

XEO Valley City Council Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: April 30, 2026

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the XEO Valley City Council was called to order by Mayor Elena Hartman at 7:00 PM on Thursday, April 30, 2026, in the Main Hall of the XEO Community Center, with virtual access available to the public.

This meeting replaces the regularly scheduled May 2026 meeting.

Roll Call

Present:

- Mayor Elena Hartman
- City Council President J. Alan Stone
- Council Member Allen Johnson
- Council Member Lisa Womack
- Council Member Peter Mellon

Also Present:

- City Clerk Charlotte Doe
- Public Works Director Anthony Johnson
- Financial Manager Cara Orange
- Development & Planning Director Marco Miller
- Police Chief Greg Polis

Absent:

- Council Member Mickey Turner

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hartman.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Council Member Stone moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Council Member Womack

Vote:

- Ayes: Johnson, Mellon, Hartman, Stone, Womack
- Nays: None



- Absent: Turner

Motion carried, 5-0.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion: Council Member Mellon moved to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2026, regular meeting.

Second: Council Member Johnson

Vote:

- Ayes: Johnson, Mellon, Hartman, Stone, Womack
- Nays: None
- Absent: Turner

Motion carried, 5-0.

4. Public Comment

Mayor Hartman opened the public comment period at 7:05 PM.

The following matters were addressed by members of the public:

- Residents expressed frustration that street maintenance in the Ridgeview Neighborhood has not yet begun despite previous mentions.
- A parent inquired about the specific timeline for the playground equipment replacement at Valley Park.
- Residents requested a follow-up on whether traffic calming measures (speed bumps/signs) are actually being planned for Maple Avenue.

No action was taken during public comment.

Public comment was closed at 7:14 PM.

5. Department Reports

a. Public Works Department

Public Works Director Anthony Johnson reported that road resurfacing is beginning on schedule, though he noted that one contractor is behind on utility line maintenance. He provided a map of the priority zones for the current month.

b. Finance Department

Financial Manager Cara Orange presented the quarterly budget summary. She noted that while expenditures are within appropriations, the summer construction surge is beginning to put pressure on the infrastructure reserve fund.



c. Development & Planning Department

Development & Planning Director Marco Miller provided the requested background on the Valley Road mixed-use proposal. He noted that the developer has submitted preliminary site plans and is now awaiting the city's feedback on zoning requirements.

d. Public Safety Report

Police Chief Greg Polis reported an increase in park activity as weather warms and confirmed that seasonal patrol adjustments have been implemented to ensure safety during community events.

6. Old Business

a. Capital Improvement Budget Adjustments

Council reviewed the updated budget recommendations provided by staff. Discussion focused on reallocating funds to prioritize the water line replacements and sidewalk repairs mentioned in the previous meeting.

b. Summer Community Events Funding

Staff presented the finalized outline and funding requirements for summer events. Council moved from "general support" to a formal agreement on the budget allocation for these activities.

c. Project Documentation and Staff Oversight

Council reviewed the new proposed policies for project documentation. The new system assigns specific "ownership" of documents to lead departments to prevent the continuity issues discussed on 4/2.

7. New Business

a. Mixed-use Development Zoning on Valley Road

Following the department report, Council discussed the specific zoning adjustments required for the Valley Road project. There was mixed support regarding the density of the proposal, with some members concerned about increased traffic.

b. Potential Contract Approval for Waste Management Services

Council discussed a proposal to outsource Waste Management Services to a third-party company. Council expressed concerns regarding the long-term cost increases and the potential impact on current city employees. Staff was directed to perform a comparative cost analysis.

8. Resolutions and Ordinances

Resolution No. 2026-14: A Resolution Authorizing Staff to Prepare Final Scope and Cost Estimates for Utility Repair Work

City Clerk Doe read Resolution No. 2026-14 by title.

Motion: Council Member Mellon moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-14.



Second: Council Member Womack.

Vote:

- Ayes: Johnson, Mellon, Hartman, Stone, Womack
- Nays: None
- Absent: Turner

Resolution No. 2026-14 adopted, 5-0.

9. Council Member Comments

- Council Member Johnson expressed concern that the Ridgeview neighborhood is not seeing the "on-the-ground" results mentioned in the Public Works report.
- Council Member Mellon urged the council to finalize the Valley Park equipment purchase before the peak summer season.
- Council Member Womack expressed satisfaction with the new documentation policies and urged immediate implementation.

10. Mayor's Report

Mayor Hartman thanked the staff for delivering the requested reports from the April 2nd meeting. She emphasized that while planning is complete, the city must now focus on execution and clear communication with the residents.

11. Action Items and Assignments

Council directed staff to complete the following:

- Provide a specific start date for the Ridgeview neighborhood maintenance
- Schedule a public hearing for the Valley Road zoning adjustments.
- Conduct a cost-benefit analysis comparing in-house waste management vs. the third-party proposal.
- Formally implement the new project documentation and oversight policy across all departments.
- Finalize the purchase order for the Valley Park playground equipment.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Hartman adjourned the meeting at 8:23 PM.

Approved: _____

Elena Hartman, Mayor

Attest: _____

Charlotte Doe, City Clerk

