

**MINUTES OF THE  
FERNLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 6, 2025**

Mayor Pro Tem Felicity Zoberiski called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**1. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

**1.1. Pledge of Allegiance**

**1.2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Mayor Pro Tem Councilwoman Felicity Zoberiski, Councilman Stan Lau, Councilman Albert Torres, Councilman Ryan Hanan, Councilman Joe Mendoza, Deputy City Manager Lydia Altick, City Attorney Aaron Mouritsen, HR Manager Mitzi Carter, City Clerk Kim Swanson, Administrative Specialist 1 Sandy Harris, City Treasurer Robert Carson, Building Official Charity Birkel, Planning Director Michele Rambo, Public Works Director Barry Williams, Utilities Director Seong Kim, Utilities Engineering Manager Ana Navarro. **Absent:** Mayor McIntyre.

**1.3. Public Forum**

None at this time.

**1.4. (For Possible Action) Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:** I MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH TAKING CONSENT ITEM 2.26 MOVING TO THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION. **Action:** Approved. **Moved by:** Councilman Albert Torres, **Seconded by:** Councilman Joe Mendoza. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilwoman Zoberiski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilman Hanan, Councilman Mendoza.

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

**2.1. (Possible Action) Approval of Voucher Report**

**2.2. (Possible Action) Approval of Minutes**

**2.3. (Possible Approval) Approval of Business Licenses**

**2.4. Possible Action to approve the Purdue Bankruptcy/Sacklers Opioid Litigation Settlement**

**2.5. Possible Action to authorize the execution of the water rights banking and dedication agreement with Reghetti Investments, LLC, and Brian and Jeanne Bishop-Parise, APN 021-351-04 TCID serial number 1078-2-B in the amount of 10 acre feet.**

**2.6. Possible Action to approve the job description and wage scale for the Code Enforcement Manager position.**

**2.7. Possible Action to approve the job description and wage scale for the Code Enforcement Officer position.**

**2.8. Possible Action to approve a contract with CPS HR Consultants for \$30,000.00 for executive recruitment services for a City Manager.**

**2.9. Possible Action to approve an Additional Service Request (ASR) 04 with TSK Architects for \$9,800.00 for concept design services for shade structures on the event lawn space at the Community Response and Resource Center.**

**2.10. Possible Action to adopt an Interlocal Agreement with Carson City Regional Transportation Commission to complete a Safe Routes to School Planning Study.**

**2.11. Possible Action to approve a contract with Shaw Engineering for on-call engineering services.**

- 2.12. Possible Action to approve a contract for building department plan review services with B.C.S (Building Code Solutions)
- 2.13. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) drone for the City of Fernley's Vector Control Department for an amount not to exceed \$65,000.
- 2.14. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) 4,000-gallon water truck for the City of Fernley's Water Distribution Department for an amount not to exceed \$250,000.
- 2.15. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) 1/2-ton four-wheel drive pickup truck for the City of Fernley's Code Enforcement Department for an amount not to exceed \$65,000.
- 2.16. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) mid-size SUV for the City of Fernley's Code Enforcement Department for an amount not to exceed \$65,000.
- 2.17. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) high-reach scissor lift for the City of Fernley's Facilities Department for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.
- 2.18. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) ride-on zero-turn mower for the City of Fernley's Parks Department for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.
- 2.19. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) ultra-low volume (ULV) fogger/sprayer for the City of Fernley's Vector Control Department for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.
- 2.20. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) turf sweeper for the City of Fernley's Parks Department for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.
- 2.21. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) skid steer with rotary brush cutter for the City of Fernley's Streets and Storm Drains Department for an amount not to exceed \$85,000.
- 2.22. For Possible Action to purchase one (1) light tower with an attached generator for the City of Fernley's Streets and Storm Drains Department for an amount not to exceed \$16,000.
- 2.23. For Possible Action: Approval of Change Order in the amount of \$127,680.00 to the existing construction contract with Resource Development Company to remove 2 feet of sediment and vegetation from the existing overflow and infiltration basin at the Water Treatment Plant.
- 2.24. Possible action to purchase 16 new floating surface aerators and they will give us 1 surface aerator to make a total of 17 to be replaced in FY 2026, per Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) requirement for the East Wastewater Treatment Plant for the amount of \$399,280.00.
- 2.25. For possible action, East Lift Station Improvements - Professional Services Agreement with Lumos & Associates.
- 2.26. Possible Action to approve a Request for Amendment No. 2 for \$37,870 to Cumming Group's current Community Response and Resource Center contract.

Lydia Altick, Deputy City Manager, explained the reason for the request.

Councilwoman Felicity Zoberski asked to be updated at the next Council meeting on where we're at with project management.

**Motion:** I MOVE TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT NO. 2 OF THE CRRC CONTRACT WITH CUMMING GROUP. **Action:** Approved. **Moved by:** Councilman Albert Torrees, **Seconded by:** Councilman Ryan Hanan, **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilman Hanan, Councilman Mendoza.

**Motion:** I MOVE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH ITEMS 2.6, 2.7 AND 2.9 PULLED FROM TONIGHT'S AGENDA FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH STAFF AT A LATER TIME. **Action:** Approved, **Moved by:** Councilman Albert Torres, **Seconded by:** Councilman Stan Lau. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 4, No 1. **Yes:** Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilman Mendoza, **No:** Councilman Hanan.

**3. REPORTS - this item is for various public entity representatives to provide general information to the Council and public. No action will be taken.**

Lyon County Sheriff Brad Pope, started off by thanking the entire City of Fernley staff for working with them on the National Night Out. The number one complaint we receive at the sheriff's office is traffic complaints. Year to date, there have been 1,907 traffic stops alone in the Fernley patrol zone. Our command staff that oversee each area have been instructed to begin operating traffic operations more heavily throughout their areas. He also reported that the response times in Fernley are remaining low. Priority 1 response time in Fernley right now is 5 minutes and 45 seconds. There are two School Resource Officers (SROs) assigned to Fernley. Since school's not in, they've been running more operations in the city, so we're getting a little bit of a saturation throughout the summer.

Councilman Stan Lau asked if the number of traffic stops were also Nevada Highway Patrol numbers.

Sheriff Brad Pope stated that they are strictly Lyon County Sheriff's office numbers.

**3.1. Reports by City Staff, City Council, and the Mayor, including but not limited to monthly statistical reports by city departments.**

Lydia Altick, Deputy City Manager, reported that the Mayor nominated Jessica Murdock to head up the 25th anniversary celebration in July 2026, it also coincides with the nation's 250th anniversary. There will be some community meetings coming up which are posted on the website. They are looking for local organizations to provide representatives and volunteers. Main Street Art Park is moving along. On August 12th, from 8:00 am till 1:00 pm, there will be community planting. Everybody is invited to come out and plant in our new planters out there. She also thanked Twisted Steel for their donation of \$1,200 worth of art for the project and the ACES for their donation of \$2,500. The Ribbon Cutting for the Community Response and Resource Center (CRRC) will be held on Wednesday, August 27th, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. There will be a public community workshop on the Corridor Action Plan on Thursday, at 5:00pm at the Senior Center. The Corridor Action Plan is Farm District Road, 95 from Main Street to the High School, and Main Street from Exit 46 up to Exit 48.

Councilman Albert Torres reported that the Fernley Senior Citizens Advisory Committee (FSCAC) meeting will be Friday, August 8 at 9:00 am.

**4. ORDINANCES**

**4.1. Discussion and Possible Action. First reading of Bill #361 (associated with CA25001) to revise Section 32.03.040(b) (Comprehensive Master Plan Amendment) of the City of Fernley Development Code to better reflect the requirements found in NRS 278.210 for amending the Master Plan.**

Michele Rambo, Planning Director, stated that this is the first reading for revision to the Master Plan amendment process that we ran into some issues with when during the Southwest area plan adoption.

**5. STAFF REPORTS**

**5.1. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Final Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) for the City of Fernley Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Caustic Soda and Compressed Air System Improvements and seek direction to proceed with final design, bidding services, and construction costs.**

Ana Navarro, Utilities Engineering Manager, introduced Keller & Associates, who presented the preliminary engineering report for the Caustic Soda and Compressed Air System improvements.

Jeremy Wilson, Keller & Associates, stated that they worked with city staff to put together a preliminary engineering report for the water treatment plant. He gave a brief overview of the project background. The next steps are going to be enrolling into the design development, getting that design approved by NDEP, and then going into the bidding construction process.

Dylan Carey, Keller & Associates, stated his plant has a future surface water intake planned, and is in the preliminary design stages. In advance of this, it will need improvements to the PH adjustment and the reliability of the microfiltration processes. It is the only water treatment plant in the city of Fernley, so it is critical that it remains operational. Caustic soda is a hazardous chemical that is used for PH adjustment. It has a propensity to leak when pipelines reach the end of their lifespan, which can be around the 15-year mark. The treatment plant, as of now, is 16 years old, so it has hit that lifespan. There is a chemical vault in the yard where there is leaking caustic soda that is hazardous to the touch that operation staff has had to work with. In addition to that, the operation of this PH adjustment system has essentially failed with failing pumps, pipelines, leaks and has become unreliable. The other system that was evaluated in this report was the compressed air system. There is no redundant compressor for this system, and without that you can exceed, as you build out for future surface water the demand that these compressors are able to provide, so improvements to this system lack reliability requirements that are needed per Nevada Administrative Code.

Seong Kim, Utilities Director, stated that this was not budget for, because it is an emergency item. We did have a budget for our new water surface water intake program, which is over \$4 million. We can utilize that portion of the budget for this one.

**Motion:** I MOVE TO APPROVE THE PER WATER TREATMENT PLANT (WTP) CAUSTIC SODA AND COMPRESSED AIR SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH DESIGN, PREPARATION OF BID DOCUMENTS, AND COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION FOR THE TOTAL COST OF \$807,100. **Action:** Approved, **Moved by:** Councilman Ryan Hanan, **Seconded by:** Councilman Stan Lau. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilman Hanan, Councilman Mendoza.

## 5.2. Presentation and discussion regarding the City's quarterly financial report.

Robert Carson, City Treasurer, presented the quarterly financial report (unaudited) as of March 31, 2025.

## 6. PUBLIC FORUM

Cody Wagner stated he has zero issues with continuing that contract to close out the project.

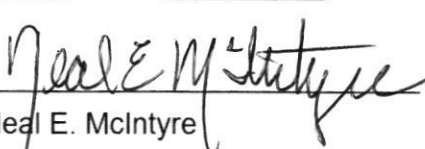
The next City Council meeting will be on August 20, 2025, at 5:00 pm.

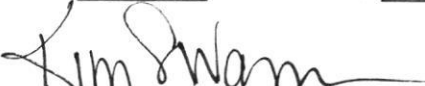
## 7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before it, the Fernley City Council meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm.

Approved by the Fernley City Council on August 20, 2025, by vote of:

AYES 5 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0 ABSENT: 0

  
Mayor Neal E. McIntyre

  
ATTEST: City Clerk Kim Swanson