Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, October 26, 2026, 5:00 PM

203 Main Ave E.
Twin Falls, ID 83301

1) Call Meeting to Order/Confirmation of Quorum

Present: Mayor Jason Brown, Vice Mayor Craig Hawkins, Council Members Ruth Pierce, Christopher Reid, Nathan Murray, & Cherie Vollmer

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, City Attorney Bruce Castleton, City Clerk Amy Luna, Police Captain Brent Wright & Terry Thuesen, Fire Chief Mitchell Brooks, Deputy Fire Chief Shane Smith, Fire Marshall Gabriel Hammet, Airport Manager Matt Barnes, Deputy Public Works Director Erin Steel, Public Information Coordinator Joshua Palmer, Assistant to the City Manager Mandi Thompson, Parks & Recreation Director Wendy Davis, Utility Services Director Chelsea Ross, Brettrick Barker.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Brown invited all present, who wished, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) Proclamations

a) Breast Cancer Awareness
Mayor Brown read and presented the Breast Cancer Awareness Proclamation.

b) Bickel Elementary Dual Immersion School Day
Mayor Brown read and presented the Bickel Elementary Dual Immersion School Day Proclamation.

4) Consent Calendar

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Pierce** 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 2026 October 19, Special Meeting Minutes.
b) Request to approve City Council 2026 October 19, Minutes.
c) Request to approve Accounts Payable for October 15-21, 2026.
d) Request to approve September 21, 2026, Travel Requests.
e) A request to approve an out-of-city service agreement with the Boot Check Sports Ranch for their property located at 3477 North, 2900 East.
f) Request City Council to approve the Special Event Permit for the organizers of the US Capitol Christmas Tree Whistle Stop Tour.

5) Items of Consideration

a) Request to approve the 10-year sanitation contract with PSI and authorize the mayor to sign.

Utility Services Supervisor Ross requested to approve the 10-year sanitation contract with PSI and authorize the mayor to sign.

Discussion ensued with the following:
Mayor Brown: Spoke in favor of this motion.
Council Member Pierce: Asked for clarification.

MOTION: Council Member Pierce moved to approve the request to enter into a 10-year sanitation contract with PSI and authorize the mayor to sign with the unlimited option. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

b) Request for the City Council to approve entering negotiations with CORE Construction for the CM/GC services on the demolition and remediation of the Old Clinic building.

Assistant to the City Manager Thompson requested the City Council to approve entering negotiations with CORE Construction for the CM/GC services on the demolition and remediation of the Old Clinic building.

Discussion ensued with the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Vollmer moved to approve the request to enter negotiations with CORE Construction for the CM/GC services on the demolition and remediation of the Old Clinic building. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

c) Request authorization to use up to **$839,445** of Water Fund reserves (total bid plus 10 percent contingency) to pay for street and stormwater improvements associated with the HMI remediation project.

Assistant Public Works Director Steel requested authorization to use up to **$839,445** of Water Fund reserves (total bid plus 10 percent contingency) to pay for street and stormwater improvements associated with the HMI remediation project.

Discussion ensued with the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to use up to $839,445 of Water Fund reserves (total bid plus 10 percent contingency) to pay for street and stormwater improvements associated with the HMI remediation project. **Council Member Pierce** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

d) Approval of Resolution 2026-007, A Resolution by the Mayor and Council of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho expressing support for the LA28 Olympic Torch Relay.

City Manager Rothweiler requested approval of Resolution 2026-007, A Resolution by the Mayor and Council of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho expressing support for the LA28 Olympic Torch Relay.

Discussion ensued with the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Pierce moved to approve Resolution 2026-007, A Resolution by the Mayor and Council of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho expressing support for the LA28 Olympic Torch Relay. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

e) Adoption of the City of Twin Falls's 2040 Strategic Plan

City Manager Rothweiler requested adoption of the City of Twin Falls's 2040 Strategic plan.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Pierce: Thanked staff for all their work.
Council Member Reid: Thanked staff for all their work.

MOTION: Council Member Pierce moved to approve the request to adopt the City of Twin Falls's 2040 Strategic Plan**.** **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

6) General Public Input

Maria Hernandez spoke about the Voices against Violence vigil that was held on October 21, 2026.

7) Advisory Board Report/Announcements

City Manager Rothweiler shared that the council member candidates will speak at the next meeting and that Nova will be in town again this week.
Mayor Brown spoke about park dedication & voting.

8) Executive Session

a) Request to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications ofand legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

MOTION: Council Member Pierce moved to adjourn to Executive Session 74206(1)(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

9) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 06:00 PM.

Amy Luna

Amy Luna, City Clerk

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