Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, November 17, 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.

Absent: Council Member Grayson Stone.

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Managers Mitch Humble & Gretchen Scott, City Attorney Bruce Castleton, City Clerk Amy Luna, Deputy City Clerk Rachael Long, Public Works Director Josh Baird, MVMPO Director Nathan Jerke, Assistant to the City Manager Mandi Thompson, Staff Engineer Trenton Essex, Parks and Recreation Director Wendy Davis, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Nicole Swafford, Police Chief Matt Hicks, Fire Chief Mitchell Brooks, Planning & Zoning Director Spendlove.

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

a) Native American Heritage Recognition Month

Mayor Pierce read and presented the ***Native America Heritage Recognition*** Proclamation.

4) Consent Calendar

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

a) Request to approve City Council 2025 November 3, minutes.
b) Request to approve Accounts payable Oct 30-Nov 5, 2025.
c) Request to approve airport ground lease termination agreements with Reeder Flying Service and Reeder Airport Properties and approve new lease agreements with Reeder Jet Center, and Reeder Flying Service.
d) Request to approve an airport Assignment of Ground Lease Agreement from the Estate of Gary Wolverton Sr. to Gary Wolverton Jr.
e) Request to accept the Improvement Agreement for the purpose of developing **Two Creeks No. 1 at the Preserve** public infrastructure for a future subdivision**.**
f) Consideration of a request to accept public right-of-way.
g) Authorization for payment of the fiscal year 2026 Traveler's Insurance premium.

5) Items of Consideration

a) MVMPO and Long-Range Planning Update

MVMPO Executive Director Jerke gave a presentation with updates for long-range planning.

Mayor Pierce thanked Director Jerke for his presentation.

b) Request for the Council to consider authorizing the use of Water Reserves in the amount of $2,980,000 for the Well #5 project and award the construction contract to Suburban Construction in the amount of $2,395,826.

Staff Engineer Essex requested the Council to consider authorizing the use of Water Reserves in the amount of $2,980,000 for the Well #5 project and award the construction contract to Suburban Construction in the amount of $2,395,826.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Vice Mayor Brown: Asked for some clarification on fencing.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to consider authorizing the use of water reserves in the amount of $2,980,000 for the Well #5 project and award the construction contract to Suburban Construction in the amount of $2,395,826 with option A**. Council Member Reed** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

c) Request to enter negotiations with Starr Corp. for CM/GC services for the expansion of the animal shelter.

Assistant to the City Manager, Thompson, requested to enter negotiations with Starr Corp. for CM/GC services for the expansion of the animal shelter.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to enter negotiations with Starr Corp. for CM/GC services for the expansion of the animal shelter**. Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 0 with 1 abstention.

d) Consider a request to approve a Concession Agreement with Travis Hofland Golf, LLC to operate and manage the Twin Falls Golf Club and authorize the mayor to sign the Agreement.

Parks and Recreation Director Davis requested to approve a Concession Agreement with Travis Hofland Golf LLC to operate and manage the Twin Falls Golf Club and authorize the mayor to sign the Agreement.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Vollmer moved to approve the request to approve a Concession Agreement with Travis Hofland Golf, LLC to operate and manage the Twin Falls Golf Club 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, 6 to 0.

e) A request to amend City Code 6-2-7 with the addition of subsection B by adopting ***Ordinance No. 2025-026***.

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Swafford requested to amend City Code 6-2-7 with the addition of subsection B by adopting ***Ordinance No. 2025-026***.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Cutler: Asked for clarification.
Council Member Reid: Asked for more clarification on reasonable suspicion. Asked what concerns there might be with approving this ordinance.

MOTION: Council Member Reid made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put ***Ordinance No. 2025-026*** on third and final reading by title only. **Vice Mayor Brown** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

Mayor Pierce read ***Ordinance No. 2025-026*** by title only.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to amend City Code 6-2-7 with the addition of subsection B by adopting ***Ordinance No. 2025-026***. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

f) Consider a request to adopt Ordinance 0-2025-027 amending City Code Title 8, Chapter3 regarding Public Parks.

Parks and Recreation Director Davis requested to adopt ***Ordinance No. 2025-027*** amending City Code Title 8, Chapter 3 regarding Public Parks.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Reid made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put ***Ordinance No. 2025-027*** on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Vollmer s**econded the motion. The Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

Mayor Pierce read ***Ordinance No. 2025-027*** by title only.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to adopt ***Ordinance No. 2025- 027*** amending City Code Title 8, Chapter 3 regarding Public Parks. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

6) General Public Input

7) Advisory Board Report/Announcements

Mayor Pierce spoke about a grant from the C Graves Foundation for 4 sets of Flashing intersection beacons. Also reminded everyone that the Annual Festival Light Parade will be held on December 5, 2025.

City Manager Rothweiler will be hosting two strategic planning listening sessions. Both will be held on December 11, 2025, with the first one being held at CSI from 2:30-4:30 and the secondwill be from 6:00-8:00 at the First Federal Community Room.

8) Public Hearings

a) Request to vacate a platted waterline easement within the Sun West Subdivision No. 2; located at 1594 Sun West Way. c/o EHM Engineers, Inc on behalf of MW Idaho PropertiesLLC (PZ25-0110).

P&Z Director Spendlove requested to vacate a platted waterline easement within the Sun West Subdivision No. 2, located at 1594 Sun West Way. c/o EHM Engineers, Inc on behalf of MW Idaho Properties LLC (PZ25-0110).

The applicant's representative, Gerald Martins, spoke about the request.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

Public Hearing Opened: 5:52 pm
Public Hearing Closed: 5:53 pm

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to vacate a platted waterline easement within the Sun West Subdivision No. 2; located at 1594 Sun West Way. c/o EHM Engineers, Inc on behalf of MW Idaho Properties LLC (PZ25-0110). **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

9) Adjournment

Amy Luna

Amy Luna, City Clerk

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