item not held.

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Meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Minutes Approved: September 22, 2026

City Council Chair – Alejandro Puy

City Recorder – Keith Reynolds

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