

Minutes of the
BOUNTIFUL CITY COUNCIL
March 24, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.

Official notice of the City Council Meeting was given by posting an Agenda at City Hall and on the Bountiful City Website and the Utah Public Notice Website and by providing copies to the following newspapers of general circulation: The City Journal and Standard Examiner.

Work Session – 6:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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| Present: | Mayor | Kate Bradshaw |
| | Councilmembers | Mille Segura Bahr, Dan Bell, Beth Child, Richard Higginson |
| | City Manager | Gary Hill |
| | Asst City Manager | Tyson Beck |
| | City Attorney | Brad Jeppsen |
| | City Engineer | Lloyd Cheney |
| | Planning Director | Francisco Astorga |
| | Recording Secretary | Maranda Hilton |
| Excused: | Councilmember | Matt Murri |

Mayor Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm and welcomed those in attendance.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY – GUIDING PRINCIPLES – MR. GARY HILL

Mr. Gary Hill led a discussion about Bountiful’s Economic Strategy and asked the Council and Mayor for their feedback about the guiding principles and the purpose statement he drafted. They gave their feedback and all decided that this topic warranted more discussion, so it was decided that they would add it to future work sessions as needed until it is complete.

The work session ended at 7:04 pm.

Regular Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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| | Water Director | Kraig Christensen |
| | Power Director | Allen Johnson |

1 Public Works Engineer Brad Clawson
2 Asst City Engineer Todd Christensen
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6 **WELCOME, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND THOUGHT/PRAYER**

7 Mayor Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm and welcomed those in attendance.
8 Mayor Bradshaw led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Paul Reeve, Mueller Park Stake, offered a
9 message on religious liberty.

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11 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

12 The time for public comment was opened at 7:14 pm.

13 Ms. Emily Bagley (resident) shared concerns on behalf of the family of someone who came to
14 the U.S. over 10 years ago seeking asylum, was recently detained by I.C.E., and has not been heard
15 from since. She also shared that an acquaintance was recently taken by I.C.E. at their last green card
16 appointment. She expressed her concerns that human rights are being violated by this agency and
17 read a letter that Martin Luther King Jr. wrote from Birmingham jail.

18 The time for public comment was closed at 7:18 pm.

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20 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS HELD ON**
21 **JANUARY 15TH, 16TH, AND FEBRUARY 24TH, 2026!**

22 Councilmember Higginson made a motion to approve the minutes as written, and
23 Councilmember Bahr seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell,
24 Child, and Higginson, voting “aye.”

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26 **COUNCIL REPORTS**

27 Councilmember Higginson reported that he met with the Power Commission this morning
28 where he heard a great presentation from Mr. Jess Pearce of the Power Department. He proposed that
29 the presentation be shared with the public and asked the Council for their approval.

30 Councilmember Child reported that the Planning Commission did not meet because of the
31 caucuses, but they will meet again next week. She also reported that the food drive on March 14th
32 gathered 193k pounds of food for the food pantry. She encouraged people to attend the Carpenter’s
33 Platinum fundraiser concert on March 28th at Woods Cross HS. She reported that America250
34 celebration plans are in full swing and thanked Mr. Tyson Beck and Ms. Sophia Ward for their help
35 setting up a calendar page on the City’s website for all the events. Lastly, she reported that the BDAC
36 will begin their Davis School District art show this weekend.

37 Councilmember Bahr did not have a report.

38 Councilmember Bell did not have a report.

39 Mayor Bradshaw reported on behalf of Councilmember Murri that the BCYC will host their
40 annual Bunny Hop this Saturday from 9 am to 10:30 am at Town Square.

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42 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES GREATER THAN \$1,000 PAID ON MARCH**
43 **4TH AND 11TH, 2026**

44 Councilmember Higginson made a motion to approve the expenditures and Councilmember
45 Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell, Child, and
46 Higginson, voting “aye.”

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2 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A PUMP AND MOTOR FROM**
3 **WIDDISON WELL SERVICES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$54,440 – MR. KRAIG**
4 **CHRISTENSEN**

5 Mr. Kraig Christensen explained that this pump purchase is for the Viewmont well, which has
6 just been through a major rehabilitation and is ready to be put back online. This pump will not put as
7 much strain on the well, which will hopefully make it last longer. This was budgeted for as a
8 contingency item for \$60,000.

9 Councilmember Bell asked how long the pump should last. Mr. Christensen said pumps that
10 are run every day generally last from 5 to 7 years, but this well only runs during peak demand times,
11 so it should last at least ten years.

12 Councilmember Bell made a motion to approve the pump purchase from Widdison Well
13 Service and Councilmember Child seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers
14 Bahr, Bell, Child, and Higginson, voting “aye.”

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16 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES PROPOSAL FOR**
17 **2026 TRAILS CONSTRUCTION FROM CREATIVE TRAILS, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF**
18 **\$41,100 – MR. TODD CHRISTENSEN**

19 Mr. Todd Christensen explained that the City has found it very beneficial to work with a trails
20 professional project manager as we build more and more trails from the Master Trails Plan. He said
21 this year the City is working with three different contractors trying to complete more trails in Mueller
22 Park Canyon, so staff sent out an RFP for a trails professional and received three proposals back. He
23 said that Creative Trails, LLC submitted a very good proposal and was the lowest bidder, and they
24 have done work for the City previously and have a great track record of excellent work. This contract
25 will have the option for renewal in 2027 if both parties desire. The funding for these projects is from
26 the same source being used to construct the trails.

27 Councilmember Higginson asked how many trails in Mueller Park are hiking-only trails. Mr.
28 Todd Christensen answered that only one of the trails is hiking-only, and the rest are multi-use (non-
29 motorized) trails.

30 Councilmember Bahr made a motion to approve the proposal for project management services
31 from Creative Trails, LLC and Councilmember Child seconded the motion. The motion passed with
32 Councilmembers Bahr, Bell, Child, and Higginson, voting “aye.”

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34 Mayor Bradshaw asked to move to agenda item 12.

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36 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A BID FOR THE 2026 STREET RECONSTRUCTION**
37 **PROJECT FROM BLACK FOREST PAVING AT THE UNIT PRICES LISTED IN THE BID**
38 **TABULATION – MR. LLOYD CHENEY**

39 Mr. Brad Clawson explained that the Engineering Department decided to organize the 2026
40 Street Reconstruction contract into three different schedules; one for the systematic rehabilitation
41 work on 400 South from 200 West to Main Street, one for needed reconstruction work on 100 East
42 and 1650 South, and one for 50 West, which was damaged during the construction of Bountiful
43 Elementary. The 50 West project was listed as a contingency depending on how discussions with the
44 school district went. Mr. Clawson explained that staff received 11 bids for this contract with the
45 lowest bidder being Black Forest Paving, who has done extensive work for the City previously and
46 whom we have a good report with.

1 Mr. Clawson then gave an update on the discussion with the school district, saying that Black
2 Forest will probably not be doing the work on 50 West, so the cost will be less than originally
3 planned for.

4 Mr. Lloyd Cheney added that we will likely use city crews to do asphalt and finish work
5 while the district’s contractor completes the major reconstruction work because the window of
6 opportunity during summer break is so short. This will ensure the work is completed on time and
7 Black Forest still has plenty of work to accomplish during this season, so they are fine with it.

8 Councilmember Higginson made a motion to approve the bid from Black Forest Paving at the
9 unit prices in the bid tabulation and Councilmember Bahr seconded the motion. The motion passed
10 with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell, Child, and Higginson, voting “aye.”

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12 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2026-04, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED**
13 **AND RESTATED POWER POOLING AGREEMENT WITH UTAH ASSOCIATED**
14 **MUNICIPAL POWER SYSTEMS – MR. ALLEN JOHNSON**

15 Mr. Allen Johnson explained that this resolution has to do with the Energy Day Ahead Market
16 (EDAM) requirements. Bountiful City is part of Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems
17 (UAMPS), which is part of PacifiCorp, and PacifiCorp joined the California Independent System
18 Operator (CAISO) which includes the EDAM, so Bountiful City is now required to meet all EDAM
19 requirements. This revised pooling agreement will give UAMPS the authority to purchase power for
20 Bountiful in order to meet the resource sufficiency requirements. This includes day-ahead market
21 purchases up to one year in advance. This contract will be indefinite, but can be cancelled with 5-
22 years notice, however that would entail unwinding many other contracts. It is staff, Power
23 Commission, and the City Attorney and Manager’s recommendation to approve this new pooling
24 agreement with UAMPS.

25 The Council and Mayor asked questions about how this new agreement will potentially
26 impact Bountiful’s future power purchases. Mr. Johnson answered that Bountiful will still be able to
27 look ahead and purchase power just as it always has, but in the case that we did not purchase
28 sufficient power, UAMPS could come in and purchase for us. It will help the cities who have a hard
29 time with resource planning, but Bountiful plans to be as proactive it has always been at looking
30 ahead to secure competitive pricing. This agreement will also not stop Bountiful from finding and
31 purchasing the types of resources we prefer.

32 Councilmember Bell made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-04 and Councilmember
33 Higginson seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell, Child, and
34 Higginson, voting “aye.”

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36 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF OKONITE CABLE FROM IRBY IN**
37 **THE AMOUNT OF \$119,580 – MR. ALLEN JOHNSON**

38 Mr. Johnson explained that he needs to purchase cable for several projects on the budget for
39 this year and next year. He said that this cable is a single source cable that will be used on the NW
40 Substation, has a 40-year warranty and is really great to work with. Staff and the Power Commission
41 recommend this purchase.

42 Councilmember Higginson made a motion to approve the purchase of Okenite Cable from
43 Irby and Councilmember Child seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bahr,
44 Bell, Child, and Higginson, voting “aye.”

1 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A DIRECTIONAL BORING BID FROM CACHE VALLEY**
2 **ELECTRIC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$303,031 – MR. ALLEN JOHNSON**

3 Mr. Johnson explained that every Spring the City bids out their streetlight repair projects. This
4 year they will also add a project on 2600 South to the contract. Cache Valley Electric had the lowest
5 bid for this contract, and the City has collaborated with them a lot and never had a problem. He added
6 that they found another streetlight failure after they received the bids back, so they asked Cache
7 Valley if they would add it to their bid and they had no problem with the additional work.

8 Councilmember Bahr made a motion to approve the directional boring bid from Cache Valley
9 Electric and Councilmember Child seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers
10 Bahr, Bell, Child, and Higginson, voting “aye.”

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12 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL**
13 **COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH DAVIS COUNTY FOR HIGHWAY OR PUBLIC**
14 **TRANSIT PROJECT REIMBURSEMENT – MR. LLOYD CHENEY**

15 Mr. Cheney said that this staff report was in error and asked to table this item to a future
16 meeting.

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18 **ADJOURN**

19 Councilmember Child made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Councilmember Bell
20 seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell, Child, and Higginson,
21 voting “aye.”

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23 The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Mayor Kate Bradshaw

City Recorder