

COUNCIL MEETING RECAP

JANUARY 27, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Troop 6 provided a flag ceremony

3. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- a. JustServe Certificate Presentation
Randy Tayler presented the City with the JustServe designation
- b. Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the FY 2026 Budget, Awarded by the Gov't Finance Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada
Administrative Services Director Danyce Steck presented Becky with the award and thanked her for leadership in ensuring the City's budget qualified for the recognition. She expressed appreciation for her work on the compensation study and her role in learning and implementing the new budget software and presented the award along with a token of appreciation.
- c. Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for FY 2025 and Independent Audit Opinion
Administrative Services Director Danyce Steck presented the Independent Audit Opinion, emphasizing it was clean with no findings and compliant with all federal and state controls. She reviewed the Financial Report highlighting an 8% increase in net position, upcoming developments with potential financial impacts, and the 10-year statistical section.

4. REPORTS

- a. City Council Reports
Chair Bedore expressed excitement with the Wasatch Improv Festival performing in West Jordan and for the recent townhall meetings.

Council Member Whitelock enjoyed the Wasatch Improv Festival and thanked those who joined the townhall meetings. She enjoyed the opportunity to go to Exit 4 and thanked all those involved with the Retreat.

Vice Chair Wignall went on a ride along with the Fire Department and expressed gratitude for our amazing fire fighters.
- b. Salt Lake County Library Report
Director Joey McNamee expressed appreciation for the partnership with West Jordan and the shared campus, highlighting 2025 library statistics of 344,000 visits and over 1.2 million items checked out. She noted The Viridian hosted 193 events, including 14 city events, with nearly 50,000 attendees and a 58% increase in the summer concert series.

Bingham Creek Library Manager Anne Marie Barrett shared additional updates, including the addition of a fourth study room, recent xeriscaping efforts to reduce costs, a successful blood drive, and an upcoming summer reading kickoff. West Jordan Library Manager Vern Waters highlighted its all-abilities programming, including a sound bath experience with over 400 attendees, along with upcoming puppet shows, magic shows, and spy camp. West Jordan Assistant Library Manager Jenn Flake promoted the Winter Reading Program, noting participants receive a free book upon completion.

c. Mayor's Report

Mayor Burton reported that GEMCO Medical Distribution Center has located in West Jordan, expressed appreciation for the Salt Lake Board of Realtors events and remarks from Speaker Shultz. He noted that former Chief Wallentine and Brian Shaw received NAACP First Responder Awards, shared highlights from Local Official's Day with Youth Council, and announced upcoming events.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Amy Motta with Bailing out Benji encourage City Council to ban pet sales from pet stores within the city citing health issues like orthopedic problems, larger breeds, knee cap displacement, neurological, cardiac and blood disorders, hepatic disease, and allergies.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Ordinance No. 26-09 Amendments to West Jordan City Code – Title 2, Chapter 6 and Title 3, Chapter 4 (Fee Waivers and City Support) **APPROVED 7-0**

Next Steps: the approved amendments to Title 2, Chapter 6 and Title 3 Chapter 4 will be updated in City Code and provide a much clearer and easy process.

- b. Reconsideration of Ordinance No. 25-62 a Petition from Wagstaff Investments, LLC / Brent Neel to Amend the Future Land Use Map Amendment for 3.73 acres to Neighborhood Commercial and Rezone the Property to SC-1 Zone for a Development Located at 9047 S Copper Dust Lane **APPROVED 6-1 (Shelton opposed)**

Next Steps: the petition from Wagstaff Investments for a Future Land Use Map amendments and Rezone will be brought back for future action

7. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

- a. Council Office Report

None

- b. City Administrator's Report

Public Information Manager Marie Magers reported on the successful rollout of "Jojo," an ai chatbot designed to answer resident questions around the clock, and announced the launch of Yoppify, a new program to notify residents of emergency situations.

City Administrator Lee provided an update on Justice Court renovation progress, announced the retirement of David Dobbins, and reported on the use of well water during an upcoming Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District aqueduct closer. He also thanked the Council and staff for the successful Awards Banquet.

8. ADJOURN – 8:23 pm