Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, August 4, 2025, 5:00 PM

Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho

1) Call Meeting to Order/Confirmation of Quorum

Present:	Mayor Ruth Pierce, Vice Mayor Jason Brown, Council Members Craig Hawkins, Christopher Reid, Spencer Cutler, Cherie Vollmer & Grayson Stone.
Absent:	
Staff Present:	City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Managers Mitch Humble & Gretchen Scott, City Attorney Bruce Castleton, Administrative Assistant Rachael Long, Airport Manager Bill Carberry, Planning and Zoning Director Jonathan Spendlove, Chief Matt Hicks, Assistant Public Works Director Erin Steel, City Financial Officer Breanna Howard, Fire Chief Mitchell Brooks

Mayor Pierce called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) Pledge of Allegiance
Mayor Pierce invited all present, who wished, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) Invocation

a) Maria Hernandez
Mayor Pierce thanked Maria Hernandez.

4) Consent Calendar
MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

a) Request to approve City Council 2025 July 28, Minutes.
b) Request to approve Accounts Payable for July 24-30, 2025.
c) Request to approve July 30, 2025, Travel Requests.
d) Request City Council approve the Special Event Permit for the organizers of the Mario Kart in the Park.
e) Request City Council approve the Special Event Permit for the organizers of the Magic Valley Stroller Strut.
f) Request to approve Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law for the following:
PZ25-0043 - Annexation on South Hills Rd
PZ25-0049 - Annexation on Stadium Blvd

5) Items of Consideration

a) Request to authorize the Mayor to sign three (3) FAA grant offers for airport capital improvement project funding.

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Discussion ensued on the following: None

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the request to authorize the Mayor to sign three (3) FAA grant offers for airport capital improvement project funding. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

b) Request to accept a $450,000 ITD airport grant offer and approve City Resolution R-2025-013 authorizing the Mayor to sign both documents.

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Council Member Reid thanked Bill and his team for working through all these grants and pushing forward with them**.**

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to accept a $450,000 ITD airport grant offer authorizing the Mayor to sign both documents. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

Discussion ensued on the following: None

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to approve City Resolution R-2025-013 authorizing the Mayor to sign both documents**. Vice Mayor Brown** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

c) Request to adopt Ordinance #2025-012 to vacate the plated utility easement located at the 2000 block of Nielsen Point Place, within the Canyon Park Subdivision.

Planning and Zoning Director Spendlove requested to adopt Ordinance #2025-012 to vacate the plated utility easement located at the 2000 block of Nielsen Point Place, within the Canyon Park Subdivision.

MOTION: Council Member Reid made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put Ordinance #2025-012 on third and final reading by title only. **Vice Mayor Brown** seconded the motion. The Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

Mayor Pierce read Ordinance #2025-012 by title only.

Discussion ensued on the following: None

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to adopt Ordinance #2025-012 to vacate the plated utility easement located at the 2000 block of Nielsen Point Place, within the Canyon Park Subdivision. **Vice Mayor Brown** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

d) Council review of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2025-2026 (FY 2026) and Adoption of Preliminary Budget.

City Manager Rothweiler reviewed the City Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2025-2026 (FY 2026) and Adoption of the Preliminary Budget.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Cutler said that if we did not do the Baxter dog park then we could fund everything else**.**
Mayor Pierce asked what the senior center re-siding was about.
Rothweiler clarified about the dog park, that it is the lowest priority for parks and recreation.
Mayor Pierce asked Parks and recreation director Wendi Davis for clarification about the tennis courts and pickleball courts if they could be phased out for completion.
Stone asked for clarification about how many projects engineering can handle.
Reid asked Davis to bring the design for the Harmon Park next week.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to adopt the Preliminary Budget. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

6) General Public Input

7) Advisory Board Report/Announcements

Cherrie Volmer mentioned the National Night out is August 5th and City Park.

8) Executive Session

a) Request to convene to Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or discipline of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public-school student.

(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

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Vice Mayor Brown seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

9) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 06:26 PM

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Rachael Long, Administrative Assistant

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