



**Development Services Committee Minutes
February 18, 2026**

Police Court Campus, 1805 Continental Place

Present

Mayor Donovan

Councilmembers: Beaton, Daman, Hudson, Oliver, Tercero, Vander Stoep, West

Staff: Development Services Director Sexton, Principal Planner Lowell, City Attorney Rogerson, Finance Director Volesky, Police Chief Christman, City Clerk Jensen

1. Opening Ceremonies

- A. Councilmember Vander Stoep called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented

3. Approval of Minutes

The February 11, 2026, Public Works and Library Committee minutes were approved as presented.

4. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

- A. Comprehensive Plan Update: The City has engaged with Facet to assist with the Comprehensive Plan periodic updates. Matt Covert, Senior Planner with Facet, provided a Comprehensive Plan status update, including the Land Use Housing and Economic Development Elements. Those elements are set to be completed this year, along with code update. 2027 goals are to complete the Transportation, Capital Facilities, Parks and Recreation, and Health and Wellness Elements. Facet will work with the City to identify and draft development regulations updates in 2026 and 2027, prioritizing amendments resulting in the creation of housing first and to ensure code is consistent with adopted plans and requirements. Public

engagement will be reset and move forward. The 2026 and 2027 schedules were presented.

~~B. Comprehensive Plan Docket~~

OTHER

5. **1590 Funding:** Mr. Sexton reviewed the approved sales tax approval process and allowed uses of the HB 1590 funds. The revenue provides housing and services for behavioral health, Veterans, senior citizens, families at risk, people with disabilities, and domestic violence survivors. The City allocated over \$3.4 million during the 2024 and 2025 funding cycles.

Police Chief Christman discussed the difficulty the Integrated Outreach Services (IOS) Division is experiencing with recruitment and retaining IOS staff. He proposed implementing a hiring bonus program similar to the program in place for hiring lateral Police Officers. He also discussed the need for a medical response vehicle; the department will look for grant funding opportunities.

Mr. Volesky briefly explained budget and fund accounting and identified the fund categories used for the 43 City Funds.

6. **Opioid Settlement Funding Discussion:** Mr. Rogerson briefly addressed the two resolutions recently brought before Council for funding the K9 Program.

7. **Police K9 Program:** Mr. Rogerson and reviewed the use of force policies and their requirements. Outside counsel will review the current policy and provide feedback.

8. Miscellaneous

- A. Mr. Sexton informed Council that interim ordinances for Accessory Dwelling Unit, Off-Street Parking, and Battery Energy Storage Systems regulations will be expiring soon. Requests for renewal of regulations will be presented to Council in the coming months.
- B. Mr. Rogerson explained the process for approving emergency interim ordinances and the renewal/extension process.
- C. Council discussed whether they want to follow Robert's Rules of Order for committee and council meetings.
- D. The communication plan for providing information to the public about the upcoming west side bridge painting project was reviewed.

9. Agenda Requests

Waste Management recycling contract

Action Items

Development Services Staff

- Finalize agreement with Facet
- Coordinate ongoing public participation and engagement with Citizens Advisory Committee, Planning Commission, and Council throughout the Comprehensive Plan Update process

Facet Team

- Commence Comprehensive Plan Update tasks, focused on land use, housing, and economic development elements in 2026
- Conduct detailed review of prior plans, update technical analyses, and develop cohesive elements integrating community vision and state compliance

Council and Staff

- Consider inclusion of opioid settlement funds within the 1590 Sales Tax funding process for integrated housing and behavioral health resource allocation

Police and Human Resources Staff

- Develop recruitment and retention bonus plan for IOS positions

Police Staff

- Research and seek grant opportunities to fund a medical response vehicle

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Submitted by: Becky Jensen, City Clerk