



MINUTES  
CITY OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 19, 2026  
6:15 PM

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## REGULAR SESSION

### Item 1. 4:23 Roll Call

**Present:** Councilor Smith, Councilor Schachter, Councilor Weimer, Mayor Dehm, Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski, Councilor Schmahl, and Councilor Townsley.

**Staff Present:** Also present were City Manager Steve Boyd, City Clerk Ryan Muse, City Attorney Karl Hanlon, Deputy Chief of Police John Hassel, Director of Economic and Community Development Trent Hyatt, Director of Operations Tim Bergman, Housing Development Manager/Planner Watkins Fulk-Gray, Public Works Director Matt Langhorst, Fire Marshal Robin Pitt, Building Official Victor Meraz Superintendent of Strategic Initiatives Steve Frederick and Parks and Recreation Director Rod Tarullo.

### Item 2. 4:52 Agenda Changes

**4:55 Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski, seconded by Councilor Townsley, moved to remove item e: Resolution 2026-04; Supporting Application for Down Payment Assistance Grant from the Division of Housing from the Consent Agenda.**

**5:16 The motion passed unanimously**

### Item 3. 5:22 Disclosure of Any Councilor Conflicts of Interest

There were none.

### Item 4. 5:29 Citizens Appearing Before Council and Council Response (for items not on the agenda - comments limited to 3 minutes)

Glenwood Springs resident Ashley Stahl made comments on the ICE detention center on Midland.

Non-resident Mae Gray made comments about the ICE detention center on Midland.

City Attorney Karl Hanlon, Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski, and Councilor Smith responded.

### Item 5. 13:55 Council Announcements

Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski made announcements regarding the airport.

Councilor Smith made announcements regarding the Transportation Commission and RFTA.

## Item 6. 18:11 Consent Agenda

***Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski moved to approve the consent agenda as written.  
Councilor Smith seconded the motion.***

Councilor Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski made comments.

***20:16 The motion passed unanimously.***

## Item 7. 20:22 Planning File 05-26 ROWENC-000106-2025 Right-of-Way Encroachment License 315 8th Street

Director of Economic and Community Development Trent Hyatt, and David Burns, architect of record on the project, presented on the item.

Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski, Councilor Weimer, Councilor Townsley, Councilor Schachter, Councilor Schmahl, and Councilor Smith asked questions.

Mayor Dehm opened the item for public comment.

There were none.

Mayor Dehm closed the public portion.

***38:19 Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski, seconded by Councilor Schachter, moved to approve Planning File 05-26 ROWENC-000106-2025 Right-of-Way Encroachment License 315 8th Street based on findings and conditions.***

***39:13 The motion passed unanimously.***

## Item 8. 39:24 Special Events Challenges

Superintendent of Strategic Initiatives Steve Frederick and Parks and Recreation Director Rod Tarullo presented on the item.

Councilor Smith, Councilor Schmahl, Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski, Councilor Townsley, Councilor Schachter, Councilor Weimer, and Mayor Dehm asked questions and made comments.

## Item 9. 1:18:07 Ordinance 2026-04; Planning File COMDEV 000015-2026, Colorado Wildfire Resiliency Code (First Reading)

Fire Marshal Robin Pitt, Director of Economic and Community Development Trent Hyatt, and Building Official Victor Meraz presented on the item.

Councilor Townsley, Councilor Schmahl, and Councilor Smith, asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Dehm opened the item for public comment.

There were none.

Mayor Dehm closed the public portion.

***1:46:46 Councilor Schachter, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski, moved to approve Ordinance 2026-04; Planning File COMDEV 000015-2026, Colorado Wildfire Resiliency Code***

Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski and Councilor Schmahl made comments.

***1:48:43 The motion passed unanimously.***

## Item 10. 1:49:09 Ordinance 2026-05; Article 020.020.030 Adjust Victims and Witnesses Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Board's Disbursement Limit

City Clerk Ryan Muse opened the item.

Councilor Schmahl and Councilor Weimer asked questions.

Mayor Dehm opened the item for public comment.

There were none.

Mayor Dehm closed the public portion.

***1:51:39 Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski moved, seconded by Councilor Townsley, to approve Ordinance 2026-05; Article 020.020.030 Adjust Victims and Witnesses Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Board's Disbursement Limit from 500 to 1000.***

*Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski and Councilor Schmahl made comments.*

***1:53:25 The motion passed unanimously.***

## Item 11. 1:54:20 97 County Owned Lots Within the City Boundary Available for Purchase

Public Works Director Matt Langhorst presented the item.

Councilor Smith, Councilor Schmahl, Councilor Weimer, Councilor Schachter, and Mayor Dehm asked questions and made comments.

Mayor Dehm opened the item for public comment.

There were none.

Mayor Dehm closed the public portion.

***2:12:09 Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski, seconded by Councilor Schachter, moved to authorize Matt Langhorst to begin negotiations for acquisition to the purchase of the 97 county-owned lots within the city boundary at a price of \$500 per lot.***

***2:13:06 The motion passed 5:2 with Councilor Townsley and Councilor Weimer voting against.***

## Item 12. 2:13:40 Council Comments

Councilor Smith made comments in appreciation of staff for the public information put out about cameras. He also made comments about parking in cul-de-sacs, and about yesterday's events at the middle school.

Mayor Dehm made a comment about unlocking doors to council chambers during meetings.

## Item 13. 2:17:47 Report from City Administration

There was none.

## Item 14. 2:18:06 Social Event Announcement

Tonight's social event will take place at El Tapatio following the Council meeting.

Item 15. 2:18:12 Adjournment

*Mayor Pro Tem Zalinski moved to adjourn. Councilor Weimer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.*