5:00 P.M. WORK SESSION

1) Wendy Hair with the Autism Resources of Utah County Council.

City Administrator, Scott Darrington, explained that Wendy Hair reached out to staff and requested to address the Council on something that she felt was very important to the community.

Wendy Hair from the Autism Resources of Utah County Council, stated that she served on a few boards in the community and Utah County on behalf of autism. She has a 12-year-old son with severe non-verbal autism who attends Pleasant Grove Junior High. She served on the Parent Advisory Board at UVU, where they recently built a new autism center on campus to serve the community in many ways, including a preschool. The overreaching goal of the Parent Advisory Board was to collaborate with communities in Utah Valley, City Councils, business owners, and other influential members of the community to identify and create skills, support, and experiences that enable individuals with autism to live rich and personally satisfying lives. They want to spread awareness to the community and promote inclusion and a sense of belonging.
In a recent study, Utah was found to be the third highest in the nation for autism. One in every 59 eight-year-olds has a diagnosed autism spectrum disorder. They also found that 70 to 80 percent of autistic individuals after high school sit at home with nothing to do. Mrs. Hair said that the Parent Advisory Board met together once a month to talk about the most pressing challenges that they face and how to reach out and create solutions. She presented a calendar with some of the upcoming events, including an autism family basketball game, the UVU Autism Pre-Conference, the National Conference, training for first responders, and their quarterly Community Cafes.

Council Member LeMone asked how the City Council could help the Board in their efforts. Mrs. Hair invited the Council to attend the events and Community Cafés. She encouraged them to participate in the discussion and make suggestions. Council Member LeMone suggested putting the events on the social media pages for the community, where there may be opportunities for events at City facilities, including the Library.

Mayor Fugal thanked Mrs. Hair for her time. He noted that the UVU Autism Center was completely funded through donations.

2) **City Council and Staff will Review and Discuss Items on the Agenda.**

Administrator Darrington read a letter the City received from the Government Finance Office Association awarding the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the current budget. He noted that the City has received the award every year since Finance Director, Denise Roy, came to work for the City. The City Council requested that this information be posted on social media.

Administrator Darrington addressed Items 11D and 11E on the agenda and stated that the City Council previously discussed both of the items and made the decision to amend the vicinity plan to accommodate the two requests. The proposed resolutions ratify that decision.

City Attorney, Tina Petersen, addressed Item 11A, which was a request for a Class “A” Alcohol License. She also addressed 11B regarding an amendment to the existing Interlocal Agreement with the Major Crimes Task Force. The Legal Department reviewed the changes and had no concerns.

Community Development Director, Daniel Cardenas, addressed Item 11C and explained that four neighbors came together to purchase a strip of land behind their property that was unused and incorporate it into their back yards. The lots were part of different subdivisions, so they would be vacated from those subdivisions and create a new one.

Public Works Director, Marty Beaumont, addressed Items 11F regarding a sewer line easement, which was recorded in 2001. When the sewer line was installed, it was not put into the easement. The proposal would vacate the existing easement and create a new easement over the actual sewer line. Item 11G was a Special Use Permit that would allow the City to place facilities on Forest Service ground in the Battle Creek Springs area.

Administrator Darrington noted that there would be an Executive Session at the end of the meeting.
3) **Staff Business.**

Fire Chief, Dave Thomas, reported that they had moved into the New Fire Station.

Police Chief, Mike Roberts, presented an analysis of dispatch turnover and asked the Council to review it at their convenience.

Council Member Williams commented that he enjoyed the public Facebook posts from the Police Department.

Parks and Recreation Director, Deon Giles, reported that they began demolition of the Pavilion earlier in the day.

Director Cardenas stated that the Planning Commission had been meeting in the Recreation Center for the past year, but they would be moving their meetings to the Training Room in the New Fire Station.

Assistant City Administrator, Kyler Ludwig, reported that he would be sending an email to the Council about the Team Member of the Year and asked that they give their feedback.

Administrator Darrington reminded the Council that the budget meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Friday in the Training Room of the New Fire Station.

**ACTION:** Council Member LeMone moved to adjourn the work session at 5:46 p.m. Council Member Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried with the unanimous consent of the Council.

The City Council Work Session Minutes of February 5, 2019 were approved by the City Council on March 5, 2019.

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Kathy T. Kresser, City Recorder, MMC

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