

**MEETING MINUTES**

**CITY OF EAST HELENA**

**CITY HALL – 306 EAST MAIN - ROOM 110**

**SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING: 6:00 PM**

**DATE: MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2025**

**JOIN ZOOM MEETING: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3787705872>**

**CONFERENCE CALL-IN: 1-253-205-0468 MEETING ID: 378 770 5872**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Mayor Harris called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Dahl led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CITY OFFICIALS & STAFF PRESENT:** Mayor Kelly Harris, Council President Don Dahl, Councilmember Judy Leland, Councilmember Wesley Feist, Councilmember Suzanne Ferguson, Clerk/Treasurer Amy Thorngren, City Attorney Pete Elverum, Public Works Director Kevin Ore, Deputy Police Chief Ed Royce, Patrol Officer Chris Kirkegaard, and Fire Chief Roger Campbell

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** None

**ABSENT/EXCUSED:** City Judge Dennis Loveless and Police Chief Mike Sanders

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no public comments on any non-agenda items.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **(0:00:45) The FY26 Preliminary Budget** – The preliminary budget was the council packet. Mayor Harris took suggestions from Council. Council asked questions of the department heads. The final budget public hearing will be held Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. during the regularly scheduled city council meeting.

**MEETING SCHEDULE:**

1. East Helena City Council Meeting, Tuesday, September 2, 6:30 p.m., City Hall Room 110
2. East Helena Planning Board Meeting, Wednesday, September 10, 6:00 p.m., City Hall Room 110
3. East Helena City Council Meeting, Tuesday, September 16, 6:30 p.m., City Hall Room 110

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Harris adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Clerk/Treasurer

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Mayor