

COUNCIL WORK MINUTES
JULY 21, 2021

The City Council held a meeting on Wednesday, July 21, 2021, 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; City Engineer Jonathan Stathis; Police Chief Darin Adams; Fire Chief Mike Phillips; Economic Development Director Danny Stewart; Public Works Director Ryan Marshall; Sewer Collections Operator Skyler Rember; Leisure Services Director Ken Nielson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Blaine Nay, Teri Kenney, Rayan Talbot, Laura Henderson, S. Henderson, Ron Riddle, Tim Watson, Farah LeFevre, Paul Monroe, Phil Schmidt, Jesse Carter, Aleese Cardon, Tom Jett, Carter Wilkey, Terry Curfman, Michael Radebaugh, Tammy Vogt, David Clarke, Maridon Nielson, Derek Morton, Kayo Skandunas, Jon Dimond, Krista Longhurst, Dallas Buckner, Garth Green, Dorothy Loris, Kaewn Darro, Nick Ripandelli, Ryan Howard, Jason Valentine, Susan Lee.

CALL TO ORDER: Pastor Radebaugh of Mountain View Baptist Church gave the invocation; the pledge was led by Jason Norris.

AGENDA ORDER APPROVAL: Councilmember Isom moved to approve the agenda order for both work and special meetings; second by Councilmember Hartley; vote unanimous.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA – MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS; STAFF

COMMENTS: ■Phillips – I have a few, I have had a number of citizens contact me regarding the striping of the roads in the Providence Center. Mayor – Jeff has reached out to the contractor, and he should be here the first part of August. Phillips – I have had a number of citizens reach out, what can we do about the big semi's and large trucks that park there, people cannot see pulling out of Home Depot and Costa Vida. Tyler – we can amend to make it a no parking zone. Phillips – I don't know if they are sleeping or what, I saw a woman come out of Costa Vida and she almost got hit. Tyler – I will look at the ordinance and give you some options. Phillips – on the interchanges, who is responsible for the maintenance? Paul – what part of the maintenance? Phillips - weeds, paint on the bridge. Paul – the weeds and landscape is our responsibility. I talked with the P&R Director to have the weeds hit when the rain subsides. Phillips – I received a letter from a citizen, the letter was read and is attached as Exhibit "A". ■ Mayor – follow up on Providence Center, a few meetings ago we were talking about the turn lane, we have been in contact with UDOT and are waiting to hear back to see if the City or UDOT has the jurisdiction and how far we can cut the island back to give more room for the turn lane to make it feasible, so we don't have so much backup. They are looking long term and it is included with the Transportation

Master Plan. This is to help the traffic flow better in the meantime. ■ Paul –the County has received an allotment of COVID money, and they would like to leverage it to make it better in helping projects around the cities. The County would take about \$619,000 if the City would match that and put it towards the “Y” to interconnect with the waterlines with the Water Conservancy District (WCD). We would take that money and the State has a COVID Grant Fund and we would try and double that and ask the state to kick in \$1.2 million and we would purchase property and do design and start with the infrastructure to interconnect with WCD. The long-term plan with the Beaver County water, that is where it will connect. The benefit for the city is we have a need for a tank in the vicinity, we can pump wells from Quichapa to that tank and reduce head pressure and then pump the water into the City. It is not on the agenda; we want to get your ideas to see if it is a good idea and work with the County to apply for the grant. The application period is from August 15 to September 15th. Mayor – one of the things with the State is the projects with State funding move up on priority list with multi-jurisdictions, it would be collaboration with the County, City and WCD. Paul Cozzens, Iron County Commission – we have noticed and been aware of water issues, with Kanarrville, Brian Head, and New Castle. We were going to receive ARFA but when we found out about 1005 bill for matching infrastructure, we want to look at it. We wanted to carve some of the funding from ARFA, we want to be consistent, we put together a formula, the smaller communities, Brian Head, Kanarrville, New Castle, so we moved large cities down and small communities up, we called Kanarrville and said we would match up to \$50,000 if they would match for a water project. We are hoping the cities will match. We are hoping the State would match. We want to be consistent and a little firm. Initially it was to give the WCD \$750,000 but all cities, Enoch, Cedar City and Kanarrville all have projects, they are the cities in the WCD. If we carve cities individually so it helps the valley, but we want it to be a combined effort with the WCD equal partners, so it helps everyone in the valley. If we give money just to Cedar City, we leave out the unincorporated areas in the valley.

Mayor – two of the council members were in the meeting with the WCD last week where we talked about doing things at the “Y” and how we will need some of these things, so some of this makes sense to scale it together to coordinate. And then the funding with the County came through and it has all been building on each other. Cozzens – we just got the email two days ago that the application period starts on August 16th, so as a County we would like to get this done quickly, and we thought that if we put a packet together with everyone together and produce a nice document that they can look at as a whole, they might just say wow, Iron County has their stuff together, there are some great projects and they will match it. That is what we are hoping. It may happen, it may not. \$50 million will go really fast, if you divide that among 29 Counties, that is \$1.7+ million dollars. I think it would be fair to divide it equally. Some of the bigger counties, Salt Lake County is getting \$250 million dollars, Utah County about \$150 million, so they are getting so much money I think they should divide it by 29, and that would almost match. I have talked with Evan Vickers and Rex Shipp about that.

Phillips – the water projects, whatever they are in Parowan, Enoch or Kanarrville, I want to make sure there is a connectivity, so it is addressing the long-term water issues for the entire basin. Is the WCD going to be the quarterback for all of this, how do we make sure the end