

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL STUDY MEETING – NOVEMBER 13, 2012**

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THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL MET IN STUDY SESSION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2012, 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 PRO TEM RUSHTON.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Corey Rushton  
Steve Buhler  
Don Christensen  
Tom Huynh  
Karen Lang  
Steve Vincent

Wayne Pyle, City Manager  
Sheri McKendrick, City Recorder

ABSENT:

Mike Winder

STAFF PRESENT:

Eric Bunderson, City Attorney  
Kevin Astill, Parks and Recreation Director  
John Evans, Fire Chief  
Nicole Cottle, CED Director  
Russell Willardson, Public Works Director  
Layne Morris, CPD Director  
Buzz Nielsen, Police Chief  
Jim Welch, Finance Director  
Aaron Crim, Administration  
Mike Wells, Police Department  
Jim Crowley, Police Department  
Ryan Robinson, Law Department  
Mark Nord, CED Department  
Brent Garlick, CED Department  
Jake Arslanian, Public Works Department

**1. JOHN HUBER AND DREW YATES, U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE – PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS GUN GRANT**

City Manager, Wayne Pyle, stated a presentation was scheduled for John Huber and Drew Yates, U.S. Attorney's Office, to inform the City Council regarding the Project Safe

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Neighborhoods Gun Grant. Upon direction, City Attorney Eric Bunderson introduced Mr. Huber, Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney for Utah (and former employee of West Valley City), and Drew Yates, Coordinator for Project Safe Neighborhoods, as well as Police Department and Law Department staff.

Mr. Huber stated it was a pleasure to speak with the City Council and discussed the impact of the Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Program on West Valley City residents and the State of Utah over the past 10 years. He discussed the success in capturing violent criminals and putting them into Federal prison. He advised the PSN Program had been very successful due in part to participation of West Valley City. He reported that in 10 years, over 2,000 defendants in Utah were prosecuted and incarcerated. He also discussed other partners contributing to the program including law enforcement and other agencies including Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Utah Department of Public Safety and local agencies. He stated many West Valley City prosecutors had worked in the U.S. Attorney's Office in this very successful program. He discussed "super stats" for the program and the positive effects on West Valley City and the surrounding communities. Mr. Huber further noted the West Valley City Police Department had also supplied two task force commanders and explained their role and responsibilities in the program. He expressed amazement regarding the relationship with the City, particularly regarding the willingness to share leadership and resources in a project that not only affected West Valley City but also surrounding communities. He reported regarding the grant application process and management by West Valley City explaining there had only been 10 grants issued in the United States this year and West Valley City had submitted one of those award-winning applications. He stated this was a two year grant that would keep the PSN Program going into the next decade. He informed that people had taken notice of West Valley City and the great job that had been done in this regard. He explained the PSN Task Force had received many awards and he outlined those accomplishments and informed this was a great effort and was unmatched in the Nation.

Mr. Huber presented the Utah Project Safe Neighborhoods Partnership Award from the U.S. Attorney's Office to City Attorney Eric Bunderson and Chief Prosecutor Ryan Robinson of the Law Department.

On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Pro Tem Rushton expressed appreciation of the work that was being done regarding the PSN Program and expressed appreciation to all those involved. He thanked Mr. Huber and Mr. Yates for the information given to the City Council regarding the program.

City Manager, Wayne Pyle, advised the relationship with the U. S. Attorney's Office had benefitted the community, including relationships with other cities. He informed the net benefit of the program had resulted in a reward to the City of reduced crime rates.

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### 2. **REVIEW AGENDAS FOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AND SPECIAL REGULAR REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING SCHEDULED NOVEMBER 13, 2012**

City Manager, Wayne Pyle, stated no new items had been added to the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting scheduled November 13, 2012, at 6:30 P.M.

He reviewed an item on the Agenda for a Special Regular Redevelopment Agency meeting scheduled November 13, 2012, and upon direction, Mark Nord, CED Department, used PowerPoint and discussed information summarized as follows:

- Details regarding International Market
- Guidelines to be met in Economic Development Strategic Plan
- Details regarding proposal

During the above presentation of information, Mr. Nord answered questions from members of the City Council.

Upon inquiry by the City Manager, there were no further questions regarding items scheduled on the above referenced Agendas.

### 3. **AWARDS, CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS SCHEDULED NOVEMBER 20, 2012:**

#### A. **PRESENTATION OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AWARDS**

City Manager, Wayne Pyle, stated presentations would be made regarding the English Language Awards at the Study Meeting scheduled November 20, 2012. He advised there were over 600 students on the list, therefore, the Study and Regular Council Meetings on that date would be held at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center (UCCC) facility in order to accommodate all the recipients.

### 4. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

#### A. **WINTERFEST UPDATE**

City Manager, Wayne Pyle, discussed ideas being considered regarding the Chamber Christmas parade, a possible winter celebration, and other suggestions, and he informed staff was still developing plans for the upcoming two years.

Upon introduction, Johnny Arbuckle from the Valley Fair Mall updated the City Council regarding holiday activities being planned by the Mall.

Mr. Arbuckle discussed happenings at the Mall that would lead into Winterfest. He also discussed the Megaplex Theater opening, which he explained was a huge milestone in the overall vision for the Mall. He stated the theater opened early with a "soft opening" at a few theaters. He expressed excitement about this location for many reasons and indicated it would become one of Miller's flagship

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theaters. He continued that in conjunction with the Megaplex, the Mall center court remodel was complete. He stated they were planning a whole lineup of events for this holiday season. He gave an overview of Winterfest and what was being attempted at the Mall, which would also accommodate "black Friday," the biggest retail day of the year. He advised there would be a Christmas tree and light show to facilitate the Mall becoming a home base and place to go during the holidays. He explained the importance of creating a gathering place for the community with a Christmas tree and lighting ceremony. Mr. Arbuckle discussed the importance of re-tooling energy from the parade to focus on the Mall's tree lighting and arrival of Santa, holiday sales, special movie openings, and entertainment throughout the season. He discussed the name Winterfest including the long term vision of including a month long festival which would eventually partner with West Valley City and spill over to the Promenade at Fairbourne Station adjacent to City Hall. He expressed desire to "challenge" other events and venues in Utah such as Temple Square in Salt Lake City and Thanksgiving Point in Lehi. He concluded the Mall had made a large investment in marketing this year that included the Megaplex and other events in order to attract traffic to the Mall during the holiday season.

Jan Brownstein, the Marketing Director for the Valley Fair Mall, also addressed the City Council and discussed upcoming events and activities at the Megaplex and Mall including performances by local groups and individual performers. She advised she would send a calendar to City staff regarding all events and extended an invitation to members of the City Council to join in the festivities.

On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Pro Tem Rushton thanked the Valley Fair Mall representatives for the updated information and stated the Council looked forward to seeing a list of the scheduled events in order to spread the word to the community.

### B. **PARK CONSTRUCTION PRIORITIES**

City Manager, Wayne Pyle, stated the Council had requested information regarding park construction priorities and, upon direction, Kevin Astill, Parks and Recreation Director, discussed information summarized as follows:

- Park impact fee balance and projects
- Sources of funds
- Status of current projects
- List of pending projects
- Parks and Recreation development plan
- Impact fee study

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During the above presentation of information Mr. Astill answered questions from members of the City Council.

### C. **COUNCIL UPDATE**

City Manager, Wayne Pyle, stated the City Council previously received a Memorandum outlining upcoming meetings and events as follows: November 15, 2012: Rosa Parks Drive Ribbon Cutting, 1:00 P.M.; November 15 – December 27, 2012: Trees of Diversity Exhibit, UCCC; November 17, 2012: Turkey Trot 5K, Fitness Center, 8:00 A.M.; November 17, 2012: Chamber West Ribbon Cutting at Live Rock 'N Reef, 2196 West 3500 South, 10:00 A.M. and Open House from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.; November 17, 2012: Eric Church, Maverik Center, 7:30 P.M.; November 19 – January 5, 2013: Project Zero, Fitness Center; November 20, 2012: Thanksgiving Gratitude Feast, Alianza Academy, 1070 West 2440 South, 1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.; November 20, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; November 22, 2012: Thanksgiving – City Hall closed; November 27, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; November 28, 2012 – December 1, 2012: National League of Cities (NLC) Conference, Boston, MA; December 1, 2012: Winter Market, UCCC; December 3, 2012: Christmas Tree Lighting, Fitness Center, 6:00 P.M.; December 3, 2012: The Blue Sage Band – A Cowboy Christmas, UCCC, 7:00 P.M.; December 4, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; December 8, 2012: Breakfast with Santa, Fitness Center, 9:00 A.M.; December 10, 2012: Beehive Statesmen Christmas Concert, UCCC; December 11, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; December 12, 2012: International Christmas Celebration, UCCC, 5:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.; December 13, 2012: Employee Holiday Celebration, Lobby, 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.; December 15, 2012: Breakfast with Santa, Fitness Center, 9:00 A.M.; December 17, 2012: Bonnie Harris Christmas Concert, UCCC; December 18, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; December 24 & 25, 2012: Christmas Holiday – City Hall closed; and December 28, 2012: Holiday Movie Night for Members, Fitness Center, 7:00 P.M.

### 5. **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

#### A. **COUNCILMEMBER STEVE BUHLER – PIONEER ELEMENTARY AND VALLEY JR. HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC ISSUES**

Councilmember Buhler advised he had received an inquiry from a PTA member about traffic issues at Pioneer Elementary School and Valley Jr. High School.

In response, Public Works Director Russell Willardson advised there were typical traffic issues associated with the junior high school and discussed the expense of upgrades required to change the signal controller. City Manager, Wayne Pyle, advised this matter could be studied for possible solutions and advised funding would most likely be an obstacle to making a change.

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**B. COUNCILMEMBER DON CHRISTENSEN – ASSOCIATION OF SPECIAL DISTRICTS**

Councilmember Christensen advised he recently attended the Association of Special Districts convention with his wife who is a Utah Transit Authority (UTA) Board Member. He will share information obtained at that event with the City Manager.

**C. COUNCILMEMBER STEVE VINCENT – HALE CENTRE THEATRE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

Councilmember Vincent reported regarding a recent meeting of the Hale Centre Theatre Board of Trustees. He indicated they had a proposal from the City, but did not discuss it at length during the meeting.

City Manager, Wayne Pyle, advised he would meet with the Hale Centre Theatre Executive Committee in the near future.

**D. MAYOR PRO TEM RUSHTON – PARK STRIPS NEXT TO PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING AND TRAX**

Mayor Pro Tem Rushton advised the park strips next to the Public Safety Building and TRAX needed attention regarding maintenance.

**6. MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

After discussion, Councilmember Vincent moved to adjourn and reconvene in an Executive Session for discussion of property matters and potential litigation. Councilmember Christensen seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Vincent	Yes
Ms. Lang	Yes
Mr. Buhler	Yes
Mr. Huynh	Yes
Mr. Christensen	Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Rushton	Yes

Unanimous.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE WEST VALLEY COUNCIL, THE STUDY MEETING OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2012, WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:36 P.M., BY MAYOR PRO TEM RUSHTON.

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Jim Welch, Finance Director

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL, THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF NOVEMBER 13, 2012, WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:29 P.M., BY MAYOR PRO TEM RUSHTON.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, accurate and complete record of the proceedings of the Study Meeting and Executive Session of the West Valley City Council held Tuesday, November 13, 2012.

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Sheri McKendrick, MMC  
City Recorder