

# SOUTH WEBER CITY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE OF MEETING:** 9 June 2026

**TIME COMMENCED:** 6:07 p.m.

**LOCATION:** South Weber City Office at 1600 East South Weber Drive, South Weber, UT  
Meeting streamed on YouTube on 9 June 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** **MAYOR:** Rod Westbroek

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:** Jeremy Davis  
Joel Dills  
Blair Halverson  
Angie Petty  
Wayne Winsor

**CITY RECORDER:** Lisa Smith

**CITY MANAGER:** David Larson

**CITY ATTORNEY:** Jayme Blakesley

**CITY ENGINEER:** Brandon Jones

**FINANCE DIRECTOR:** Brett Baltazar

**COMMUNITY DEV. MGR:** Lance Evans

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS:** Shaelee King

**Minutes:** Michelle Clark

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**ATTENDEES:** Chad Skola, Marty McFadden, Raelyn Boman, Chris Roberts, Julie Losee, Ren Strong, Mike Szymanski, Paul Sturm, Michael Grant, and Bryan Wageman.

## WORK DISCUSSION

**Commenced at 5:00 pm**

### **1. General Plan**

City Manager, David Larson explained that earlier this year the City Council decided to consider some amendments to the General Plan rather than a complete update. This work session is to discuss the potential areas and policies for the amendment.

The City Council and Planning Commission discussed several priorities for the General Plan update. Councilman Davis recommended reaching a consensus on clouded area for the Kap & Peek property along Old Fort Road and reviewing trail connectivity throughout the city. Commissioner Losee suggested defining the area south of Maverik along 2700 East, including consideration of commercial and residential zoning and appropriate buffering between the two. David Larson reported on a developer's interest in a potential hotel south of Maverik. The group agreed that the General Plan scope should include commercial zones at city entryways and a review of commercial land uses. Other topics included updating the Central Park master plan and exploring relocation of city offices, revising the undeveloped property map, considering development overlays related to wind-resistant building materials, evaluating the future of commercial property behind Mayor Westbroek's home, reviewing the Evergreen Soils property and annexation plans, and updating the transportation plan. In addition, future use of the gravel pits and review of sensitive land use areas were added to the list. Mr. Larson summarized the key topics identified and council and planning agreed.

**Councilman Davis moved to adjourn work meeting at 6:01 pm. Councilwoman Petty seconded the motion. Council members Davis, Dills, Halverson, Petty, and Winsor voted yes. The motion carried.**

## **2. Work Meeting Adjourned**

**GENERAL MEETING OPEN (Agenda items may be moved to meet the needs of the Council.)**

**1. Pledge of Allegiance: Council Member Winsor**

**2. Prayer: Council Member Petty**

**3. Public Comment: Please respectfully follow these guidelines.**

**a. Individuals may speak once for 3 minutes or less: Do not remark from the audience.**

**b. State your name & city and direct comments to the entire Council (They will not respond).**

**Paul Sturm of South Weber City** lamented that the Public Works open house was not on a Saturday when more residents might have been able to attend.

## **PRESENTATION**

### **4. Employee Recognition - Bryan Wageman**

Mayor Westbroek stated Bryan has served South Weber City for more than 30 years and has consistently demonstrated an exceptional commitment. Bryan is the type of employee who arrives early, stays late, and takes personal ownership of his responsibilities. One of Bryan's greatest strengths is his ability to work with the public. He can meet with a customer who is frustrated or upset, explain the situation professionally, and leave that customer feeling confident in the service the city provides. His technical knowledge, combined with his communication skills, makes him an invaluable asset to our organization. Bryan never waits to be told what needs to be done. Whether it is routine maintenance, emergency response, or state compliance requirements, he takes initiative and handles issues before they become problems. He does not seek recognition or special attention, he simply does what needs to be done, when it needs to be

done, and he does it exceptionally well. Bryan's work ethic, professionalism, and dedication set the standard for others to follow. If every employee demonstrated the same level of ownership, initiative, and commitment as Bryan, there would be very little left for a supervisor to manage. South Weber City has greatly benefited from Bryan's decades of service, and we are fortunate to have him on our team.

City Manager David Larson added his gratitude to Bryan and reflected on how much the world and the city have changed since Bryan began working for the Public Works Department in 1996. He highlighted notable events and trends from that year, including popular movies, music, technology, and population growth. Mr. Larson noted that South Weber's population has grown from about 3,500 to more than 8,200 residents, while the Public Works Department has expanded from four full-time employees to ten. He also pointed out that many technologies, facilities, and community developments that are now commonplace did not exist when Bryan started. Mr. Larson emphasized Bryan's dedication and loyalty, noting that he has served in every position within the Public Works Department and has contributed to the city's parks, streets, water systems, and other infrastructure. On behalf of the city, Mr. Larson thanked Bryan for his significant impact on South Weber and his decades of service in helping make the community a better place.

Bryan shared a few thoughts and noted there were no cell phones, but pagers when he started with the city. He expressed his appreciation to everyone, but failed to vow to work forever.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **5. Consent Agenda**

- a. May 12, 2026 Minutes**
- b. May 26, 2026 Minutes**
- c. May Checks**
- d. April Budget to Actual**

Councilman Dills questioned the 12 May 2026 minutes Resolution 26-14 wording "Intent". City Attorney Jayme Blakesley explained that recent changes to the state's Truth in Taxation procedures require the use of specific statutory language when setting a public hearing for a proposed tax increase. He clarified that the Council's vote was not a final decision to increase taxes, but rather to schedule and hold a public hearing to gather public input. Mr. Blakesley suggested that the meeting minutes reflect the Council's intent to set the hearing and allow residents an opportunity to be heard before any future vote on whether to proceed with a tax increase.

**Councilman Halverson moved to approve the consent agenda as written. Councilman Dills seconded the motion. Mayor Westbrook called for a roll call vote. Council Members Davis, Dills, Halverson, Petty, and Winsor voted aye. The motion carried.**

#### **6. Resolution 26-20: Intended Certified Property Tax Rate**

Each year the city must adopt the Certified Tax Rate or the Intended Tax Rate to allow the county to collect property taxes on the city's behalf and distribute the taxes appropriately. The Certified Tax Rate is calculated by the county (Budgeted Revenue/ Proposed Tax Rate Value = Certified Tax Rate). The Proposed Tax Rate Value is a fixed amount provided by the

County. The Certified Tax Rate prepared by Davis County has not been provided but is estimated to be 0.001407. The city is going through Truth in Taxation on August 11, 2026, holding the current fiscal year rate at 0.001434; and not accepting the Certified Tax Rate of 0.001407. The Intended Tax Rate (0.001434) is an increase of 2% from the estimated Certified Tax Rate (0.001407) for fiscal year 2027. Holding the rate at 0.001434 provides \$64,000 (including growth of \$25,000 and an increase of \$39,000).

**Councilman Halverson moved to approve Resolution 26-20: Intended Certified Property Tax Rate of (0.001434). Councilman Davis seconded the motion. Mayor Westbrook called for a roll call vote. Council Members Davis, Dills, Halverson, Petty, and Winsor voted aye. The motion carried.**

**Councilman Davis moved to suspend the City Council meeting to convene an RDA Board meeting at 6:22 pm. Councilwoman Petty seconded the motion. Mayor Westbrook called for a voice vote. Council Members Davis, Dills, Halverson, Petty, and Winsor voted aye. The motion carried.**

#### **BOARD MEETINGS (suspend Council to convene Board meeting)**

##### **7. Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Board Meeting**

##### **8. Local Building Authority (LBA) Board Meeting**

**Councilman Halverson moved to reconvene Council meeting at 6:26 pm. Councilwoman Petty seconded the motion. Mayor Westbrook called for a voice vote. Council Members Davis, Dills, Halverson, Petty, and Winsor voted aye. The motion carried.**

#### **REPORTS**

##### **9. New Business**

**Landfill Fire:** Mayor Westbrook reported on a Wasatch Integrated Board meeting where officials discussed a serious fire incident at the Material Recovery Facility (MURF) caused by lithium batteries. He explained that a smoldering battery was disturbed by equipment, exposing it to oxygen and triggering a fire, highlighting the danger of improperly disposed lithium batteries. He strongly urged residents not to throw lithium batteries in the trash, especially larger rechargeable batteries used in tools and equipment, and instead use designated disposal sites provided by Wasatch Integrated Waste Management. The mayor also promoted the facility's thrift store encouraging residents to donate reusable items instead of discarding them. He shared that the thrift store recently set a sales record of \$25,598 in a single month and contributes significantly to annual revenue.

##### **10. Council & Staff**

**Councilman Dills:** discussed concerns about the recreation budget, noting that while most sports programs are self-sustaining, the recreation center itself continues to rely on funding from the general fund. He suggested exploring the possibility of renegotiating the city's agreement with the Davis School District to better share costs and operations of the facility. He also raised the issue of limited daytime access due to school use and proposed potential changes to improve public availability, such as relocating fitness equipment or redesigning part of the facility with a

secure partition. This would potentially allow portions of the rec center to remain open year-round for public use. Councilman Dills emphasized that these ideas were exploratory and would depend on negotiations and council interest, with the broader goal of reducing city costs and improving facility access.

Council members discussed the shared use of the recreation center with the Davis School District and explored whether parts of the facility could be reconfigured to allow more year-round public access. Ideas included potentially separating or repurposing spaces such as the kitchen/weight room area or using barriers like curtains or partitions, while still maintaining student safety and secure access for school use during the day. Members noted challenges with modifying the facility, including cost, restroom access, and security requirements, and acknowledged that significant changes would require major remodeling or may not be financially practical. The council also discussed the existing shared-use model with the school district, which is common across several cities and beneficial for both parties. Ultimately, there was agreement that the first step should be further discussion with the school district to explore what, if any, adjustments might be possible within the existing agreement, while recognizing the limitations and shared-cost structure of the facility.

**Councilwoman Petty:** reported on recent meetings with the train club, noting that there have been leadership changes within the organization, with John Grubb now serving as acting president. She explained that Ren Strong has been participating as an administrator and has attended the meetings alongside Mr. Grubb. She shared that recent meetings have been highly productive, describing them as the most effective discussions to date. The city is now close to finalizing a new agreement with the train club, with additional meetings scheduled to continue moving the process forward.

Councilwoman Petty raised a concern through the Public Safety Committee about ongoing street parking issues related to High Mark School. They suggested that the city should re-engage with High Mark during the summer to revisit and reinforce their pickup and drop-off traffic plan, especially given repeated concerns about vehicles parking on the street. She emphasized that consistent violations should be addressed and noted that, as new development progresses, it would be an appropriate time to review and ensure compliance with the agreed-upon traffic and routing plans to reduce congestion and improve safety.

Councilwoman Petty reported on planning for Country Fair Days, confirming that the City Council will participate in a Saturday activity on August 8th at the park, including a short 10–15 minute on-stage segment in the early afternoon. They noted the council may also assist with dinner on August 3rd and encouraged participation to help engage with residents. There was additional discussion about other Country Fair Days involvement, including a parade float commitment and informal coordination for event activities. Mr. Larson confirmed that fireworks are planned for the event.

**Mayor Westbrook:** reported receiving a call from Colonel Cornelius at Hill Air Force Base regarding an incident involving industrial wastewater that overflowed from a clogged sewer line and entered the canal. The material flowed off base and into areas affecting the canal system near South Weber. He explained that multiple agencies, including the state and EPA, were immediately notified and that the base is actively managing the situation. Officials indicated it

may take about a week to fully identify the substance involved. The mayor noted that, according to the Air Force, there is no current indication of danger to the public and that the communication was primarily to keep the city informed.

**ADJOURN:**

**Councilwoman Petty moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. Mayor Westbrook called for a voice vote. Council Members Davis, Dills, Halverson, Petty, and Winsor voted aye. The motion carried.**

**APPROVED:**  **Date June 23, 2026**  
**Mayor: Rod Westbrook**

  
**Transcriber: Michelle Clark**

  
**Attest: City Recorder: Lisa Smith**

