



TOWN OF ERIE

645 Holbrook Street
Erie, CO 80516

Meeting Minutes

Town Council

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Special Meeting

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I. Call Meeting to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Bell, Councilmember Pesaramelli, Councilmember O'Connor, Councilmember Baer, Councilmember Mortellaro, and Councilmember Hoback

III. Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Bell made a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilmember Mortellaro seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote at 6:01 p.m.

Ayes 7 - Mayor Moore
Mayor Pro Tem Bell
Councilmember Pesaramelli
Councilmember O'Connor
Councilmember Baer
Councilmember Mortellaro
Councilmember Hoback

IV. Consent Agenda

[2026-2](#)

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Erie Designating the Town's Official Posting Location for 2026

Attachments: [Resolution 26-001](#)

Councilmember Mortellaro made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Bell seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote at 6:03 p.m.

Ayes 7 - Mayor Moore
Mayor Pro Tem Bell
Councilmember Pesaramelli
Councilmember O'Connor
Councilmember Baer
Councilmember Mortellaro
Councilmember Hoback

V. Public Comment On Non-Agenda and Consent Items only.

Mayor Moore opened Public Comment at 6:02 p.m.

The following spoke:

1. Michael Barrow spoke about the Comprehensive Plan.
2. Brandy Unruh spoke about the Comprehensive Plan.
3. Allison Wagner stated she echoed Ms. Unruh's comments.
4. Tim Drnec spoke about the Comprehensive Plan.
5. Christine Hackett Eisenberg spoke about the Comprehensive Plan.
6. Cliff Zwart spoke about the Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor Moore closed Public Comment at 6:21 p.m.

VI. General Business

[2026-16](#) Review and Approval of 2026 Legislative Agenda

Attachments: [Resolution 26-003](#)
[Presentation](#)
[2026 Legislative Agenda](#)
[2026 Legislative Agenda Redlined](#)

Gabi Rae, Director of Communications & Community Engagement, and Julian Jacquin, Director of Economic Development & TOEURA, presented the item at 6:22 p.m.

Senator Wallace, District 17, spoke about Legislation she currently has pending along with many of the other bills awaiting the State's Legislature at 6:25 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Bell made a motion to approve Resolution 26-003 as written. Councilmember Mortellaro seconded the motion.

Coouncilmember Baer made a friendly amendment to add address the disproportionate impacts of environmentally intensive activities, support policies and regulatory action that advance environmental justice and protect disproportionately impacted communities. This friendly amended was accepted by Mayor Pro Tem Bell and Councilmember Mortellaro.

Councilmember Baer made a second friendly amendment to add paragraph 3 from the Home Rule Charter preamble which reads "We pledge to uphold the principles of

democracy, equity, and justice, and to foster a community that is inclusive, diverse, and welcoming to all. We value the contributions of our residents, businesses, and institutions, and we seek to promote economic growth and opportunity while preserving the quality of life that makes Erie a desirable place to live." This friendly amended was accepted by Mayor Pro Tem Bell and Councilmember Mortellaro.

- Ayes 7 - Mayor Moore
- Mayor Pro Tem Bell
- Councilmember Pesaramelli
- Councilmember O'Connor
- Councilmember Baer
- Councilmember Mortellaro
- Councilmember Hoback

2026-13 Comprehensive Plan & Implementation

- Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)
- [1-6 Study Session Presentation Updated](#)

Sarah Nurmela, Director of Planning and Development, Kelly Driscoll, Planning Manager, and Josh Campbell, Senior Strategic Planner, presented the item at 7:18 p.m.

2026-36 DRAFT 2026 Work Plan

- Attachments:** [DRAFT 2026 Work Plan](#)
- [2025 Summary of Accomplishments](#)

Malcolm Fleming, Town Manager, presented the item at 9:09 p.m.

VII. Adjournment

Mayor Moore adjourned the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Approved _____
Mayor

Attest _____
Town Clerk