

1 Minutes of the Centerville **City Council** meeting held Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. with
2 participants present at Centerville City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

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4 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

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6 Mayor Clark Wilkinson

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8 Council Members Robyn Mecham
9 Brian Plummer
10 Cheylynn Hayman
11 Rick Bangerter
12 Gina Hirst

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14 **STAFF PRESENT**

15 Brant Hanson, City Manager
16 Lisa Romney, City Attorney
17 Nate Plaizier, Finance Director
18 Bryce King, Administrative Services Director
19 Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
20 Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
21 Mike Eggett, Community Development Director
22 Allen Ackerson, Chief of Police
23 Dave Walker, Deputy Public Works Director
24 Will Barnes, Centerville Police Department

25 **VISITORS**

Interested citizens

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27 **PRAYER OR THOUGHT**

Councilmember Cheylynn Hayman

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29 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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31 **OPEN SESSION**

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33 Lon Hazzard, Centerville resident, spoke about concerns related to Porter Lane and the
34 General Plan, noting that he had already provided the Council with a detailed written
35 submission. He expressed interest in bringing additional neighbors to a future discussion, and
36 Council members encouraged public participation, noting that further General Plan review was
37 expected to begin at an upcoming work session.

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39 Joey Wilson, Centerville resident and a resident of the Woods Park subdivision, described
40 an ongoing dispute over maintenance responsibility for a strip of land owned by UDOT between
41 his HOA's fence and the West Davis Corridor frontage road sidewalk. He stated that UDOT and
42 the city have each pointed to the other for responsibility and requested clarification, after which
43 the Council asked him to provide a map of the area for further review.

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45 **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC THAT THE CITY INTENDS TO STATE IN THE PUBLIC**
46 **MEETING THAT THE FY 2027 TENTATIVE BUDGET INCLUDES A PROPOSED PROPERTY**
47 **TAX INCREASE**

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49 The Mayor read into the record the required notice pursuant to Utah Code § 59-2-
50 919(4)(b)(ii), stating that the City is considering levying a tax rate that exceeds the city's certified
51 tax rate, and that the FY 2027 tentative budget includes a proposed property tax rate increase.
52 No vote was required on this item.
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1 **TAXING ENTITY STATEMENT IN THE PUBLIC MEETING THAT THE FY 2027**
2 **TENTATIVE BUDGET INCLUDES A PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE INCREASE**
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4 The Mayor read into the record the full taxing entity statement as required by Utah Code
5 § 59-2-919(4)(b)(i), including the five required bullet points:
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- 7 1. The city is considering a tax rate exceeding the certified rate;
- 8 2. The approximate additional ad valorem tax revenue to be generated is \$369,103;
- 9 3. The purpose of the additional revenue includes funding a new police officer position and
10 related costs, medical insurance increases, and the South Davis Metro Fire assessment
11 increase, as set forth in the city's proposed property tax impact schedule;
- 12 4. The approximate percentage increase in ad valorem tax revenue is 15.84%; and
- 13 5. If the city proceeds, a public hearing will be held as required by law.

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15 Councilmember Hirst **moved** to approve Resolution No. 2026-13 acknowledging
16 compliance with state law regarding the taxing entity statement. Councilmember Hayman
17 seconded the motion which passed (4-1) with Councilmember Bangerter dissenting.
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19 Councilmember Bangerter stated that while he supports some level of property tax
20 increase, he believed the 15.84% rate was too high and that targeted budget cuts could have
21 reduced the amount needed.
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23 **TAXING ENTITY PRESENTATION OF PROPERTY TAX IMPACT SCHEDULE**
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25 The Mayor presented the Property Tax Impact Schedule, as required by Utah Code §
26 59-2-924, detailing the proposed tax levy of 0.001390, the projected additional revenue of
27 \$369,103, and the three specific expenditures driving the increase: medical insurance increases
28 (\$83,401), a new police officer position (\$250,000), and the South Davis Metro Fire assessment
29 increase (\$35,702). Finance Director Nate Plaizier noted that the schedule was available in
30 printed form on the back table for members of the public.
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32 Councilmember Hayman **moved** to approve Resolution No. 2026-14. Councilmember
33 Hirst seconded the motion which passed (4-1) with Councilmember Bangerter dissenting for
34 reasons previously stated.
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36 **PUBLIC HEARING – EXECUTIVE MUNICIPAL OFFICERS COMPENSATION**
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38 Mr. Plaizier presented the proposed compensation adjustments for executive municipal
39 officers, consisting of a 2.9% COLA and a 0–5% merit increase, consistent with the city's broader
40 compensation plan. Staff confirmed that merit increases would be funded from the same
41 departmental 2% merit pools used for other employees. City Manager Brant Hanson noted that a
42 compensation study is planned in the coming year to evaluate the city's wage competitiveness,
43 and City Attorney Lisa Romney clarified that this hearing applied only to executive municipal
44 officers, with statutory officers addressed separately.
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46 Mayor Wilkinson opened a public hearing for this item. No comments were made, so he
47 closed the public hearing.
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49 No vote was required on this item.
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51 **PUBLIC HEARING – EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION SCHEDULE**
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1 Mr. Plaizier presented the updated employee compensation schedule, reflecting a 2.9%
2 upward shift of all salary ranges in accordance with the COLA methodology. Mr. Hanson
3 explained that the city shifts the entire pay scale with the COLA rather than holding ranges
4 stagnant, which prevents employees from topping out prematurely and helps maintain the target
5 of a 60th percentile market rate, to be validated by the upcoming compensation study.
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8 closed the public hearing.
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10 Councilmember Hayman **moved** to adopt Ordinance No. 2026-15 updating and adopting
11 the Centerville Employee Compensation Schedule. Councilmember Hirst seconded the motion
12 which passed (4-1) with Councilmember Bangerter dissenting.
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14 Councilmember Bangerter expressed that in a year when a 15% property tax increase is
15 being proposed, he believed a more conservative approach to compensation increases would be
16 more appropriate
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18 JUSTICE COURT JUDGE COMPENSATION

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20 Mr. Plaizier presented the annual justice court judge compensation item, explaining that
21 the State Administrative Office of the Courts establishes a recommended salary range based on
22 the court's workload relative to a full-time judge. Centerville's current workload was calculated at
23 22% of a full-time equivalent, resulting in a recommended range below the judge's current salary.
24 However, because the Utah Constitution prohibits reducing a sitting judge's compensation during
25 their term, staff recommended maintaining the current salary of \$61,170.75. Mr. Plaizier noted
26 that similar situations have occurred in prior years as workload levels have fluctuated, and Mr.
27 Hanson anticipated the workload percentage would increase in the following year based on recent
28 court activity.
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30 Councilmember Hirst **moved** to adopt Resolution No. 2026-15 fixing the compensation of
31 the Municipal Justice Court Judge of the Centerville City Justice Court. Councilmember Mecham
32 seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).
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34 PUBLIC HEARING – FY 2027 INTERIM BUDGET

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36 Mr. Plaizier reviewed changes made since adoption of the tentative budget four weeks
37 earlier. Revisions included reductions to training and education budgets in the Mayor and Council,
38 Administration, and Community Services departments, as well as the addition of a new restricted
39 revenue line item labeled "property tax increase" in the amount of \$369,103. Mr. Plaizier explained
40 that recent state legislation requires any anticipated revenue generated by a proposed property
41 tax increase to be placed in a restricted account until the tax rate is formally adopted. He also
42 outlined the remaining budget timeline, noting that the City must adopt an interim budget by June
43 30, will receive updated tax information from Davis County in mid-June, and must adopt a final
44 budget by September 1.
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46 Mr. Plaizier and Mr. Hanson further reported that a second budget open house would be
47 scheduled in August, after property tax notices are mailed, to provide residents additional
48 opportunities to review and discuss the proposed tax increase prior to the Truth in Taxation
49 hearing. During Council discussion, Mr. Hanson confirmed that if the property tax increase is
50 ultimately not adopted, the City would still need to address rising medical insurance and fire
51 assessment costs, likely through additional use of fund balance, while the proposed new police
52 officer position would remain discretionary. Staff also clarified that recruitment for the position
53 would not begin until the certified tax rate is established.

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2 Mayor Wilkinson opened a public hearing for this item. No comments were made, so he
3 closed the public hearing.
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5 Councilmember Hayman **moved** to approve Resolution No. 2026-16 adopting the FY
6 2027 Interim Budget. Councilmember Hirst seconded the motion which passed (4-1) with
7 Councilmember Bangerter dissenting.
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9 **SUMMARY ACTION**

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11 1. Bid Award – Lane Striping Project to RW Striping in the amount of \$35,100
12 2. Bid Award – Trip Hazard Grinding to Precision Concrete Cutting in the amount of \$45,000
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14 Councilmember Hirst **moved** to approve the summary action calendar as outlined above.
15 Councilmember Hayman seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).
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17 **MINUTES**

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19 Minutes from the May 19, 2026 Work Session and City Council meetings were reviewed.
20 Councilmember Plummer **moved** to approve the minutes with suggested changes.
21 Councilmember Mecham seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).
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23 **COUNCIL REPORT**

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25 • Councilmember Hirst reported on the South Davis Sewer Improvement District and
26 requested a council presentation from the district director on the north plant construction
27 project.
28 • Councilmember Hirst shared Parks and Recreation plans for America 250, including a July
29 4th time capsule, community art project, and the summer Movies in the Park series.
30 • Councilmember Hirst reported that the South Davis Recreation District has made its final
31 rec center bond payment and is beginning discussions on potential expansion; she also
32 suggested a presentation from the district director and exploring a free recreation center
33 day for Centerville residents.
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35 **MAYOR REPORT**

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37 • Mayor Wilkinson reported on the annual Chambers of Commerce mayoral luncheon,
38 where he joined other area mayors in sharing city updates and accomplishments.
39 • Mayor Wilkinson participated in the Memorial Day program at the South Davis Veterans
40 Memorial in Bountiful, honoring veterans from the five South Davis communities.
41 • Mayor Wilkinson reported on a Utah League of Cities and Towns Legislative Policy
42 Committee meeting, highlighting discussion of legislative priorities and a proposed
43 advisory group on billboard relocation, for which he expressed interest in serving due to
44 Centerville's involvement in the issue.
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46 **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

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48 • City Manager Brant Hanson reported that the contractor for the Main Street waterline
49 project will remove equipment from the Fourth of July parade route area in advance of the
50 parade.
51 • City Manager Brant Hanson shared that in light of legislative interest in eliminating
52 property tax, he has been analyzing the potential impacts of such action to Centerville,
53 noting that the loss of approximately \$2.7 million in revenue would require significant

1 service reductions and alternative funding mechanisms. He emphasized that while
2 property tax policy raises legitimate concerns, eliminating the tax would be particularly
3 challenging for built-out communities like Centerville with limited opportunities for sales
4 tax growth.

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6 **ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSED SESSION**

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8 At 8:43 pm, Councilmember Hayman **moved** to enter a closed session to discuss pending
9 or reasonably imminent litigation and/or to discuss attorney-client matters that are privileged
10 pursuant to Utah Code § 78B-1-137 with no intent to return to an open meeting. Councilmember
11 Hirst seconded the motion with passed unanimously (5-0). In attendance at the closed session:
12 Mayor Clark Wilkinson; Councilmembers Cheylynn Hayman, Gina Hirst, Robyn Mecham, Brian
13 Plummer, and Rick Bangerter; City Manager Brant Hanson; City Attorney Lisa Romeny; City
14 Recorder Jennifer Robison.

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Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

06/16/2026

Date Approved

