

COUNCIL MEETING RECAP

JULY 8, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- a. West Jordan Police Department Badge Pinning

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Steven Shill shared concerns about ongoing firework misuse, displaying debris collected from his 43,000 sq. ft. property. He praised police response but felt burdened with conducting his own fire watch on holidays. He urged the Council to consider taking action.

Kathy Roman, member of the 1075 West Safety Coalition, thanked Police Chief Wallentine and Mayor Burton for efforts to improve safety on 9000 South. She emphasized ongoing concerns with speeding and urged continued enforcement as construction wraps up.

Glendon Mitchell, representing the 1075 West Safety Coalition, thanked the City and Mayor Burton for prioritizing public safety. He urged support for public safety budgets and expressed appreciation for progress on 9000 South improvements.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Ordinance No. 25-23 Amendments to Multiple Sections of West Jordan City Code Title 13 to Permit Short Term Rentals and Update a Related Definition **APPROVED 7-0**
Next Steps: approved amendments to Title 13 will be updated in City Code to permit Short Term Rentals and update definitions.
- b. Resolution No. 25-039 requesting a fee waiver of \$855 for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Event **APPROVED 7-0**
Next Steps: staff will work with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention to waive the room rental fee, as the class will be offered at no cost to participants

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Water Report
 - Report by Zach Jacob of a proposed property tax increase by Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District
 - Comment on report by members of the public and/or city council members

Council Member Jacob reported that Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District was proposing an 11.1% property tax revenue increase, resulting in a 2.4% increase in water costs. A public hearing is scheduled for August 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm. Deputy General

Manager Jacob Young expressed appreciation for the city's partnership in water treatment and distribution.

- b. Resolution No. 25-037 Formalizing the Appointment of the Chair, Vice-Chair and Past Chair Positions for the Period of July to December 2025 **APPROVED 7-0**
Next Steps: the following Council Members will serve through the end of the year:
Kayleen Whitelock, Chair; Bob Bedore, Vice Chair; Chad Lamb, Past Chair

7. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

- a. City Council Reports

Council Member Green reported on the Association of Municipal Councils meeting and shared information on the Pre-Apprentice Application Program for construction trades. He praised the success of the Western Stampede, thanked staff, Jennie Tayler, and the Major Brent Tayler Foundation for their support. He also honored a fellow 82nd Airborne veteran, expressing deep gratitude for his service.

Council Member Shelton praised the Western Stampede event, noting improved traffic and community engagement. He enjoyed calling Bingo, driving the Council Cart, and the dinner held in the new Arts Center. He also mentioned ongoing work with CDBG applicants and plans to provide feedback once the process concludes.

Vice Chair Bedore thanked staff and volunteers for a successful weekend for the Western Stampede and noted he especially enjoyed calling bingo and helping transport attendees during the rain.

Council Member Lamb thanked the Council, Mayor, and staff for their work on the Rodeo and Parade, noting it was a great team effort and successful event. He appreciated the VIP dinner at the Arts Center but shared contestant feedback preferring dinner at the rodeo grounds.

Council Member Jacob praised staff for their hard work over the holiday weekend, especially the events team, and complimented the VIP dinner at the Arts Center. He attended the rodeo and had a great experience.

Chair Whitelock also expressed appreciation for the 4th of July events, noting positive feedback from rodeo contestants. She enjoyed calling bingo and highlighted that free activities like bingo added value, even for those who were unable to purchase tickets.

- b. Council Office Report

Council Office Director Alan Anderson commented regarding the recent power issues, noting reliance on generators and battery power. He was happy to report that both Zoom and Swagit remained functional. He thanked Administration for their support allowing the meeting to continue despite technical challenges.

- c. Mayor's Report

Mayor Burton praised staff for the successful Western Stampede and thanked Council for their participation. He reported that projects on 9000 South and 7800 South will finish by July, with 1300 West to be completed by year-end. He highlighted upcoming events: Food Truck Round-up (Tuesdays), Skate Camp (Mondays), Movie in the Park,

and the Community Market (Wednesdays, July 23–Oct 1). “Meet with the Mayor” is set for July 10, and City Offices will be closed July 24 for Pioneer Day.

d. City Administrator’s Report

Fire Chief Maxfield reported a quiet July 4th holiday, with only eight fire-related calls between July 2–5, four of which were fireworks-related.

City Engineer Korban Lee reported that the Ron Wood Park soccer fields will go out to bid soon, with the detention basin, lighting, turf, and bike park nearing completion. Parking lot resurfacing and nearby trail improvements are also planned. Construction of the second courtroom is underway, with the Community Room serving as a temporary courtroom through mid-July. The 7000 South entry project is ready for bid, and work on the Cemetery Water Tank is progressing. A “Get to Know You” meeting is scheduled with the newly annexed Oquirrh Highlands area, and Council may choose to appoint a representative to the Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District Board.

8. CONSENT ITEMS

a. Approve Meeting Minutes **APPROVED 7-0**

- June 24, 2025 – Committee of the Whole Meeting

Next Steps: approved minutes will become part of the permanent record.

b. Resolution No. 25-034 indicating the intent of the West Jordan City Council to adjust a common municipal boundary with West Valley City in the Oquirrh Highlands area.

APPROVED 7-0

Next Steps: the City Records office will work through the boundary adjustment with West Valley City and the Oquirrh Highlands area

9. ADJOURN – 8:14 pm