

City Council

Special Meeting Minutes

**January 27, 2026
City Hall, Council Chambers
749 Main Street
6:00 PM**

Council member Dickinson 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 - Remote***
Council member Josh Cooperman
Council member Caleb Dickinson
Council member Deborah Fahey
Council member Dietrich Hoefner
Council member Judi Kern

Absent: ***Mayor Pro Tem Hamlington***

Staff Present: ***Diana Langley, City Manager***
Samma Fox, Deputy City Manager - Remote
Brandi Cummings, Cultural Services Director
Rob Zuccaro, Community Development Director
Genny Kline, City Clerk

Regular Business

CULTURAL SERVICES UPDATE (00:01:56)

Council member Dickinson introduced the item.

Cultural Services Director Cummings presented the staff report highlighting the Library.

Among the questions Council asked were inquiries regarding Maker Space, digital materials budget, digital lending platforms, Library volunteers, funding resources, and 150/250 anniversary celebrations.

Cultural Services Director continued with the presentation focusing on the Museum.

Council and staff engaged in discussion regarding interviews of residents, space issues, monies received from Historic Preservation Commission, and land acknowledgment regarding the 150/250 anniversary celebrations.

Cultural Services Director Cummings continued with Arts and Events.

Council posed questions which were acknowledged and addressed regarding the Arts and Events Center.

Cultural Services Director Cummings presented what is next for Cultural Services

Public Comment

- Lisa Bair (pooled time)
- Jane Evans
- Judi Dressler
- Vince Dean
- Ani Liggett
- Helen Harrison
- Phyllis Postlewait
- Lynn Berggren
- Dorothy Weiner (pooled time)
- Ken Roberge
- Susan Honstein
- Shelia Fossen
- Don Parcher

Council shared their comments and feedback.

2026 Council Work Plan Review (01:41:50)

Council member Dickinson Introduced the item.

City Manager Langley presented the staff report with a visual presentation.

Discussion included inquiries related to Economic Vitality proposed items, the Comprehensive Plan, Front & Center Vision, Economic Vitality Committee Policy recommendations, Targeted Development Code and Process Amendments, the Development Code Rewrite, Sundance Film Festival, and McCaslin Corridor.

The council posed several questions, which were acknowledged and addressed as part of the discussion.

City Manager Langley provided the Core Services proposed items – PROS Long-Range Plan and Trails Plan, Website update, WWTP Expansion, Transportation Infrastructure, Advocacy, 2027-2028 Budget and CIP, Xcel Franchise Agreement, move from Core Services to quality-of-life services, Strategic Planning, Historic Preservation Tax, Parks and Open Space Initiatives, Environmental Sustainability Initiatives, and Cultural Services Strategic Planning Initiative.

Council shared their feedback and comments.

City Manager Langley proceeded with the presentation, covering Safety, Housing, General Discussion Items, and Work Plan Decision Points. Council and staff participated in a detailed discussion of the General Discussion Items and the highlighted area of Work Plan Decision Points.

DISCUSSION / DIRECTION: UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS & IDENTIFICATION OF NEW ONES (03:26:33)

Council member Dickinson introduced the item.

Mayor Leh left the meeting at 9:27 pm.

City Manager Langley presented the agenda items and reviewed the associated dates. Council engaged in an extensive discussion, offering comments, asking questions, and providing input on each item.

ADJOURN (03:47:25)

Council member Hoefner moved the adjourn the meeting; seconded by Council member Kern.

Aye: Cooperman, Dickinson, Fehey, Hoefner, Kern

Nay: None

Absent: Leh, Hamlington

Members adjourned at 9:48 pm.

G. Kline
Genny Kline, City Clerk



Christopher M. Leh
Christopher M. Leh, Mayor