

**Pleasant Grove City
City Council Meeting Minutes
Work Session
August 6, 2019
4:30 p.m.**

Mayor: Guy L. Fugal

Council Members: Dianna Andersen
Eric Jensen
Cyd LeMone
Lynn Walker
Todd Williams

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
Daniel Cardenas, Community Development Director
Deon Giles, Parks Director
Tyler Wilkins, Recreation Director
Tina Petersen, City Attorney
Kathy Kresser, City Recorder
Marty Beaumont, Public Works Director
Kyler Ludwig, Assistant City Administrator
Sheri Britsch, Library Director
Britt Smith, Police Captain
Dave Thomas, Fire Chief

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

4:30 P.M. WORK SESSION

1) Discussion on Solid Waste and Recycling Agreement.

City Administrator, Scott Darrington stated that this issue came about because the cost of recycling has increased dramatically. Staff was approached by Republic Services and asked if the City would consider helping cover the cost of tipping fees. The existing contract with Republic Services expires on June 30, 2020. Unfortunately, no one could foresee the issues arising in the recycling industry and everyone was scrambling to find a solution. Staff and Republic Services had begun discussing amending and extending the existing agreement. Reece DeMille, from Republic Services, came up with the proposal presented to the Council. Staff recommended that the Council discuss the proposal and allow staff and the Mayor to negotiate with Mr. DeMille further. They hoped to have something back to the Council for approval on August 20. Essentially, the agreement would be extended for five years and the City would help cover the cost of recycling.

The proposal was to charge the City an additional \$0.80 per month per recycling container. The Finance Department confirmed that the City could absorb that cost for the rest of the fiscal year so that they would have to raise the cost to the residents until the next fiscal year. The City had the option to go to bid, but if they went with another company, there would be the cost of all new cans for the City. He noted that individuals would be able to opt out of the recycling program.

Council Member Williams asked if the \$0.80 could be negotiated, and Administrator Darrington answered affirmatively. Mr. DeMille stated that they are willing to meet the City in the middle.

Council Member LeMone wasn't sure why they were considering changing the contract before it was up. She asked why they needed to renegotiate the contract now instead of in September. She was concerned about how this would affect the taxpayers.

Council Member Williams was willing to enter into a long-term agreement if both parties were willing to bet on the cost. Both the City Council and Mr. DeMille expressed a desire to protect themselves with this contract.

Council Member Andersen was in favor of looking into long-term solutions as opposed to short-term. She was in favor of further negotiation to protect the ability of the residents to afford to recycle.

2) Discussion on Secondary Water Filters.

Public Works Director, Marty Beaumont gave a brief description of the secondary water system in Pleasant Grove and identified various pressure zones on a map. Grove Creek, Battle Creek, Provo River, and the American Fork River are the main sources coming into the pressurized irrigation system. One of the primary concerns was the sediment load in the water. Staff has taken samples every week for six years at Battle Creek and Grove Creek because of their agreement with Salt Lake Metropolitan Water and have found that there is a large spike in sediment levels every July. This was of concern because the sediment plugs filter stations and the filters in the residents' systems. This was the first year they were able to utilize the debris basins. Director Beaumont described the five-year plan to replace and repair the filter system.

Administrator Darrington stated that the three-year projected budget for the PI system is \$500,000 for the next three years. Essentially, they have \$1.5 million committed to resolving this problem, but it would take three years to fully implement the plan. He asked if the Council was willing to explore options to provide funding upfront through a bond so that they could complete the project this year. Director Beaumont stated that they could do most of the project this year, but there were a few items that would have to be done next year.

Council Member LeMone was in favor of pursuing a short-term bond.

There was brief discussion regarding the City's agreement with Salt Lake Metropolitan Water. The Council requested that the City send out information to residents about cleaning out their filters every year.

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

Administrator Darrington briefly reviewed the agenda and noted that Item 9B was pulled by the applicant. The item had been noticed, so there may be some residents here for that item. Item 10B would be postponed indefinitely.

4) Staff Business.

ACTION: Council Member Jensen moved to adjourn the work session at 5:33 p.m. Council Member Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried with the unanimous consent of the Council.

The City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2019 approved by the City Council on September 3, 2019.

Kathy T. Kresser, MMC

City Recorder

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