



CITY OF LANDER REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, August 25, 2026, at 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers, 240 Lincoln Street

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor White led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: John Larsen, Julia Stuble, Melinda Cox, Josh Hahn, and Mayor Missy White. COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Dan Hahn. Declaration of a quorum. STAFF PRESENT: Police Chief Kelly Waugh, Assistant Mayor RaJean Strube Fossen, City Treasurer Kristy Koehn, City Clerk Rachelle Fontaine.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Moved by Council Member Cox, seconded by Council Member Larsen.

Council Member Stuble moved to amend the agenda to include a discussion item after 7 New Business F and add G, to discuss and set a timeline for determining how to allocate the remaining half-cent economic development tax collections. Seconded by Council Member Cox. Council Members voting Yea on the amendment: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

3. **PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2026-2 AMENDING ORDINANCE 1171 AND SECTION 8-6-1 OF THE LANDER MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO BICYCLES ON SIDEWALKS, AND CREATING NEW PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF BICYCLES, HUMAN-POWERED SCOOTERS, SKATEBOARDS, ELECTRIC BICYCLES, ONE-WHEELED DEVICES, AND POWERED SCOOTERS**

A. Mayor White opened the hearing at 6:03 P.M.

B. Introduce and read. Clerk Fontaine explained that the draft of the ordinance was published on our website, it's in the packet, and the notice of this public hearing was published in the Lander Journal August 8th, August 15th, and August 22nd.

C. Public comment

Edward Barnes, Lander Cycling Club co-president, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance as written. He stated the ordinance would promote safe use of City streets by pedestrians, cyclists, and the broader community, and specifically supported provisions addressing electric-assisted devices because of the potential public safety risks when those devices are used improperly.

Jonathan Weaver spoke in support of the ordinance, particularly regulating electric-assisted devices together, and said the rules would improve safety for cyclists and other road users. He praised the City and Police Department for responding quickly to the recent increase in e-bike use and for creating a clear ordinance.

D. Mayor White closed the hearing at 6:08 P.M.

4. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE FLOOR**

A. Public Comment

Janelle Hahn requested that discussion of the half-cent funding and how it should be spent be tabled until it can be placed on a regular meeting agenda, giving citizens advance notice and an opportunity to provide input.

5. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL UPDATES**

Council Member Larsen reminded the public that Senior Center Wimpy Burger tickets are on sale for September 12 pickup. He reported that the Popo Agie Conservation District recently hosted a community tour highlighting local water conservation projects.

Council Member Cassady thanked the Police Department for its quick and professional response to a recent neighborhood issue. They also praised the Planning and Zoning Commission for its work on difficult issues and encouraged Council members to review the recent discussions before the matters come before Council.

Council Member Cox praised 71 Construction for its advance communication regarding the chip seal project, noting that early notices and flyers helped residents and businesses plan for the impacts.

Council Member Stuble reported that an arborist company obtained the required City license after being contacted and encouraged residents to use licensed contractors. She also noted that Planning and Zoning is working on Title IV updates, including housekeeping changes and more substantive issues that will receive further Council and public review.

Council Member Josh Hahn noted the start of Lander Tiger football season and encouraged the community to support the team, recognizing the players' hard work and promising season ahead.

Mayor White praised the work of Planning and Zoning and shared several community updates, including an upcoming WYDOT Aeronautics presentation, a September 1 pool stakeholder meeting, and the September 11 remembrance ceremony. She also noted continued chip seal work, concerns about nuisance raccoons, progress on the bike ordinance, adequate City water supplies despite regional drought concerns, and an upcoming LEDA meeting with a need for additional members.

6. STAFF REPORTS

Chief Waugh reported installation of new in-car and body camera systems, along with continued staff training in occupational stress, drug investigations, firearms, and less-lethal instruction. The new camera system will replace unreliable equipment and integrate with Spillman to improve evidence management, retention, case linking, and sharing with prosecutors. The Chief also highlighted the work of the SROs, the start of CWC's Rocky Mountain Justice Academy, and commended Corporal Tadewald for professionally handling a contractor licensing issue.

Tim Green, in the audience, then requested his public comments to be allowed. Mayor White recognized him to come forward. He thanked Mayor White for responding to his concerns, including questions about property survey stakes and a previously requested stop sign. He expressed appreciation for the City's follow-up on traffic concerns and specifically thanked the Mayor for being responsive and attentive.

RaJean Strube Fossen Assistant Mayor reported that the Old Lander Depot is eligible for DEQ's Voluntary Remediation Program, which will fund most asbestos and lead-based paint remediation costs. Council members noted the project supports adopted planning goals. An update was also provided on the 90 acres of residential land at the Wyoming Life Resource Center. Although designated for residential use, the property must still go through the State Land Board disposal process, including evaluation, appraisal, advertising, and public auction before it can be acquired or developed.

Treasurer Koehn reported attending grant management training and is completing final ARPA grant closeout requirements. She also identified updates needed to City grant policies, including a personally identifiable information policy and revisions to existing grant procedures to remain compliant with changing federal requirements.

7. NEW BUSINESS (ACTION ITEMS)

- A. First Reading and Approval of ORDINANCE 2026-2 AMENDING ORDINANCE 1171 AND SECTION 8-6-1 OF THE LANDER MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO BICYCLES ON SIDEWALKS, AND CREATING NEW PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF BICYCLES, HUMAN-POWERED SCOOTERS, SKATEBOARDS, ELECTRIC BICYCLES, ONE-WHEELED DEVICES, AND POWERED SCOOTERS

Moved by Council Member J Hahn, seconded by Council Member Cox.

DISCUSSION: Council reviewed the proposed bicycle and e-device ordinance and identified several revisions, including clarifying lighting requirements, Main Street dismount zones, sidewalk restrictions, electric motorcycles, mobility devices, and internal cross-references. Council generally agreed that human-powered devices may use sidewalks except in the Main Street dismount zone, while e-devices would be prohibited on sidewalks citywide. Members also emphasized clear public education materials, particularly for youth and parents.

After discussing whether to table the ordinance for further revisions, Council chose to proceed with first reading with additional tracked changes to be prepared for second reading. September 8 was identified as the anticipated second-reading date.

Council Members voting Yea: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

B. Amend Resolution 1388 Fee Schedule 2026 2027 as to Public Record Request fees

Moved by Council Member Larsen, seconded by Council Member Cox.

Council Member Stuble moved to amend the motion and waive public record request fees under \$25, not \$10, seconded by Council Member J Hahn. Council Members voting Yea: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

Council Members voting Yea on the motion as amended: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

C. Approve Resolution 1396 Authorizing Payment to Fremont County School District No. 1 In the amount of \$25,000 for Use of the Bruce Gresley Aquatic Center

Moved by Council Member Cox, seconded by Council Member J Hahn. Council Members voting Yea: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

D. Approve and Authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Lander Police Department and Fremont County School District #1 for School Resource Officer Program FY 2026-2027

Moved by Council Member Cox, seconded by Council Member Cassady. Council Members voting Yea: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

E. Approve payment of Invoice# 144286 to VectorSolutions for police department professional standards and policy trackers in the amount of \$5,173.17.

Moved by Council Member Larsen, seconded by Council Member Cassady. Council Members voting Yea: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

F. Approve Lander Municipal Airport Hangar Space Lease Agreement for space 516 between the City of Lander and Intermountain Health Flight and Ambulance Services (formerly Classic Air Care LLC).

Moved by Council Member Larsen, seconded by Council Member Cox. Council Members voting Yea: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

G. Discussion and timeline for determining how to allocate the remaining half-cent economic development tax collections.

Moved by Council Member Cox, seconded by Council Member Cassady.

DISCUSSION: Council discussed establishing a transparent process and timeline for deciding how to use the remaining half-cent funds. Members agreed they need staff recommendations, stakeholder input, and public participation before making allocations, including consideration of WRTA, air service, ambulance needs, recreation, youth programs, the pool, and possibly investing a portion of the funds for long-term use.

Council Member Stuble moved to amend the motion to place this topic on the September 22, 2026, work session for full discussion and debate on all options of how the City could allocate the funds, which allows for a month of public input, and then place the topic on the first regular session in October for a council vote. Seconded by Council Member J Hahn. Council Members voting Yea: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

Council Members voting Yea on the motion as amended: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

8. **ADJOURNMENT** Moved by Council Member Stuble, seconded by Council Member Cassady. Council Members voting Yea: Larsen, Cassady, Cox, Stuble, and J Hahn. Motion passed.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

The City of Lander

By: _____
Missy White,
City of Lander Mayor

ATTEST:

Rachelle Fontaine, City Clerk

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