



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, October 27, 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 Manager Gretchen Scott, City Attorney Bruce Castleton, Deputy City Clerk Rachael Long, Staff Engineer Trent Essex, Airport Manager Bill Carberry, Wastewater Collection Superintendent Doug Gonzales, Streets Superintendent Mark Thomson, Police Captain Brent Wright, Parks & Recreation Director Wendy Davis, Police Chief Matt Hicks, Captain Mitchell Brooks, Public Works Assistant Director Erin Steel. Public Works Director Josh Baird, Public Information Coordinator Joshua Palmer, Network Administrator Adam Day

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) Consent Calendar

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Vice Mayor Brown** 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 October 13, Minutes.
- b) Request to approve Accounts Payable for October 09-22, 2025.
- c) Request to approve 2025 August & September Wells Fargo Credit Card Summary.
- d) Request to approve October 15, 2025, Travel Requests.
- e) Request for approval of a Final Plat for Easternsun Subdivision No. 2 consisting of 58 lots on 23 (+/-) acres on property located at approximately the 700-1000 Block of Hankins Road. (PZ25-0131).
- f) Request to approve an airport hangar ground lease assignment between Darrell & Cindy Schmidt and Jerry Jaques and authorize the mayor to sign.
- g) Motion to declare city equipment #8214, #8223, #7238 and #5585 surplus and authorize sale by online auction.

4) Items of Consideration

- a) Request to sign a contract with JUB Engineers for Pole Line Road widening improvements in the amount of \$245,000 with funds coming from the Street Departments new budget.
Staff Engineer Essex made a request to sign a contract with JUB Engineers for Pole Line Road widening improvements in the amount of \$245,000 with funds coming from the Street Departments budget.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Stone asked if 5% contingency is enough.

Vice Mayor Brown asked for clarification on the exact location.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to sign a contract with JUB Engineers for Pole Line Road widening improvements in the amount of \$245,000 with funds coming from the Street Department's new budget. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- b) Presentation of the airport's upcoming FAA capital improvement projects.
Airport Manager Carberry introduced a presentation of the airport's upcoming FAA capital improvement projects by JUB Engineer Kent Atkin.

Discussion ensued as follows:

Council Member Hawkins asked if the length of our runway is good for future use.

Council Member Stone asked if the grants are delayed due to the federal shutdown.

Mayor Pierce thanked Kent for his presentation.

- c) Request to award the bid and contract in the amount of \$1,427,165.00 to Idaho Materials & Construction, Inc. for the FAA Northwest Aircraft Apron Pavement Project and authorize the mayor to sign the contract.

Airport Manager Carberry requested to award the bid and contract in the amount of \$1,427,165.00 to Idaho Materials & Construction, Inc., for the FAA Northwest Aircraft Apron Pavement Project and authorize the mayor to sign the contract.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid asked when this will take place.

Airport Manager Carberry clarified it will be this spring.

MOTION: Council Member Vollmer moved to approve the request to award the bid and contract in the amount of \$1,427,165.00 to Idaho Materials & Construction, Inc., for the FAA Northwest Aircraft Apron Pavement Project and authorize the mayor to sign the contract. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- d) Request to approve the purchase of a 2026 Vactor Jet truck at a cost of \$327,000.00 using a Cooperative Purchasing agreement with Sourcewell and authorize the public works director to execute the contract.

WWC Superintendent Gonzales requested to approve the purchase of a 2026 Vactor Jet Truck at the cost of \$327,000.00 using a Cooperative Purchasing agreement with Sourcewell and authorizing the public works director to execute the contract.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Mayor Pierce asked how long after approved would we get the truck.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request for the purchase of a 2026 Vactor Jet Truck at the cost of \$327,000.00 using a Cooperative Purchasing agreement with Sourcewell and authorizing the public works director to execute the contract. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- e) Request to approve the purchase of a 2026 John Deere 524P wheel loader at the cost of \$146,215.00 using a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Sourcewell and authorizing the Public Works Director to execute the contract.

Streets Superintendent Thomson requested to approve the purchase of a 2026 John Deere 524P wheel loader at a cost of \$146,215.00 using a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Sourcewell and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid asked if we are trading in a 2014 loader for this one.

MOTION: Council Member Vollmer moved to approve the request to the purchase of a 2026 John Deere 524P wheel loader at a cost of \$146,215.00 using a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Sourcewell and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract. **Vice Mayor Brown** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members

present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- f) Request for City Council to authorize the use of 911 funds to purchase software that will further enhance dispatch capabilities in the amount of \$43,184.02.
Police Captain Wright requested authorization to use 911 funds to purchase software that will further enhance dispatch capabilities in the amount of \$43,184.02.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid asked what the turnaround on the training for this and how soon they could go.

Council Member Stone asked if this would increase the City's liability if something was to go wrong.

MOTION: Council Member Stone moved to approve the request to use 911 funds to purchase software that will further enhance dispatch capabilities in the amount of \$43,184.02. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- g) Request for Council input regarding proposed changes to City Code Title 8-3: Public Parks
P&R Director Davis & Police Captain Hicks requested input regarding proposed changes to City Code Title 8-3: Public Parks.

Discussion ensued as follows:

Council Member Reid asked the Chief to clarify what a public space is.

Council Member Spencer thanked Wendi and Matt for their hard work on this.

Council Member Stone thanked them for bringing the Ebikes into this because he has seen dangers on the bikes and the trails.

Mayor Pierce asked what the biggest violations are seen right now on the trails.

Council Member Cutler spoke about the calls he has gotten at CSI from citizens complaining that they almost got hurt.

Council Member Reid asked about the enforcement side of this and how the police are going to patrol the trails.

Council Member Reid mentioned he receives complaints a lot about the dog poop on the trails.

Council Member Stone asked if parks had safety concerns about allowing bikes in general.

City Manager Rothweiler mentioned that he appreciates the sensitivity of the short staff to the police, but he wants the council to think of what's best for the community, and we will apply resources where needed.

Council Member Reid said he fully supports that in a few months he would support coming back to excluding bikes from the trail.

Council Member Cutler stated that he likes the enforcement side on the trail to help with bad behavior.

Council Member Hawkins stated he likes all of this moving forward and giving us something to fall back on to.

- h) Request to adopt Ordinance #O-2025-020 for Rezoning and Zoning Development Agreement on property located at 807 Wendell St.
P&Z Director Spendlove requested to adopt **Ordinance #O-2025-020** for rezoning and Zoning Development Agreement on property located at 807 Wendell St.

Discussion ensued on the following: None

MOTION: Council Member Reid made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put **Ordinance #O-2025-020** on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Vollmer** 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 #2025-020** by title only.

Discussion ensued on the following: None

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to adopt **Ordinance #O-2025-020** for rezoning and Zoning Development Agreement on property located at 807 Wendell St. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- i) Request to adopt Ordinance #O-2025-021 for Rezoning of property located the 900 block of Falls Ave W.

P&Z Director Spendlove requested to adopt **Ordinance #O-2025-021** for rezoning of property located at the 900 block of Falls Ave W.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Council Member Reid made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put **Ordinance #O-2025-021** on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Vollmer** 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 #2025-021** by title only.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to adopt **Ordinance #O-2025-021** for rezoning of property located at the 900 block of Falls Ave W. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- j) Request to adopt Ordinance #O-2025-022 for Vacation on property located within Block 18 of the Perrine Point Subdivision.

P&Z Director Spendlove requested to adopt **Ordinance #O-2025-022** for vacation of property located within Block 18 of the Perrine Point Subdivision.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Council Member Reid made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put **Ordinance #O-2025-022** on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Vollmer** 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 #2025-022** by title only.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to adopt **Ordinance #O-2025-022** for vacation of property located within Block 18 of the Perrine Point Subdivision. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- k) Request to adopt Ordinance #O-2025-023 for Vacation on property located within Block 4 and Magic Road right of way, located within the Perrine Point Subdivision.

P&Z Director Spendlove requested to adopt **Ordinance #O-2025-023** for vacation of property located within Block 4 of Magic Road right of way, located within the Perrine Point Subdivision.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and

put **Ordinance #O-2025-023** on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Hawkins** 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 #2025-023** by title only.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to adopt **Ordinance #O-2025-023** for vacation of property located within Block 4 of Magic Road right of way, located within the Perrine Point Subdivision. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

5) General Public Input:

Frances Alves spoke about the signing ordinance and if P&Z could re-look at it.

6) Advisory Board Report/Announcements

Council Member Hawkins attended a meeting last Thursday and mentioned the ADA compliance coming up for the website.

7) Public Hearings

- a) Request for recommendation to City Council for a Vacation of alley on property located at 1600, 1608, 1638 2nd Ave E. E. c/o EHM Engineers, Inc on behalf of River Sound Investments, LLC (PZ25-0104).

City Planner Strickland made a request for a vacation of alley on property located at 1600, 1608, 1638 2nd Ave E. c/o EHM Engineers, Inc. on behalf of River Sound Investments, LLC (PZ25-0104).

The applicant's representative spoke about the request.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Cutler asked if the same owner owns all the properties.

Public Hearing Opened: 6:32 pm.

Public Hearing Closed: 6:33 pm.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to for a vacation of alley on property located at 1600, 1608, 1638 2nd Ave E. c/o EHM Engineers, Inc. on behalf of River Sound Investments, LLC (PZ25-0104). **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

8) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 06:33 PM



Rachael Long, Deputy City Clerk