

**Pleasant Grove City
City Council Meeting Minutes
Work Session
July 6, 2021
4:30 p.m.**

Mayor: Guy L. Fugal

Council Members: Dianna Andersen
Brent Bullock
Eric Jensen
Cyd LeMone
Todd Williams

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
Tina Petersen, City Attorney
Denise Roy, Finance Director
Kyler Ludwig, HR Director
Deon Giles, Parks Director
Marty Beaumont, Public Works Director
Mike Roberts, Police Chief
Drew Engemann, Fire Chief
Daniel Cardenas, Community Development Director

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

4:30 P.M. WORK SESSION

1) Recognition of Strawberry Days Committee – Mayor Fugal Presenter.

Mayor Fugal reported on Strawberry Days and recognized the great work of the Strawberry Days Committee. Rodeo Chair, Kevin Phelon, stated that the rodeo was a great success and the ticketing system was effective. Social media was used to advertise the event. Mr. Phelon noted that the rodeo was sold out every night. Scott Fugal stated that over 40,000 cups of strawberries and cream were served throughout the week and 975 gallons of cream. He stated that 26,000 participated in Strawberry Days.

Three scholarships were awarded to high school seniors for \$1,500 each. They used various clubs to work with concession stands and donated just under \$10,000 to clubs within the community. It was noted that concession revenue was the best in a long time. Mr. Fugal reported that prices had to be increased due to inflation. Twelve pallets of water were distributed.

Lisa Young reported that the Downtown Party was a success. She normally receives 75 to 85 negative emails every year after the celebration is over. This year she received 48. Two opened

up a great dialog with people she did not know previously. Overall, she considered it a great success. Carnival revenue was the highest ever. Ms. Young stated that Strawberry Days is now self-sufficient and does not rely on the rodeo for funds.

Mayor Fugal gifted each committee member with a \$50 Amazon gift card as thanks for their efforts.

Council Member Bullock asked how much it would cost to do the bleachers at the rodeo grounds. City Administrator, Scott Darrington, stated that grants can be applied for through the County. He agreed to investigate what funds are available.

2) **Discussion on E-Scooter in Pleasant Grove – Director Cardenas Presenter.**

Community Development Director, Daniel Cardenas, reported that the City has been approached by Bird, a company that provides electric scooters that operate like bicycles. They met with staff and designated areas on the map where they would be allowed. Slow zones would be designated where speeds would decrease. They can also designate no-ride zones. Bird would not enter into a contract with the City but would like to provide the service in Pleasant Grove and use City rights-of-way.

Council Member Jensen asked about liability. City Attorney, Tina Petersen, stated that the City would only be liable for the normal liability issues for users of our right of ways. For example, a hazard that the City knew about and didn't fix get fixed but should have. Director Cardenas stated that the intent was to determine the City's level of interest. He stated that they are popular and have been successful in other cities. Council Member Williams asked if there is a revenue share. Administrator Darrington stated that it could potentially be but was not mentioned in their initial proposal.

Council Member Andersen asked if there is a bike lane from downtown to the Grove. Administrator Darrington stated that there is a trail/sidewalk. Director Cardenas explained that the scooters could solve what is called "The Last Mile" problem. People need to get from mass transit stops home, which is "the last mile." Director Cardenas reported that they have an adopted Bicycle Plan. Potential issues were identified. Council Member Williams commented that there is no risk to the City. There was concern about scooters being left on the side of the road and strewn throughout the City. Administrator Darrington stated that as part of the agreement, Bird will pick them up nightly.

Mayor Fugal was not opposed to them but stated that other cities have had problems with them. For example, people sometimes ride them on sidewalks and do not wear helmets. Some cities have removed them because they had problems. Director Cardenas clarified that areas can be designated on a map where scooters would be allowed and where they can be parked. They can also be prohibited from being driven on City streets. City approval would be required. Input would also be sought from the Police and Fire Departments. Enforcement issues were identified as a concern.

Director Cardenas reported that the Memorandum of Understanding specifies that either party may terminate the agreement at any time and without cause with 30 days' notice.

3) Staff Business.

Public Works Director, Marty Beaumont, reported that an offer was extended to an Engineer who was to begin work in two weeks. Several items were moving forward and he updated the Council on the progress. Due to pipe and asphalt shortages, they decided not to move forward on awarding the 1100 North Project. It was expected to take six to eight weeks to get pipe. The project would instead be bid in November along with other projects. Safe Routes to School Projects were proposed on Loader Avenue and 400 East. The 400 East portion was expected to be completed this year but the Loader Avenue portion would not be done before school starts.

In terms of road projects, they were working on their three-year plan. They are coordinating other utilities and found a significant number of utilities that need to be replaced in the roads. They are now trying to determine which ones can be completed now that do not require replacement or a significant utility coordination effort. A plan would be presented at the next City Council Meeting. Budget funds were available to complete the needed repairs. The intent was to look at preventative maintenance issues as well. They plan to move forward with the 2600 North reconstruction next year. The estimated cost of road reconstruction projects scheduled for next year was \$7 to \$9 million. Some reconstruction was also likely to take place on Pleasant Grove Boulevard, State Street, and 1300 West.

Director Beaumont reported that the last lift station is offline and everything is gravity flow, which is a great accomplishment. Staff was also moving forward with the large well in the Grove area. Council Member Andersen asked how the City was doing in terms of water. Director Beaumont had not yet compiled the information but it was expected to be done over the next few days. The intent was to analyze the situation every few weeks.

Council Member Williams reported that he received an email from Matthew Palmer from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints who is looking for service project opportunities in the area to commemorate the 20th anniversary of September 11. Several thousand people were expected to participate. Council Member Williams stated that he was in Manhattan on September 11 and has Post Traumatic Stress Disorder ("PTSD") as a result of his experience. It is a sensitive issue to him and he would like to be part of the effort. Possible projects were identified as Anderson Park and Murdock Trail.

Administrator Darrington reviewed the meeting agenda. HR Director, Kyler Ludwig, presented the resolution involving the City's 401k plan. Every six years the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") requires the City to approve the plan document. The City Council, as the governing body, will pass that resolution if they so choose.

Director Beaumont reported that the first item involves quit claim deeds that need to be deeded back to the Utah Department of Transportation ("UDOT"). He reported that previously the County had an agreement requiring rights-of-ways. The City still owns a number of pieces on the right-of-way. None of it is connected. The County ultimately transferred all of their interest to UDOT

in trade for 100 East. There are still outstanding deeds for properties that are owned by the City but are intended to be owned by UDOT. UDOT's Surveying Consultant has prepared all of the deeds and described the entire right-of-way. It specifies that if the City has any interest in the right-of-way, that interest would be deeded to UDOT. Council Member Bullock reported that the property includes approximately 20 acres that the City may have an interest in. Director Beaumont reported that the County is looking at the BRT project and has identified 15 additional feet that will eventually be needed.

Director Beaumont next reported on a contract to line the culinary water pipe as they do the sewer pipes. The technology was described. A robot goes into the pipe and surveys the line. It is an interesting project because the City has 30 to 40 miles of pipe that needs to be relined. The intent was to do work internally that will result in much less impact on the road network. A \$75,000 contract was proposed with Insituform who has done the majority of the sewer lining. The agreement includes the cost of digging up and replacing the line. There is great value in that there is an extended warranty for three years in the event there are problems with the lining. Director Beaumont explained that an impregnated liner will be used that has epoxy in it. They push it into the pipe and blow it up with steam. It involves a steam cured process that cures the resin and makes it solid from one end to the other. The original price was said to be over \$150,000 out of pocket and the City agreed to half.

Administrator Darrington reviewed the next meeting agenda. At the work session, Director Beaumont will present the three-year plan and identify what roads are to be worked on. At the City Council Meeting, they will address the definition of 'Boarding and Rooming House' and make changes. A public hearing was also scheduled for the voiding of a subdivision identified as Carol's Country Subdivision. Changes were also proposed to the City's Policy and Procedures Manual to address harassment policies. A Veracity Legal Consent Agreement would be addressed as well. Veracity has a Right-of-Way Agreement with the City and is selling to First Digital and asking for permission. Going forward, the Agreement will be honored with First Digital. A Development Agreement with Drew Armstrong will be addressed as he moves forward with the second four-story building. Parking and access issues need to be addressed. The hope was to adopt the agreement in two weeks. East Lake Dakota Pacific Development is also proposing to build flex space on 30+ acres. It is a convoluted project and there are loose ends that need to be addressed in the Development Agreement.

4) Adjournment.

MOTION: Council Member Jensen moved to ADJOURN the Work Session at 5:23 p.m. Council Member Bullock seconded the motion. The motion carried with the unanimous consent of the Council.

The Work Session adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

The City Council Work Session minutes of July 6, 2021, were approved by the City Council on July 20, 2021.

Kathy T. Kresser

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City Recorder

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