

MINUTES OF COUNCIL STUDY MEETING – OCTOBER 21, 2014

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THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL MET IN STUDY SESSION ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2014, AT 4:30 P.M., IN THE MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM, WEST VALLEY CITY HALL, 3600 CONSTITUTION BOULEVARD, WEST VALLEY CITY, UTAH. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AND CONDUCTED BY MAYOR BIGELOW.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Ron Bigelow, Mayor
Corey Rushton, Councilmember At-Large
Lars Nordfelt, Councilmember At-Large
Tom Huynh, Councilmember District 1
Steve Buhler, Councilmember District 2
Karen Lang, Councilmember District 3
Steve Vincent, Councilmember District 4

Paul Isaac, Acting City Manager
Sheri McKendrick, City Recorder

STAFF PRESENT:

Eric Bunderson, City Attorney
Kevin Astill, Parks and Recreation Director
Russell Willardson, Public Works Director
Jim Welch, Finance Director
Layne Morris, CPD Director
Lee Russo, Police Chief
Sam Johnson, Strategic Communications Director
John Evans, Fire Chief
Steve Pastorik, Acting CED Director
Lee Logston, CED Department
Jake Arslanian, Public Works Department

1. REVIEW AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULED OCTOBER 21, 2014

Mayor Bigelow informed no new items had been added to the Agenda for the Regular Meeting scheduled October 21, 2014, at 6:30 P.M. Upon inquiry, there were no additional questions regarding items scheduled on the subject Agenda.

2. AWARDS, CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS SCHEDULED OCTOBER 21, 2014:

A. PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 1, 2014, AS “EXTRA MILE DAY” IN WEST VALLEY CITY

Mayor Bigelow inquired if a Council member desired to read a proclamation declaring November 1, 2014, as “Extra Mile Day” in West Valley City, at the

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Regular Council Meeting scheduled October 28, 2014. Councilmember Vincent indicated he would read the proclamation.

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 14-180, AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO ACQUIRE, BY NEGOTIATION OR CONDEMNATION, REAL PROPERTY FROM JULIE ANN COOPER LOCATED AT 3027 – 3035 WEST LEON AVENUE**

Eric Bunderson, City Attorney, discussed proposed Resolution No. 14-180 that would authorize the City to acquire, by negotiation or condemnation, real property from Julie Ann Cooper, located at 3027 – 3035 West Leon Avenue.

Mr. Bunderson stated the City was currently attempting to purchase land at the above location and, at present, it appeared condemnation would be necessary to complete that acquisition. The proposed resolution was being requested in the likely event that condemnation became necessary.

The house located at 3027 – 3035 West Leon Avenue was in a group of houses the City must own in order to build a roadway through the Fairbourne Station development. The City had been unsuccessful in attempting to contact Ms. Cooper. A condemnation action would require the appraised value of the property be placed into escrow. The City would file a Motion for Default and a Motion for Immediate Occupancy and, upon order from the Court, receive title to the property and build the road. Ms. Cooper's money would earn interest in escrow until claimed.

Mr. Bunderson further reviewed and discussed the proposed Resolution and explained the eminent domain process and requirements. He also displayed a map showing the location of the subject property. Mr. Bunderson, Jake Arslanian and Steve Pastorik also answered questions from the City Council.

The City Council will consider proposed Resolution No. 14-180 at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled October 28, 2014, at 6:30 P.M.

4. **RESOLUTION NO. 14-181, AUTHORIZE THE WEST VALLEY CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AN AWARD FROM THE COPS HIRING PROGRAM THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

Police Chief, Lee Russo, discussed proposed Resolution No. 14-181 that would authorize the West Valley City Police Department to accept an award in the amount of \$1,250,000.00 from the COPS Hiring Program through the U.S. Department of Justice.

Chief Russo stated the awarded funds would be utilized to hire ten additional police officers to help the Police Department meet the growing needs of the City and provide exceptional service to its residents. In order to accept the award the City would be required to provide a cash match of \$626,922.00 over the course of three years.

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West Valley City had seen a large increase in population during its history, making it difficult for the Police Department to provide the kind of service residents expected and deserved. Although the Police Department strived each and every day to provide excellent service, having more officers on the road would mean a quicker response time and more time to devote to each case being investigated.

As officers were hired with the subject grant, the intent would be to create a new unit called the Fast Action Unit consisting of five officers and a sergeant. These added resources would be directed to implement intervention strategies that targeted persistent or emerging crime problems or community concerns adversely impacting the quality of life. The remaining four officers would be assigned to the Community Response Unit. Members of this unit were assigned to specific geographical areas within the City. Their assignment would include regular contact with citizens in their neighborhoods. These officers would be a direct source of contact. They would be familiar with the unique challenges each neighborhood faced and be part of a permanent solution. They would be gatherers of intelligence information to be used to arrest suspects committing crimes that impacted the quality of life in the neighborhoods.

Chief Russo further reviewed and discussed the proposed Resolution and answered questions from members of the City Council.

The City Council will consider proposed Resolution No. 14-181 at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled October 28, 2014, at 6:30 P.M.

5. RESOLUTION NO. 14-182, RATIFY THE CITY MANAGER'S APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE UTAH CULTURAL CELEBRATION CENTER FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, discussed proposed Resolution No. 14-182 that would ratify the City Manager's appointment of members to the Utah Cultural Celebration Center Foundation Committee.

He stated the proposal would appoint Rita Martin and V. Kim Martinez to the Utah Cultural Celebration Center Foundation Committee for the term October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2016.

Mr. Isaac further reviewed and discussed the proposed Resolution and answered questions from members of the City Council.

The City Council will consider proposed Resolution No. 14-182 at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled October 28, 2014, at 6:30 P.M.

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6. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. GENERAL PLAN STATUS UPDATE

Steve Pastorik, Acting CED Director, provided the Council with a General Plan status update. He indicated this would be the first of three discussions with the City Council. He reminded that staff had provided four draft chapters of the General Plan to the City Council for review and would appreciate input at this time.

He also discussed a schedule for two additional discussions regarding the General Plan, one with the Planning Commission; and noted consideration of final adoption by the Council would be scheduled in February of 2015.

Mr. Pastorik reviewed and summarized the draft chapters that included the following summarized sections:

- Introduction
 - Historical Context: Early history, 1900-1980, incorporation and the 1980's, 1990 through 2007, 2008 to the present
- State of the City
 - Existing land uses in West Valley City
 - Land use in West Valley City: 1982 and 2013
 - Residential
 - Commercial
 - Industrial
 - Parks and Open Space
 - Agriculture
 - Important Development Projects
 - Transportation Improvement Projects
 - Housing, Demographics, and Employment
 - Housing Tenure and Household Size
 - Population by Race and Ethnicity 2012
- Projections
 - Population Estimates and Projections Through 2060
 - Salt Lake County Population Pyramid Projections

Upon discussion, Council members commented, suggested, and expressed direction, summarized as follows:

- Ask the Historical Society to review the Introduction chapter
- Suggested changes regarding certain language used in the document
- Include long-range planning beyond 2030

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- Clarification of specific changes to the General Plan in the present draft in comparison to previous version to provide a clearer point of reference using highlights or information in margins or a summary sheet
- Consider pedestrian trails, bike lanes, connectivity and use of mass transit
- Reconsider parking requirements and reduce number of parking spaces in large commercial areas, especially in transit oriented areas
- Address businesses in residential zones
- Consider allowing existing homes to be remodeled with mother-in-law apartments under certain conditions and with requirements
- Include water wise landscaping in existing neighborhoods
- Address crosswalks, traffic calming and reducing speed when building new neighborhoods

During the above discussion, Steve Pastorik answered questions from members of the City Council.

B. **WEST VALLEY FIBER NETWORK UPDATE**

Mayor Bigelow informed there was no new information to report regarding the West Valley Fiber Network.

C. **COUNCIL UPDATE**

Mayor Bigelow referenced a Memorandum from the City Manager that outlined upcoming meetings and events as follows:

October 24, 2014	Member Event – Pumpkin Painting & Refreshments, Fitness Center, 6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
October 24, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
October 25, 2014	Bewitching Breakfast, Fitness Center, 9:30 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.
October 25, 2014	Halloween Safety Fair, Fitness Center, 11:00 A.M. – Noon
October 25, 2014	Joan Sebastian & Los Rieleros del Norte, Maverik Center, 7:30 P.M.
October 27, 2014	First Aid Class, Fire Station #74, 5545 West 3100 South, 9:00 A.M.

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October 27 & 28, 2014	Nightmare Alley, Fitness Center (Edutainment Center), 7:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.
October 27 – November 6, 2014	Day of the Dead Altar Exhibition, UCCC
October 28, 2014	Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M. and Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
October 29, 2014	First Aid Class, City Hall Multi-purpose Room, 9:00 A.M.
October 31, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
November 1, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
November 1, 2014	Day of the Dead Celebration, UCCC, 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.
November 4, 2014	General Election, Polls Open 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.
November 4, 2014	Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M. and Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
November 5, 2014	Employee Gratitude Breakfast hosted by EAC, Multi-purpose Room at City Hall, 7:00 A.M. – 8:30 A.M.
November 5, 2014	Community Meeting with Mayor Bigelow, Location TBD, 7:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.
November 11, 2014	Veteran's Day Holiday – City Hall closed
November 11, 2014	Free Admission for Veterans, Family Fitness Center
November 11, 2014	Veterans Day Event, Carl Sandburg Elementary, 3900 South 5325 West, 8:30 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.
November 11, 2014	Annual Veterans Day Celebration, American Preparatory Academy, 1255 W. Crystal Avenue (2590 South), 8:45 A.M. – 9:45 A.M.

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November 11, 2014	Annual Veterans Day Celebration, American Preparatory Academy, 3636 West 3100 South, 12:15 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.
November 11, 2014	Veteran's Day Event, City Hall, 6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
November 11, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
November 12, 2014	The Black Keys – Turn Blue World Tour, Maverik Center, 8:00 P.M.
November 14, 2014	Member Appreciation Activity – Movie Night, Fitness Center, 7:00 P.M.
November 14, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Ontario Reign, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
November 15, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Ontario Reign, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
November 17, 2014	Public Meeting re: 4700 South Project hosted by SL County & Lochner Engineering, Kearns Senior Center, 4851 West 4700 South, 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
November 17, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Ontario Reign, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
November 18, 2014	Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M. and Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
November 18, 2014	Judas Priest – Redeemer of Souls Tour 2014, Maverik Center, 7:30 P.M.
November 19, 2014	WVC Watch Wednesday, City Hall, 6:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.
November 19, 2014	Community Meeting with Chief Russo, UCCC, 7:00 P.M.
November 19-22, 2014	NLC Conference, Austin, Texas
November 25, 2014	Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M. and Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.

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November 22, 2014	Turkey Trot 5K, Fitness Center, 8:00 A.M.
November 27, 2014	Thanksgiving Holiday – City Hall closed
December 1, 2014	Annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Walk with Santa, Fitness Center, 6:00 P.M.
December 1, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Idaho Steelheads, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
December 2, 2014	Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M. and Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
December 3, 2014	Blood Drive, City Hall, 8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.
December 5 & 6, 2014	World Championship Ice Racing, Maverik Center, Time TBA
December 6, 2014	Breakfast with Santa, Fitness Center, 9:00 A.M.
December 9, 2014	Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M. and Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
December 10, 2014	Stories & S'mories, Plaza at Fairbourne Station, 6:00 P.M.
December 10, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Alaska Aces, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
December 11, 2014	International Christmas Celebration 2014 – Sponsored by Latino Community Center, UCCC, 5:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.
December 13, 2014	Breakfast with Santa, Fitness Center, 9:00 A.M.
December 16, 2014	Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M. and Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
December 27, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
December 19, 2014	So You Think You Can Dance Live, Maverik Center, 8:00 P.M.

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December 24 & 25, 2014	Christmas Holiday – City Hall closed
December 27, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
December 29, 2014	Utah Grizzlies vs. Idaho Steelheads, Maverik Center, 7:05 P.M.
January 1, 2015	New Year’s Day Holiday – City Hall closed

7. COUNCIL REPORTS

A. COUNCILMEMBER STEVE VINCENT – BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Councilmember Vincent recognized his wife, Susan, in attendance at the meeting. Ms. Vincent informed it was Councilmember Vincent’s birthday and she had cake to share with the Council and staff.

B. MAYOR RON BIGELOW – TRCC COMMITTEE, AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE AND STANDARD POLICY FOR CHARITABLE EVENTS

Mayor Bigelow reported regarding a recent meeting of the Salt Lake County TRCC (Tourism, Recreation, Culture & Convention) Committee and advised he had expressed support of a recommendation for funding for West Valley City to continue operations at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center (UCCC). He also indicated the Committee would begin studying a proposal that the County construct a cultural center in either the City of Taylorsville or Murray City.

He advised the American Cancer Society Relay for Life organization had expressed a desire to hold an event in West Valley City. He indicated the request included providing City staff support and the possible use of a City facility.

Mayor Bigelow inquired if the Council desired to consider setting a standard policy for charitable events, including how many would be held each year. Upon discussion, members of the Council discussed and expressed opinions regarding the Mayor’s remarks. After further discussion, Mayor Bigelow advised he would request input and come back with a proposal. Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, advised a standard policy would be helpful for clarification and to maintain consistency at all City facilities.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL, THE STUDY MEETING OF TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2014, WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:25 P.M., BY MAYOR BIGELOW.

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I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, accurate and complete record of the proceedings of the Study Meeting of the West Valley City Council held Tuesday, October 21, 2014.

Sheri McKendrick, MMC
City Recorder