

MINUTES OF COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 19, 2017

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THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, AT 6:41 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 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
Don Christensen, 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

STAFF PRESENT:

Paul Isaac, Acting City Manager/Assistant City Manager/ HR Director
Nichole Camac, City Recorder

Nicole Cottle, Assistant City Manager/General Counsel/ CED Director
Eric Bunderson, City Attorney
Jim Welch, Finance Director
Colleen Nolan, Police Chief
Chris Beichner, Acting Fire Chief
Russell Willardson, Public Works Director
David Moss, Acting CPD Director
Nancy Day, Parks and Recreation Director
Sam Johnson, Strategic Communications Director
Jake Arslanian, Public Works Department
DeAnn Varney, Administration
Kevin Conde, Administration

OPENING CEREMONY

Steve Vincent conducted the Opening Ceremony. He requested that members of the audience, City Staff, and the Council rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD DECEMBER 12, 2017

The Council considered the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 12, 2017. There were no changes, corrections or deletions.

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Councilmember Christensen moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 12, 2017. Councilmember Lang seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken and all members voted in favor of the motion.

AWARDS, CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. AWARD FOR THE UTAH CULTURAL CELEBRATION CENTER BASEMENT RENOVATION

Councilmember Christensen read the award for the Utah Cultural Celebration Center Basement Renovation. The award reads as follows:

ENR-Mountain States 2017 Best Interior/Tenant Improvement Project Award

Engineering News Record (ENR) – Mountain States, a leading construction industry magazine, recently awarded the 2017 Best Interior/Tenant Improvement Project, to the Utah Cultural Celebration Center renovation project. Both Layton Construction and EDA architects were recognized as the General Contractor and Architect, respectively, on this successful project.

For the City, Jake Arslanian deserves praise for his vital role as Project Manager. Jake led the team, coordinating work between contractors, architects and the UCCC staff. As usual, Jake was on top of every detail and key to resolving issues quickly and efficiently. The Facilities Division staff pitched in whenever needed to keep costs down and the project moving along. The UCCC staff also did an excellent job working around the construction, as the building remained open and operating throughout the project.

Following are excerpts from the article in the October 23, 2017 edition of ENR-Mountain States:

“The project converted an unfinished plaza into high-end conference rooms and other attractive public spaces. The design includes exposed ceilings, wood-plank accents, a floating staircase and a new elevator shaft. In addition to a glass-walled executive conference room, the meeting rooms feature high ceilings and multiple partitions to break the space into different sizes.”

“A centrally controlled audiovisual system includes a touch-screen panel for each room, which makes it easy for people renting the spaces to offer high-tech presentations. LED lighting ensures energy conservation, and a

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sophisticated catering kitchen allows multiple caterers to use it at the same time for different functions.”

“Originally constructed in 2003, the UCCC was designed to highlight the cultural diversity of West Valley City and bring the community closer together. The elegant new space helps the center fulfill its mission: a place to share ideas; inspire, nurture and learn from one another; and enjoy arts, culture, concerts and the performing arts—all under one roof.”

Thanks goes to Jake Arslanian and all others involved in this award-winning project.

COMMENT PERIOD

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kelly Bertoch thanked the Council for their efforts over the last year and thanked Councilmember Vincent for his work in serving on the Council. He stated that he hoped the Council looked at the Lowe’s/Smith’s parking design because he feels this is a significant problem. Mr. Bertoch stated that he is concerned about on-street parking and indicated that this is always a problem, particularly during winter. He expressed concern about public safety vehicles being able to get down streets in the event of an emergency. Mr. Bertoch stated that he feels there is a need for a traffic light on 3500 South 6000 West. He also expressed concern about increased traffic near the Frito Lay Subdivision. Mr. Bertoch stated that he would like the City to increase the budget for the Police and Fire Departments and stated that the City should support them because they serve an important and valuable role to the community. He also indicated that he is impressed with the English-Speaking initiative the City has in place and encouraged this to continue. He added he would like these students to be taught the Pledge of Allegiance.

David Madsen stated that he represents several groups in the community and he would like to thank Councilmember Vincent for his assistance over the many years he has served on the Council. He indicated that Councilmember Vincent was instrumental in getting a park built in his neighborhood, fixing a traffic issue at Orchard Elementary, and assisting in scout camps. Mr. Madsen stated that he is sad at the outcome of the election but is appreciative of everything Councilmember Vincent has done.

John Cross stated that noise concerns at Firestone and Boart Longyear have mellowed since he came and spoke to the City Council. He stated that trucks still idle in the morning and he feels that a buffer space, such as a sound wall, would be the best resolution. He added that oil eaters may be a good solution as well. Mr. Cross stated that trucks also cut through his neighborhood along Vespa Drive which causes concern.

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B. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Assistant City Manager, Paul Isaac, had no comments.

C. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Steve Vincent stated that he has been involved in municipal government for 18 years, beginning with serving on the Board of Adjustments. He indicated that he met a young Nicole Cottle and has enjoyed watching her grow into the powerhouse that she is today. Councilmember Vincent stated that he has served on the Council for 16 years with 2 City Managers, 12 Council members, and 4 Mayors. He indicated that he wanted to upgrade the housing stock in the City and he feels that this has been accomplished. Councilmember Vincent stated that Wayne Pyle has assembled a powerhouse team of administrators that have grown the City from 5600 West to the City Center to the Hale Center Theatre area. He indicated that a lot of tough decisions were made and he is grateful to have been a part of such significant growth and change. Councilmember Vincent encouraged the City Council to move forward and to keep Mr. Pyle and his team together, to keep those relationships strong. He thanked the staff and the residents and indicated that he has enjoyed his time serving the City.

Mayor Bigelow stated that it is small compensation to thank Councilmember Vincent for the time, service, and dedication he has provided to the City. He indicated that only those who have served recognize the impact it has. Mayor Bigelow stated that serving on the Council effects work, careers, personal projects, etc. He stated that Councilmember Vincent put a lot of time and effort into the Council and even Westfest and thanked him for his service.

Councilmember Buhler stated that he joined the Council several years ago and finds it hard to believe that he is the only one left from that original group now. He stated that the City will miss the dedication, wisdom, judgment, and knowledge that Councilmember Vincent provided. He indicated this takes time to develop and will be difficult to replace. Councilmember Buhler also recognized Susan Vincent, Councilmember Vincent's wife. He indicated that it is not easy to have your spouse in the public eye and it has been a sacrifice that she has made as well. Councilmember Buhler stated that the City has improved in Councilmember Vincent's tenure and will continue to improve in the future.

Councilmember Christensen stated that he joined the City Council partly due to Councilmember Vincent's example and encouragement. He thanked Councilmember Vincent for his time at the City and for being an inspiration and guide to him.

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Councilmember Huynh stated that Councilmember Vincent has always been kind and has helped him from the beginning. He stated that he is very trustworthy and he has learned a lot from him over the years. Councilmember Huynh thanked Councilmember Vincent for everything he has done and also thanked Susan Vincent for the sacrifices she has made.

Paul Isaac, Assistant City Manager, thanked Councilmember Vincent on behalf of Wayne Pyle and the City staff. He stated that the City is thankful for his participation in solving problems and added that Councilmember Vincent is a man of integrity and value. He indicated that he has appreciated working with him and hopes to do so again.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. ACCEPT PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING APPLICATION SV-2-2017, FILED BY WEST VALLEY CITY, REGARDING A STREET VACATION FOR PORTIONS OF GIRARD STREET AND MONTROSE AVENUE LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 2325 SOUTH 2600 WEST

Mayor Bigelow informed a public hearing had been advertised for the Regular Council Meeting scheduled December 19, 2017, in order for the City Council to hear and consider public comments regarding application SV-2-2017, filed by West Valley City, regarding a street vacation for portions of Girard Street and Montrose Avenue located at approximately 2325 South 2600 West.

Written documentation previously provided to the City Council included Information as follows:

West Valley City, is requesting a street vacation for portions of Girard Street and Montrose Avenue located in the Asbury Park Addition Subdivision. More specifically, the street vacation will affect the west half of Girard Street and the north half of Montrose Avenue. The purpose for the street vacation will be to clean up the County Parcel Map regarding streets and alleys that were never constructed.

The streets mentioned in this application were platted as part of the Asbury Park Addition Subdivision recorded in September 1890. The streets and alleys mentioned as part of this request have never been formally improved or used by the general public. Many streets within this subdivision have been vacated over the years.

The proposed street vacation came about as the City was acquiring land for a future storm water project. During the property search for the new storm water project, it was learned that these portions of the old rights-of-way were never vacated. The City is requesting the street vacation to clean up

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the parcel plat map and to place these properties on the County tax rolls.

The vacated right-of-way will not adversely affect the adjacent property. During the approval process for the Kenworth Trucking business, the east half of Girard Street was vacated. The west half of this right-of-way is occupied by a wrecking yard and a pallet company which are both utilizing the area that will be vacated. The north half of Montrose Avenue is occupied by the pallet company as well.

Mayor Bigelow opened the Public Hearing. There being no one to speak in favor or in opposition, Mayor Bigelow closed the Public Hearing.

ORDINANCE NO. 17-39, VACATE A PORTION OF GIRARD STREET AND MONTROSE AVENUE IN WEST VALLEY CITY

The City Council previously held a public hearing regarding proposed Ordinance 17-39 that would vacate a portion of Girard Street and Montrose Avenue in West Valley City.

Upon inquiry by Mayor Bigelow there were no further questions from members of the City Council, and he called for a motion.

Councilmember Vincent moved to approve Ordinance 17-39.

Councilmember Lang seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Vincent	Yes
Ms. Lang	Yes
Mr. Buhler	Yes
Mr. Huynh	Yes
Mr. Christensen	Yes
Mr. Nordfelt	Yes
Mayor Bigelow	Yes

Unanimous.

MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

Councilmember Buhler moved to adjourn and reconvene in a Closed Session for discussion of professional competence. Councilmember Vincent seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken and all members voted in favor of the motion.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE WEST VALLEY COUNCIL THE REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:16 P.M. BY MAYOR BIGELOW.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, accurate and complete record of the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the West Valley City Council held Tuesday, December 19, 2017.

Nichole Camac
City Recorder

THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, AT 7:27 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WEST VALLEY CITY HALL, 3600 CONSTITUTION BOULEVARD, WEST VALLEY CITY, UTAH. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR BIGELOW.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

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

STAFF PRESENT:

None

The City Council met in Closed Session and discussed professional competency.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL, THE CLOSED SESSION OF DECEMBER 19, 2017 WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:34 P.M. BY MAYOR BIGELOW.

Nichole Camac – City Recorder

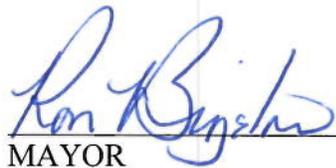
SWORN STATEMENT

As the Mayor, I presided at a closed meeting of the West Valley City Council on December 19, 2017. Pursuant to Section 52-4-206(6)(a) Utah Code annotated, 1953 as amended, I hereby sign this sworn statement and affirm that the sole purpose for closing the meeting was to discuss:

- (a) the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; or
- (b) the deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.

SWORN to this 19th day of December, 2017




MAYOR

ATTEST:


City Recorder