

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Ave
Fallon, Nevada
January 20, 2026**

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
Councilman Paul Harmon
Chief of Staff Bob Erickson
City Attorney Trent deBraga
Deputy City Attorney Jaren Stanton
Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe
City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill
Public Works Director Brian Byrd
Deputy Public Works Adrian Noriega
Chief Daniel Babiarz
Captain John Riley
Captain Jose Perez
City Engineer Derek Zimney
Director of Tourism Jane Moon

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.

Mayor Tedford stated that Councilwoman Kent would be absent for the meeting.

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.

No comments were noted.

Consideration and possible approval of Council Meeting Minutes for September 16, 2025, September 25, 2025, and October 7, 2025.

Councilman Harmon motioned to approve the Council Meeting Minutes for September 16, 2025, September 25, 2025, and October 7, 2025, with no corrections or additions; seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Approval of Warrants

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

Councilwoman Frost motioned to approve the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants; seconded by Councilman Harmon and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Consideration of an application by Brisa Somal Garcia for a drinking establishment (on premises) liquor license manager change for Anchor LLC dba Boozy Lion Bar and Grill to be located at 30 East Center Street.

City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill stated Brisa Somal Garcia, owner of Anchor LLC dba Boozy Lion Bar and Grill has made an application for a drinking establishment liquor license manager change for Anchor LLC dba Boozy Lion Bar and Grill to be located at 30 East Center Street. A drinking establishment liquor license is a privileged license that allows the licensee to sell alcoholic beverages from a fixed and definite place of business for consumption upon the premises only. The application has been reviewed by Police Chief Daniel Babiarez, Chief of Staff Robert Erickson, City Attorney Trent deBraga, City Engineer Derek Zimney, and Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee and has been recommended for approval.

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

Councilman Harmon inquired if this was a manager change for the business.

City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill stated that he was correct. One of the owner's was the original manager on site, and it is being transferred to Brisa. This is just a manager change.

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

No further comments were noted.

Councilman Harmon motioned to approve the application by Brisa Somal Garcia for a drinking establishment (on premises) liquor license manager change for Anchor LLC dba Boozy Lion Bar and Grill to be located at 30 East Center Street; seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Consideration of application by Brisa Somal Garcia for a cabaret license manager change for Anchor LLC dba Boozy Lion Bar and Grill to be located at 30 East Center Street.

City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill stated Brisa Somal Garcia, owner of Anchor LLC dba Boozy Lion Bar and Grill has made an application for a cabaret license manager change for

Anchor LLC dba Boozy Lion Bar and Grill to be located at 30 East Center Street. A cabaret license is a privileged license that allows the licensee to provide live entertainment or dancing at the establishment. The application has been reviewed by Police Chief Daniel Babiarz, Chief of Staff Robert Erickson, City Attorney Trent deBraga, Public Works Director Brian Byrd, and Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee and has been recommended for approval.

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

Councilwoman Frost inquired on the DJ area on the map. I was thinking that the DJ/karaoke/dance area was in the back, when we approved this. I could be totally wrong, and not sure if that is correct.

Brisa Somal Garcia greeted the Council. As you enter, to the right, we have an empty area right there, where he sets up. It is basically an open area, but it has been the same.

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

No further comments were noted.

Councilman Harmon motioned to approve the application by Brisa Somal Garcia for a cabaret license manager change for Anchor LLC dba Boozy Lion Bar and Grill to be located at 30 East Center Street; seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Consideration and possible action to approve an agreement with Play & Park Structures of Nevada and Utah in order to purchase and install new playground equipment at Laura Mills Park in the amount of Five Hundred Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred One Dollars and One Cent (\$517,601.01).

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated the Laura Mills Park playground has reached its useful life expectancy and is in need of immediate replacement. The proposed plan will allow for the removal of the existing equipment and the installation of new equipment as described in the attached documents. The new facilities will include shade covers, surfacing, borders and engineered wood fiber for fall protection. The proposed location follows the eastern radius of the interior walking path and has an expanded footprint. The new playground will be ADA accessible of a have two zones for age specific play. The City utilized Omnia Partners to competitively bid and secure pricing for the proposed contract. Omnia Partners is the largest cooperative purchasing organization for the U.S. public sector and offers pre-negotiated, competitively bid contracts that comply with all Nevada Revised Statutes related to purchasing. This is a multi-phase project approach that we are taking to the rehabilitation of Laura Mills. We started with the exercise pad on the north end of the circle. Kind of included in Phase I is the new playground equipment and the interior and exterior walking paths. In the next couple of months, we will be bringing a proposal to the Council that will include the existing walking paths being replaced with concrete walking paths, and some of the infrastructure being put in the ground that will allow us to rehabilitate that lawn in the center portion.

Councilwoman Frost inquired on whether the current playground structures were on the east side of the park.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that she was correct.

Councilwoman Frost inquired on the blue areas on the diagram being for the larger playground equipment.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that she was correct. We are going to try and lay it out, so the structure follows the radius of the walking path itself. So, it is clean esthetically

but also allows it to flow seamlessly.

Mayor Tedford inquired about the different color sections.

Public Works Director stated the yellow section will be our shade structures with BBQ's and picnic tables. This will allow folks to be able to sit and relax while their children utilize the park. The dark blue section is the 5–12-year-old area. These are the taller structures. The light blue section is the 2–5-year-old area. This is a little smaller of an area. The green area, in between, will be Sod and real grass that is placed in there once we get the sprinklers tuned up. The 2 circles that are not colored or shaded exist. They have swings and some older playground equipment that is functional and safe. We are going to rehabilitate those areas as well.

Mayor Tedford inquired about the tan area in the northeast portion of the diagram.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that in between this area and the 2-5-year-old play area, there are plans in the overall masterplan for Laura Mills to incorporate a larger shade/pavilion type of structure and a corn hole area. They will be able to set up 10 sets of corn hole boards and have tournaments. That is included more in this current phase.

Councilwoman Frost inquired if we have done work with this company before. It looks like they do a lot of work similar to this, all over the country as well.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that we are starting to rehabilitate our existing playground equipment with this vendor. Erik has been working really closely with this company. We need to thank him. He has been collaborating a lot of this work between Lumos & Associates, the Public Works Department, and the playground suppliers. I have worked with them previously, in a past life, and they do a great job with their play and park. They do a really nice job, and it is a turn-key operation. I think, when it comes to playgrounds, generally, and liability, it is nice to have someone, like this, that has that expertise, insurance, coverage, and is properly licensed and installed. I have worked with them in the past and we have done small work with them at the City, but this will be the largest project that we have done with them, that I am aware of.

Councilwoman Frost stated she is excited about this project. I think it is going to be such a huge improvement to Laura Mills Park. Thank you for your work on getting this done.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that he believes it will be a dramatic change.

Councilman Harmon inquired about the proposed price. Does this include removal, disposal, and installation of all the old and new equipment?

Public Works Director stated the City of Fallon will be removing, storing, and evaluating how that equipment is either surplus or repurposed.

Councilman Harmon asked for an explanation of engineered wood fiber.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated engineer wood fiber is a fancy term for splinterless bark. A lot of times if you just order bark wood chips, and you don't have that engineered wood fiber certificate you will have issues with liability insurance, but it also helps with the actual function.

Councilman Harmon inquired on the life expectancy of the engineered wood fiber. Is this something that the City will have to replace every year? Every 5 years? Do we know? There has to be some kind of history if they are using this material.

Public Works Director stated that there is maintenance involved with it. Probably every 3 years you need to get in there, till it up, mix it up, with some piece of equipment and bring in another 4 or 5 inches. It compresses throughout time. It is a little bit better than an actual rubber service because the actual flat ones are only good for 5-10 years. Then, they become really difficult to maintain. Wood chips are easily freshened up. Everywhere is going back to the wood chips and moving away from the rubberized fall protection.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the chips are in the landing area of the slides as well.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that he was correct. Pretty much all the blue areas will be engineered wood fiber with a concrete boundary/border around it.

Councilman Harmon inquired on the pictures included in the packet. Is this exactly what we are getting?

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that the exact equipment pictured will be there.

Councilman Harmon inquired about the funding source amount in the packet and asked for an explanation where the money is coming from.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that over the years there has been allocation towards these funds directly to playground improvement. Specifically, Laura Mills and the multi-phase approach that we have. The money is part of the bonded dollars that we have had over the previous years.

City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill stated that was correct.

Mayor Tedford stated that we have 2 bonds.

City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill stated that the bonds were at the end of fiscal year 2024 and 2025 were slated to support this effort.

Mayor Tedford stated that there is an earlier bond also that we haven't drawn on.

City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill stated that bond has been expended.

Councilman Harmon inquired on what the working days will be for this project and estimated time of completion.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that there is a 6-week lead time from the time that they get a signed agreement. They do a good job not wanting to leave it on the ground for very long. I could see it being done by the end of June. That would be a safe time to start talking about doing a ribbon cutting. We are going to try and coordinate the walking paths with this project, at least being completed in a similar timeframe.

Councilwoman Frost inquired on a weed barrier being put down underneath the wood fiber. Controlling the weeds is always a concern.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that we go back-and-forward whether the weed barrier does what we need it to do. A lot of those weeds end up coming in from the sediment that assembles in the wood fiber. The weed barrier doesn't do a ton because it is so deep. Really what we need to do is freshen these areas up more regularly so the sediment doesn't stay established and germination cannot occur. We go back-and-forward on this, even when we do these DG projects, if we put the weed barrier down or not, it just kind of depends. If there is a lot of disturbed soil on the West side of the project, we will use weed barrier because the wind will get that sediment over there a little bit more. We could.

Mayor Tedford inquired if Councilwoman Frost's question was answered.

Councilwoman Frost stated that she is concerned about weeds. I don't like to drive by our parks and see weeds, especially in the playground area.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that we are leaning towards putting weed barrier down underneath this engineered wood fiber. Upon further evaluation, it is definitely something that we are going to do here.

Mayor Tedford stated that this project is part of rehabbing the entire Laura Mills Park, like we did Oats Park, over a few years' time. You will see more and more projects as we continue. The walking paths have been approved and now we have this equipment. You will see other projects, that will be small in nature, as we build towards what is probably going to be over \$4 Million, over several years. Any public comments or questions?

No further comments were noted.

Councilwoman Frost motioned to approve the agreement with Play & Park Structures of Nevada and Utah in order to purchase and install new playground equipment at Laura Mills

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Public Comments

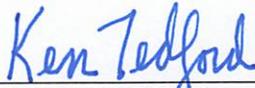
Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.
No comments were noted.

Council and Staff Reports

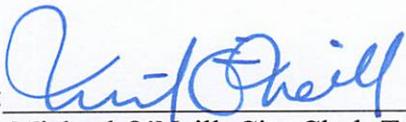
Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any Council or staff reports.
No reports were noted.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 9:23 a.m.



Mayor Ken Tedford

Attest: 

Michael O'Neill, City Clerk-Treasurer