

COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 24, 2020

The City Council held a meeting on Wednesday, June 24, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10 North Main Street, Cedar City, Utah.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Maile Wilson-Edwards; Councilmembers: Ron Adams; Terri Hartley; Craig Isom; W. Tyler Melling; Scott Phillips.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Paul Bittmenn; City Attorney Tyler Romeril; City Recorder Renon Savage; Finance Director Jason Norris; Police Chief Darin Adams; Fire Chief Mike Phillips; Leisure Services Director Ken Nielson; Public Works Director Ryan Marshall.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Jett, Melodie Jett, Tim Watson, Laura Henderson, Teri Kenney, Kelsey Cooke, Pastor Bob Sharp, Mike Platt, Sara Ridgel.

CALL TO ORDER: Pastor Bob from Trinity Lutheran Church gave the invocation; the pledge was led by Councilmember Hartley.

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: ■Melling – I want to report on last week’s council walk, it was very helpful and informative, it is an area that is a concern to some of our departments. We had some citizens from the area come, as well as Councilman Phillips. It was good to hear more about people’s concerns about school bus traffic, I am working on a write up to send to staff. Thanks to those that attended. ■Phillips – this is the last meeting of this fiscal year; there have been ups and downs. I want to extend my gratitude for the staff for the work they do for the citizens. Thanks to all staff and all departments for what they do for the City. ■Mayor – RAP Tax meetings have finished up and will bring recommendations to the Council. We are appreciative of what they do. ■Mike Phillips, Fire Chief – fireworks go on sale today until July 25th. The ordinance we have in place recommends the following locations to light off the fireworks: Cedar High School, Bicentennial Park, the south lot at Canyon View High School, the parking lot west of the Aquatic Center, and Iron Springs Elementary. You can shoot them 3 days before and 3 days after and the holiday, until 11 p.m. but the 4th and 24th until midnight. If you start a fire you will probably pay for suppression. Phillips – is it dryer than usual? Phillips – it is hot, it is dry, it is the 4th of July. Phillips – Brian Head cancelled their fireworks. Mike – Also, we had Engine 12 return from the Mangum Fire by Grand Canyon after 14 days. ■Paul – the State Tax Commission releases tax distributions, for June is the tax collected in April. Our April sales tax are up 14% year over year, RAP tax up 12%, TRT is down 60%. That is one metric of our finances. We have been worried about it, so far, we have been very fortunate.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no comments.

CONSENT AGENDA: (1) APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED JUNE 3 & 10, 2020; (2) RATIFY BILLS OF DATED JUNE 11 & 12, 2020; (3) APPROVE SINGLE EVENT ALCOHOL PERMIT FOR THE SOUTHERN UTAH CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL "CELEBRATING UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY", 223 N, 100 WEST, ON JULY 25, 2020 – POLICY KINGS BREWERY LLC/CHIEF ADAMS; (4) APPROVE LOCAL CONSENT FOR THE WAREHOUSE BAR & KITCHEN, 432 NORTH 100 WEST. REGINALDO SILVA/CHIEF ADAMS; (5) APPROVE A UDOT MASTER TRANSPORTATION PLAN AGREEMENT. KIT WAREHAM; (6) APPROVE THE CERTIFIED TAX RATE. JASON NORRIS; (7) APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF UTAH RELATED TO CARES ACT FUNDING. PAUL BITTMENN:

Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the consent agenda items 1 through 7 as written above; second by Councilmember Isom; vote unanimous.

CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL LAND USE PLAN FROM LOW DENSITY TO MIXED USE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 250 S. CROSS HOLLOW ROAD. WATSON ENGINEERING/TYLER ROMERIL: Tim

Watson, Watson Engineering – we are requesting a zone change and general land use amendment on about 30 acres on Cross Hollow Road south of the Arena. It is part of Old Sorel Ranch.

Phillips – when this came through 2 months ago, I was concerned about what will happen in Cross Hollows, it is a nice area. I have spoken to you numerous times and with the owner of the property. My feeling is the Armbrust family has vested a lot in the community. They donated the property for the Arena. I am confident he understands the vision of the City and wants to protect that.

Melling – in speaking with other councilmembers there are concerns about the MU zone, the definition is broad and a willingness to rework the ordinance. It is lengthy process. If the Council wanted to take a closer look at the projects up for proposal for the zone and in the meantime do changes with the overall purpose and a sunset if not developed in a time period what would be a timeline. Tyler – we steer away from development agreements; they never seem to produce the results the City hoped for. We have not done one in 4 years. Paul – the last couple we did took 18 months. You start and plan on something conceptual, both turn to their land use attorneys and the developers clients and the City has different interests.

Isom – I am not sure when we will start the master plan revisit, I know that will be part of it. I believe the Armbrusts are sincere, they don't want a repeat of what is south of this property.

Councilmember Isom moved to approve the general land use plan from low density to mixed use for property located at 250 S. Cross Hollow Road; second by Councilmember Phillips; roll call vote as follows:

Ron Adams - AYE
Terri Hartley - AYE