



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, July 20, 2021, at 5:30 PM
Court Room/Council Chambers (2nd Floor) and Online

Minutes

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Kirk Hunsaker
Council Member Nick Miller
Council Member Betsy Montoya
Council Member David Hathaway
Council Member Jennifer Bowman

ABSENT

Council Member Lynn Mecham

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Betsy Montoya.

INVOCATION/INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

Offered by Norm Beagley.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mayor Hunsaker introduced employees Shauna Jo Eves and Hattie Rowbury from the Community Services Department. Other employees hired during the previous year will be brought into City Council for introductions in future meetings.

1. Agriculture & Agritourism Allowed in Most Zones of the City

Community Development Director Jason Bond described an experience sitting down with a farmer in the community that got him and other staff thinking about city code in regards to what agricultural activities are permitted in regards to city zoning and asked how can the city help make agricultural operations within the city more economically viable.

The proposal is to allow retail sales on site for agricultural business operations for most zones outside of the main street central business district.

Bond continued saying that defining agritourism and agribusiness is important if such ideas are to be codified to ensure that any business carried out in relation to this proposal is directly related to agriculture.

The proposal was discussed by staff and Council.

2. Agricultural Advisory Board

City Manager Benjamin Reeves shared an experience where Payson Fruit Growers invited city officials from both Santaquin and Payson where they learned a lot about agriculture which got staff and Council thinking about getting more input from the agricultural community on the planning process.

Led by City Council Member Montoya and Assistant City Manager Beagley, the city would like to start an agricultural advisory board. A requirement could be put forward to allow the agricultural advisory board to review development applications.

Staff would also like the agricultural advisory board to review and become familiar with city code and ordinances to also learn and give input on potential changes to allow for more support to the agricultural community with the ultimate goal to allow agricultural stakeholders to be engaged in the planning process.

This 7 member board would be an advisory board to the City Council which would be established by ordinance with public noticing and minutes taken. The pool of candidates for this board would not necessarily just be Santaquin City residents but also non-residents within the agricultural community that are within the Santaquin City annexation plan boundaries.

A discussion was had among staff and Council.

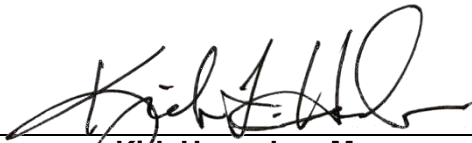
3. Utah State University - Student Recommendations Discussion


The Utah State University Student Recommendation's video was shown in regard to the north gateway of Santaquin City.

A discussion was had among staff and Council.

ADJOURNMENT

ATTEST:



Kirk Hunsaker, Mayor

K. Aaron Shirley, City Recorder