

CITY OF FAIRFIELD
Regular City Council Meeting #FY 26-17
Thursday, July 16th, 2026, 7:00p.m.

Mayor Terry Lee called the City Council meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. City Clerk Sonja Chrysler took roll call. In attendance were Mayor Terry Lee, council members President Ted Miller, Amy Martin, Rodney Blount via phone until 8:16pm, and Tyler Ballard came in at 7:23 p.m. Also, in attendance were Planning and Zoning Administrator Ed Reagan. In the audience were Ali Golden, and Sakena Lesmeister with Ziply.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve the agenda, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT AGENDA: Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve the consent agenda as a whole, second by Councilmember Tyler Ballard. Motion passed by rollcall vote 3-0. Ted Miller "Aye", Amy Martin "Aye", Tyler Ballard "Aye".

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Ordinance #311 – Buildings & Property Code Amendment – ACTION ITEM:**
Each change has been separated with its own ordinance. Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve changes to Ordinance #311, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 4-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller "Aye", Rodney Blount "Aye", Amy Martin "Aye", Tyler Ballard "Aye". Councilmember Amy Martin motioned for first reading of Ordinance #311 by title only, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 4-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller "Aye", Rodney Blount "Aye", Amy Martin "Aye", Tyler Ballard "Aye". Mayor reads Ordinance #311 by title only. Councilmember Amy Martin motion to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance #311, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 4-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller "Aye", Rodney Blount "Aye", Amy Martin "Aye", Tyler Ballard "Aye". Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to adopt Ordinance #311 by title only, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller "Aye", Rodney Blount "Aye", Amy Martin "Aye", Tyler Ballard "Aye". Mayor reads Ordinance #311 by title only and declares it adopted.

- B. Ordinance #312 – Dog Code Amendment – ACTION ITEM:** Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve changes to Ordinance #312, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller “Aye”, Rodney Blount “Aye”, Amy Martin “Aye”, Tyler Ballard “Aye”. Councilmember Amy Martin motioned for first reading of Ordinance #312 by title only, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller “Aye”, Rodney Blount “Aye”, Amy Martin “Aye”, Tyler Ballard “Aye”. Mayor reads Ordinance #312 by title only. Councilmember Amy Martin motion to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance #312, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 4-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller “Aye”, Rodney Blount “Aye”, Amy Martin “Aye”, Tyler Ballard “Aye”. Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to adopt Ordinance #312 by title only, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller “Aye”, Rodney Blount “Aye”, Amy Martin “Aye”, Tyler Ballard “Aye”. Mayor reads Ordinance #312 by title only and declares it adopted.
- C. Approve Tentative Budget – ACTION ITEM:** Council discussed raises . Council motioned to increase elected Mayor to \$100 per month and to approve up to \$6,240 in raises for employees at the mayor’s discretion. **Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve annual raises up to \$6,240.00 for employees and \$100 more per month to the mayor, second by Council president Ted Miller. Motion passed 3-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller “Aye”, Amy Martin “Aye”, Tyler Ballard “Aye”. Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve the tentative 2026-2027 budget with the above additions, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 3-0 by roll call vote, Ted Miller “Aye”, Amy Marting “Aye”, Tyler Ballard “Aye”.**
- D. Jordan Zwygart - Audit – ACTION ITEM:** Jordan Zwygart presented the 2025-2026 audit. **Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to accept the 2025-2026 audit report, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 4-0.**
- E. Special Events Permit - Memorial – ACTION ITEM:** Special events permit for Julie Storey memorial on August 22nd at the city park. **Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve the special events permit for the memorial on**

August 22nd and waive the fees, second by Councilmember Tyler Ballard. Motion passed 4-0.

- F. Bounce House Rental Agreement – ACTION ITEM:** Soldier Mountain would like to use the bounce house for their fundraising event for July 19th and August 16th. **Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to allow Soldier Mountain to rent the bounce house for July 19th and August 16th, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0.** Council discussed adding verbiage into the contract to include the requirement of a tarp under the slide and bounce house and to NOT allow water on either inflatable. **Council president Ted Miller motioned to change the verbiage in the rental agreement to include the requirement of a tarp and not using water on or in the inflatables, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0.**

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- A. Vertical Bridge Offer – ACTION ITEM:** Sonja stated that she received an email from David that something came up and he was unable to phone in at the last meeting. Sonja also stated that she put the question on the list serve through AIC but only received two responses back. Hagerman has a new contract for a cell tower that is currently being built. That contract started at \$800 per month with annual increases. The other response was from Coeur d'Alene who did not share their monthly payment amount. Council discussed the amount of money that was offered in each of the three options and how that would affect upcoming projects. Council agreed that option three was probably the best one. **Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to allow Mayor Lee to contact Vertical Bridge and negotiate option three, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0.**
- B. Ziply Fiber - ROW – ACTION ITEM:** Sakena Lesmeister with Ziply was present to update council with new information. She stated that after reviewing the documentation from ETS, the decision was made to run their own fiber, as the cost was prohibitive and there would have to be additional work to the existing fiber before they could use it. The agreement with Idaho Power to run arial fiber is already in place. They have provided the required bond and will use vibratory plows to be minimally invasive. **Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the Ziply ROW permit, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0.**
- C. ADU's – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

- D. **Nuisance Ordinance Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** Will discuss the livestock ordinance at our next meeting.
- E. **North Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- F. **South Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** The last payment on the sidewalk project was requested. Mayor's signature required to allow LHTAC to make the payment. **Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to allow the mayor to sign the contract for payment, second by Council president Ted Miller. Motion passed 3-0.**
- G. **Market Animal Building – Action Item:** No discussion
- H. **Sun Creek Discussion – Final Platt Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** The Sun Creek property is for sale. The preliminary plat approval has an expiration date. An extension must be filed in order to extend its approval time. The landowner is aware of this.
- I. **Pickleball/Tennis Courts – ACTION ITEM:** Discussed purchasing pickleball equipment.

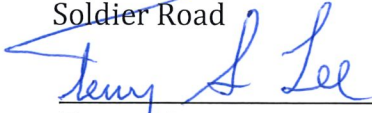
REPORTS

- A. **Mayor's Report and Correspondence:** Mayor Lee:
- B. **Water and Sewer:** Tyler Ballard: No report
- C. **Streets and Alleys:** Ted Miller: No report.
- D. **Parks and Recreation:** Amy Martin: No report
- E. **Fire and Police:** Rodney Blount: No report
- F. **Code Enforcement:** Dennis Stitt: No report
- G. **Public Works Superintendent:** Jerry Scovill: Mayor Lee reported that the main street banner poles look good. Sonja reported that she ordered the new banner for the fair board and that it should be here next week for Jerry to hang. The cost for the banner was \$2,200.
- H. **Planning and Zoning Administrator:** Ed Reagan: The permit for Ziply is only good for 180 days. Their projected project dates are from August 15th to September 15th.
- I. **City Clerk/Treasurer:** Sonja Chrysler: Sonja reported that she had a gentleman named Zane with American Ramp. American Ramp helps cities get grants to put in bike tracks. Zane shared some of the Idaho projects they have done. Some of the cities they have done projects in are Caldwell, Eagle, and Jerome. They are currently working on one at the Mountain Home Airforce Base. They do concrete, asphalt, wood, dirt, and even movable tracks. Sonja spoke to Mayor Lee about the idea, and he informed her that the city owns an old landfill out on 100 East that is 2.77 acres. It would be accessible by the bike path along Soldier Rd. The American

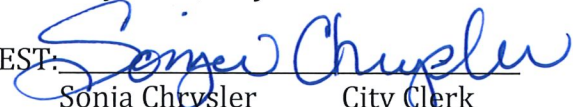
Ramp company would like to do a presentation to city council to present the idea and the options to make it happen.

Councilmember Tyler Ballard moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Next Council meeting will be on Thursday, August 13th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at 407
Soldier Road



Terry S Lee, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Sonja Chrysler City Clerk