



City Council Special Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, March 10, 2026
Council Chambers
749 Main Street
6:00 PM**

Mayor Leh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call was taken, and the following members were present:

City Council:

**Mayor Chris Leh
Mayor Pro Tem Barbara Hamlington
Council member Josh Cooperman
Council member Deborah Fahey – Remote
Council member Dietrich Hoefner - Remote
Council member Judi Kern**

Absent:

Council member Caleb Dickinson

Staff Present:

**Diana Langley, City Manager
Samma Fox, Deputy City Manager
Rob Zuccaro, Community Development Director
Vanessa Zarate, Economic Vitality Manager
Iris Belensky, Arts & Special Events Program Manager
Christina Fernandez, Deputy City Clerk**

REGULAR BUSINESS

**LIFE IF LOUISVILLE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST AWARD PRESENTATION
(00:01:30)**

Mayor Leh introduced the item.

Arts & Special Events Program Manager Belensky announced and presented the photography contest awards to the recipients.

DISCUSSION / DIRECTION: SHORT TERM RENTALS (SUNDANCE) (00:10:45)

The Mayor took a moment of personal privilege to deliver the following announcements: Louisville Revitalization Meeting tomorrow at 8:00 am, discussion regarding the Front & Center Project; combined Mayor's Meeting and Parks and Rec Open House, Thursday at 5:00 pm. Mayor Leh also noted there will be a major wind event and Xcel Energy will decide if there will be a Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS).

City Manager informed Council Xcel stated there will not be PSP event, although they will be in Enhanced Power Safety Shutoff Mode, and there could be unplanned outages.

Mayor asked for the staff report.

Economic Vitality Manager Zarate provided the Staff Report. Asked for direction on short-term rentals.

Council posed several questions which were acknowledged and answered as part of the discussion.

Public Comment

- None

Council posed additional questions which were acknowledged and answered as part of the discussion.

Council provided their input and feedback.

Community Development Director Zuccaro provided an overview of Council's direction to require annual renewal, propose appropriate insurance amounts aligned with other communities, clarify that apartments may be rented with owner approval, and allow flexibility on the length of time, consistent with Boulder. Staff will follow the structure previously provided with the noted changes.

Deputy City Manager Fox confirmed the direction: no additional occupancy limits; allowance for apartments with owner approval; no additional parking requirements;

emphasis on regional alignment; annual proof of insurance; annual renewal; interest in a full-year policy for future discussion; and consideration of the length of time.

Council member Hoefner moved to adopt the discussion and direction and move forward; seconded by Mayor Leh.

Aye: Leh, Hamlington, Cooperman, Fahey, Hoefner, Kern

Nay: None

Absent: Dickinson

Mayor Leh noted there will be an upcoming ordinance and Council will hear public comment at that time.

DISCUSSION / DIRECTION: UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS AND IDENTIFICATION OF NEW ONES (01:16:55)

Mayor Leh introduced the item.

The City Manager Langley displayed the Upcoming Agenda Items and addressed the short-term rental license ordinance, noting first reading on April 7 and proposed second reading on April 21; presented items on the upcoming agendas; asked for questions; and noted implementation of the Marshall Fire Rebate Program and the rebates being received in the fire-rebuild areas. She added that the WUI Code and the conflagration and risk assessment would be part of the defensible space conversation, and that the Town of Superior is working to coordinate a joint meeting with their Town Council.

Mayor Leh raised the question regarding the upcoming five-year anniversary of the Marshall Fire and Superior's efforts to have a memorial.

Cultural Services Director Cummings spoke about the joint meeting with Superior and possibility of coming together in their five-year memorial, noting this was brought forward as a request from community members to investigate. Council has set aside funds for a five-year anniversary or reflection commemoration. Staff are ready to issue a community survey on options for those funds; however, with the possibility of partnering with Superior, staff would need direction from both councils before the survey is released.

City Manager Langley noted the first and second readings for the certificates of participation in the 101 South Taylor purchase.

Mayor Pro Tem Hamlington addressed concerns regarding the amount of items listed on each meeting agenda and adding items to the consent agenda.

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discussion.

Council member Cooperman asked for clarification on the Resident Art Program which was acknowledged and addressed by Cultural Services Director Cummings.

ADJOURN (01:27:42)

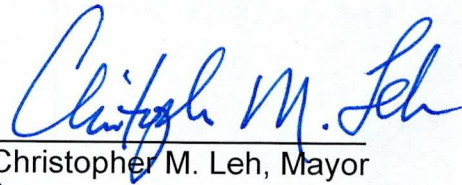
Council member Kern moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hamlington.

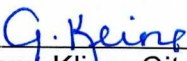
Aye: Leh, Hamlington, Cooperman, Fahey, Hoefner, Kern

Nay: None

Absent: Dickinson

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.


Christopher M. Leh, Mayor


Genny Kline, City Clerk

