

**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 25, 2023**

The City Council held a meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10 North Main Street, Cedar City, Utah.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Garth O. Green; Councilmembers: Terri Hartley; W. Tyler Melling; Scott Phillips; Ronald Riddle.

**MEMBER EXCUSED:** Councilmember Craig Isom.

**STAFF PRESENT:** City Manager Paul Bittmenn; City Attorney Tyler Romeril; City Recorder Renon Savage; Finance Director Jason Norris; City Engineer Jonathan Stathis; Police Chief Darin Adams; Fire Chief Mike Phillips; Leisure Services Director Ken Nielson; Economic Development Director Danny Stewart; Public Works Director Ryan Marshall; Wastewater Superintendent Eric Bonzo; Wastewater Senior Plant Operator Jeff Lennert; Parks Superintendent Anthony Pearson.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tom Jett, Dan Kidder, Ann Clark, David Woods, Wendy Green, Caleb Rees, Carter Wilkey.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Father Adrian Komar of Christ the King Catholic Church gave the invocation; the pledge was led by Fire Chief Mike Phillips.

**AGENDA ORDER APPROVAL:** Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the agenda order; second by Councilmember Hartley; vote unanimous.

**ADMINISTRATION AGENDA – MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS; STAFF**

**COMMENTS:** ■ **Mayor** - Joel Ferry of the State Natural Resources was here yesterday, he went to the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and was complimentary of our efforts to use our water to the best of our ability. We are being blessed by the rain and snow on our land. I am also frustrated that it is going down the Coal Creek to Quichapa where it will just evaporate, we are desperate to be able to recharge the water. The Western Rock pit is coming up short, but we are trying hard to create a recharge facility for runoff and the water from the treatment plan. I will sleep better when we capture the rain and snow God is blessing the basin with. ■ **Phillips** – I want to thank Parks and Leisure Departments. I have had people contact me about debris folks have left along Coal Creek Trail and our people cleaned it up, we try and make things nice, and a lot don't care about it. ■ **Melling** – at the WWTP facility, thank you for coordinating that, Councilwoman Hartley was also there. I appreciate how you think with a WWTP facility, our staff take good care and keep it immaculate. That water is cleaner than most of our drinking water and I appreciate our staff.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** ■ **FY 21-22 Audit Presentation.** **Caleb Reese** – thank you for letting me present the results of the audit. I appreciate your staff providing me with the information needed. It is required each year; Cedar City requires a financial audit. The purpose is to review financial information and make sure it is complete and accurate. Pages 1-3 is the opinion. You received a clean audit opinion. Pg 83 we look at internal controls and make sure we have proper segregation of duties and internal controls. Your role is to approve disbursements, budgets and review information which is vital in the internal controls. Pay close attention to those financial reports. If you have questions, ask your staff. You have