



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP MINUTES

April 08, 2026 at 9:00 AM

Council Chambers at City Hall - 1123 W. Lake St. Sandpoint, Idaho

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Council President Deb Ruehle, presiding in Council chambers at City Hall, 1123 W. Lake St., Sandpoint, Idaho.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Councilor Deb Ruehle, Council President
Councilor Joel Aispuro
Councilor Kyle Schreiber
Councilor Pam Duquette
Councilor Joe Tate
Councilor Joshua Torrez

Mayor Jeremy Grimm was absent.

As required by the City's adopted Code of Ethics and Civility, as the presiding officer, Council President Ruehle identified law enforcement personnel serving as sergeant-at-arms for the meeting: Police Chief Corey Coon.

In addition to the Council, those in attendance included City Facilitator Fonda Jovick, City Attorney Zach Jones, Central Services Director Cheryl Hughes, Finance Director Sarah Lynds, Community Planning and Development Director Jason Welker, Public Works Director Holly Ellis, Fire Chief Gavin Gilcrease, and Police Chief Corey Coon.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Ruehle led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Strategic Planning Workshop

1. City Council Strategic Planning Kickoff

Following opening remarks by Council President Ruehle, a workshop was held, with discussion amongst Council members, legal counsel, and staff.

The workshop recessed for a break at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.; recessed for a lunch break at 12:28 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.; and recessed again at 2:55 p.m. and reconvened at 3:07 p.m.

Adjourn

With no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

I presided over this meeting and can confirm that the foregoing minutes, prepared by the City Clerk, were approved by City Council during their meeting held May 6, 2026.



Deb Ruehle, Council President



Attest: Meri Jane Bohn, City Clerk