

FARMINGTON CITY – CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

May 21, 2024

WORK SESSION

Present:

*City Manager Brigham Mellor,
Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember Alex
Leeman,
Councilmember Roger Child,
Councilmember Melissa Layton,
Councilmember Amy Shumway,
City Attorney Paul Roberts,
City Recorder DeAnn Carlile,*

*Recording Secretary Deanne Chaston,
Finance Director Greg Davis,
City Parks and Recreation Director Colby
Thackeray,
Planning and GIS Specialist Shannon
Hansell, and
Police Chief Eric Johnsen.*

City Manager **Brigham Mellor** called the work session to order at 5:04 p.m. Mayor **Brett Anderson** and Councilmember **Scott Isaacson** were excused.

BUDGET PRESENTATIONS AND DELIBERATION

Finance Director **Greg Davis** presented the proposed tentative budget. The main sources of money in the General Fund are sales and property tax, as well as other fees. It is not intended for Farmington to make a profit, but just to make enough cash flow to cover expenses. There are several operating budgets for different departments within the General Fund. Debt service funds include general obligation bonds. The proposed budget contemplates an increase in property tax for the General Fund to fund general services (such as maintenance, police, and fire) that residents aren't charged for. Business funds (such as water, sewer, and recreation) can't be used to bail out the General Fund. Usually the General Fund helps subsidize funds such as recreation.

Mellor said water fees can't be used for things like road maintenance, snow plowing, and pothole filling. The water fund will fund some wage increases including 2.5% Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) and 2.5% merit increases. Every enterprise fund is usually subsidized by the General fund.

Mellor said that at their last meeting, the City Council tentatively approved a 15% tax increase to address the budget for this upcoming year. However, that may be raised to 27%, as will be discussed tonight. That would be a \$6 to \$11 increase a month for the average Farmington home owner. The difference between 15% or 27% will be police wages. Farmington would like to be the fourth highest city in Davis County in regards to police wages. This could be contingent on what happens with budgets in other cities across the County. In order to prepare the budget for June 18, 2024, Staff needs Council direction tonight. The budget will not be finalized until the August 20, 2024, Truth in Taxation meeting.

Because the fiscal year starts July 1, 2024, but the budget is not finalized until August 20, 2024, the City may have to temporarily hold off on raises. If raises happen effective July 1, 2024, the City may have to dip into fund balances or cut future expenses. The Council may receive public commentary August 20, 2024, that sways their decision.

Parks and Recreation Fund

City Parks and Recreation Director **Colby Thackeray** said he was tasked with cutting ongoing budgets. It was a good exercise to tighten the budget. His budget proposes 110 to 112 full-time employees. There are a couple of employee reclassifications in the budget. Farmington is a place the employees want to be, and many have come from Syracuse and Kaysville.

The budget includes new cameras at the regional park, as the ones there are useless because they only produce choppy footage for police use. He requested new forestry tools and a boom truck.

The Recreation Fund budget includes \$12,000 in revenue from advertisers and sponsorships, and that will likely be a low figure. **Thackeray** is excited about those revenues. Farmington will also start doing its own concessions, which should profit the City \$300 to \$400 each day it is open.

Police Department Fund

Police Chief **Eric Johnsen** said his budget includes a \$5,000 investigation software subscription renewal that integrates with a new Crime Tracer system being used statewide. The budget also includes confidential mental health services provided by therapists who were formerly involved in law enforcement. The mental health grant will be split between the City's police and fire departments.

His \$10,000 training budget increase would cover a chief conference. Practice is to take the best police officers and promote them to sergeants, at which time their training ceases. However, the patrol officers continue to get training. In this system, sergeants lack refined leadership training. **Johnsen** wants to make sure his sergeants get trained, and the budget includes sending Farmington sergeants to a three-part FBI leadership training. It would cost \$900 per sergeant.

The budget also includes a radar trailer, which is put out upon requests that are complaint-driven. Its visibility helps slow down traffic and also provides data. The Police Department is asking for the budget to replace six laptops, renew an antivirus license, and upgrade gym equipment including a treadmill and rowing machine.

Farmington's starting police wage is \$25.95 an hour, \$1.37 an hour under the County average, and \$4.18 lower than **Johnsen's** target. Centerville pays police well, and Clearfield is the County's lowest at \$26.57 an hour. The Syracuse City Council strives to be in the top three cities in Davis County regarding police pay. **Johnsen** doesn't want to rely on subpar police officers, and believes Farmington deserves the best of the best. Farmington has a unique demand for its officers with Lagoon, the County Jail, Station Park, and the canyon. The future County Western Sports Park (WSP) could likewise add strain to Farmington's police force.

Councilmember **Alex Leeman** said last year, after dealing with inquisitive residents who threw different statistics at him, he has decided that response times are a much better metric of Farmington's police service level. Two to four minutes of response time can make a difference. If there is a school shooting at the local high school, that is not the time to think about response times or if the responding officers are rookies or officers with a decade of experience.

Johnsen said he knows his department is the most expensive in the City, but he wants the caliber of officers to be what is expected. He wants responding officers to be those who can control a room with confidence and do his or her job effectively.

Councilmember **Roger Child** said there are a lot of freeways leaking into Farmington, and those provide a lot of ways in and out. **Johnsen** said those coming into and out of the City are the problems, and the department has to deal with a lot of drunk drivers.

Councilmember **Amy Shumway** said this is the first time in recent memory that the Council has had to squeeze everything in the budget. **Davis** agreed, saying in prior years the budget has accommodated a lot more requests. There has been a contraction of sales tax at the same time wages need increased.

Mellor said Farmington will just be buying time, because the requests for things cut in this budget will come back. Sales taxes could increase because there is a new ride opening at Lagoon. The WSP, with a projected spring 2025 opening, may also bring in more sales tax. He said each department prioritized their budget requests A through D, and only a few A items were cut.

Mellor advised the Council to keep the property tax increase narrative with residents as simple as possible. Last year's increase was to make sure the Police Department was fully staffed each night. Now Farmington needs to pay them so the City is not understaffed or constantly replacing officers. The 15% property tax increase would cover 5% which includes merit and COLA increases. If the Council chose to increase property taxes by 27%, the difference between 15% and 27% would be fully attributable to police wages, vehicles, and equipment.

City Attorney **Paul Roberts** said since a 27% increase in property taxes sounds scary, it is better to put it into dollar amounts. It is more palatable to say it is a \$11 a month increase. **Mellor** said Farmington's portion is only 3% of the entire property tax bill that a resident gets each year. He will send a draft of a property tax newsletter article out to all councilmembers for their input. The objective is to have stable revenue pay for police and fire. While the City can put off hiring seasonal employees and mowing lawns, they can't put off funding police and fire.

Tying the funding of police and fire to sales tax or building permit revenues would be unwise. The only building permits being pulled are the townhomes. **Mellor** recently met with the Boyer Company and a representative of the Evans family, who are optimistic they will make something happen. However, the timing is up in the air. There are examples of office buildings (such as Novell) being torn down in the State in order to make way for more apartments. Class A offices must be a show piece on Farmington sites in order to stay in demand. Other office projects built in the 1980s, 90s, or earlier are not filling needs anymore, especially if they are not on prime roads with great visibility.

Child said housing affordability in Utah is the worst it has ever been. The average home is eight times the average salary, which is off the charts. It is going to be an interesting election year that could produce an unstable environment. He said things won't get less difficult, as housing affordability is forcing people onto the streets and the population is becoming desperate. **Mellor** said that a high rise apartment complex in Salt Lake City currently under construction is going for \$900,000 a door in construction costs alone.

Councilmember **Melissa Layton** said she is happy to take heat from residents who are against an increase in police wages. Police officer pay should reflect what they are being asked to do, which is putting their lives on the line every day.

Leeman said he would like to go with the 27% increase instead of the 15% increase, even though it may be difficult. Although he is worried about how stretched everyone's budgets are, it is the right decision. Farmington is in a never-ending arms race that can't be solved but that they have to keep up with. There are not enough police officers coming out the academy anymore.

Mayor **Brett Anderson** joined the work session at 6:46 p.m.

Child said Farmington's Police Department is not deep enough to hire rookies before they go to the academy for training. It takes time to raise cops to that level, and Farmington now needs to compete with other cities to keep up. The City needs better wages to do that.

Shumway said even with a 5% wage increase, Farmington's police will still be at the bottom of the County's pay schedule. Farmington needs to do this big of a jump now in order to get ahead of others, then do smaller increases annually going forward.

Child said Farmington could do what Syracuse has done and commit to being in the top three of the County. That type of commitment says something to the police, even though it may bind a future Council.

Mellor said there is a difference between a 15% tax increase discussed, and a 27% increase needed for police wages. If Farmington expects the best caliber of police, pay has to be increased and residents' taxes may have to increase 27%. There is a nationwide shift in how police officers are treated, with their wages on a sharp increase. However, fire fighters' wages have not kept pace with police officers'. He reminded the Council that the City is self-insured, and if police officers "screw up," it would ultimately cost Farmington. **Thackeray** said that the recent active shooting incident opened people's eyes to the importance of police in Farmington.

Johnson said Farmington could lose three officers in the near future. Farmington was once at the bottom. If the City doesn't constantly look at where police wages rank, the City may have to catch up, which is not fun. He said he has two officers who are the grave shift being paid overtime. Farmington has a new officer coming from Ogden City who will serve as a Farmington detective. The City's detectives are worn out from the enormous caseloads and required overtime.

DISCUSSION OF REGULAR SESSION ITEMS UPON REQUEST

Planning and GIS Specialist **Shannon Hansell** addressed the text amendment regarding the fencing of recreational pools. Farmington's current ordinance calls for a 6-foot tall fence around all pools. However, the updated building code standard calls for either a locking pool cover or a 4-foot fence. The building permit technician said Farmington residents are not getting their final inspections on their pools. Despite a recent change in building code standards, some Planning Commissioners want a fence anyway for safety. **Mellor** said fences around private pools are required by some insurance carriers.

Child said there are certain conditions where a 6-foot fence doesn't make sense. It should be adaptable to the site conditions and situation, and common sense has to kick in at some point. Some glass pool covers are 2 to 3 feet above the water level and are retractable in the summer. **Roberts** said he is surprised with the change, because the international building code is known for being cautious, conservative, and designing for safety. **Mayor Anderson** said new pool covers can be walked and slept on, unlike ones from the past.

REGULAR SESSION

Present:

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Councilmember Roger Child,
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Councilmember Amy Shumway,
City Attorney Paul Roberts,
City Recorder DeAnn Carlile,*

*Recording Secretary Deanne Chaston,
Fire Chief Rich Love,
City Planner/GIS Specialist Shannon
Hansell,
Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Chad
Boshell, and
City Parks and Recreation Director Colby
Thackeray.*

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor **Brett Anderson** called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Councilmember **Scott Isaacson** was excused.

Roll Call (Opening Comments/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance)

Councilmember **Alex Leeman** offered the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember **Roger Child**.

PRESENTATION:

Junior Jazz Award Presentation

Recreation/Gym Manager **Linda Weeks** presented this agenda item, recognizing **Nate Martinez** for his 18 years of commitment to the Junior Jazz program. He has coached for flag football and basketball and has been very involved. Junior Jazz is now in its 42nd season. Over 2 million children have gone through the program in that time, and the Junior Jazz is now seeing its third generation of participants.

Four to five years ago, the State Junior Jazz started recognizing one of their 110 different programs each season. Programs can apply for a grant to be recognized. The application asks why they should be the Junior Jazz program of the year, and the organizers look for someone who takes advantage of all that Junior Jazz has to offer. There were only a few applications that checked every one of the 10 to 15 boxes. **Martinez** said the things Farmington is doing for their recreation program are not the norm; they care a lot more than most cities do. They have smaller teams for younger kids so they can play and learn more. As such, Farmington has been declared the 2023-2024 Junior Jazz Program of the Year. Farmington's Rec Staff will get basketball tickets for next season, a ball signed by all members of the 23-24 NBA Jazz team, and \$2,500.

Update from Commissioner Lorene Kamalu and Animal Care Director Ashleigh Young

Davis County **Lorene Kamalu** addressed the Council, saying Farmington is the fifth of 15 cities she is planning to address. She passed out a document detailing how Davis County is organized, complete with three County Commissioners, other elected officials, and their assigned responsibilities according to State Statute. **Kamalu** is in her sixth year on the Commission. Over a year ago, she was assigned to oversee Animal Care. She said Animal Care Director **Ashleigh**

Young has worked really hard with the city managers throughout the County in order to get their input, trust, and buy-in. Animal services are typically provided by the cities, and State law had to be changed in order to officially keep Davis County in charge of animal services and for the County to get its own line item on the tax form. Davis County's Animal Care has been getting national recognition for being a stand-out for services in the whole state. If animals are all over, it becomes a public health and safety problem. Animal Care is one of the most popular departments for volunteers.

Young has been with Animal Care since 2021. As a no-kill organization, over 90% of its animals exit alive. Of the 4,000 animals that are taken in annually, 70% are strays. They have 10 full-time animal control officers on duty seven days a week. The facility only deals with domestic animals, not wildlife.

In 2021, a feasibility study began to consider the program's future including a look at the building and a review of its operations. They wanted an unbiased look at the program, as it has been through a number of directors in recent years. The 10,000 square foot building is over 40 years old. Davis County is working toward a new 32,000 square foot building that would better accommodate the 4,000 animals that come in annually. Since COVID, Davis County has seen animals pour into shelters, and they need a bigger facility and more funding. A Request for Proposals (RFP) is in progress searching for an architect, and Animal Services hopes to break ground on a new building at the end of 2024. The new \$15 million facility is being funded by Davis County, which is not asking any of the cities for funds. The building will be highly specialized with drainage and kennels. In preparation, County Staff have toured a number of different sites. The new building will be built near the current location, which helped with funds since new land did not have to be purchased.

Young said the County will go through the truth in taxation process in order to get a small increase for Animal Care next year. The Commissioners all voted to move forward with the process. The last increase was in 2018. Inflation has been hard on all, and Animal Services needs a behavior trainer as well as more veterinarian resources.

Mayor Anderson said if the County doesn't handle Animal Services, the cities will have to, which would be a less efficient alternative. City Manager **Brigham Mellor** said there is a lot of stray dogs in Farmington that Davis County handles. **Kamalu** said just like homelessness, animal services tracks with the size of population. It is happening because of human owners, not because animals are populating themselves.

Blalock Presentation

Assistant City Manager/City Engineer **Chad Boshell** presented this agenda item. The new Fire Station is getting close, as crews are paving the road in front of the site this week. The site has to sit for a little while after the grade is raised before construction can begin.

Kevin Blalock, principal and owner of Blalock Architects based in Salt Lake City, provided an update on Fire Station 72 located off the new Innovator Drive. He has been working with Fire Chief **Rich Love** and Police Chief **Eric Johnsen**. The partial two-story building will be over 22,000 square feet with four pull-through apparatus bays; eight dorms; three refrigerators; a private interior courtyard; satellite police office work space on the second floor; and second floor education, training, and community meeting space. The second story outdoor deck lines up well

with a view of Flag Rock. There is room to expand the second floor. The exterior is a dark charcoal brick. **Boshell** said he is excited about the second floor that overlooks the new park and is open to the public.

Blalock said his design incorporated all the newest designs, including a four-fold door design that can get out of the way quicker and has 10 times the life expectancy. **Mellor** said the old style fire doors each take \$2,000 to maintain annually. The station will be five times more energy efficient.

The current cost estimate is \$13.202 million with an additional \$450,000 contingency. The bid document will be out toward the end of July, and Staff is hoping for a September 11, 2024, ground breaking. They hope for a permit review process the first part of July 2025.

Blalock said construction costs are volatile, with a 3.5% to 4% increase year over year. 2019 was the year that started a steady escalation that totaled a 17% jump in four years. Construction costs have been driven up in every sector. More recently, the increase has been more like 7% year over year. Election years and international volatility can lead to instability, so anything could happen through the middle of March of 2025. Recently, those associated with the Farmington Fire Station went through a cost reduction exercise to “trim the fat” without hindering future growth and inevitable changes. A third party looked at trimming costs per square foot. With the airport and prison construction frenzy subsiding in Utah, construction costs may be calming and it may not be a good idea to delay construction. However, event venues, hotels, and infrastructure may be the sectors that stretch the construction industry thin in the future.

Mellor said the new fire station will be big enough to house the full Fire Department while the old fire station is renovated. There isn’t anything on recent fire station tours that Staff hasn’t considered and that hasn’t been addressed in the new plans. When both fire stations are available, each will run four-handed. The department was budgeted to run eight-handed this year, but it didn’t end up being run that way. Equipment costs will come up. Increasingly, it is becoming a full-time job to manage the City’s buildings.

Child said Farmington is anticipating a lot of growth on its west side, so a fire station on the west is important. **Mellor** said it will be another three years before the new fire station is operational.

Love spoke about equipping the new fire station. A new engine is being delivered this summer, three years after ordering it. There is fire equipment in the public works lot as well. When the department is fully staffed, there could be fire fighters sleeping on the floor.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Fire Station 72 – Zone Change and Enabling Ordinance

City Planner/GIS Specialist **Shannon Hansell** presented this agenda item. The property for the future fire station is still zoned Open Space (OS) because of its proximity to Shepard Creek. Zoning it to Mixed Use wouldn’t allow for public uses and Chapter 18 is difficult to meet. The site plan for the fire station has more flexibility if it was zoned Agricultural (A) instead.

Mayor Anderson opened and closed the Public Hearing at 8:17 p.m. Nobody signed up in person or electronically to address the Council on the issue.

Motion:

Layton moved that the City Council approve the enabling ordinance changing the zone for 471 N. Innovator Drive from Open Space (OS) to Agricultural (A), subject to all applicable Farmington City development standards and ordinances.

Leeman seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor, as there was no opposing vote.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember Alex Leeman	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Roger Child	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Melissa Layton	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Amy Shumway	X Aye	___	Nay

Additional Text and Amendments regarding Recreational Pools and Tennis Courts

Hansell presented this agenda item. The proposal is to take out a section in the ordinance requiring placing a 6-foot fence around all private pools. The proposal is to reduce the fence height to 4 feet unless there is a locking power safety cover. Staff recommends that the ordinance reflect the building code standard, which would require removal of the fencing requirement. The Planning Commission had two nay votes due to those Commissioners wanting a fencing requirement in place unless removed by special exception.

Mayor Anderson opened and closed the Public Hearing at 8:22 p.m. Nobody signed up in person or electronically to address the Council on the issue.

Mayor Anderson received comments via email, which will be made part of the record.

Leeman said he thinks it is weird not to have a fence requirement. He can see some logic in having a physical barrier to restrain young children, and a fence is objectively easy for Staff to enforce. However, pool covers are very impressive and a 6-foot fence is not necessary. He would like the ability to make an exception for anything that is a barrier functionally equivalent to a fence.

Councilmember **Melissa Layton** said it makes her nervous not to have any fences around pools, but there are definitely exceptions. However, a 6-foot fence is not realistic. **Mayor Anderson** said he has a 6-foot fence that his teenagers can hop. This is about keeping young children out.

Child said there are a myriad of different methodologies and styles of pool protection and auto covers. Fencing may now be an archaic form of pool protection. While he supports protection for children and toddlers, he thinks having language that dictates a 6-foot fence is not keeping up with the times. There are hundreds of other solutions. Architecturally, a fence around a pool is unattractive and not inviting.

Hansell said if considering an exception feels too burdensome or vague, the Council can agree on a physical barrier requirement other than a fence.

Mayor Anderson said he would like Staff to poke around to see if other cities have language to impede toddler access to pools. **Child** noted that fences won't stop children or grandchildren who are already in your home from entering a pool. He is not sure a fence is going to be the solution. Pools are an attractive nuisance. He is in favor of removing the fence requirement. **Leeman** said he was surprised to hear that the updated building code didn't require a fence.

City Attorney **Paul Roberts** said building permits are required for pools with foundations, while swim spas don't require such foundations.

Motion:

Layton moved that the City Council table this item.

Councilmember **Amy Shumway** seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor, as there was no opposing vote.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember Alex Leeman	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Roger Child	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Melissa Layton	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Amy Shumway	X Aye	___	Nay

BUSINESS:

Resolution providing notice to Davis County of intent to place the RAP Tax on November 2024 Ballot

Roberts presented this agenda item. The recreation, arts, and parks (RAP) tax has been in place in the City since 2018, after the voters approved it in 2017. State code requires that before a city can put the opinion question of imposing the RAP tax on the ballot, they must provide notice of intent to their county. The County has 60 days to provide a response to the City, indicating whether they will be imposing a county-wide RAP tax (which impacts the City's ability to assess a RAP tax of its own). If the City has received that notification, then they are in the clear to place the opinion question on the ballot. Passage of this resolution at this date provides ample time for the 60 days to pass before the contents of the November 2024 ballot are finalized. The City cannot make actions to endorse passage of the tax.

Motion:

Leeman moved that the City Council adopt the resolution providing to Davis County the City's notice of intent to submit to voters the opinion question of whether to renew the recreation, arts, and parks (RAP) tax.

Child seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor, as there was no opposing vote.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember Alex Leeman	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Roger Child	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Melissa Layton	X Aye	___	Nay
Councilmember Amy Shumway	X Aye	___	Nay

Review a De Minimis Impact Concurrence Request from the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) for the Interstate 15 (I-15) widening project

Boshell presented this agenda item. UDOT is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the I-15 widening project. City Staff has been working with UDOT consultants to review various areas being impacted by the improvements along the freeway. UDOT intends to make de minimis impact finding regarding 4(f) recreation resources. The letter (in the Staff Report) describes the areas impacted under 4(f) and how they may be mitigated. Staff would like

the City Council to review the letter and have the opportunity for discussion prior to signing the impact concurrence request.

The letter from UDOT Cultural Resources Program Manager Liz Robinson claims that since UDOT did not receive any comments concerning effects on Ezra T. Clark Park, South Park, or Farmington Creek Trail during the 45-day public comment period (ending November 13, 2023), they are now requesting Farmington's concurrence that the I-15 project would not adversely affect the activities, features, or attributes that make these properties eligible for section 4(f) protection.

Boshell said Farmington doesn't have to sign the letter, but UDOT is being persistent in asking the City to. **Mayor Anderson** said he looked at it and wants to be careful about what is said or not said. Farmington is trying to be good neighbors with UDOT before they come in and ruin the City with their project. **Mellor** said there are still a lot of unknowns such as if UDOT is going to build a tunnel under the 400 West trail and who will pay for it; what will be done about landscaping; and if the skate park will be addressed. He suggested relating that Staff had a conversation with Councilmembers, who is still concerned with the number unknowns. That will give UDOT a chance to address and clarify the unknowns. The Council needs more facts.

Boshell said he is fine leaving it open for future argument. He sees two areas of concern: the tunnel/City's financial obligation; and clear language about the skate park. There would not be a safe place to watch the ball fields as a spectator.

Layton asked if the Council was aware of UDOT sending Historic Preservation Commission Chairman **David Barney** a letter March 12 about UDOT having the money and land for a 1525 interchange, but that the Farmington City Council said they didn't want it. **Mellor** said Staff was aware. Speed limit signs have been ordered.

SUMMARY ACTION:

Minute Motion Approving Summary Action List

The Council considered the Summary Action List including:

- Item 1: Consider approval of BH Inc. to construct the Overlays FY 2025 in the amount of \$1.262 million to be paid from various street maintenance funds
- Item 2: Consider approval of Morgan Pavement to construct the ONYX FY 2025 Road Maintenance Project Bid for \$36,544.37 to be paid from various street maintenance funds
- Item 3: Consider approval of Staker Parson to construct the Chip Seal FY 2025 Road Maintenance Project Bid for \$114,950 to be paid from various street maintenance funds.
- Item 4: Consider approval of Asphalt Preservation to construct the crack Seal FY 2025 Road Maintenance for \$41,175 to be paid from various street maintenance funds
- Item 5: Amendments to Previously Approved Interlocal Agreement with Davis County and University of Utah Medical Center
- Item 6: Pick-Up Contribution for Public Safety and Firefighter Tier II Employees.
Roberts said it is an odd state law that cities don't have to pick up the contribution for public safety, but if they don't, the public safety people get upset.

Motion:

Child moved to approve the Summary Action list items as noted in the Staff Report.

Layton seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor, as there was no opposing vote.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember Alex Leeman	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay
Councilmember Roger Child	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay
Councilmember Melissa Layton	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay
Councilmember Amy Shumway	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS:

Mayor Anderson and City Council Reports

Layton said the Communities that Care (CTC) will be on an upcoming work session. She will be out of town during the June 4, 2024, City Council meeting but will try to call in. She recently spoke with the principal of Farmington High School regarding the parking problem in the nearby cul-de-sac. The principal has a few ideas that could help deter students from parking there.

Shumway said there are many eyes on the City’s transportation utility fee. In a Legislative Policy Committee (LPC) of the Utah League of Cities and Towns, she said she heard that in anticipation of the Olympics coming to Utah in the future, there is a push to increase the number of State Parks from 47 to 50. There is talk of making a State Park between Farmington and Bountiful. This could lead to massive improvement of the canyon, another campground, and maybe a road open year round. It would provide more recreational activity.

Mayor Anderson mentioned that in the upcoming Utah governorship race, he feels Farmington currently has a friend in the governor’s office and wants to keep that relationship strong.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

Child made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Layton seconded the motion. All Council members voted in favor, as there was no opposing vote.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Councilmember Alex Leeman	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay
Councilmember Roger Child	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay
Councilmember Scott Isaacson	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay
Councilmember Melissa Layton	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay
Councilmember Amy Shumway	X Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nay

/s/ DeAnn Carlile

DeAnn Carlile, Recorder



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City council meeting-pool regulations

1 message

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Tue, May 21, 2024 at 11:03 AM

Hello,

I am unable to make the meeting this evening although would like to express my support in amending the text regarding "pools and tennis courts".

I myself am in the process of installing an in-ground pool and will be installing an automatic pool cover. Currently the code requires a 6ft fence surrounding the pool. I personally have a 10ft rock wall that would be much harder to climb than a 6ft fence. To place a 6 ft fence in front of the 10 ft rock wall would be redundant, unsightly and costly. I understand the past council has voted against an amendment in this code although the code on safe-guarding a recreational pool in the city of Farmington is antiquated.

There are numerous other states and many cities currently within the state that allow for an automatic pool cover to suffice, as the auto-covers do not allow for access to the pool when the cover is closed and only able to be opened with a code.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing the meeting virtually.

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