

**Pleasant Grove City
City Council Meeting Minutes
Regular Session
Tuesday, April 9, 2024
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor: Guy L. Fugal

Council Members: Dianna Andersen
Eric Jensen
Cyd LeMone
Steve Rogers
Todd Williams

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
Deon Giles, Parks Director
Tina Petersen, City Attorney
Wendy Thorpe, City Recorder
Drew Engemann, Fire Chief
Sheri Britsch, Library and Arts Director
Kyler Brower, Assistant to the City Administrator
Britt Smith, Police Captain
Keldon Brown, Police Chief
Megan Zollinger, Recreation Director
Daniel Cardenas, Community Development Director
Neal Winterton, Public Works Director
David Packard, Human Resources Director

Excused: Denise Roy, Finance Director

The City Council and staff met in the Community Room, 108 South 100 East, Pleasant Grove, Utah.

6:00 P.M. REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1) **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Guy Fugal called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and welcomed those present.

2) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Jensen.

3) **OPENING REMARKS**

The opening remarks were offered by Council Member LeMone.

4) APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

City Administrator, Scott Darrington reported that Items 9B and 9C were noticed as two different public hearings but there is only one action item that covers both hearings. The public hearing on both will be held and then the one action vote will be addressed.

ACTION: Council Member Jensen moved to APPROVE the meeting agenda as noted by Administrator Darrington. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Jensen, Williams, LeMone, and Rogers voting “Yes”.

5) OPEN SESSION

Dianna Norris, a Pleasant Grove resident, and City employee, addressed a roundabout going into her front yard at 900 West 4000 North. She has not been contacted by anyone from the City about the roundabout but learned about it from her daughter who lives across the street who received notice. Ms. Norris was very opposed to the proposed roundabout as it takes almost nearly her entire yard. She brought a copy of the email, and copies of the plat and stated that it does not match what is on the title, photos of the proposed project line, and her easement line. She understands the easement part and has done much research. She read the entire 400-plus pages of the Road Master Plan which shows only seven or eight projected roundabouts, with this one being the only one in a residential area. She understands this is a Mountainland Association of Governments (“MAG”) project but stated that that involvement pertains only to funding and not the development. The impacted street is not busy and the four-way stop has never required flashing lights or crosswalks. The placement made no sense to her. She understands the City’s rights but hoped that she and the City can come up with a better alternative. She also stated that work has already begun on it.

Mayor Fugal stated that Ms. Norris was not provided notice as the project is in the design stage. Currently, only testing is being done and construction is a long way off. He requested that Public Works Director, Neal Winterton, speak with her in the hall. Ms. Norris gave her address, which is on the southwest side.

Lon Lewis reported that citizens have been encouraged to get involved with the City Council. At today’s Work Session, a huge amount of budget and plan information was provided about the park which he thought should have been provided during the regular meeting. He felt that generally the information given has been limited as he has only been able to see a rendering. He also wanted to clarify what is being done on the Nathaniel Drive Reconstruction Project. Although all of Nathaniel Drive is being redone, he thinks that the asphalt is being laid only on the area east of Murdock Drive. Both sections of the road are horrible and need complete rehabilitation. He also stated that based on the discussion about sidewalks, it appears that the City will not focus on sidewalk reconstruction on the road rebuild. There are some conditions where it is not the property owner’s responsibility for the sidewalks and the City needs to be involved with the sidewalks during reconstruction.

Craig Reiley reported that he speaks for the majority of citizens who believe the City Council is doing almost nothing to provide good roads in Pleasant Grove. As a result of public outcry, the City Council condescendingly took action; however, the action taken was to impose a Road Tax, which to him was a feeble approach to the road problems. The City’s roads are in deplorable condition and what is

being suggested is a drop in the bucket to the real needs which the City Council ignores. If the City Council drove along Main Street to the Cemetery, they would find the condition of the roads to be like those found on an Indian Reservation. The roads need to be repaired and replaced and not just painted black to make them look new. He stated that the City Council has extra money that is burning a hole in their pocket. He also thinks that buying a house to tear it down is a travesty. He stressed the need for affordable housing. Mr. Reiley stated that the owners of the home got tired of being hassled by the City and finally gave in and now the property is going to be used for a pump for the expensive park. A pump could have been put anywhere within 200 feet and would have worked just fine. The City should not tear down an affordable house. He stated that the City Council wants Pleasant Grove to be the envy of the neighboring cities. Mr. Reiley stated that the City known as the “City of Trees” destroyed 252 beautiful mature trees in the process. He considered Mayor Fugal to be straightforward but was sorry for some of the people he has to work with.

There were no further public comments. The Open Session was closed.

6) **CONSENT ITEMS**

- A. **City Council Minutes:
City Council Minutes for the February 9, 2024, Budget and Planning Meeting.
City Council Minutes for the February 21, 2024, Meeting.**
- B. **To Consider for Approval Contract Change Order No. 2 for J. Lyne Robert & Sons for the Chlorination System Installation Atwood Well and Gibson Well, Anderson Well and Adams Well Project.**
- C. **To Consider for Approval of Payment No. 4 to J. Lyne Robert & Sons for the Chlorination System Installation Atwood Well and Gibson Well, Anderson Well, and Adams Well Project.**
- D. **To Consider for Approval of Payment Reports for March 21, 2024, and April 4, 2024.**

ACTION: Council Member Andersen moved to APPROVE the Consent Items. Council Member LeMone seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Jensen, Williams, LeMone, and Rogers voting “Yes”.

7) **BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

- A. **To Consider for Approval the Appointment of Denise Trickler and Kenna Nelson as Alternates to the Pleasant Grove Planning Commission.**

Mayor Fugal reported that two candidates were being considered for appointments as Alternates to the Pleasant Grove Planning Commission. He asked that they introduce themselves. Denise Trickler reported that she has been a resident for 15 years and is active in various City activities. She was excited to be involved in the work of the Planning Commission. Kenna Nelson stated that she has lived here for nearly five years and has generational family ties to the City. She wants to be involved in community service. Mayor Fugal thanked both for their willingness to serve.

ACTION: Council Member Jensen moved to APPROVE the appointment of Denise Trickler and Kenna Nelson as alternates to the Pleasant Grove Planning Commission. Council Member Williams

seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Jensen, Williams, LeMone, and Rogers voting “Yes”.

8) **PRESENTATIONS**

A. Municipal Wastewater Planning Program Presentation: Presenter: *Director Winterton.*

The above item was taken out of order and presented at the end of the public hearing and action item portions of the meeting.

The State Division of Water Quality requires that the Municipal Wastewater Planning Program be presented to the governing body. Once completed, the presentation will be submitted to the Division of Water Quality by email. Director Winterton reported that the State Division of Water Quality oversees the sewer systems State-wide. The only section of the program that is applicable to Pleasant Grove is the section on collection systems, as it does not operate as a treatment facility. The Timpanogos Special Service District (“TSSD”) serves as the City’s treatment facility. The City is billed quarterly and the charge is passed on to the residents. The City receives no income from that source. He commented that TSSD has increased its rates to all served cities by as much as 40%. When the new rates are presented to the customer, that increase will be noted. A report of events was displayed.

On page 5 of the exhibit, Director Winterton identified the section that addresses Sanitary Sewer Overflows (“SSO”) that occurred when a sewer overflow event reached the surface level during a measurement period. Pleasant Grove had no such events, which he attributed to the preventative measures they take, the sewer liner projects being done, and the department addressing issues and problems quickly. Sewer Foreman, Jerry Barnett, is dedicated to inspections, reviews, addressing problems, and maintaining a coordination relationship with TSSD. Staff also has individuals who are sewer-certified, which is a difficult certification to obtain. The Sewer Section is under the Water and Sewer Division, which is run efficiently. A sewer project was to begin within the next few months to fix ongoing sewer problems involving grading issues. This project is in the several million-dollar range.

There was discussion about the Cured-In-Place Pipe (“CIPP”) linings. They use Insituform, which can be put in without digging. It is fed into the pipe and once installed, the pipe acts like a new line. Issues arise if the grading is incorrect. With grading issues, digging and pipe repair or replacement are required. Sewer lines are usually placed deep, cross a number of utilities, and cannot be placed within 10 feet of a water line. All of those conditions make it challenging to redo the lines. The area around 1100 North, 600 West, and 1160 North has serious sewer problems that have been present for years. They are now being fixed.

Council Member Rogers referred to the sections of the report that address Capital Improvement Reserve Funds and asked what the plan is to increase those reserve funds. Director Winterton stated that given the wording, he was not aware of a single entity that can say they have five years’ worth of Capital Reserve Funds in their reserves. For Pleasant Grove, the annual assessment cost is \$3.7 million based on a 2% Replacement Plan for a system that costs \$185 million plus the cost of manholes and pipes. That figure would need to be multiplied by five to have a five-year reserve.

Pleasant Grove does not have that amount of money in reserve. Council Member Rogers asked if that was cause for concern. Director Winterton stated that the City's practice for all activities is to operate on a year-to-year basis, saving up for big projects. Administrator Darrington stated that if the City gets a revenue bond for a sewer or water project, they are asked to have one year of reserve to cover operating revenues to obtain the highest bond rating for a city of Pleasant Grove's size. The City tries to keep that one-year amount in their reserves. It also was noted that the question is old and outdated.

9) **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

- A. **To Consider for Adoption an Ordinance (2024-07) for a Zone Change from R1-9 (Single-Family Residential) Zone to R1-8 (Single-Family Residential) Zone, on approximately 1.86 Acres of Land located at 642 South 780 East. Additional Addresses in this Rezone include 770 and 758 East Orchard Drive, and 635, 649, and 679 South Spruce Avenue (Michael & Kori Richins Applicants). *Presenter: Director Cardenas.***

Community Development Director, Daniel Cardenas, reported that as Pleasant Grove is nearly built out, particularly in the single-family residential zones, more applicants will be approaching the City about subdividing property. Subdivisions require zoning requirements to be met and address how the land can be divided. If the lot size meets the zoning requirements, the development can go forward. If the lot does not meet the required area, then a request for rezone may be brought forward. In this case, the subject property is about 17,570 square feet in size and is in the R1-9 Zone. To subdivide, it would need to be a minimum of 18,000 square feet. If the zoning were R1-8, the lot could be subdivided. As a rezone for one lot does not make sense, the applicant has spoken with neighbors. Some expressed support and joined in the request for the rezone. It was noted that the area was previously part of a subdivision. All of the properties around the subject property and the neighboring lots are zoned R1-8. Director Cardenas identified the area involved on the zoning map. He also noted that for the applicants to subdivide their lot, they will need to acquire additional property to meet the width requirements.

When staff considers rezones, they refer to the General Plan to determine compatibility. In this case, the General Plan shows that the property has a single-family medium-density land use designation that includes R1-10, R1-9, and R1-8 zones. The total acreage is 1.86 acres and involves six lots. All requirements are met. The application has been reviewed by the Planning Commission who approved the rezone. There was no opposition at the Planning Commission level.

Mayor Fugal opened the public hearing. There were no public comments. The public hearing was closed.

Council Member Andersen reported that the land forms a peninsula and asked if that makes it difficult. City Attorney, Tina Petersen, confirmed that her concern was with spot zoning and stated that the State law was changed a few years ago and spot zoning is no longer illegal. Director Cardenas reported that this issue is different as the peninsula is adjacent to the same zoning. Street access was also discussed. In this case, all of the properties have street access. The houses facing east have access on the cul-de-sac and the homes facing west have access on Spruce Street. The only

undeveloped portion is a small area to the southeast near a backyard that is being addressed. That space would involve a different request.

ACTION: Council Member Jensen moved to ADOPT Ordinance 2024-07 for a zone change from R1-9 (Single-Family Residential) Zone to R1-8 (Single-Family Residential) Zone, on approximately 1.86 acres of land located at 642 South 780 East. Additional addresses in this rezone include 770 and 758 East Orchard Drive, and 635, 649, and 679 South Spruce Avenue. Council Member Andersen seconded the motion. Vote on motion: Dianna Andersen-Yes, Steve Rogers-Yes, Eric Jensen-Yes, Cyd LeMone-Yes, Todd Williams-Yes. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of an Ordinance (2024-08) to Amend City Code Section 10-19: Signs and Outdoor Advertising. The Applicant, Slope Construction, Proposes to Amend City Code Sections 10-19-7 and 10-19-13 to Remove Roof Signs from the Prohibited Signs Section and to Permit Roof Signs in Commercial Zones. Presenter: Director Cardenas

Director Cardenas reported that a few months prior Pleasant Grove revamped its Sign Ordinance. He was asked to speak about all the different signs at a recent meeting of the Association of Code Enforcement in St. George. There is only one roof sign in Pleasant Grove (picture shown); however, currently, roof signs are not allowed. The applicant seeks to amend the Code to allow roof signs, which are beneficial when the building does not have a lot of wall space. To support the application, the applicants provided renderings of what the roof sign would look like and have already installed it. Staff identified the requirements that would best serve Pleasant Grove. They include the following:

- The sign cannot exceed the peak of the roof;
- Only channeled or raised molded letters can be used; and
- Dimension regulations are identified to be the same as wall signs.

Mayor Fugal opened the public hearing. There were no public comments. The public hearing was closed.

C. Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of an Ordinance (2024-08) to Amend City Code Section 10-19: Signs and Outdoor Advertising. The Applicant, YESCO, LLC, Proposes to Amend City Code Section 10-19-9: Freestanding Signs to Increase the Permitted Sign Height and Square Footage of Pole Signs located on Properties Adjacent to I-15. Presenter: Director Cardenas.

Director Cardenas presented the Staff Report and stated that shortly after the Sign Ordinance was adopted, the City had discussions with a business that had been working on a specific sign for some time. It was determined that modifying it to comply with the current Code would be onerous. The location of the sign is proposed to be along the I-15 corridor on property that sits in a low spot. Because of the highway configuration, the maximum height limit for a pole or pylon sign in this setting would be insufficient to provide any kind of notice. The City has already made provisions for properties within a 150-foot parallel buffer to I-15 to have a higher sign. Consequently, staff has worked with the applicant to see what could be done to allow them a sign that would be effective. The following requirements were considered appropriate:

- The property involved must be within 150 feet of I-15;
- The square footage of the sign is 650 square feet with a maximum height of seven feet;
- Signs in the area are to be no closer than 700 feet from one another; and
- The sign is only to be for on-site advertisement.

Those requirements will help the applicant with advertisement and are found to be determinable by staff for compliance purposes. The proposed amendment will also help address signs for future development in the south. The buffer separation helps with the looks of the area. Both the roof ordinance and the increase in the pole sign height are separate parts of a single ordinance.

Mayor Fugal opened the public hearing. There were no public comments. The public hearing was closed.

Council Member Andersen asked for clarification on the vote. It was noted that the Ordinance is the same for both issues raised tonight.

ACTION: Council Member Williams moved to ADOPT Ordinance (2024-08) to amend City Code Section 10-19: Signs and Outdoor Advertising. The applicant, Slope Construction, Proposes to Amend City Code Sections 10-19-7 and 10-19-13 to Remove Roof Signs from the Prohibited Signs Section and to Permit Roof Signs in Commercial Zones.; as well as Amend City Code Section 10-19: Signs and Outdoor Advertising. The Applicant, YESCO, LLC, Proposes to Amend City Code Section 10-19-9: Freestanding Signs to Increase the Permitted Sign Height and Square Footage of Pole Signs located on Properties Adjacent to I-15. Council Member Jensen seconded the motion. Vote on motion: Dianna Andersen-Yes, Steve Rogers-Yes, Eric Jensen-Yes, Cyd LeMone-Yes, Todd Williams-Yes. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of an Ordinance (2024-09) to Amend City Code Section 10-14-28-6: Setbacks and Street Landscaping Buffers in the Valley Grove Mixed-Use Overlay. The Applicant, St. John’s Properties, Proposes to Adjust the Setback Requirements for Buildings Along Pleasant Grove Boulevard. Presenter: Director Cardenas.

Director Cardenas presented this item and stated that the Valley Grove Mixed Use Overlay (“VGMUO”) has already been approved for a new project coming to the City. He identified the areas involved on a map displayed. When they were working on the overlay, they determined that setbacks in front of arterioles or a Utah Department of Transportation (“UDOT”) right-of-way are to be 20 feet from the right-of-way to the building foundation, which allows for landscaping and sidewalks. For local roads with less traffic, the setback should be 10 feet. The applicant, St. John Properties (“SJP”) when working on the actual location of the buildings, realized that they needed more area along one of the major streets. Director Cardenas identified the specific area needing extra space and the proposed location of the buildings. They are proposing to move the setback from 20 feet to 10 feet in that area. The impact of the change softens the area because a huge UDOT landscaped area is already in place and creates a buffer. The UDOT buffer will likely be 10 to 15 feet wide, which when coupled with the applicant’s 10 feet, makes the buffer area adequate. They are requiring high-quality architectural standards for the buildings and the development in general. This matter has been before the Planning Commission which approved the change.

Mayor Fugal opened the public hearing.

Denise Trickler asked if the widening of Pleasant Grove Boulevard will affect the buffer since the road will only get busier over time. Director Cardenas stated that there are plans to increase the capacity but the buffer area is large. He identified the area that will be affected. Council Member Rogers asked about the height of any building that is within 10 feet of the right-of-way. Director Cardenas stated that the building height will be similar to the buildings in the area. He expected them to be a single story or possibly higher because of special features such as the restaurant use. The taller buildings will be located toward the center.

There were no further public comments. The public hearing was closed.

ACTION: Council Member Jensen moved to ADOPT Ordinance 2024-09 to Amend City Code Section 10-14-28-6: Setbacks and Street Landscaping Buffers in the Valley Grove Mixed-Use Overlay. The applicant, St. John Properties, proposes to adjust the setback requirements for Buildings along Pleasant Grove Boulevard. Council Member Steve Rogers seconded the motion. Vote on motion: Dianna Andersen-Yes, Steve Rogers-Yes, Eric Jensen-Yes, Cyd LeMone-Yes, Todd Williams-Yes. The motion carried unanimously.

10) ACTION ITEMS READY FOR VOTE

- A. To Consider for Adoption Resolution (2024-18) of the City Council of Pleasant Grove City, Utah County, Utah, Appointing a Judge Pro-Tem and Temporary Judges for the Pleasant Grove City Justice Court. *Presenter: Attorney Petersen.***

Attorney Petersen presented this item and stated that Pleasant Grove's Justice Court Judge, Randy Birch resigned effective March 13, 2024, as he has obtained a full-time position as a Judge with Utah County. Judge Brook Sessions has agreed to take his place in the interim until a permanent judge can be appointed. State Code requires that the City Council appoint a Judge Pro Tem and that there be a list of judges who can serve as conflict judges or substitutes if Judge Sessions is unavailable. The current list of judges includes names of judges who are no longer available. Judge Sessions has spoken to several judges regarding that service and provided a list of names for consideration. That list includes Judge Scott J. Mikelsen from the Bluffdale Justice Court; Judge Randy B. Birch from the Heber City and Utah County Justice Court; and the Honorable Barbara Finlinson from the Juab County and Nephi City Justice Courts.

ACTION: Council Member Andersen moved to ADOPT Resolution 2024-18 of the City Council of Pleasant Grove City, Utah County, Utah, appointing a Judge Pro-Tem and Temporary Judges for the Pleasant Grove City Justice Court. Council Member LeMone seconded the motion. Vote on motion: Dianna Andersen-Yes, Steve Rogers-Yes, Eric Jensen-Yes, Cyd LeMone-Yes, Todd Williams-Yes. The motion carried unanimously.

- B. To Consider a Permit to Exceed Noise Restrictions for Geneva Rock Products, Inc. *Presenter: Director Winterton.***

Director Winterton presented this item and stated that the roadway work is about to begin. Currently,

night work is not being considered, however, unforeseen events may arise that may create the need. The request is preemptive and the work schedule will remain unaffected. The project cost is approximately \$4.5 million. Council Member Rogers commented that notice of pending night work is required should that become a reality.

ACTION: Council Member LeMone moved to GRANT a permit to exceed noise restrictions for Geneva Rock Products, Inc. Council Member Jensen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Jensen, LeMone, Rogers, and Williams voting “Yes”.

It was noted that the contractor has been, and will continue to provide notice, when applicable. There was brief discussion about the types of notice being provided.

C. To Consider the Notice of Award for the Nathaniel Drive Waterline and Roadway Project and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Notice of Award. Presenter: Director Winterton.

Director Winterton presented this item and stated that very competitive bids were received on the project, which includes water lines and complete roadway work. Different pressure areas are involved making this more complicated. The accepted bid was under budget. The estimated project cost is \$1.9 million.

ACTION: Council Member Jensen moved to AWARD the Notice of Award for the Nathaniel Drive Waterline and Roadway Project and authorize the Mayor to sign the Notice of Award. Council Member Andersen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Jensen, LeMone, Rogers, and Williams voting “Yes”.

Director Winterton suggested that for the work being done, they check up on all the contractors and subcontractors to make sure they are qualified and that everything is in order. This project was on the original three-year roadway plan and now nearly all of the original roadway plan is completed. When that plan was initially unveiled, all of the underground investigation had not yet been done. This is another example of keeping the original plan’s commitment and this roadway stretch from Murdock to the east, has been expanded around the tank. It has taken a lot of time and effort. Additional roadway surface treatments were anticipated to complete the area within about one year.

D. To Consider the Notice of Award for the Storm Drain Outfall Project, Otherwise known as Channel to the Lake be awarded to Acme Construction, Inc. and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Notice of Award. Presenter: Director Winterton.

Director Winterton presented this item and stated that it has taken a lot of time and effort. The project involves an outfall project to transport storm drain water through another city, into another city, and eventually to the lake. Four bids were received of which three were competitive and in close range. Staff will continue to work to reduce the costs without reducing quality or project integrity. The open channel will be widened and a new culvert crossing created, which will enhance the stability of the slopes. The nearby road will also be protected.

The project is currently \$2.4 million over budget. The City’s intent is to change the scope, phase the work, or adjust some parameters. Director Winterton reported that part of the work involves sheet

piles, which are steel plates driven straight into the ground to stabilize the soil as the homeowners were not amenable to what was originally suggested for slope improvement. This work alone is around \$2.4 million. Other options were being considered for that portion. Director Winterton recommended that the bid be accepted as-is, as it was competitive bidding and there is an understanding that negotiations regarding change orders can lower the cost. The contractor was amenable to negotiations and discussing the issue.

Council Member Rogers asked if there was a contingency available if they cannot get the number down to the estimate. Administrator Darrington stated that the City works on contingencies and can put impact fees towards this if needed. Other options were available for consideration, if necessary; but the project itself has to go forward because of the water issues. He stated that they had a 90-minute meeting about one week ago to figure out value engineering and contingencies. Council Member Rogers thought the project was part of the bond money. Administrator Darrington explained that most of the funding is coming from federal money received three or four years ago (\$4.5 million), with the rest from the bond. They are exploring all options as this project needs to be done. The contractor will be working with the City on this issue.

ACTION: Council Member Andersen moved to AWARD the Notice of Award for the Storm Drain Outfall Project, otherwise known as Channel to the Lake, to be awarded to Acme Construction, Inc. and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Notice of Award. Council Member LeMone seconded the motion. Vote on motion: Dianna Andersen-Yes, Steve Rogers-No, Eric Jensen-Yes, Cyd LeMone-Yes, Todd Williams-Yes. The motion carried unanimously. The motion passed 4-to-1.

11) ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A. Continued Items from the Work Session if needed.

Library and Arts Director, Sherri Britsch, reported on the following:

- The library staff is amazing and everything is running well.
- Staff is preparing for the May 4 week, which will include a week full of activities.
- Today is National Library Workers Appreciation Day.
- Tickets need to be reserved for the upcoming play.

Police Chief, Keldon Brown, reported on the following:

- The officers are enjoying the new cameras. There has been press coverage on their successes including their assistance in breaking up a baby formula-selling scam along the Wasatch Front. The Police Department was able to help identify and apprehend suspects through the use of license plate information, identifying their places of operation, and recovering stolen formula. An immigration hold has been placed on the suspects. The other event involved the burglary of a storage shed.
- There was a domestic violence incident with shots fired that resulted in an arrest.
- Alex Hitala is completing his academy work in three weeks and will replace Sergeant Harrison. They then will be back to full staff.

- The Swearing-In of the Cadets was to take place the following day at 7:00 PM at the High School.

Fire Chief, Drew Engemann, reported on the following:

- They have a new experienced firefighter who serving in the US National Guard. Just over 60 people applied.
- A Bike Safety Event was scheduled for the following Saturday from 1:00 and 3:00 PM at the Recreation Center.
- Two employees graduated from the Heavy Rescue five-week course and will receive certificates. Others were involved in recertifications.
- Staff assisted in a victim recovery following an explosion in American Fork. The event was under investigation.
- Staff was also involved in a trench rescue. Their captain was the first person in the hole and stayed with the victim for the 90 minutes spent getting him out. The victim was buried up to his face and was having difficulty breathing. They were able to get him stabilized. This type of event is very rare but the site is very dangerous. The victim survived.
- They finished their Wildland refresher work and are ready for the season.
- Training was to take place at Battle Creek in a few weeks. Notice will be provided as smoke from the training will be evident.
- The department is developing good working relationships with the other City firefighters as part of the mutual training.

Assistant to the City Administrator, Kyler Brower, reported on the following:

- The previous night's event was a success and involved the residents at the batting cages. The funding came from the Care Tax. Mayor Fugal considered the batting cages to be a good use of the Care Tax.

12) REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE APRIL 23, 2024, CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA.

Administrator Darrington reported that they will recognize another group of Leadership Academy graduates at the next Work Session. They also will be discussing the budget. The meeting will include amendments to the Animal Control Code and an agreement with Rocky Mountain Power on issues at the new Cook Park. He has the Code established for employee Rodeo tickets per an agreement with Strawberry Days. City Recorder, Wendy Thorpe will oversee how the tickets are obtained.

13) MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS.

Council Member Jensen reminded all of the Utah County Business Summit. The Chamber is in charge and has six dynamic speakers for the following day which is to take place on the fourth floor of the Keller Building. Breakfast and lunch were to be provided for the sold-out event. He wants to address things that were said earlier. He tries not to take things personally and understands that certain people are trying to create a narrative that the City Council does not care about the community, the roads, or

the infrastructure. Over the past 7 to 8 years, he has seen what the City Council has tried to accomplish. They are focused on the nine City Departments and roads. He lives on Main Street, which is not in great shape but is not terrible either. There are other roads that are in poor condition that are being taken care of this year. He commented on the Public Works Department and Director Winterton for the work being done. Council Member Jensen stated that when he took office only \$200,000 to \$300,000 was being put into roads. They are now spending tens of millions of dollars on roads. He takes unfounded criticism personally. With regard to the home purchase at the pipe plant, he stated that a lot of misinformation is being spread.

Council Member Rogers reported on the formation of a private Downtown Coalition that includes his business partner that is headed in a positive direction. His firm will volunteer its services to help the Coalition form a 501(c)(6) organization so they can accept donations. They want to focus on downtown events and key in on the first block on Main Street, as that is where most businesses are located. The major concern pertains to the degree of vacancies and lack of people downtown. They want the City to be firm about Code violations, which they feel will help clean up the area. He would like to talk to Director Cardenas about Code matters. Administrator Darrington asked if the Coalition would be amenable to having Director Cardenas serve as a member. Council Member Rogers thought that would be appropriate. Administrator Darrington stated that the Coalition should be advised to contact Director Cardenas about any Code-related issues. Council Member Rogers noted that about 12 were present.

14) SIGNING OF PLATS.

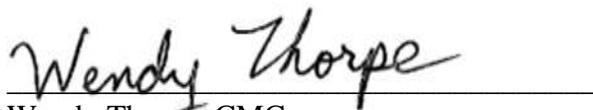
Plats were to be signed before Council Members leave.

15) REVIEW CALENDAR.

16) ADJOURN.

ACTION: At 7:40 PM Council Member Andersen moved to ADJOURN. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Jensen, Rogers, and Williams voting “Yes”. Council Member LeMone was not present for the vote.

The City Council Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2024, were approved by the City Council on May 7, 2024.



Wendy Thorpe, CMC
City Recorder

(Exhibits are in the Recorder's office.)