MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION
Tuesday, June 23rd, 2026 – 10:02 a.m.
at Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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WEBER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: Gage Froerer**,** James "Jim" H. Harvey, and Sharon Bolos
STAFF PRESENT: Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Chris Crockett, Chief Civil Deputy; and Craig D. Brandt, of the County Clerk/Auditor's office, who took minutes.

A. WELCOME: Chair Froerer
B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All in attendance were invited to recite the Pledge**.**
C. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE: Commissioner Harvey
D. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

1. Chair Froerer: I want to recognize Mr. Andrew Gruber from Wasatch Front Regional Council. Andrew does a great job for this state and along the Wasatch Front. The WFRC Wasatch Front Regional Council has a big impact on a lot of areas in our communities, transportation, housing, all the way through zoning. He does a great job there. Andrew and I spent time together when I was in the legislature. He spent time in my office for some reason. A lot of people don't understand the benefit that the Wasatch Front Regional Council has on grants, on development, and on housing across the Wasatch Front. Andrew, thank you for being with us.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.

F. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Purchase orders in the amount of $222,629.65.
2. Warrants #08372-108443, #497014-497090, and #539-540 in the amount of $3,530,423.24.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. Minutes for the meetings held on June 16th, 2026.
5. Contract with eQuest for online job posting delivery to third-party career sites.
6. Amended Local Transportation Funding Agreement with Pleasant View City for the Pleasant View City Skyline Drive Rail Crossing Corridor Preservation project.
7. Local Transportation Funding Agreement with North Ogden City establishing terms related to the North Ogden City 2100 N. & Fruitland Drive Intersection project.
8. Local Transportation Funding Agreement with North Ogden City establishing terms related to the North Ogden City Mountain Road Corridor Preservation project.
9. Interlocal Agreements with Uintah City for Animal Control Services.
10. Interlocal Agreements by and between Weber County and Marriott-Slaterville City for Animal Control Services

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the consent items with comment: We have had multiple conversations with respective cities...; Commissioner Bolos seconded with comment on Siri Main's efforts to get the Animal Shelter in order, including the two contracts on today's Consent Items.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

G. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **APPROVE AN ACCEPTANCE AND RELEASE ACCEPTING A CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF $482,347.80 FROM THE JOYCE R. MATLOCK LIVING TRUST FOR THE BENEFIT OF WEBER COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES.**

   Siri Main (Animal Services Director): Matthew Miles of Froerer and Miles contacted us a month ago informing us Animal Services is a beneficiary of $482,347.80. We request acceptance of this charitable distribution. We currently have plans for HVAC improvements, key card entry installation, and power washing machine repairs.

   Commissioner Bolos moved to approve an Acceptance and Release accepting a charitable distribution of $482,347.80 from the Joyce R. Matlock Living Trust for the benefit of Weber County Animal Services; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
   Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

2. **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 26-2026 APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE WEBER COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION.**

   Rick Grover (Planning Director): We have one opening on Weber County Planning Commission. One application was received from Andrew Favero.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve Resolution 26-2026 reappointing Andrew Favero to the Weber County Planning Commission; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

3. **APPROVE THE FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE 2026-11 OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WEBER COUNTY AMENDING CERTAIN FEES OF THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER.**

Duncan Olsen (GSEC Director): No change from First Reading (*approved June 6th, 2026*, *Item H3*).

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve Final Reading of Ordinance 2026-11 amending certain fees of the Golden Spike Event Center; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

4. **APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND IMPOSING 0.2% SALES AND USE TAX TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND ANY OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSE ALLOWED BY STATUTE.**

Courtlan Erickson (County Attorney): What you have before you is the proposal to adopt 0.2% sales and use tax on general sales and use tax transactions within Weber County. The legislature amended the statute recently to allow second class counties like Weber County to use these funds not only for transportation purposes but also for public safety purposes, giving the counties more flexibility on what those funds can be used for. And we know the commission has been interested in public safety and adequately funding that. This provides another option for funds that can be used in addition to transportation. The state code is broken down in three different segments. A portion of it goes to cities and towns. A portion of it goes to transportation. And a portion of it goes to the County to be used for either transportation or public safety. So some of it will go to transportation no matter what. Some of it is more flexible in its use.

Commissioner Harvey: This is not an additional property tax burden on our citizens, correct?

Mr. Erickson: Correct.

Chair Froerer: Just to go on the record, this has actually been on state statute for a period of time commonly referred to as the 'fifth/fifth' because we have other quarters that go to transportation directed toward UT, etc. It provides the ability in Weber County and Davis County to use this consumer tax, consumption tax as I call it, for other purposes other than just transportation.

Mr. Erickson: Yes. It is known colloquially as the 'fifth/fifth' because it's a fifth of a percent and it's the fifth one of these local option sales and use taxes.

Stephanie Russell (Economic Development Director): Commissioners, thank you for the opportunity to provide a little background information on Weber County's initiative towards this particular amendment. Historically, this was not as flexible as it is now. We worked very closely with Davis County, the Wasatch Front Regional Council, and Senator Jerry Harper in this past legislative session to make sure the language reflects the appropriate growth capabilities this tax could be used towards. Through this regional partnership, we were able to implement language addressing counties of the second class, which include Weber and Davis Counties. One of the reasons that that's so important is we have some really specific growth opportunities in both counties. And as those growth opportunities happen, they impact beyond transportation and into other areas such as law enforcement, emergency response, public safety infrastructure, and other county services that have to support growth as it comes. So, we were able to work very closely with our regional partners to make sure that that language went into the bill that's going to benefit Weber County and all counties of the second class as we are all experiencing significant growth. The ordinance before you today addresses the legislation holistically. I want to say thank you to our partners. And I specifically want to say thank you for to Gage for being such a great mentor for me personally during this legislative session as we worked through four different initiatives Weber County. Commissioner Froerer really took this one on personally and made the legislature to understand as our county's growing, we can't sustain it with property

taxes. Using something that already existed and adjusting the language so that we could address some of those really serious issues like law enforcement, emergency response, public infrastructure is significant for this county. All of our cities in this County are going to benefit from this effort. I personally want to thank Gage for leading the effort on this. It's been just a pleasure working with you and the legislature these past four years. That's a little personal aside, but I just really want it to be known that Weber County takes a very serious position when it comes to getting involved with the legislature, partnering with our regional development partners, and making sure that our citizens are experiencing growth at a rate that is sustainable and that doesn't impact their property taxes.

Chair Froerer: This gives us another source of funding without burdening taxpayers. I appreciate that, thank you. It was a team effort and sometimes we win as a team, sometimes we take a couple of hits, but this was definitely a win for Weber County. We had a lot of partners involved with this. Public safety, we know ranks very high in the public's need for services from our counties. This gives the ability for both Weber and Davis to use this for areas outside of transportation. It gives us another pot of money to use without making the taxpayers that own real property in this County pay for those services entirely. I feel it was a win. I appreciate all your work as well.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve first reading of an Ordinance adopting and imposing 0.2% sales and use tax to provide additional funding for transportation, public safety, and any other lawful purpose allowed by statute; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

H. ADJOURN

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn at 10:35 am.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos - aye

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair
Weber County Commission

Ricky D. Hatch, CPA
Weber Country Clerk/Auditor