Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, November 24, 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, Spencer Cutler, & Grayson Stone.

Absent: Cherie Vollmer, Chris Reid

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, City Attorney Bruce Castleton, City Clerk Amy Luna, Deputy City Clerk Rachael Long, CFO Breanna Howard, Airport Director Bill Carberry, Assistant Public Works Director Erin Steel, Planning and Zoning Director Jonathan Spendlove, Aquatics Supervisor John Pauley, Environmental Engineer Nathan Erickson, Police Chief Matthew Hicks, Fire Chief Mitchell Brooks, Staff Engineer AC Stowe, Senior Planner William Klaver, Water Supply Technician Drew Foster

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) **Proclamations**

Mayor Pierce read and presented the Thanksgiving Day Proclamation.

a) Thanksgiving Day

4) **Consent Calendar**

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins 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, 5 to 0.

a) Request to approve City Council 2025 November 17, minutes.
b) Request to approve Accounts Payable for November 6-19, 2025.
c) Request to approve November 19, 2025, Travel Requests
d) Request to approve the City Council Schedule of Regular Meetings & Public Hearings for 2026
e) Request for approval of a Final Plat for the Western Horizons Subdivision, consisting of 56 residential lots on approximately 20 acres, c/o EHM Engineers, Inc. on behalf of Gary Nelson, Indigo Investments Limited, LLC. (PZ25-0137)
f) Request to approve Finding of Facts and Conclusions of Law for the following:

- PZ25-0110 - Vacation of Utility Easement

g) Request the City Council approve the Special Event Permit for the organizers of the Festival of Lights Parade.

5) **Items of Consideration**

a) Request for the Twin Falls City Council to accept the Twin Falls County Canvassed election results for the November 4, 2025, election.

CFO Howard requested the Twin Falls City Council to accept the Twin Falls County Canvassed election results for the November 4, 2025, election.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Council Member Stone moved to approve the request to accept the Twin Falls County Canvassed election results for the November 4, 2025, election. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

b) Request to approve an airport Airline Use & Lease Agreement with Breeze Airways and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

Airport Manager Bill Carberry requested to approve an airport Airline Use & Lease Agreement with Breeze Airways and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the request to approve an airport Airline Use & Lease Agreement with Breeze Airways and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. **Vice Mayor Brown** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

c) Request to approve an airport Air Carrier Incentive Program Agreement with Breeze Airways and authorize the Airport Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.
Airport Manager Carberry requested an airport Air Carrier Incentive Program Agreement with Breeze Airways and authorized the Airport Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to approve an airport Air Carrier Incentive Program Agreement with Breeze Airways and authorize the Airport Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

d) Request to award the **Wendell-Filer-Martin, 38 Lateral Project** to Extreme Excavation, Inc in the amount of $480,165 plus 20% for contingency for a total of $575,000.
Staff Engineer Stowe requested to award the Wendell-Filer-Martin, 38 Lateral Project to Extreme Excavation, Inc in the amount of $480,165 plus 20% for contingency for a total of $575,000.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to award the Wendell-Filer- Martin, 38 Lateral Project to Extreme Excavation, Inc in the amount of $480,165 plus 20% for contingency for a total of $575,000. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0**.**

e) Request to award the Grandview odor control station project to PMF Inc. in the amount of $429,227.70 and authorize an additional $106,063 for construction engineering/inspection support, new power service, and contingency.
Environmental Manager Erickson requested the Grandview odor control station project to PMF Inc. in the amount of $479,227.70 and authorize an additional $106,063 for construction engineering/inspection support, new power service, and contingency.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to award the Grandview odor control station project to PMF Inc. in the amount of $479,227.70 and authorize an additional $106,063 for construction engineering/inspection support, new power service, and contingency in the amount of $585,290.70 from wastewater reserves. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

f) A request to authorize up to $30,000 from water reserves to repair irrigation delivery pipeand structures on city property located at 3555 N 2900 E.
Assistant Public Works Director Steel requested to authorize up to $30,000 from water reserves to repair irrigation delivery pipe and structures on city property located at 3555 N 2900 E.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Cutler asked if we needed to address where the money came from.
Vice Mayor Brown stated that the farmer is on the canal board he will still be voting on this, no conflict of interest.

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the request to authorize up to $30,000 from water reserves to repair irrigation delivery pipes and structures on city property located at 3555 N 2900 E. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

g) Approve the reallocation of $47,000 appropriated in the FY 2026 budget for Harrison Pump Station A/C units to replace the A/C units at the Hankins Pump Station.

Water Supply Technician Foster requests to approve the reallocation of $47,000 appropriated in the FY 2026 budget for Harrison Pump Station A/C units to instead replace the A/C units at the Hankins Pump Station.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to approve the reallocation of $47,000 appropriated in the FY 2026 budget for Harrison Pump Station A/C units to replace the A/C units at Hankins Pump Station. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

h) Request to adopt ordinance #O-2025-025 for Zoning Development Agreement Amendment on property located at East Park Professional Subdivision NO. 3.

Senior Planner Klaver requested to adopt ordinance #O-2025-025 for the Zoning Development Agreement Amendment on property located at East Park Professional Subdivision NO. 3.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put Ordinance #O-2025-025 on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 5 to 0.

Mayor Pierce read Ordinance #2025-025 by title only.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to adopt ordinance #O-2025-025 for Zoning Development Agreement Amendment on property located at East Park Professional Subdivision NO. 3. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

i) Update and direction for the major design element of the Hansen Street - City Park Plaza Project.

Senior Planner Klaver gave an update and asked for direction for the major design element of the Hansen Street-City Park Plaza Project.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Mayor Pierce asked if there would still be access for emergency vehicles?
Vice Mayor Brown asked for clarification of what area of the street this would be and asked where the main entrance of the library would be.
Council Member Stone said he likes the design of this and, for the people that live around it that protects our children.
Council Member Cutler stated that members of the board have concerns about people loitering but that they like the concept of it.
City Manager Rothweiler stated to the Council to please look at the maintenance side of this and not just the picture.
Vice Mayor Brown stated to do more hard scaping instead of landscaping to make it more maintainable.
Council Member Cutler stated that CSI gets a lot of compliments about the landscaping and that the grounds keepers have a hard time keeping up, so minimize the landscaping.

City Council gave directions on what they wanted to see and how to move forward with this project.

j) Consider a request to allocate $13,460.59 in contingency funds to purchase underwater pool lights for the Twin Falls City Pool.

Aquatics Supervisor Pauley requested to allocate $13,460.59 in contingency funds to purchase underwater pool lights for the Twin Falls City Pool.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to allocate $13,460.59 in contingency funds to purchase underwater pool lights for the Twin Falls City Pool**. Council Member Stone**

seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

k) Request to authorize a one-time cash-out of employee compensatory time ("comp") banks to support compliance with the federal One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA) and the City's overtime reporting configuration changes.

City Manager Rothweiler requested to authorize a one-time cash-out of employee compensatory time ("comp") banks to support compliance with the federal One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA) and the City's overtime reporting configuration changes.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Cutler asked if this number is definite or is there going to be tweaking.
Mayor Pierce made a comment about why this is called the Accountants nightmare.
Council Member Stone asked if this will wipe the slate clean allowing us to start fresh.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to authorize a one-time cash-out of employee compensatory time ("comp") banks to support compliance with the federal One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA) and the City's overtime reporting configuration changes. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

l) Request to approve the Ordinance #O-2025-019 Franchise agreement with Intermountain Gas company.

City Manager Rothweiler requested to approve the Ordinance #O-2025-019 Franchise agreement with Intermountain Gas company.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put Ordinance #O-2025-019 on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 5 to 0.

Mayor Pierce read Ordinance #2025-019 by title only.

Discussion ensued on the following: none

MOTION: Council Member Stone moved to approve the request to approve the Ordinance #O-2025-019 Franchise agreement with Intermountain Gas company. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0.

6) General Public Input

7) Advisory Board Report/Announcements
City Manager Rothweiler stated that City Hall will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday and the following Friday. Stated that December 1st there will be no City Council. The annual light parade will be on December 5th and the City of Twin Falls hall will be closed on December 10th.

8) Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM

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Rachael Long, Deputy City Clerk

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