



**RIVERDALE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
CIVIC CENTER - 4600 S. WEBER RIVER DR.
TUESDAY –SEPTEMBER 3, 2013**

Minutes of the **Regular Meeting** of the **Riverdale City Council** held Tuesday, **September 3, 2013** at 6:06 PM at the Riverdale Civic Center, 4600 South Weber River Drive.

Members Present: Bruce Burrows, Mayor
Don Hunt, Councilor
Norm Searle, Councilor
Michael Staten, Councilor
Alan Arnold, Councilor
Braden Mitchell, Councilor

Others Present: Larry Hansen, City Administrator; Steve Brooks, City Attorney;
Michael Eggett, Community Development Director; Dave Hansen,
Police Chief; Ember Herrick, City Recorder and six members of
the public including Cody Hansen, Randy Jefferies, Dez Ragan,
Marty Asay and David Leahy.

A. Welcome & Roll Call

Mayor Burrows called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance including all Council members and staff.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilor Arnold led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Moment of Silence

Mayor Burrows read a quote from George Washington and called for a moment of silence when he asked everyone to remember our U.S. military service members and the Draper City Sergeant who was killed in the line of duty last week.

D. Open Communications

Mayor Burrows invited any member of the public with questions or concerns to address the Council and there were none.

E. Presentations and Reports

Mayor Burrows encouraged all Council members to attend the Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) conference in Salt Lake City next week.

Randy Jefferies introduced his team and gave the Council an update on phase four of the Riverdale Road Project scheduled to begin construction next year with a completion date by Thanksgiving 2014. He said \$28 million in state funding will allow UDOT to build a new bridge over I-15, 40 year concrete pavement, additional capacity lanes on 1900 West and fourth lane eastbound between 1500 West and I-84. Mr. Jefferies said UDOT will also be installing new traffic signals, drainage and lighting and I-15 ramp improvements to relieve congestion on 5600 West in Roy. He said UDOT is committed to addressing fears that construction drives business away by leaving two lanes open even during peak construction

from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Riverdale Road and maintaining continuous access to businesses throughout the project. According to Mr. Jeffries, the majority of the construction work will be done at night and UDOT has set up a committee made up of local business owners to provide the state with constant feedback about how to minimize impact to the commercial district. He said preparatory work is currently underway and construction will start after the beginning of 2014 with the paving scheduled for the spring of 2014 after the weather warms up. Mr. Jefferies said UDOT will build a temporary freeway ramp so the north bound exit ramp won't close during construction and the relocation of water, gas and fiber lines on Freeway Park Drive and Riverdale Road is scheduled to begin next week. He asked for any comments or questions and City Administrator Larry Hansen said the owner of the Larry H. Miller dealership is concerned about his business being negatively impacted by increasing congestion on 1500 West and Freeway Park Drive during construction and he said he wants to maintain the flow of traffic so customers can access his dealership. Des Reagan said she is scheduled to meet with this business owner on Thursday morning and he has been selected to serve on UDOT's business district advisory committee so efforts are being made to address these concerns. Mr. Jefferies said he has also witnessed this congestion and is concerned about Freeway Park Drive. He asked for ideas to alleviate the traffic on this road and suggested the Council consider allowing vehicles to turn from Freeway Park down Ritter Drive temporarily during the construction to help take some pressure off this busy intersection. Mayor Burrows said he would rather kick a pitbull than revisit the Ritter Drive issue. Mr. Hansen said staff and elected officials feel the solution that would have the least impact to Riverdale's residential areas would be for UDOT to build a continuous right hand lane at the intersection of 1500 West allowing traffic to merge onto Riverdale Road without stopping at the light. He said this would help employees leaving Hill Air Force Base to not get bottlenecked at this busy intersection. Mayor Burrows said if UDOT would build their proposed free moving east bound lane before starting heavy construction in the area this modification could alleviate much of the congestion which at peak traffic times can stretch back to UTA's park and ride lot.

Mayor Burrows said he and the owner of the Burger Bar in Roy are also concerned about UDOT's proposal to prohibit traffic from going straight East on 5300 South into Riverdale by forcing all traffic to make a right hand turn onto 1900 West into Roy. Mr. Jefferies said additional traffic counts are being taken at this location that will be analyzed by traffic engineers in the next few weeks to determine the best solution for this intersection. He said the traffic restriction was designed to increase traffic flow and Mayor Burrows said prohibiting through traffic at 5300 West which is a through street makes no sense to him while allowing through traffic into the Harmon's parking lot at 5400 South will still be allowed. Mr. Jefferies said the owner of the Burger Bar proposed another solution that UDOT's traffic engineers are currently considering and he said the results of the current traffic studies will be available in the near future. There were no additional comments or questions.

Mayor Burrows said the next item is the Utah Risk Management Mutual Association (URMMA) premium history report. Mr. Hansen said URMMA is primarily made up of municipalities and he described the report included in the packet and he said Riverdale's annual fees for liability insurance are based on population and the ability of Riverdale's department heads to minimize hazards among their employees. He said this year's rates significantly decreased \$20,000 because Riverdale has recaptured its losses and does not have a lot of pending litigation. Mr. Hansen explained what portion of the annual fees are

Riverdale City's and what portion is the Redevelopment Agency's coverage and he said Riverdale's property and causality insurance are separate from URMMA.

There were no items on the Recorder's Report and no new updates to the Community Development Status Report not discussed in the work session.

F. Consent Items

Mayor Burrows asked if there were any changes to the July 20, 2013 Council and Strategic Planning meeting minutes and the City Recorder said Councilor Searle found one correction in the Strategic Planning meeting minutes where a reference to converting Christian Heritage School into a community center should read for the south not north side of Riverdale City.

Mayor Burrows said the next consent item is consideration of setting a public hearing on September 17, 2013 to declare city property as surplus to the needs of Riverdale City.

Motion: Councilor Searle moved to approve the consent items as amended.
Councilor Arnold seconded the motion.

Mayor Burrows asked for discussion on the motion and there was none.

Call the Question: The motion passed unanimously.

G. Action Items

1. Consideration of action on purchase, exchange, or lease of real property

Mayor Burrows said the only action item consideration of action on purchase, exchange, or lease of real property will not be necessary tonight and is withdrawn for Council consideration from tonight's agenda.

H. Discretionary Items

Mayor Burrows asked if there were any discretionary items and Councilor Searle said a resident asked him about the possibility of creating a compass course for boy scouts in Riverdale on city property similar to Mountain Park in Kaysville. He said if Riverdale City signed off on the idea creating the course could be a good Eagle Scout project. Mayor Burrows said some research will need to be done to ensure the markers won't conflict with existing city amenities and Mr. Hansen asked Councilor Searle to have the resident interested in the compass course contact Public Works Director Shawn Douglas to coordinate with the group that plays disc golf. Councilor Searle said seven or eight troops in Riverdale could use a compass course with minimal impact to city property and he said he supports the idea.

Councilor Searle said he recently read a news article about other cities building pickleball courts because Mount Ogden's courts are so busy. He said he is glad to see people using Riverdale's newly striped dual court at Riverdale Park and Mr. Hansen and Mayor Burrows said they have also noticed the courts being used by pickleball players.

Councilor Mitchell asked for a report on the resident who spoke in open communications at the last Council meeting concerned about information released in a police report and City Attorney Steve Brooks said he met with the woman and her husband and he

promised to follow up with the complainant to verify that the city had addressed her concerns and then report back to the Council.

Councilor Mitchell asked for a status update on another resident's request in open communications that Riverdale City install a stop sign near his home where he complained of speeding vehicles as people access a nearby popular swimming hole. Mr. Hansen asked Police Chief Dave Hansen to confirm with his officers about whether or not they have increased patrols in this area to slow traffic down and report back to the Council.

Adjournment:

With no further business to come before the Council at this time, Councilor Arnold moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:50 p.m.

Approved: September 17, 2013

Attest:

Bruce Burrows, Mayor

Ember Herrick, City Recorder