

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Ave
Fallon, Nevada
December 2, 2025**

The Honorable City Council met at a regular meeting on the above date in the Council Chambers, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada.

Present:

Mayor Ken Tedford
Councilwoman Kelly Frost
Councilwoman Karla Kent
Councilman Paul Harmon
Chief of Staff Bob Erickson
City Attorney Trent deBraga
Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton
City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill
Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee
Public Works Director Brian Byrd
Deputy Public Works Adrian Noriega
Deputy Public Works Marco Guerrero
Deputy Public Works Erik Fain
Chief Daniel Babiarz
Captain Jose Perez
City Engineer Derek Zimney
Director of Tourism Jane Moon
Emergency Manager Steve Endacott

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tedford at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Tedford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the agenda had been posted in compliance with NRS requirements.

City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill advised that the agenda was posted in compliance with the NRS requirements.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments. He noted that comments are to be general in nature, not relative to any agenda items. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.

Geoff Knell of 261 Serpa Place greeted the Council.

- Read scriptures.

- Made comments regarding losing weight.
- Made comments regarding a guy and his business on the corner of Kepple Street and Serpa Place.
- Made comments regarding Democrats.
- Made comments regarding lawlessness.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any further comments.

No further comments were noted.

Consideration and possible approval of Council Meeting Minutes for November 18, 2025.

Councilman Harmon motioned to approve the Council Meeting Minutes for November 18, 2025, with no corrections; seconded by Councilwoman Kent and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Approval of Warrants

- A) Accounts Payable
- B) Payroll
- C) Customer Deposit

Councilwoman Kent motioned to approve the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants; seconded by Councilman Harmon and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Consideration and possible approval of a Record of Survey Map in Support of a Boundary Line Adjustment between a parcel owned by I. H. Kent Company, a parcel owned by Steve Bollenbacher & Charlene Blumhagen, and a parcel owned by Lorenzo & Kristina Munoz, Churchill County Assessor's Parcel Numbers 001-144-04, 001-144-02 & 001-144-03, respectively.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated I. H. Kent Company, owner of Churchill County Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 001-144-04, has made application and submitted a map to adjust the boundary line with the two parcels to the South, 001-144-02 and 001-144-03. APN 001-144-02 is owned by Steve Bollenbacher & Charlene Blumhagen and 001-144-03 is owned by Lorenzo & Kristina Munoz. Approval of this map will adjust the property lines, expanding parcel 001-144-03 and parcel 001-144-02 to include a portion of parcel 001-144-04. Any additional development or improvements to these parcels shall be required to meet all applicable City of Fallon standards and requirements.

Mayor Tedford inquired whether there were any questions or comments from the Council or the public.

Councilman Harmon inquired on the map square footage.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated the maps depicted the adjusted square footage amounts.

Councilman Harmon inquired if this property would be consistent with the neighborhood.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that, for a commercial building, the square footage is consistent with the area.

Councilwoman Kent stated that she would be abstaining from the vote on this agenda

item.

Mayor Tedford inquired whether there were any further questions or comments from the Council or the public.

No further comments noted.

Councilwoman Frost motioned to approve a Record of Survey Map in Support of a Boundary Line Adjustment between a parcel owned by I. H. Kent Company, a parcel owned by Steve Bollenbacker & Charlene Blumhagen, and a parcel owned by Lorenzo & Kristina Munoz, Churchill County Assessor's Parcel Numbers 001-144-04, 001-144-02 & 001-144-03, respectively; seconded by Councilman Harmon and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council, with Councilwoman Kent abstaining.

Public hearing for Bill No 807: An ordinance amending Title 17, Buildings and Construction, Chapter 17.04, Construction Codes, Section 17.04.020, Adopted Building and Construction Codes, of the City of Fallon Municipal Code, for the purpose of adopting the 2024 editions of the International and Uniform Building Codes, as further set forth.

Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton stated that this bill was introduced 2 weeks ago. This bill is to adopt the amendments to the International Building Codes that Northern Nevada division went through. Derek and the Building Department worked through these and made sure that they worked for our area and our City. If you further questions about the specifics, I would refer those to him.

Mayor Tedford stated that this is the time for the Public Hearing. Are there any public comments on this bill?

No comments were noted.

Consideration and possible adoption of Bill 807: An ordinance amending Title 17, Buildings and Construction, Chapter 17.04, Construction Codes, Section 17.04.020, Adopted Building and Construction Codes, of the City of Fallon Municipal Code, for the purpose of adopting the 2024 editions of the International and Uniform Building Codes, as further set forth.

Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton stated that he has nothing further on this item. The recommendation, from staff, would be to adopt these codes, as amended.

Mayor Tedford inquired whether there were any questions or comments from the Council or the public.

Councilwoman Frost inquired if this bill has already been adopted by Churchill County.

Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton stated that the bill has been approved by Churchill County. I don't know when their enforcement date is, but they have adopted them.

Councilwoman Kent inquired on when the City will be enforcing these codes.

Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton stated that if they are adopted today, we have to publish them in the newspaper. Our actual enactment date would be in approximately 2 weeks. Derek is prepared to send out letters to all the building officials within our jurisdiction and let them know that we are having a 6-month period, in which we allow them to come to compliance. July 1, 2026, we will be in full enforcement.

Councilwoman Kent inquired on building codes reverting to older codes.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that we have seen a few examples in the energy and electric codes, where they change the code, and go back to the way things were, over time. The codes are always evolving and being evaluated. These are international codes, not just Nevada.

There is always a possibility that things could change back, certainly.

Councilman Harmon inquired if changes revert, if it then has to be brought back to the Council for approval.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that we would enforce the codes, as they are, for the 4 years. They would come back to Council after the 4 years.

Councilman Harmon inquired on how many years the international codes are generally updated.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that every 3 years they are updated.

Mayor Tedford inquired whether there were any further questions or comments from the Council or the public.

No further comments noted.

Councilwoman Kent motioned to adopt Bill 807: An ordinance amending Title 17, Buildings and Construction, Chapter 17.04, Construction Codes, Section 17.04.020, Adopted Building and Construction Codes, of the City of Fallon Municipal Code, for the purpose of adopting the 2024 editions of the International and Uniform Building Codes, as further set forth; seconded by Councilman Harmon and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Public hearing for Bill No. 808: An ordinance amending Title 16, Fire Prevention and Protection, Chapter 16.04, Fire Codes, Section 16.04.020, Adopted Fire Codes, of The City of Fallon Municipal Code, for the purpose of adopting the 2024 edition of the International Fire Code, and appendices B, C, D and F, as modified by NAC 477.281.

Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton stated that Bill 808 was introduced at the City Council meeting on November 4th. Notice of this was published in the Fallon Post on November 18th. This is the public's opportunity to raise any comments they have regarding these fire codes.

Mayor Tedford stated this is the time for the Public Hearing on Bill No. 808. Are there any comments regarding these fire codes?

No comments were noted.

Consideration and possible adoption of Bill No. 808: An ordinance amending Title 16, Fire Prevention And Protection, Chapter 16.04, Fire Codes, Section 16.04.020, Adopted Fire Codes, of The City of Fallon Municipal Code, for the purpose of adopting the 2024 edition of the International Fire Code, and appendices B, C, D and F, as modified by NAC 477.281.

Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton stated that there has been an update in the international standards. These were reviewed by the Northern Nevada region and internally by staff. It is staff's recommendation, at this time, to adopt these amendments as set forth.

Mayor Tedford stated that these are not only reviewed internally by our staff, but also by the Fire Marshal, who is here today, Brad Dolan. The Fire Department has also reviewed these amendments. Are there any questions or comments from the Council or the public?

Councilwoman Frost inquired if this bill has already been adopted by Churchill County. This will be the same as the process from Bill No. 807?

Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton stated that the bill has been approved by Churchill County. These bills will be handled exactly the same way.

Councilman Harmon inquired on Fire Marshal Brad Dolan's recent trainings. Do your recent training courses cover these new codes.

Fire Marshal Brad Dolan greeted the Council. I believe things are always evolving, like Derek talked about. We don't have as many things change as rapidly as the other codes. The lithium battery thing is probably the biggest item that has been added into the code book, this year. We were looking forward to these chapters. It is just based on storage and all the things that you wonder about how to deal with. Otherwise, it is similar for us. If something changes, it will be in the next book in 4 years. Training is always evolving, just like the codes are. I feel like we are up to date now and moving forward. The County is already running with the new codes. I believe we are good and moving in the right direction.

Mayor Tedford inquired whether there were any further questions or comments from the Council or the public.

No further comments noted.

Councilman Harmon motioned to adopt Bill No. 808: An ordinance amending Title 16, Fire Prevention And Protection, Chapter 16.04, Fire Codes, Section 16.04.020, Adopted Fire Codes, of The City of Fallon Municipal Code, for the purpose of adopting the 2024 edition of the International Fire Code, and appendices B, C, D and F, as modified by NAC 477.281; seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Fallon Police Department Monthly Report for October 2025.

Chief Daniel Babiarz presented the October monthly report. The report will compare the October 2024 crime, traffic stops, and traffic accident statistics to October 2025. Total calls-for-service this month were 707.

- Crime Summary: 8 total Domestic Battery; 2 Batteries.
- Theft Calls: 16 total thefts for various items.
- Arrest Summary: 47 total arrests.
- Moving Citations/Traffic Warnings: 110 traffic stops were made; 21 issued citations.
- Public/Private Property Accidents: 23 total accidents.
- Animal Shelter Services: Total – 103; Churchill County – 63; City – 38; Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe – 2.
- Volunteers in Police Services: 208 Contributed hours.
- Various training courses were provided for sworn-in and non-sworn-in officers.
- Police officers participated in several various public relations events.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any comments or questions.

Councilwoman Frost inquired on the Citizen Survey comments.

Chief Daniel Babiarz stated that the program has been moved to the Police App. for the availability of citizen comments on responses to calls. This is something that we have noticed a decline in feedback. I think, internally, we can have a conversation about bringing it back to the way it was.

Councilwoman Frost agreed. I think it is important that people are able to give us feedback so we can address any concerns that they may have. Also, reward and celebrate the people that are doing a great job.

No further comments were noted.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.

Geoff Knell of 261 Serpa Place greeted the Council.

- Read scriptures.
- Made comments regarding lawlessness.
- Made comments regarding getting beat up at Oats Park.
- Made comments regarding Satan.
- Made comments regarding keeping The Commandments.
- Made comments regarding people confessing to him.

Bob Bridges of 735 Carson River Drive greeted the Council.

- Made comments regarding the City creating good memories, like the ice rink.
- Made comments regarding the appreciation of the City.
- Made comments regarding the City looking good.
- Made comments regarding law enforcement.
- Expressed his appreciation to the Council and the City in providing safety for our community.
- Thanked the Council for going the extra mile for the community during the busy seasons.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any further comments.

No further comments were noted.

Council and Staff Reports

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any Council or staff reports.

Councilwoman Frost congratulated the Fallon Greenwave football team on their recent state championship. That is quite an accomplishment. Our own Trent deBraga is the Defensive Coordinator. I was sitting by my radio, listening, during the whole game. I was nervous during the whole game because it was a close game, and a great game. Congratulations to the football team. I am also looking forward to all the events that are scheduled for this weekend. I know that it has been a very busy time for City Staff, Public Works, and everyone that has put in all the effort to make our City look beautiful. Thank you for all your efforts.

Councilman Harmon agreed with Councilwoman Frost. The town is really starting to look really great. Friday is probably one of our biggest days of the year, and you have all done such a tremendous job getting everything ready. The tree, the lights over the streets, and all the wreaths. I appreciate the effort during this time. Friday, Maine Street will be jam-packed, and everyone looks forward to this time of year, and especially the Christmas Tree Lighting. It is such a huge event for Fallon. Thank you for everything you do for that.

Mayor Tedford echoed the council members' comments. I see all the work going on around here and the citizens love it because Christmas here is very special. I have a lot of friends that come from Reno for the Christmas Tree Lighting. They appreciate it too. I was in the stands during the State game and Trent really kept his patience and remained calm during the whole game. He never got excited, one time, he was just as calm as he sits here, today. What an honor for them to win the championship. That was great.

No further reports were noted.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

Ken Tedford

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Attest:

Michael O'Neill

Michael O'Neill, City Clerk-Treasurer