

Minutes of the Centerville **City Council** meeting held Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
with participants present at Centerville City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Clark Wilkinson

Council Members Robyn Mecham
Brian Plummer
Cheylynn Hayman
Rick Bangerter
Gina Hirst

STAFF PRESENT

Brant Hanson, City Manager
Lisa Romney, City Attorney
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder
Nate Plaizier, Finance Director
Bryce King, Administrative Services Director
Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
Mike Eggett, Community Development Director
Allen Ackerson, Chief of Police
Louisa McDonald, Emergency Management

VISITORS

Interested citizens

PRAYER OR THOUGHT

Councilmember Robyn Mecham

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN SESSION

Joey Wilson, Centerville resident, followed up on concerns regarding a UDOT-owned parcel near the Woods Park neighborhood, requesting an update after not receiving a response. City staff said they were working with UDOT to resolve the maintenance responsibility and had paused additional property acquisitions until the issue was addressed. Mr. Wilson also raised concerns about fire hazards and obstructed sight lines from the overgrown area and requested temporary cleanup.

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Mayor announced that Centerville City had received the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 26th consecutive year. Finance Director Nate recognized the contributions of Finance Department staff and the City as a whole in preparing the report. The Council expressed appreciation and congratulated the department.

PUBLIC HEARING – CENTERVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE AND CENTERVILLE ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS TO RENAME THE LANDMARKS COMMISSION AS THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AND TO APPOINT WHITAKER MUSEUM BOARD MEMBERS TO ACT AS HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEMBERS

City Attorney Lisa Romney presented code amendments which would rename the Landmarks Commission as the Historic Preservation Commission and provide for Whitaker

1 Museum Board members to simultaneously serve as Historic Preservation Commission
2 members. Ms. Romney explained that the two bodies would remain legally distinct and would
3 meet separately with separate agendas, minutes, and recordings. Council discussion focused
4 on maintaining that separation and ensuring compliance with open meetings requirements. Ms.
5 Romney agreed to provide training and coordinate with Community Development staff regarding
6 the Historic Preservation Commission's duties. The Council also discussed residency
7 requirements for Whitaker Museum Board members and reached general consensus that the
8 existing appointment process provided adequate oversight.
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10 Mayor Wilkinson opened a public hearing for this item. No comments were made, so he
11 closed the public hearing.
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13 Councilmember Bangerter **moved** to approve proposed Centerville Municipal Code and
14 Centerville Zoning Code Amendments to rename the Landmarks Commission as the Historic
15 Preservation Commission and to appoint Whitaker Museum Board Members to act as Historic
16 Preservation Commission Members and approve Ordinance No. 2026-10 and Ordinance No.
17 2026-11. Councilmember Mecham seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).
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19 **PUBLIC HEARING – CENTERVILLE FEE SCHEDULE AMENDMENTS – FIELD USE**
20 **FEES**
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22 This item was postponed to a future meeting.
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24 **CENTERVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS – CITIZEN CORPS COMMITTEE**
25 **– CMC 3.03.100**
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27 Lisa McDonald, the City's liaison to the Centerville Citizen Corps Council (CCC),
28 presented Ordinance No. 2026-16, which would formally establish the CCC as an official City
29 committee. Ms. McDonald explained that the CCC had been established in 2008 to bring
30 community leaders and City emergency management together to prepare for and respond to
31 disasters and emergencies, but had never been formally codified. The proposed ordinance
32 would establish the Citizen Corps Committee under the Municipal Code, with members
33 appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council. Ms. McDonald explained that the
34 change would also broaden participation beyond the existing LDS stake-based structure while
35 continuing to encourage participation from stake representatives. Ms. Romney noted that
36 formalizing the committee would also address a prior audit finding regarding the CCC's status
37 as a hybrid entity and bring it into compliance with GASB 84 requirements.
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39 Council discussion focused on maintaining the CCC's effective district and block captain
40 communication network while expanding community participation. Police Chief Allen Ackerson
41 confirmed that block captains already represented residents throughout the community
42 regardless of faith affiliation and that stake representatives would continue to be encouraged to
43 participate. The Council also discussed committee structure and agreed to amend the proposed
44 member terms from two years to three years, consistent with other City committees, with
45 staggered initial appointments. The committee would consist of five to eleven members to allow
46 for diverse areas of expertise. Chief Ackerson further explained that virtual attendance could be
47 accommodated on a case-by-case basis, but that in-person participation would remain the
48 preferred approach to support relationship-building.
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50 Councilmember Bangerter **moved** to approve Ordinance No. 2026-16 enacting Section
51 3.03.100 of the Centerville Municipal Code to create the Citizen Corps Committee with the
52 amendment that appointment terms be three years. Councilmember Hirst seconded the motion
53 which passed unanimously (5-0).

CENTERVILLE PERSONNEL POLICIES AMENDMENTS – DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY AMENDMENTS

Ms. Romney presented amendments to the Centerville Personnel Policies regarding the City's Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy, CPP 9.010. She explained that the amendments originated with a request to formally designate safety-sensitive positions subject to random drug and alcohol testing but expanded into a comprehensive review of applicable state and federal requirements. The amendments would designate safety-sensitive positions, including custodians in anticipation of potential future direct employment; replace "saliva" with "oral fluid" consistent with HB 236; revise cost-sharing for second-sample urine testing; require the City to provide transportation to testing sites; and address lawful and unlawful prescription drug use, medical marijuana, and federal drug-free workplace requirements.

Councilmember Hayman raised concerns regarding employees disclosing prescription drug information directly to the City and recommended that such information instead be provided to a Medical Review Officer (MRO) to protect employee health information. Ms. Romney agreed and reported that staff was working with the City's testing provider to ensure appropriate MRO procedures and consent forms were used. The Council also discussed the challenges of testing for medical marijuana, as current testing could not distinguish between recent use and residual metabolites. Ms. Romney noted that additional guidance regarding disciplinary responses to positive marijuana tests might be needed. In response to a questions from Councilmember Bangerter, Ms. Romney confirmed that elected officials, including City Councilmembers, were not employees and therefore were not subject to the policy.

Councilmember Hayman **moved** to approve Resolution No. 2026-22 amending Section 9.010 (Drug and Alcohol Testing) of the Centerville Personnel Policies regarding drug and alcohol testing to comply with State law amendments and to designate safety-sensitive positions subject to random drug and alcohol testing. Councilmember Plummer seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).

5TH 5TH SALES TAX OPTION

City Manager Brant Hanson provided background on the 0.2% local sales tax option established by the State Legislature to generate revenue for transportation-related projects. He explained that 0.05% would be distributed directly to cities, 0.10% would be allocated at the discretion of the county legislative body for transportation purposes, and 0.05% would be retained by the county. The tax could be imposed through September 30, 2029, with collection beginning October 1, 2026, and Davis County was required to decide whether to participate by October 1, 2026. Mr. Hanson reported that the Davis County Commission was divided on the issue and that Commissioner Stevenson had requested letters of support from cities. The proposed letter before the Council was modeled after Farmington's letter, and the City could receive an estimated \$236,000 to \$238,000 annually from the direct allocation.

The Council expressed broad support for the tax, noting that it was consumption-based rather than a property tax and that Centerville residents currently contributed to transportation funding in neighboring counties through purchases made outside Davis County. Councilmembers also noted that the three-year duration provided a natural limitation on the tax. The Mayor expressed support while cautioning against transportation funding being directed toward development-related projects, and Councilmember Mecham emphasized that approval should not be viewed as justification for additional road-related funding requests. The Council generally agreed that the Davis County Commission should exercise its legislative authority to adopt the tax rather than placing the matter on the ballot.

Councilmember Hirst **moved** to send a letter to the Davis County Commission in support of the local option sales tax, to be signed by the Mayor. Councilmember Hayman seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).

**DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES GRANT FOR TRANSPARENT WATER BILLING
AND COMMUNITY COMMUNICATION PLATFORM WITH YOPPIFY**

Administrative Services Director Bryce King presented a grant opportunity from the Division of Water Resources to fund approximately half the cost of implementing the Yoppify community communication platform over three years, with an estimated City contribution of \$5,000. He explained that the platform would integrate with the City's website and allow staff to send targeted, geo-fenced notifications to residents by text, email, or postcard, while also providing tools for updating contact information, submitting requests, receiving event notifications, and accessing an AI-assisted chatbot. Staff noted that the platform would be used by multiple departments and that residents would opt in to the contact database through newsletters, events, and other outreach.

Councilmember Bangerter raised concerns regarding the privacy and security of resident information maintained by a third party. Mr. Hanson acknowledged the privacy considerations, and Ms. Romney noted the City's obligations under the Data Privacy Act, including notification and data protection requirements. The Council generally supported proceeding with the platform provided appropriate safeguards and opt-in procedures were followed. Councilmember Bangerter requested periodic reports on opt-in rates and the platform's effectiveness to assist the Council in determining whether to continue the service after the grant period.

Councilmember Bangerter **moved** to approve the Division of Water Resources Grant for Transparent Water Billing and Community Communication platform with Yoppify. Councilmember Hayman seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).

SUMMARY ACTION

1. Purchase of Community Park Pre-Fabricated Restroom from CXL in the amount of \$102,819.00
2. Purchase of Emergency Responder Radio Communications System for City Hall in the amount of \$48,837

Councilmember Hirst **moved** to approve the summary action calendar as outlined above. Councilmember Mecham seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).

MINUTES

Minutes from the August 4, 2026 City Council meeting were reviewed. Councilmember Mecham **moved** to approve the minutes as written. Councilmember Hayman seconded the motion which passed unanimously (5-0).

COUNCIL REPORT

- Councilmember Hayman reported that construction of the new mosquito abatement building is ongoing and routine mosquito control operations continue.
- Councilmember Hayman noted that Utah recorded its earliest-ever detection of West Nile virus this year in June, attributed in part to warmer weather trends.

- Councilmember Hayman reported that the Council feedback on the pump track project will be used by the Trails Committee to reevaluate potential locations.

MAYOR REPORT

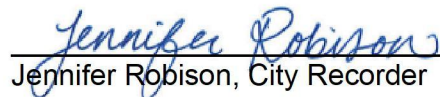
- Mayor Wilkinson thanked Mayor Pro Tem Mecham for serving in his absence, including attending a fire board meeting on his behalf, and noted upcoming fire board meetings.
- Mayor Wilkinson shared reflections from his overseas travel, emphasizing the importance of international relationships and allied cooperation.
- Mayor Wilkinson reminded the Council of upcoming community and legislative events, including the August 25 Truth in Taxation hearing at 6:00 PM.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

- City Manager Brant Hanson announced that Chief Jeff Larson was officially sworn in as Fire Chief after previously serving in an acting capacity.

ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSED SESSION

At 9:28 pm, Councilmember Hayman **moved** to enter a closed session to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property with no intent to return to an open meeting. Councilmember Mecham seconded the motion with passed unanimously (5-0). In attendance at the closed session: Mayor Clark Wilkinson; Councilmembers Gina Hirst, Robyn Mecham, Brian Plummer, and Rick Bangerter; City Manager Brant Hanson; City Attorney Lisa Romeny; City Recorder Jennifer Robison.


Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

09/01/2026
Date Approved

