**City Council Meeting**

**July 08, 2026** **Victor, ID**

Victor City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers in City Hall at 138 N Main Street at 6:02 P.M. Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

Mayor & Council: Stacy Hulsing- Acting Mayor, Emily Sustick, Amy Ross, and Sue Muncaster.

Staff: Herb Heimerl, Jeremy Besbris, Jasmine Griffin, Kim Kolner, Nate Beard, and Michelle Smith.

**Consent Calendar:**

A motion was made by Councilor Muncaster and seconded by Councilor Sustick to approve Consent Calendar items a–c, removing items d, e, and f for separate consideration.

a. To approve the June 10, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.
b. To approve the June 10, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes as presented.
c. To approve the June 23, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes as presented.
d. To approve the Disbursements as presented.
e. To approve the Findings - LU2026-01 Annexation & LU2026-02 Rezoning Birch to Baseline as presented.
f. To approve the Proposal for Sherman Park Weed Spraying as presented.

Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Disbursements: Councilor Ross pulled the disbursements regarding BDO discovery requests costs.
A motion was made by Councilor Ross and seconded by Councilor Muncaster to approve the disbursement as presented. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

**Findings of LU2026-01 Annexation & LU2026-02 Rezoning Birch to Baseline**- Councilor Sustick made a requested removing the contradictory staff findings and include the council findings for the approval criteria. A motion was made by Councilor Muncaster and seconded by Councilor Sustick to this from the consent calendar and add it to the next council meeting. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

**Proposal for Sherman Park Weed Spraying**- Councilor Sustick had questions about weed control and stated that she had previously contacted the County regarding weed mitigation in Sherman Park. She requested that the city follow up with the county regarding weed mitigation strategy for Sherman Park and ensure Trail Creek Nursery's treatment aligns with county recommendations. A motion was made by Councilor Sustick and seconded by Councilor Muncaster to approve the proposal for Sherman Park Weed Spraying with conditions as stated. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Acting Mayor Hulsing stated that she had consulted with attorneys from the Association of Idaho Cities regarding meeting procedures, disruptions, and rules of decorum for council meetings.

**Visitors**.

Scheduled Visitor – Teton County Sheriff's Office FY27 Funding Request: Billie Siddoway, Teton County Administrator, and Teton County Commissioner Dan Powers presented information regarding the County's FY27 funding request. The presentation included an overview of a new data dashboard system designed to improve analysis and reporting, an umbrella contract available to local jurisdictions to assist with posting information on municipal websites and plans to establish a countywide Public Safety Task Force. They also reviewed the Sheriff's Office budget, the costs associated with providing law enforcement services, and projected future public safety needs. A funding request of $120,000 was presented for FY27 to support dispatcher services.

Scheduled Visitor- Victor Rock Park FY27 Funding Request Brady Johnson and Seth presented a proposal for the public bouldering and recreation amenity and requested $150,000 in City funding.

Scheduled Visitor-Teton Regional Economic Coalition (TREC) FY27 City of Victor Funding Request- Andy Epperson, Executive Director presented a request for fiscal year 27 support from the City of Victor to continue TREC's economic development services, asking for an increase from $4,200 to $10,000 to cover funding gaps and maintain operations.

Marian Ruzicka commented on the inoperable elevator and the need for improved sound system accommodations in the Council Chambers. She also expressed concerns regarding criticism directed toward members of the public and referenced a *Teton Valley News* article concerning Victor Watch Dogs.

Marica Dier commented on the proposed trail development along Abby Loop and expressed concerns about large construction equipment traveling on the roadway.

Robert Boyles urged the Council to invite Ms. Chadwick back to speak, alleging that the City had violated her First Amendment rights. He also expressed concerns regarding fees associated with public records requests and the City's compliance with Idaho Public Records Law.
Carol Nowakowski expressed concerns regarding changes made to the meeting agenda.

Cindy Reigel encouraged the Council to consult the Association of Idaho Cities for guidance and commented on the allowance of public comment during the mayoral appointment action item.

**Work Session**.
City Treasurer Jasmine Griffin presented the FY27 budget, including discussions on the Old Town Irrigation Fund, Sheriff's Office funding, TREC funding, the bouldering facility request, and the Sewer Fund.

Old Town Irrigation Fund: Council reviewed proposed changes to support the option to reduce irrigation costs, including reallocating $1,424 in Trail Creek water share expenses to the Parks Department while maintaining the administrative fee, resulting in a proposed annual assessment of $200.27 per acre. Public comment was opened. Marian Ruzicka commented on Golf Vista irrigation, and Marcia Lemier commented on irrigation shares and fees. Public comment was closed. Council continued discussion regarding contingency funding, administrative fees, and the Parks Department paying its proportionate share of irrigation costs.

Sheriff's Office Funding: Council reviewed the funding request for $120,000 for dispatcher services and $5,000 for a countywide data dashboard, funded through Local Option Tax revenues. Public comment was opened. Scott Fitzgerald commented on the need for a long-term funding strategy for law enforcement. Cindy Reigel and Carol Nowakowski expressed support for the funding request. Public comment was closed. Council discussed future budget impacts, requested additional reporting and statistical data from the Sheriff's Office, and directed staff to prepare an amendment to the enhanced services agreement reflecting the additional $125,000 allocation.

TREC Funding: Council reviewed TREC's request to increase City funding from $4,200 to $10,000 for FY27. A brief recess was taken before opening public comment. Public comment was opened. Marian Ruzicka requested additional performance data and statistics. John Sackman spoke in opposition to the funding request. Scott Fitzgerald expressed support, citing TREC's economic development efforts. Public comment was closed. Council directed staff to include the requested funding in the preliminary budget for further consideration.

Bouldering Facility Funding: Council discussed the funding request for the proposed bouldering facility, including Recreation District participation and the requested $150,000 City contribution.

Sewer Fund: Council reviewed the FY27 wastewater budget, including monthly ERU rates, maintenance costs for the shared wastewater treatment plant, and year-to-date expenditures. Staff presented the preliminary budget received from the City of Driggs, including $365,109 in sewer fees, $61,875 in capital reimbursement, and $158,284 in wastewater treatment plant debt. Council directed staff to prepare the FY27 budget without the Victor plant costs, resulting in a proposed rate of $62.98 per ERU per month, noting that future amendments may be necessary as the Driggs budget is finalized. Public comment was opened. Cindy Reigel expressed support for reducing sewer rates. Marian Ruzicka requested an update regarding Teton Springs. Carol Nowakowski expressed support for the proposed sewer rate reduction. Public comment was closed.

Council directed staff to place the preliminary FY27 budget approval on the July 22, 2026 agenda, with the public hearing and final budget consideration scheduled for August 12, 2026.

A motion was made by Councilor Muncaster and seconded by Councilor Sustick to amend the agenda to move the mayoral vacancy to be done after the public hearing: community development block grant. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

**Public Hearing.**
**Public Hearing: Community Development Block Grant. Jasmine Griffin** confirmed that proper notice has been given and that supporting materials are complete. No Council members declared a conflict of interest. Siona Johnson, representing ALTURA, made public comment regarding the requirement for the closure of the block grant for the restroom in Victor City Park and gave an update on the project. Public comment was opened. Public comment was closed. No action taken at this time.

**Mayoral Vacancy – Council Member Statements of Candidacy, Possible Nomination, and Appointment:** Council discussed whether to continue consideration of the mayoral vacancy to the July 22, 2026 meeting, consistent with the timeline established at the previous meeting. The City Attorney explained that the item was placed on the work session agenda to provide an opportunity for public input, as public comment is not typically taken during action items. Councilor Ross acknowledged that members of the public were present to hear candidate statements and suggested to proceed with the statements. Councilor Amy Ross and

Councilor Sue Muncaster each presented statements of candidacy. No nomination or appointment was made during the work session.
Public comment was opened. Marcia Lemire, Marian Ruzicka, Marcia Dier, Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy, Anne, Cindy Reigel, Carol Nowakowski, John Sackman, Holly Bender, and Heidi Crabtree spoke in support of Councilor Amy Ross. Molly Absolon, Janeane Fitzgerald, and Scott Fitzgerald spoke in support of Councilor Sue Muncaster. Public comment was closed.

Councilor Ross withdrew her candidacy for the mayoral appointment.

A motion was made by Councilor Hulsing and seconded by Councilor Sustick to appoint Councilor Sue Muncaster as Acting Mayor, effective July 9, 2026, to serve the remainder of former Mayor Will Frohlich's term until the next general election. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a roll call vote. Councilor Ross abstained. Councilors Muncaster, Hulsing, and Sustick voted in favor. The motion carried.

**Action Items.**
**SD2026-06-Condo Plat-9102 Village Way- Mountainside Village Center LLC.** Kim Kolner made staff comment regarding an application for a Condominiumization Plat to create One Village Center Condominiums to create 7 units. Kim reviewed the criteria for approval.

A motion was made by Councilor Sustick and seconded by Councilor Hulsing to approve application SD2026-06 for Condominiumization upon finding, based on the record and testimony, that the application does satisfy the applicable approval criteria. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a roll call vote. Councilor Ross- In Favor, Councilor Muncaster- In Favor, Councilor Hulsing- In Favor, Councilor Sustick- In Favor. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

**SD2026-07 Short Plat Subdivision- Fir Street, Clark Marinek.** Kim Kolner made staff comment regarding an application for a short plat subdivision for the creation of 2 lots located at the parcel identified as RPB0101001005B. The property was previously divided by a lot-split This is why the short plat process is required to divide that property.

A motion was made by Councilor Muncaster and seconded by Councilor Sustick that the City Council approve application SD2026-07 for Short Plat upon finding, based on the record and testimony, that the application does satisfy the applicable approval criteria. I also move to direct staff to prepare Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law reflecting the Council's determination, to be brought back for Council review and action at the next regular meeting. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a roll call vote. Councilor Ross- In Favor, Councilor Muncaster- In Favor, Councilor Hulsing- In Favor, Councilor Sustick- In Favor. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

**Victor Rock Park Funding Request.** A motion was made by Councilor and seconded by Councilor to approve the grant match of $150,000 for Phase 1 of the Victor boulder park. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried

**Community Grant Policy.** A motion was made by Councilor Ross and seconded by Councilor Hulsing to move the community grant policy to the July 22nd meeting. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for a roll call vote. Councilor Ross- In Favor, Councilor Muncaster- In Favor, Councilor Hulsing- In Favor, Councilor Sustick- In Favor. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

**Matters from Mayor, Council & Staff.**
A link was provided for the Close out of the Teton Centennial Trail, Treasurer's Monthly Report and Planning Permits.

**Adjourn**. A motion was made by Councilor Sustick and seconded by Councilor Hulsing to adjourn the meeting. Acting Mayor Hulsing called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 P.M.

City of Victor

Stacy Hulsing, Acting Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Smith, City Clerk

Minutes: MS 07082026