



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

City Hall - 10769 W State Street, Star, Idaho

Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at 7:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER – Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Chadwick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. INVOCATION – Jason Carr, Eagle Christian Church

Jason Carr offered the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL

ELECTED OFFICIALS: Mayor Trevor Chadwick, Council President Jennifer Salmonsens, Council Members Kevin Nielsen, Kevan Wheelock and Steve Day.

STAFF: City Planning Director Shawn Nickel; City Clerk Shelly Tilton; City Assistant Planner and Sports and Recreation Director Ryan Field; Public Information Officer Dana Partridge; Star Police Chief Tim Haynes; Fire Chief Greg Timinsky and Deputy Chief Fire Marshall Victor Islas.

4. PRESENTATIONS

A. Constitution Week Proclamation

Members of the Daughters of the Revolution attended the meeting for the reading of the Constitution Week Proclamation. Mayor Chadwick read the Proclamation.

B. Police Chief Report

Chief Haynes reviewed the monthly report. He reviewed crimes by type. Calls for service included a significant jump in juvenile activity and a high number of traffic stops; there were 2 mental holds and more DUIs than usual. There were two arrests following an amber alert. Arrests that included drug charges and property crime calls were discussed. Code 3 response times were reviewed. Crossing guards for the schools were discussed.

5. CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION ITEM) **All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of the Star City Council for reading and study, they are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Consent Agenda or placed on the Regular Agenda by request.*

A. Approval of Claims

B. Approval of Minutes: September 1, 2026

- Council Member Salmonsens made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of 5A Approval of Claims and 5B Approval of Minutes for September 1st, 2026. Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye and Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.



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6. PUBLIC HEARING

Item B. was heard first.

A. City of Star Property Annexation & Zoning – 797 N. Plummer Road

Mayor Chadwick opened the hearing at 7:21 p.m. Council Members have had no ex-parte communication. Council Member Salmonsens disclosed that she doesn't live within 300 feet but does live around the corner, she believes she can make an unbiased decision.

Planning Administrator Shawn Nickel reviewed the application. The application is for annexation and zoning for 10.5 acres located at 797 N. Plummer Road. The application requirements have been met and the application has been reviewed for compliance with the Unified Development Code and Comprehensive Plan. There were no late exhibits or items for special consideration. Staff recommends approval. A site map was reviewed.

Mayor Chadwick discussed the history of the property; it is the last undeveloped portion of the Stevens Ranch. The city has wanted to obtain it to make a park. A developer purchased the property and offered it to the city; he said it is being paid for through impact fee credits.

Richard Girard spoke in favor of the application. He discussed the property owner and wanted to emphasize the history and stated that with the development on the east side, a park is vital to this area.

A future sidewalk or pathway, access and lighting were discussed.

Mayor Chadwick closed the hearing at 7:32 p.m.

- Council Member Salmonsens stated that the application meets the findings, standards and intent of the Comprehensive Plan and the Unified Development code; she made a motion to approve this application and direct staff to draft the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law to be considered at a meeting in the future. Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.

B. Star Fire Protection District Station #52 Annexation & Zoning

Mayor Chadwick opened the hearing at 7:14 p.m. Council Members have had no ex-parte communication.

Planning Administrator Shawn Nickel reviewed the application. The applicant is Star Fire Protection District for annexation of a 3.35-acre parcel located at 22585 Kingsbury Road in Canyon County. The application meets requirements and has been reviewed for compliance with the Unified Development Code and Comprehensive Plan; there were no late exhibits and no items for special consideration. Staff recommends approval. A site map was reviewed.

Fire Chief Greg Timinsky stated the district is seeking to annex the property into the city. They have water and sewer hooked up to the property through Star Sewer and Water. They are preparing to set up a training facility on the property. There is no cost to the city for the annexation.

There were no members of the public who signed up to speak.

Mayor Chadwick closed the hearing at 7:19 p.m.

Council Member Nielsen stated this is straightforward and a benefit for the City of Star as well as the Fire Department.



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- Council Member Nielsen made a motion to approve this application on its merits and its compatibility with the City of Star's code and comprehensive plan. Council Member Day seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.

C. City of Star Properties Annexation & Rezone – Freedom Park/Main Street

Mayor Chadwick opened the hearing at 7:35 p.m. Council Members have had no ex-parte communication.

Planning Administrator Shawn Nickel reviewed the application. The application is for annexation and rezone of 83.56 acres for properties located on S. Main Street. The annexation is for two parcels located near the river that are owned by the city but not yet in city limits. The rezone is for properties also owned by the city; zoning would be PS Public/Semipublic. The application meets the requirements and is in compliance with the Unified Development Code. The Comprehensive Plan was recently updated to recognize these properties as public use, park and open space. There were no late exhibits or items for special consideration. Staff recommends approval. A site map was reviewed. All of the parcels will be combined into one.

Mayor Chadwick discussed having the properties surveyed and the reasoning for the rezone. It was clarified that the properties are owned by the city.

There were no members of the public who signed up to speak.

Mayor Chadwick closed the hearing at 7:40 p.m.

- Council Member Nielsen made a motion to approve the annexation and rezone of Freedom Park and Main Street. Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.

D. Virtual Currency Kiosk Ban

Mayor Chadwick opened the hearing at 7:41 p.m.

Chief Legal Officer for the Ada County Sheriff Terry Gerden discussed the proposal for the virtual currency kiosk ban. He will be requesting cities within Ada County to approve bans and hopes that cities throughout the state will follow. He discussed victims, most are elderly, who had lost money in scams. He discussed some of the instances and how the crypto currency scams occur. He explained that law enforcement is limited on what can be done to help the victims and said there is very little need for the machines for legitimate use. He believes the best way to help citizens is to ban the machines, so they are less available to carry out the scams.

It was said that if these machines were not available scammers would shift back to trying to scam through personal computers directly and gift card purchases.

Terry said the most recent known scam was last week using two different bitcoin machines in Star.

Terry is working through the legislature and is hopeful there will be a statewide ban. He believes there are 7 machines in Star; some look like ATMs and some are Coinstar machines that double as a crypto currency and ATM machine. He believes stores rent the space for the machines. Terry has talked with



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store owners; Maverick pulled the machines on their own to help cut back the scams. If approved, the penalty is an infraction of \$100 for each day the machines remain.

There were no members of the public who signed up to speak.

Mayor Chadwick closed the hearing at 7:58 p.m.

- Council Member Nielsen made a motion to approve the Virtual Currency Kiosk Ban and get those things out of the City of Star. Council Member Day seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.

7. ACTION ITEMS

- Council Member Nielsen made a motion to introduce Ordinance 443-2026 the Virtual Currency Kiosk Ban and Ordinance 441-2026 the Rusty Flats Subdivision/Development Agreement and that pursuant to Idaho Code, Section 50-902 the rule requiring an ordinance to be read on three different days, with one reading to be in full, be dispensed with and that Ordinances 443-2026 and 441-2026 be considered after reading once by title only. Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye and Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.

A. Ordinance 443-2026 Virtual Currency Kiosk Ban

- Council Member Salmonsens made a motion to approve Ordinance 443-2026 Virtual Currency Kiosk Ban an ordinance defining virtual currency kiosks and making it an infraction for a person or business to allow such a machine on their property; and creating an infraction penalty for violations of ordinance; and providing an effective date. A typo in the title will be corrected. Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye and Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.

B. Ordinance 441-2026 Rusty Flats Subdivision/Development Agreement

- Council Member Salmonsens made a motion to approve item 7B Ordinance 441-2026 Rusty Flats Subdivision Rezone an ordinance rezoning certain real property located in Star, Ada County, Idaho; more specifically located at 10909 W. New Hope Road, Star, Idaho; the property is owned by Owen Hammond; establishing the zoning classification of the rezoned property as Residential District with a Development Agreement (R-3-DA) of 5.9 acres; directing that certified copies of this ordinance be filed as provided by law; providing for related matters; and providing for an effective date. Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye and Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.

C. Resolution 2026-05 Authorizing Conveyance of Real Property on Pollard Lane from the West Ada School District to the City of Star



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Mayor Chadwick discussed conveyance of property from the West Ada School District. The property would be used for parking for the new police substation on Pollard Lane. The City and School District would each approve a resolution and will later draft an agreement for conveyance of the property. Reference to the agreement was included in the resolution, that will be removed as the agreement will be drafted in the future.

- Council Member Salmonsens made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-05 Authorizing Conveyance of Real Property on Pollard Lane from the West Ada School District to the City of Star with the exclusion of the conveyance agreement. Council Member Day seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Day – aye; Wheelock – aye; Salmonsens – aye and Nielsen - aye. The motion carried.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Chadwick adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.