

CITY OF FAIRFIELD
Regular City Council Meeting #FY 26-18
Thursday, August 13th, 2026, 7:00p.m.

Mayor Terry Lee called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Clerk Sonja Chrysler took roll call. In attendance were Mayor Terry Lee, council members President Ted Miller, Amy Martin, Rodney Blount. Tyler Ballard was absent. Also, in attendance were Planning and Zoning Administrator Ed Reagan and Public Works Supervisor Jerry Scovill. In the audience were Ali Golden and Phillip Carlson .

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 with spelling correction on her last name, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed by rollcall vote 3-0. Ted Miller "Aye", Rodney Blount "Aye", Amy Martin "Aye".

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Jordan Zwygart 26-27 Audit Engagement Letter** – The city received the audit engagement letter for FY 26-27. There was a discrepancy on the second paragraph that had a date of September 30th, 2025. It was questioned whether that was a typo. Sonja said she would speak to Jordan and find out and put this item on continued business to discuss and sign at the next meeting.

- B. American Ramp – Bike Park Presentation – ACTION ITEM:** Dalton Vaughn with American Ramp did a zoom presentation for city council. In the presentation he went over who American Ramp is and what they do. He showed some of the bike parks and pump tracks they have done in other states and in Idaho. He went over how the program works and what the steps are. He stated that the cost for them to come and work in person to design a bike park for the city would be a commitment of \$14,500. Once the track was designed, American Ramp would then work on grant funding. There would most likely be a match but that could be done with donations of Airbnb stays for workers, donations of labor from locals, the time spent working on it by our public works, etc. The council liked the idea, and we will continue to explore the idea.

- C. Special Events Permit Pocket Park – Central District Meeting – ACTION ITEM:** Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve the special events permit and waive the fees, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 3-0.

D. Well & Water Rights – ACTION ITEM: Mayor Lee explained to council what was going on with the well that was given to the city back in 2006. He stated that there was an agreement that if they annexed the property into the city, that the irrigation well and the water rights would become the property of the city. Unfortunately, the water rights were never transferred into the Cities' name. Recently, Mike Caven had decided he wanted to use the water rights and had some electrical work done to the well. Mayor Lee had a conversation with him about it and the agreement back in 2006. Mike went through his folder of documents regarding the property, and he stated that the original agreement was to only give the well to the city and not the water rights. Unfortunately, the well is only for irrigation and not potable water. There was talk back when it was given to the city to use it for irrigation for the football field and park. Mike Caven currently wants to transfer the water rights from the well in the city and use it somewhere else. Mayor Lee informed Mike Caven that he would need to speak to city council since it is up to them and decide what to do about the situation. Terry said the attorney mentioned de-annexing the property and giving the well back, but Ed was not sure if that could be done. The city is unsure if the well is in working order. Mayor Lee will speak to the attorney to find out if there is someone in their firm with water right knowledge.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- A. Vertical Bridge Offer – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- B. ADU's – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- C. Nuisance Ordinance Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** Amy provided a revised proposed livestock guideline. Council discussed which parts of it they liked and which they thought might need to be changed. Mayor Lee mentioned the parts about manure and needing to be hauled away in a timely manner. It was also mentioned that it needed to be clear that city council would need to approve the permit to have a livestock animal for a 4H project. Council discussed the amount of usable land vs. just the lot size in relation to how much room was needed for each species. There was question about how long each livestock project lasts. Amy

said she would speak to Carol and get those numbers to discuss at the next meeting.

- D. North Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- E. South Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** Sonja will get ahold of Antonio to find out if they are ready for us to pay the retainage amount not that LHTAC has paid the additional funding.
- F. Market Animal Building – ACTION ITEM:** Ed spoke to the demolition guys. They are scheduling when they will come in and take the buildings out. The city is responsible for removing the trees. The city will need to coordinate tree removal with demolition of the buildings and the preparing of a pad for the new building in the spring. In addition, Idaho Power will need to disconnect power which will affect the bathroom power. Jerry will get with Ed and Idaho Power, after August 22nd to coordinate tree removal and demolition.
- G. Sun Creek Discussion – Action Item:** Ed had a conversation with the realtor handling the property. The property is advertised as permit ready; however, it is not permit ready. He thinks he got through to her about where the property actually stands with the preliminary plat. Ed also had a conversation with Mr. Walker who wants to know if he can do a partial install of infrastructure to get a final plat. Without a final plat individual lots cannot be sold, only the property as a whole. Council declined that request. Council also discussed the amount of time left for him to extend the preliminary plat.
- H. Pickleball/Tennis Courts – ACTION ITEM:** Sonja ordered two pickleball sets that each contain four paddles and seven balls that arrived the other day. She also ordered the net and that should be here Friday. Jerry and Scott painted the lines on the court. The wind screens will also be ordered. Once everything is ready to go, Sonja will be taking photos and posting something to let the public know it is open for use.

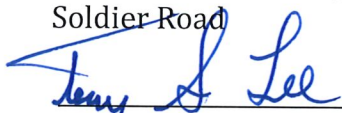
REPORTS

- A. Mayor's Report and Correspondence:** Mayor Lee: No report
- B. Water and Sewer:** Tyler Ballard: No report
- C. Streets and Alleys:** Ted Miller: Ted reported lots of people still parking in the alleys. He also asked about speed limits on city streets. Mayor Lee said that when it was last discussed with Steven Yearsley, it was said that in order to change the speed limit within the city, you would have to have a speed study done first. Then, depending on what the study found, if the average speed was higher than what was currently posted, the speed limit would go up. The current ordinance states that all city streets are 25 mph unless otherwise posted. Ted will read the state statute on speed limits in cities.

- D. **Parks and Recreation:** Amy Martin: No report
- E. **Fire and Police:** Rodney Blount: Rodney will be meeting with the people from police and fire before our first meeting in September.
- F. **Code Enforcement:** Dennis Stitt: No report
- G. **Public Works Superintendent:** Jerry Scovill: Jerry finally got ahold of a gentleman at Galaxie Lighting named Jeremy, who stated that the other poles that we ordered and paid for last year were lost. They stated that the new poles should ship out on the 19th and will come straight to us and we do not have to pick them up. He apologized numerous times and for the inconvenience and our patience over the last year, they are going to include and ship all the studs for all 16 poles. We still need to order the lights for on top and still need to run all of the electrical. In order to run the electrical we have to have a licensed electrician. Jerry has some tops picked out that would save the city some money because the bulbs can be replaced instead of having to throw the whole thing away, but he needs to look into them more. They would shine straight down on the ground. Antonio offered to help pull wires and also has someone that would come down with him.
- H. **Planning and Zoning Administrator:** Ed Reagan: No report
- I. **City Clerk/Treasurer:** Sonja Chrysler: Sonja emailed Michele McFarlane to ask if we could use the remaining grant funds to purchase a Welcome to the City of Fairfield banner to put up when no other banners are up. Michele responded and said it would be an appropriate use of the remaining funds, so Sonja is in the process of getting that banner ordered. Sonja also stated that the .gov emails are all set up now and all we have left to do is to get the website switched over to the .gov. Sonja, Jerry, Ed, and Mayor Lee all have a .gov email now.

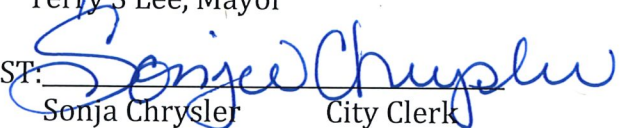
Councilmember Amy Martin moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Next Council meeting will be on Thursday, August 20th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at 407 Soldier Road



Terry S Lee, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sonja Chrysler

City Clerk