

CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 5:30 PM Court Room/Council Chambers (2nd floor) and Online

MINUTES

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

ROLL CALL

Council present

Mayor Dan Olson and Council Members Adcock, Hathaway, Mecham, Montoya, Siddoway.

Staff members present: Manager Reeves, Assistant Manager Beagley, Operations Manager Marker, Community Development Director Bond, Assistant Penny Reeves.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was Led by Councilor Adcock

INVOCATION / INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

Councilor Mecham offered an invocation.

Discussion Items

Mayor asked if anyone had a conflict of interest with items tonight.

Councilor Siddoway noted that his property abuts against the Tanner Annexation to be discussed on the regular agenda. Councilor Adcock noted that he is the applicant for a deferral agreement on the agenda tonight.

Mayor Olson introduced the discussion about signage in commercial areas. Any changes affect will affect/benefit more than one business. Any changes should be considered carefully. Councilor Siddoway indicated that some businesses on Main Street don't have the space for larger signs and perhaps some changes could be made. Councilor Adcock noted that UDOT regulations affect Main Street. Some existing pole signs along with other improvements on Main Street may have to be moved with the upcoming Main Street project.

Councilor Montoya shared that as a past member of the Planning Commission they reviewed the sign regulations and were generally concerned about Santaquin starting to look like Orem State Street.

Councilor Mecham noted that there has been a lot of work that has gone into these regulations Perhaps we can see who else has changed their regulations recently and what kind of new technologies could be allowed.

Director Jason Bond reviewed the city's sign regulations and lead a discussion of their application.

Councilor Montoya noted that business attraction has many more facets than signage. Demographics, costs, competition, etc. Some places have too much signage to the point that other business signs are blocked. Looking at new technologies is probably a good thing.

Councilor Hathaway noted that some signage is just for special sales and not for permanent signage.

Mayor asked that Councilors have discussions with businesses owners but stay mindful how respective changes could affect others as well. The Council can provide more direction to the Planning Commission.

Regular agenda items

The surplus backhoe is a 2012 that we plan to sell via ksl.com or other public site. We will be purchasing a 2021 backhoe from Spanish Fork that only has 320 hours.

The Tanner Annexation discussion is merely a public hearing. Additional development review and zoning discussion is needed. No action will be taken by the Council tonight.

It is recommended that the fencing ordinance be tabled so legal counsel can review the language.

The ordinance defining Truck Stops was reviewed by the Planning Commission. Councilor Montoya expressed concern about the affects this ordinance will have to Maverik on Main Street.

Other discussion items

Planning Commissioner McNeff has raised concern about the city's communication methods to citizens. She suggests a work meeting with the Council to discuss some of her ideas. She will be part of the next Council meeting discussions. Shauna Joe recently visited with the Seniors Center attendees about ways to access information on the city website. The Mayor shared that his last message on the website was tracked for viewers and there were only 22 unique viewers with an average view time of less than 4 minutes, despite multiple methods of letting citizens know where the message was. The Mayor asked that each Councilor provide a write up to the newsletter about their assignments and tasks accomplished.

Adjournment.

Councilor Mecham moved to adjourn at 6:35 PM. Seconded by Councilor Hathaway. Vote was unanimous in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Daniel M. Olson, Mayor

Dennis L. Warker, City Recorder

ATTEST