



EAGLE MOUNTAIN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – COUNCIL VACANCY

JANUARY 15, 2026, 5:00 PM
EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1650 E STAGECOACH RUN, EAGLE MOUNTAIN, UT 84005

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Jared R. Gray; Councilmembers Melissa Clark, Rich Wood and Brett Wright.

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Benjamin Reeves, City Manager; Steve Mumford, Deputy City Manager; Fionnuala Kofoed, Assistant City Manager; Carson Stapley, Information Systems Manager; Marcus Draper, City Attorney; Lacie Messerly, Interim City Recorder; Stephanie Allred, Deputy Recorder.

CITY STAFF PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY: Councilmember Craig Whiting.

5:00 PM WORK SESSION – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. WELCOME

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM and welcomed the City Council candidates. He noted Councilmember Craig Whiting appeared electronically.

[The recording of the discussion can be found online here at 00:00:04.](#)

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was not conducted.

3. INTRODUCTION / OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Gray delivered opening remarks and provided direction on the process for proceeding with the interviews with the candidates.

[The recording of the discussion can be found online here at 00:1:018.](#)

4. CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

The City Council conducted interviews with each candidate to evaluate their qualifications and interest in serving on the City Council. Candidates were interviewed in the order required by Utah Code Annotated § 20A-6-110, as reflected on the Master Ballot Position List.

4.A. Jones, Jill

[The recording of the interview can be found online here at 00:06:13.](#)

4.B. Johnson, Jay

[The recording of the interview can be found online here at 00:16:29.](#)

4.C. Klausmeier, Josh

[The recording of the interview can be found online here at 00:23:39.](#)

4.D. Strong, Brent

[The recording of the interview can be found online here at 00:36:19.](#)

4.E. Lane, Mandy

[The recording of the interview can be found online here at 00:43:07.](#)

4.F. Perez, Benjamin

[The recording of the interview can be found online here at 00:52:47.](#)

4.G. Huish, Zachory

[The recording of the interview can be found online here at 01:05:38.](#)

4.H. Ducos, Charlotte

[The recording of the interview can be found online here at 01:19:08.](#)

5. DISCUSSION / VOTE

5.A. DISCUSSION / VOTE – Discussion and Vote on the Appointment of an Individual to Fill the City Council Vacancy Resulting from the Resignation of Councilmember Jared Gray.

[The recording of the discussion can be found online here at 01:33:24.](#)

The City Council thanked the applicants and conducted a vote to appoint an individual to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Councilmember Jared Gray.

- 5.A. DECLARATION OF INDIVIDUAL – Declaration of individual to Fill City Council Vacancy Resulting from the Resignation of Councilmember Jared Gray for the Remainder of a Two-Year Term Expiring December 2028.

[The recording of the discussion can be found online here at 01:44:35.](#)

Interim City Recorder Lacie Messerly read Councilmember votes aloud: three votes for Zachory Huish and one vote for Mandy Lane. Mayor Gray declared Zachory Huish appointed as Council Member.

MOTION: *Councilmember Wright moved to take a brief recess to prepare Oath of Office Councilmember Wood seconded the motion.*

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| Melissa Clark | Yes |
| Craig Whiting | Yes |
| Rich Wood | Yes |
| Brett Wright | Yes |

The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

6. BRIEF RECESS

- 6.A. BRIEF RECESS - Preparation of the Oath of Office (approximately 10 minutes)

Following a brief recess, the meeting reconvened at 6:57 PM.

7. OATH OF OFFICE

- 7.A. OATH OF OFFICE - Administration of the Oath of Office to the Appointed Councilmember

[The recording of the discussion can be found online here at 01:46:54.](#)

Interim City Recorder Lacie Messerly administered the Oath of Office to Zachory Huish.

8. CLOSING REMARKS

[The recording of the discussion can be found online here at 01:49:39.](#)

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: *Councilmember Huish moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 PM. Councilmember Wood seconded the motion.*

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| Melissa Clark | Yes |
| Craig Whiting | Yes |

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| Rich Wood | Yes |
| Brett Wright | Yes |
| Zachory Huish | Yes |

The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

[The recording of the motion can be found online here at 01:53:48.](#)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Approved by the City Council on February 3, 2026.

Lacie Messerly

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City Recorder

