

**Pleasant Grove City
City Council Meeting Minutes
Work Session
June 22, 2021
4:30 p.m.**

Mayor: Guy L. Fugal

Council Members: Dianna Andersen
Brent Bullock
Cyd LeMone
Todd Williams

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
Tina Petersen, City Attorney
Marty Beaumont, Public Works Director
Drew Engemann, Fire Chief
Daniel Cardenas, Community Development Director
Kathy Kresser, City Recorder
Denise Roy, Finance Director
Tyler Wilkins, Recreation Director
Kenny Rymer, Park Superintendent

Excused: Council Member Eric Jensen
Park Director, Deon Giles

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

4:30 P.M. WORK SESSION

1) Presentation of Retirement Plaques for Darold and Doreen McDade.

Mayor Fugal welcomed those in attendance and introduced Darold and Doreen McDade

Council Member Bullock expressed gratitude to Darold and Doreen McDade for their years of service with the Recreation Center. He reported that Doreen has served for 23 years and Darold for 22 years and they have changed the Recreation Center for the better.

Doreen McDade stated she has been with the City for 23 years while working in the Recreation Center. She was given the opportunity to serve in different areas and expressed gratitude to her co-workers. Preparing schedules was difficult in the beginning and they originally used a scratchpad to create the brackets and standings. She appreciated those she worked with as well as the community and parents for their involvement.

Darold McDade expressed gratitude for the recognition and attributed his success to the Recreation Center Coordinators and good leadership. He stated that most of the programs he oversaw were well

run and organized with the help of others. He believed it kept a lot of children out of the system. He thanked the City Council for their efforts and was especially appreciative of Judge Bullock. He stated that he will miss being a part of it.

Recreation Director, Tyler Director Wilkins stated that according to recreation center records, the McDade's have been involved for a total of 25 years. He once shared a desk with Doreen and her handwritten brackets and schedules are still used as well as other items. He noted that during the difficulties he experienced as a referee, Mr. McDade stated that no matter what, the Recreation Center and the City have his back.

Utah Jazz Representative, Nate Martinez, reported that the Junior Jazz Program works with 120 parks and recreation departments across six different states with approximately 65,000 children every season. He believed it is people like Darold and Doreen that make the program successful by providing an experience for the children that they are not able to get anywhere else. He offered his appreciation and presented a Utah Jazz team signed basketball and a number 25 jersey with the McDade's last name to represent their years spent at the center.

Director Wilkins remarked that prior to COVID-19, Mrs. McDade received the 2020 Outstanding Professional in Recreation Award from the State of Utah. He presented the McDade's with a plaque recognizing 25 years of outstanding service to the Recreation Center.

Council Member LeMone commented she went through the program and played Jr. Jazz growing up. She has great memories of playing and meeting Thurl Bailey during Jazz night. Her boys have also all played and participated in the programs. She remembered Mrs. McDade being calm during times of confusion and she thanked them both for their commitment.

Council Member Williams stated that his boys also went through the Jr. Jazz program. He offered his gratitude to the McDade's for their commitment.

Council Member Andersen wished there was a way the McDade's could feel how many people in the City were impacted by them. Walking in and being greeted with a smile was calming and it was a joy to be in their presence.

Council Member Bullock stated he knows how many lives have been touched by the McDade's. Their demeanor has been carried over and touched lives both at the Recreation Center and in his court.

Mayor Fugal remarked that the McDade's have made a great impact on many lives and will continue to do so by just being associated with them. There will be an emptiness left behind they will never be replaced.

Krystan McDade stated her mom, Doreen, worked at the Recreation Center when she was three years old and she remembers sleeping on the heater vents at the junior high while she worked. She thanked the Council for recognizing her parents.

2) **Kimberly Schroepel – Victim Advocate Presentation.**

Victim Advocate, Jennifer May presented the Victim Advocate Report and stated that they are coming to the end of their fiscal year. They have served 210 victims and 255 cases with some victims being involved in more than one case. Her office prepared packets that officers on scene can hand to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and unexpected deaths. She explained that when an officer leaves the scene, there are people left behind who are unaware of what comes next. The booklet provides basic information on their rights, protective orders, and how an advocate can be reached. Within three days, the victim advocates reach out to the victim in the case. She confirmed that if the case goes to the Provo District Court, they are connected with a Victim Advocate with the Utah County Attorney's Office who helps them with their case and offers resources.

Ms. May stated that the next step is to review details with the victim asking how they feel, what happened, their concerns, and what they can do to help. They identify what takes place at the hearing and the steps to follow and are given an internet site that provides notification as to the timeline of their case and the process of a protective order is discussed. She stated that one of the most important items discussed is safety followed by housing and relocation, if necessary. Often victims are not the breadwinner, which is often why they stay. They are often unaware that these types of assistance are available. She indicated that financial restitution is also described and the victim is made aware of mental health counseling, relocation services, and medical expenses provided by the State at no cost. The advocate discusses the situation with the prosecutor and ensures that the victim is provided with updates. They may attend meetings with the prosecutor for support and occasionally attend medical or forensic exams for sexual assault victims, childcare, transportation, and arrange for interpreter services.

Council Member LeMone commended Ms. May for her service. She stated that she has a friend that was hospitalized due to domestic violence and called the police who had to break down her door. The responding advocate helped get her door replaced and a new phone. She believed this is an important resource for the community and was appreciative of their service.

Council Member Bullock stated that when he was a judge, the services rendered are commendable and critically important to the City's citizens.

Council Member LeMone asked if the services provided include helping those who may be experiencing issues but have yet to involve the police. Ms. May stated that many victims do not have police reports and have not made anyone aware they have met to discuss their circumstances. She confirmed that advocate services are available and depending on the situation, they will come into their office and receive help prior to ever reporting. They are available through the Police Department when requesting victim services.

3) **Melanie Davey Charity Vision International Presentation.**

Melanie Davey from Charity Vision International reported that the Sight Buddies program aims to provide eyeglasses and vision screening to 80% of school-aged children. She stated that all learning during a child's first 12 years is through sight, leaving only 20% to their other senses. It was confirmed that 25% of kindergarten to sixth-grade students in the United States have vision deficiencies. In October 2019, of the 43,000 students in the Alpine School District, 11,000 had some

type of vision deficiency. The Sight Buddies program is designed for children that are unable to obtain glasses or visit a doctor. Vision screenings are done in the school and those with deficiencies are notified along with their parents and have the opportunity to be bused to the Utah Valley Eye Center in Provo. She explained the child can then choose a frame and have their own prescription put into those glasses at no cost to the student. There is also a mobile clinic available and run by Director Wilkins twice a week. She reported that over the past five years, 950 students were provided with classes largely because of local volunteers, donors, and volunteers who help at the local Sight Buddies events. The community can receive boxes of glasses, sort the glasses into different material types and age groups, and remove the lenses. There are monthly events held once a month in Provo instructing volunteers how to pop out the lenses and help prepare the process for Sight Buddies. She confirmed that more information can be found at Charityvision.org under the take action and service opportunities tab.

4) Water Conservation Discussion – Director Beaumont.

Public Works Director, Marty Beaumont presented an update to the water conservation issue and stated that he has received numerous questions from both the City Council and the State. He reported that the last 10 years of the Timpanogos Divide has a great impact on the water levels not only on the surface and streams but the water table. There are four water wells that are unable to pump water due to dropping levels. They are seeing the maximum drawdowns at the absolute lowest recorded since drawing from those wells. They received bond approval the previous week through Water Resources and are planning to move forward with the new Boulevard well. They anticipate its completion to be in the summer of 2022 with a depth of 1,200 feet. Between culinary and secondary water, he believed the greatest risk was with the secondary water and the lack of a treatment plan. He emphasized that the culinary that goes into the ground stays in the ground. It was anticipated that one-third of the City uses culinary water for secondary water. Everything below State Street and north of the canal does not have access to secondary water and using it for irrigation causes more of a drawdown in all of the wells. A graph of water use was displayed.

Director Beaumont expressed the need to begin discussions regarding conservation. 20% of the holdover water they were able to preserve due to early rains in May has kept the City in an acceptable state. The City's water use is currently 40% higher than the State's recommendation and mitigation and conservation efforts include a cut back in use, adjustment of sprinkler heads, and ensuring water that is not being wasted. He recommended that beginning July 1 that all citizens be asked to reduce lawn watering by 30%, they can do this by either: reduce irrigation time and sprinkler watering times by one-third or limit watering to twice a week, and suggested the City lead the charge with a watering reduction of City-owned properties. Extending the one-year requirement of sod installation for new homes and new construction allowing the delay to conserve would be considered. He confirmed that a new part-time Water Enforcement employee will begin work on July 1, 2021.

5) Staff Business.

There was no staff business.

6) Adjournment.

MOTION: Council Member Williams moved to ADJOURN the Work Session at 5:35 p.m. Council Member Bullock seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Council Members Andersen, Bullock, LeMone, and Williams voting “Aye”.

The Work Session adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

The City Council Work Session Minutes of June 22, 2021, were approved by the City Council on July 20, 2021.



Kathy T. Kresser, MMC

City Recorder

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