

Heber City Corporation  
City Council Meeting  
March 2, 2006

6:30 p.m.

WORK MEETING

The Council of Heber City, Wasatch County, Utah, met in **Work Meeting** on March 2, 2006, in the City Council Chambers in Heber City, Utah.

Present:	Mayor	David R. Phillips
	Councilmembers	Terry Wm. Lange Vaun Shelton Jeffery Bradshaw
Excused:	Councilmembers	Shari Lazenby Elizabeth Hokanson
Also Present:	City Manager	Mark K. Anderson
	City Recorder	Paulette Thurber
	Chief of Police	Ed Rhoades

**Update on Councilmember Hokanson's baby. Baby Girl born March 1, 2006 – Weight: 9lbs 13 oz. and 23.5 inches long:**

It was indicated mother and baby were doing fine. Councilmember Hokanson is the first Heber City Councilmember to give birth while serving on the Council.

**The City has been awarded a Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$112,500 for water line replacement on 200 West (See MAG newsletter):**

It was suggested the City write a letter to MAG expressing appreciation for the funding awarded to Heber City. It was indicated the City had initially requested \$150,000. The City will have to decide between putting in additional monies or cutting back the project. Mayor Phillips suggested this be put on a future agenda.

**Wasatch County is considering the Corridor Preservation Fee on March 15 at 3:00 p.m. –**

**The Council is encouraged to attend the meeting:** Anderson encouraged the City Council to attend the County Council meeting when this issue was discussed. He said he hadn't seen the agenda but that the meeting started at 3:00. He said CAMS planned to write a letter of support on the issue. Anderson suggested the County would need the funds for many future roads, not just the bypass road. Mayor Phillips talked about the importance of the truck route. He discussed some of the other ideas generated from the Charrette. Anderson suggested the County Council took the City Council more seriously than City staff. It was pointed out the County Council needed to be reminded that Main Street was the County's Main Street as well as the City's. Councilmember Lange said on the County Manager's radio broadcast this morning, the County Manager kept referring to the "City getting on board." Mayor Phillips suggested the issue of the Fee should be

addressed in Interlocal Meeting. He said another issue to talk to the County about was the new elementary school and having no sidewalks around it along the County boundaries. Mayor Phillips indicated he would send an e-mail or letter to Mike Davis asking about their plans for sidewalk.

**Discuss Cancellation of April 6, 2006, City Council Meeting because of the Utah League of Cities and Towns meeting in St. George April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>:** Mayor Phillips asked the Council if they wanted to cancel the meeting. Councilmember Lange suggested if there were too many agenda items pending, a special meeting could be called. It was also suggested it might be possible to put some agenda items on the budget workshop agenda, if necessary.

**Schedule Budget Workshop Date – (Preferred dates are between March 20<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>):** Anderson indicated the department heads would bring their wage and personnel issues to the Council. The Council would also be talking about insurance increases, etc. It was decided the meeting would be held March 28 at 6:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. Dinner to be brought in.

**Legislative Update:**

HB 109 – Sales Tax on Food

Anderson indicated the State had agreed to lower its tax by 2% but that the cities and counties were held harmless. That decrease would have no effect on their revenue from grocery sales. Implementation would be in January 2007 as the grocers needed time to get their systems programmed. It was indicated the State would give \$6,000,000 to upgrade computer programs at the grocery store level.

HB 420 – Building Inspection Availability

This Bill did not pass

**Discuss Sanderson Pin Agreement:** Anderson indicated many issues arose when the City purchased the pins. The City entered into an agreement to use Sanderson's likeness. The agreement also stated any pins not sold would be given to the Sandersons. Consequently, if the City wants to do anything with the pins, it had to be before March 21, 2006. It was indicated the City paid \$1.20 each for 4,000 pins. Discussion about the City recovering its costs. Anderson said 800 of the pins had sold at \$5. However, there were other expenses, like royalty fees, rental of big screen, etc., so the City was a ways from breaking even. Mayor Phillips felt it would not speak well for the City to give them away and thought perhaps the Sandersons could sell them. Anderson suggested the City might contact pin traders or the wrestling club to see if they would be interested in purchasing the pins for a fund-raiser or something of that sort.

**Banners for Farmers Market – Approximate Cost - \$550 for Eight Banners:** Anderson indicated he had met with Helen Warren earlier in the day to get things in order for the new Farmers' Market season. Warren asked if the City would provide the \$550 it would cost to buy banners to be placed on both sides of Main Street on the City Park block. It was indicated the revenue from last year was in excess of \$2,000 but there were some expenses like food inspection fees and entertainment—the City broke even basically. The question was asked if the City wanted the banners up from the first of June to the end of August if the banners were to be purchased. Mayor Phillips indicated he wanted more information before a decision was made. Anderson said he would approach those people involved in last year's market about their intent to ask the City for contributions based on last year's requests. Mayor Phillips discussed the new proposal that would control the contributions the City made to events. Anderson reviewed the

costs to the City from the farmers market. Anderson said he would get more information to the Council at a future meeting.

**Flood situation:** Councilmember Lange reported on his experience with the flooding last week. He said the City needed to make sure water flowed away from the animal control shelter door opening. He said also on 600 South and Main Street the water was running over the crown of the road and down the street and at the next corner it was running over and down by the school. It was also running over on 500 North. He said that because the Council had been discussing disasters, he went to the shop to see if Steve Tozier was there. Councilmember Lange indicated he and Tozier marked the spots where there could be potential flooding. At one flooding location, Rex Broadhead and Ronnie Horrocks drove up. Broadhead grabbed a rake, found the storm water grate and started raking out the garbage and within ½ minute he uncovered the garbage and the drain worked. They drove on to the next problem area and found UDOT already there. They cleaned that drain out also. Councilmember Lange said trash was the biggest enemy. Councilmember Lange talked about Moneva Boren's property on 257 West 300 North. He talked about the ditches in that area. Broadhead and Horrocks moved some ice in those ditches to get them flowing better but not before there was a basement flooded with mud and water. Then on 1050 East a storm drain cleanout was plugged. Councilmember Lange then took Tozier to the "upper ridges" and went into what was disaster training for the people in that area. There were people there shoveling and trying to prevent flooding. Councilmember Lange said the City's system was working on both sides of the road. However, the piece of ground that used to belonged to MacNaughtons (now McCluskys) had problems. Water was coming down a ditch and onto the easternmost side of the street. The water flowing down from the fields (melting snow and rain) was running onto the back yards and through the back yards into the basement of at least five of those homes. Kent Berg, County Public Works Director, called for a back hoe and sandbags. Broadhead got the City's backhoe and they dug a ditch which would catch the water and divert it away from the homes. Councilmember Lange said that in talking with the people there it appeared they had this problem before and Salisbury Homes was supposed to correct the problem. The people were very angry. He stressed that the City's system worked--that the retention pond was full but had not run over. Councilmember Lange suggested the Council needed to look at the City's ordinance and maybe put in language that states homes could not be built below the canal or that flood area. Anderson said he had visited with some of those people and suggested if the City could get permission from McCluskys to go onto their property, in a few hours the crew could cut a ditch that would capture that water and send it down the canal. Councilmember Shelton did not think the canal companies would have any problem with the City doing that as long as the water placed in the canal was not contaminated. Councilmember Shelton said to talk with Larry Hartley about the issue.

As the time was 7:00 p.m., the Council adjourned and convened their regularly scheduled meeting.

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Paulette Thurber, City Recorder