



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, July 15th, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Council Chambers at City Hall and Online

MINUTES

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilors present included Art Adcock, Brian Del Rosario, Travis Keel, and Jeff Siddoway.

Councilor Lynn Mecham was excused from the meeting.

Others present included City Manager Norm Beagley, Legal Counsel Brett Rich, Assistant City Manager Jason Bond, City Recorder Amalie Ottley, and Curtis Rowley.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Curtis Rowley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION/INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

Councilor Del Rosario offered an invocation.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Agritourism Ordinance Discussion

Assistant City Manager Bond presented a proposed ordinance addressing agritourism in Santaquin City. The Planning Commission discussed at length the proposal in previous meetings on June 10, 2024 and June 24, 2025. Assistant Manager Bond indicated that legal counsel for the city had concerns about gray areas in the agritourism definitions and what uses could fall into agricultural elements. Assistant Manager Bond discussed possible unintended consequences in not being specific in agricultural uses when considering a change to the city code. Legal Counsel Brett Rich discussed the proportionality of proposed agritourism being a consideration for residential areas.

Curtis Rowley attended the meeting to represent his farm on the north end of Santaquin City. He would like to see agritourism opportunities supplement the farm equal to what the farming brings in. Curtis and his family propose to use less than half of an acre of his farm to incorporate hospitality. The Rowley's on the south end of Santaquin envision different uses for agritourism to bring people to their farm. Councilor Adcock discussed possibly creating an agritourism zone in order to support farms in the city. Councilor Del Rosario wouldn't recommend a new zone, but would rather make allowances for agritourism in residential areas as long as conditional uses are being met and allowed by permits in the city so that there is still some oversight but not harsh ratios or restrictions on farmers.

Mayor Olson discussed concerns about the health and safety of those who stay at the farms for the hospitality element with regard to spraying in the orchards and parking and traffic. Members of the council discussed with Assistant Manager Bond how to implement the ordinance and maintain the appropriate level of oversight for activities happening in the community.

2. City Financial Sustainability Discussion

Manager Beagley reported on the Fiscal Financial Sustainability Model that was recently updated by Zions Bank as of July 2025. This update contains three financial years' worth of recent data to help understand projected revenues, expenditures, and the effects of continued growth. Manager Beagley presented the model's overview that includes inflation and sustainability considerations for the future of the city. He pointed out three scenarios, based on no growth, anticipated projected growth, and residential only growth. He indicated that those three scenarios show that the city's partial dependence on growth, indicates that, with the increase in expenditures, the city would not have the revenues necessary to operate out of the general fund. Without a tax increase or holding the mill levy tax rate steady, the city would continue to financially fall behind. Mayor Olson discussed the decisions that need to be made by council and staff to continue to support the city and how to be responsible for future generations.

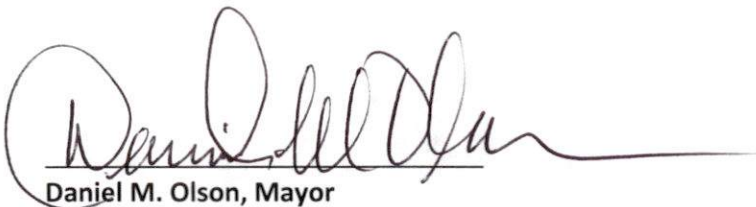
ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Del Rosario made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Siddoway seconded the motion.

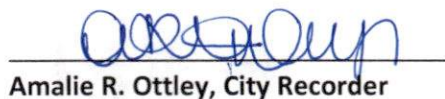
Councilor Adcock	Yes
Councilor Del Rosario	Yes
Councilor Keel	Yes
Councilor Mecham	Absent
Councilor Siddoway	Yes

The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


Daniel M. Olson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amalie R. Ottley, City Recorder