

Heber City Corporation
City Council Meeting
February 17, 2011

6:30 p.m.

WORK MEETING

The Council of Heber City, Wasatch County, Utah, met in **Work Meeting** on February 17, 2011, in the City Council Chambers in Heber City, Utah.

Present:

Mayor	David R. Phillips
Council Members	Eric Straddeck Nile Horner Robert Patterson Alan McDonald Benny Mergist

Also Present:

City Manager	Mark K. Anderson
Deputy City Recorder	Michelle Kellogg
City Engineer	Bart Mumford
City Planner	Tony Kohler
Police Department	Ed Rhoades

ULCT Spring Convention in St. George April 13-15th. Reservations have been made at the Hilton Garden Inn: Mayor Phillips asked if all the Council members would be in attendance. All members were planning on attending. Council member Straddeck asked if registration forms had been made available yet, and Anderson indicated he had not received them. Council member Horner asked to have his hotel reservation cancelled as he had other accommodations.

Allen Fawcett retirement luncheon February 28th at 12:00 p.m. at the Police Station – City Office will be closed from 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. – Open House in Council Chambers from 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.: Mayor Phillips encouraged all Council members to attend if possible.

Jeremy Nelson has been promoted to sergeant in the Police Department: Mayor Phillips congratulated Sgt. Nelson for his promotion. Chief Rhoades explained the testing that took place for this position. First, a letter of intent was written by each candidate. Then a written test was administered, with the high score being 75 and the low score 67, which was a one question difference between each candidate. Sgt. Nelson had the high score on both the written and oral

tests. He lead the other candidates by eight points overall. Chief Rhoades stated the promotion would take effect Monday, February 21st. Anderson commented that Nelson was a very steady officer and an asset to the City.

Engineering Update: A date for the Capital Facilities Plan meeting was scheduled for Thursday, February 24th at 5:00 p.m. Other items of interest were discussed as follows:

Valley Hills Retaining Wall: Mumford stated he was trying to do this project in-house, but it had yet to be done. He proposed to contract Horrocks Engineering to do the contract documents and get that bid out as soon as possible. He indicated Summit did the design but they did not feel comfortable doing the contract. The estimated cost to hire Horrocks Engineering would be \$1,500. The Council was in favor of contracting Horrocks Engineering.

Progress on Outstanding Issues with the High School: Mumford stated Mayor Phillips was working on the issues with the High School. Mayor Phillips asked if the Council wanted to keep the trail, which would run through the middle of the school property. Council members indicated they did not care if the trail through school property was eliminated. Mumford said regarding the High School impact fees, he had revised it based on usage and had reduced them a little. He did not yet have an amount because a concession stand was built that impact fees were not figured for, as well as the new football stadium impact fees, so he had to work up new numbers that included those extra facilities.

Bond for the Hog Subdivision: The City was in the process of pulling the bond for Majestic Mountain Subdivision and Mumford asked the Council about doing the same for Hog Subdivision. Hog Subdivision was being foreclosed and there was some interest in buying that property. He asked the Council members their feelings on pulling the Hog Subdivision bond. Council member Horner asked how much work was left on the subdivision. It was thought that there would be some road work which was about \$50,000. Mumford stated it was a lot of work for the City to finish these subdivisions. Anderson said the longer the City delayed the enforcement of the agreements, the more risk there was to the City. He thought the City needed to enforce the deadlines. Council member Horner said there was a bond for a reason and if the work didn't get done, the City should act upon the bond. Anderson recommended that if any entity failed to perform per its agreement, the City should use the bond to complete the work. The Council members agreed.

Pedestrian Trail in Valley Station Subdivision (Chase Bank): Mumford indicated Boyer had an obligation to build a trail behind the bank. Currently, Chase Bank was ready to get its building permit and the trail location was not set. The City recommended deferring the trail so Chase Bank could get its building approved. Mumford said the trail location could change based on the Daniels connector road and other new developments with Boyer that had come in the last year.

With these new projects, the Planning Department wasn't sure this would be the best place for a trail. Mayor Phillips asked why the trail would change. Mumford responded that in looking at it now, it didn't look like it had very good connectivity. He thought since there was no timeline on building the trail, this little piece could be disconnected for a few years. It was agreed to have the Planning Department determine the trail route by the end of March.

Discuss credit card fees for fine payments: Anderson stated the City was set up to take court fines. He asked the Council if the City should pass the credit card fee for court payments on to the customer. He indicated for water payments, no fee was charged to the users. The Council was in favor of charging 3% for court fine payments. Anderson gave an FYI that there were approximately 300 users that paid for water/sewer with credit cards and it cost the City \$400 per month.

Review proposed hangar contract with AS Airspace: Anderson reviewed the Real Estate brokerage contract, and stated this company had a Utah business license. Council member McDonald asked what the \$2,500 marketing expense included. Anderson indicated this was a one-time fee for banners and advertising costs. Anderson said this firm would have access to databases, and Council member Straddeck indicated they probably had existing customer relationships as well. Council member Horner didn't think the City had tried to advertise the hangars enough, and asked why the City couldn't just advertise in the same publications that this company would. Council member Mergist indicated the City didn't have a contact list or expertise in sales and he thought this was a good option. Anderson stated if the City was dissatisfied, it could terminate the contract with 30 days notice. The Council agreed.

Muirfield Culvert: Mumford stated the Muirfield homeowners were asking what else the City was going to do to rectify the flooding problem. Mumford suggested to the Council that the City respond that it would only do the culvert at this time, but that someday it would also consider putting a trail through the park with a berm alongside it. Council member Mergist asked by building a berm, would the City be admitting guilt. Council member McDonald was concerned that homeowners would still say it wasn't enough. Mumford felt a berm would be more of a good neighbor gesture. Anderson stated this was a 25 year event and the problem was ground water and not surface water, and thought the new culvert sufficiently addressed the problem. Mumford asked for suggestions on what to tell the homeowners. Council members Straddeck, Mergist and McDonald were fine with a berm being installed at some future point.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Michelle Kellogg, Deputy City Recorder