

MURRAY CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Tuesday, October 7, 2025
Murray City Hall, 10 East 4800 South, Council Chambers, Murray, Utah 84107

Attendance:

Council Members:

Paul Pickett	District #1
Pam Cotter	District #2 – Council Chair
Scott Goodman	District #3
Diane Turner	District #4
Adam Hock	District #5 – Council Vice Chair

Others:

Brett Hales	Mayor	Jennifer Kennedy	City Council Executive Director
Doug Hill	Chief Administrative Officer	Crystal Brown	Council Administrator
GL Critchfield	City Attorney	Bryce Garner	NeighborWorks Salt Lake
Kim Sorensen	Parks Director	Isaac Zenger	IT Support
Craig Burnett	Police Chief	Chad Wilkinson	Community and Economic Dev. Director
Brenda Moore	Finance Director	Erica Brown	Chief Communications Officer
Brooke Smith	City Recorder	Kathy Van Dame	Senior Center Advisory Board
Rob White	IT Director	Serra Nemelka	Rockworth Companies
Joey Mittelman	Fire Chief		
Citizens and Guests			

Call to Order: 6:30 p.m. – Council Member Hock

Approval of Minutes: Council Meeting, August 26, 2025 and Council Meeting, September 2, 2025.

MOTION: Ms. Cotter moved to approve both sets of minutes. Mr. Pickett seconded the motion.

Voice vote taken, all “Ayes.” Approved 5-0

Citizen Comments:

Ben Despain - Murray Resident

Mr. Despain expressed frustration with no longer being able to park in front of his home on Winchester Street as he had for 20 years. He described stress because of limited driveway space and the new bike lane that would no longer allow street parking. He explained the situation became more confusing after Ms. Cotter told him the violation was due to a new State law and to contact Senator Nate Blouin, who then said it was a City issue and he could do nothing.

Kathy Van Dame - Murray Resident

Ms. Van Dame was grateful to serve as an advisory board member for the last year. She said attendance rose to 3,700 in September and believed it was due to the wide diversity of programming and inexpensive meals offered. She expressed concern with increased traffic, lack of space and future overcrowding that would occur with more classes being added to the schedule, as well as maintenance challenges on the 46 year old building.

Special Recognition:

1. Consider a Joint Resolution of the Murray City Municipal Council and Mayor designating the week of October 5 – October 11, 2025 as Fire Prevention Week. Fire Marshall Jeff Puls read the joint resolution.

MOTION: Ms. Turner moved to approve the joint resolution. Mr. Goodman **SECONDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Pickett	Aye
Ms. Cotter	Aye

Mr. Goodman Aye
Ms. Turner Aye
Mr. Hock Aye
Motion passed: 5-0

Consent Agenda:

1. **Consider confirmation of the Mayor's reappointment of Dana Dmitrich to the History Advisory Board for a term beginning September 2025 to September 2028.** Mayor Hales introduced Ms. Dmitrich and requested her confirmation.
2. **Consider confirmation of the Mayor's reappointment of Arilyn Jensen to the History Advisory Board for a term beginning September 2025 to September 2028.** Mayor Hales requested the confirmation of Ms. Jensen.

MOTION: Mr. Pickett moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Goodman **SECONDDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Pickett Aye
Ms. Cotter Aye
Mr. Goodman Aye
Ms. Turner Aye
Mr. Hock Aye
Motion passed: 5-0

Business Items:

1. **Consider a resolution finding that developing a Station Area Plan for the portion of the East Atherton Station located within the boundaries of Murray City is impracticable.**
2. **Consider a resolution finding that developing a Station Area Plan for the portion of the Meadowbrook Station area located within the boundaries of Murray City is impracticable.**

Community and Economic Development Director Chad Wilkinson gave a presentation that included both proposals and reviewed about State law requiring cities to adopt a SAP (Station Area Plan) for areas within a quarter mile of a bus rapid transit station or a half mile of a fixed rail station. Mr. Wilkinson explained that sometimes a radius area included parcels of land owned by more than one city, which must be resolved for continued SAP planning and that Murray had two overlapping situations.

A map was shared confirming there was no potential for development on Murray owned parcels located in the Meadowbrook SAP radius in Millcreek City. A second map was shown reflecting there was no meaningful development possible on properties owned by the City within the East Atherton SAP located in Taylorsville. Mr. Wilkinson noted that the City was required to adopt resolutions stating that parcels were impractical for development and if approved they would be submitted to the Wasatch Regional Council who would need to concur with the findings.

Mr. Wilkison recommended approval for both resolutions stating that consideration for each resolution should be taken separately.

MOTION: Ms. Cotter moved to approve the resolution finding that developing a Station Area Plan for the portion of the **East Atherton Station** located within the boundaries of Murray City is impracticable. Mr. Pickett **SECONDDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Pickett Aye
Ms. Cotter Aye
Mr. Goodman Aye

Ms. Turner Aye
Mr. Hock Aye
Motion passed: 5-0

MOTION: Mr. Goodman moved to approve the resolution finding that developing a Station Area Plan for the portion of the **Meadowbrook Station** area located within the boundaries of Murray City is impracticable. Ms. Turner **SECONDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Pickett Aye
Ms. Cotter Aye
Mr. Goodman Aye
Ms. Turner Aye
Mr. Hock Aye
Motion passed: 5-0

3. Consider a resolution authorizing Murray City to enter into a Parking Agreement with Rockworth Companies for city employee parking spaces located at approximately 48 East 4800 South, Murray City, Salt Lake County, Utah. Mr. Wilkinson said the City was close to conveying the Block One property to Rockworth Companies as part of the approved Development Agreement. Rockworth would need to be the owner of the property before the Parking Agreement could be effectively executed. He explained that the conveyance process was pending due to a continued review by the title company which would be completed soon. The agreement was about the sharing of parking spaces between Rockworth and the City and at what time parking would be available for City business use. Ultimately both parties decided to allow the City to have 24 hour per day access, 7-days a week. Mr. Wilkinson recommended that the Council approve the resolution authorizing the City to enter into the Parking Agreement.

Mr. Hock asked if dedicated parking was also available for Murray residents or a non-employee attending a City Hall event after hours and if a gate would prevent non-city business users from access. Mr. Wilkinson said a security gate would allow access but it could be left open, the City would have use of the 32 stalls all day every day, but the City would decide who gets access to use them.

MOTION: Mr. Pickett moved to approve the resolution. Ms. Turner **SECONDED** the motion.

Council Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Pickett Aye
Ms. Cotter Aye
Mr. Goodman Aye
Ms. Turner Aye
Mr. Hock Aye
Motion passed: 5-0

Mayor's Report and Questions: Mayor Hales thanked various city department employees for acting quickly to help resolve a power outage that occurred when a vehicle struck a power pole near Winchester and 700 West.

Adjournment: 6:57 p.m.

Pattie Johnson
Council Office Administrator III