

CITY OF OREM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
56 North State Street Orem, Utah
February 28, 2023

3:00 P.M TOUR OF THE PROVO/OREM DISPATCH CENTER

3:30 P.M. WORK SESSION-CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM

CONDUCTING	Mayor David A. Young
ELECTED OFFICIALS	David Young, Jeff Lambson, Debby Lauret, and Tom Macdonald.
APPOINTED STAFF	Brenn Bybee, Acting City Manager; Keri Rugg, Management Services Director; Ryan Clark, City Attorney; Steve Earl, Development Services Director; Brandon Nelson, Finance Director; Lane Gray, Capital Projects Manager; Giles Demki, Water Reclamation Section Manager; Kathi Lewis, Economic Development Division Manager and Tess Jones, Deputy City Recorder

NOTE: The referenced report and presentation documents for each discussion may be viewed at orem.org/meetings under “City Council Presentations”

PRESENTATION - Lakeview Parkway Project - Inter- Local Cooperation Agreement

Mr. Kelly gave an update on the Geneva Road Project showing an image on the screen and listed some important things upon completion of the project.

- Estimating Environment Approval: 2-4 weeks

General discussion of the location of the image in the presentation as well as the funding occurred.

Mr. Kelly discussed the pre environmental project.

- The project has been approved to move up in schedule to take advantage
- Schedule to take advantage of Construction Timing
- County approved moving funding forward
- County approved interlocal agreement
- \$4,000,000 for 2023
- \$10,698,200 for 2024

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- City would need to move up match contributions
- \$500,000 for FY 2024
- \$500,000 for FY 2025
- Bring forward a resolution at

General discussion about funding in construction costs, right away costs, birds eye view of the map, access points, temple entrance location, construction dates, and project progression.

LaNae Millett joined in person at 4:07pm.

DISCUSSION - North Utah County Aquifer Council

Mr. Price started by giving a background of the project by stating:

- Council was created in 2017
- Recognized critical relationship between groundwater and surface water sources
- Original members:
 - CUWCD, Pleasant Grove City, American Fork City, Highland City, Alpine City, Lehi City
- Additional members:
 - Cedar Hills, Lindon, Vineyard, Saratoga Springs, Provo

He then stated the purpose:

- Coordinate and facilitate the on-going planning and development of groundwater resources
 - Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR)
- Investigate possible

Activities and Projects:

- Groundwater recharge study conducted between 2003-20008
 - USGS, CUWCD, municipal governments
 - Identified potential sites for aquifer storage and recovery
- 2023 Work Plan
 - Groundwater Monitor

Recommendation:

- Join the North Utah County Aquifer Council
- Place on the consent agenda at upcoming City Council meeting for approval

Mr. Price stated that the only downside in participating in this would be the yearly cost which is reasonable for the services being provided. The amount would not fluctuate if more people joined, the amount owed is based on population. Discussion about other cities and past years of participating, benefits of participating, research and studies going into this project, development resources and interlocal agreement occurred.

DISCUSSION - Review potential amendments to the landscaping ordinance.

Mr. Bench stated that

General discussion of the requirement of the percentage of yards at full-growth, grant amounts, funding, maintenance, what areas are included in the requirements and water conservator occurred.

Mr. Bench stated the recommendation:

He the stated some advantages:

Disadvantages:

And a Proposed timeline:

1. DRC Application
2. Orem Natural Resources Stewardship Committee- February 23, 2023
3. Public Works Advisory Commission- TBD
4. Planning Commission- March 15, 2023
5. City Council- March 28, 2023

General consensus that they would like to have Mr. Bench speak with city council members if they had any questions.

DISCUSSION - Proposed Ordinance Amendment Creating the Management Services

Department

Mr. Earl started by stating some of the reasons that they would like to improve efficiency in creating a new department and shifting responsibility.

He stated that it will be combining multiple departments and creating divisions that work together. General Discussion about cost effectiveness, employee engagement, organizational responsibilities, upward mobility, department structuring,

PRESENTATION - Utah Valley Drug Prevention

Mrs. Wright started by reviewing handouts that she gave to the Mayor and Council she reviewed the SHARP study results. She answered a few of the council members' questions about age differential results in the SHARP study, substance abuse and timing of the survey.

General discussion about mental health study results, overdosing rates, past SHARP Studies, sources of strength program, other school programs, mental health,

PRESENTATION - Impact Fee Study

AGENDA REVIEW & PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

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The mayor and city council reviewed the upcoming items on the agenda.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS (BOARDS & COMMISSIONS, NEW BUSINESS, ETC.)

6:00 P.M. REGULAR SESSION - COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CONDUCTING	Mayor David A. Young
ELECTED OFFICIALS	David Spencer, Terry Peterson, Jeff Lambson, Debby Lauret, LaNae Millett and Tom Macdonald..
APPOINTED STAFF	Brenn Bybee, Acting City Manager; Keri Rugg, Management Services Director; Ryan Clark, City Attorney; Steve Earl, Development Services Director; Brandon Nelson, Finance Director; Lane Gray, Capital Projects Manager; Giles Demki, Water Reclamation Section Manager; Kathi Lewis, Economic Development Division Manager and Tess Jones, Deputy City Recorder

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION / INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT – Jim Lauret

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Cub Scout From Pack 1776

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Linnea Pugmire stated that she is a citizen of Orem and has been involved in the Orem City programs as well as schools in Orem. She stated some topics that were discussed at the city council 2023 retreat. She stated some things that she would like council members to clarify on the council portal. She spoke about the library director appointment and qualifications associated with it.

Megan Loyd is a resident of Orem she stated that she is a frequent visitor at the Orem library and her children participate in library activities. In recent months she has noticed differences in the library polity and she is disappointed with them. She discussed grant funding, digital collections, resources, and state code. She gave the council some advice on keeping transparency clear within Orem.

Cissy Rassmussen is an Orem citizen and she participates in the library activities. She would like to see transparency within the library and she spoke about the newly appointed library director. She spoke about voting, past elections, what Orem residents really want, and managing the library.

Rita Christensen spoke about her past experiences with working for the Orem library. She spoke about her background and cultural identity. She spoke about book display discussions that have happened at the library with staff, activities that she has participated in within the library, the library directory position, library board, state grants, and statements made in the daily herald.

Wes Parish stated that he has been a long time resident of Orem, he expressed that he is concerned with the library content and materials. He also stated that he has read the statutes and believes that 30% of some local libraries are out of compliance. He gave some advice to the council in regards to the content in the library.

Jennifer Jensen spoke about an experience that she had with walking in an area near parkside elementary school. She spoke about an incident that happened within the area and she expressed her concern with gun safety, children safety and public awareness. She spoke about another example when she believes that the Orem police department should have handled better. Mayor Young & Mr. Bybee let Mrs. Jensen know that she may help resolve the issue with Chief Josh Adams after the meeting.

Greg Carlile spoke about his concerns with the Orem Library and the issues that have been brought up in the media and in the organization. He advised the public to approach the situation with open minds.

Laura Cole stated that she is concerned with the lack of transparency, no paper trail, and library concerns. She would like to have more of an idea of what is going on and the why behind the actions of the City Council.

Amy Carr spoke about her involvement with the library, and she spoke about past meetings statements. She spoke about state statutes, grant money, library board, library policy, advisory board, funds awarded, and library director.

Timo Christensen spoke about his current employment within Orem City. He spoke about him traveling to work in a bike lane, he spoke about an experience where there was ice chunks and snow in the bike lane.

Karen Adamson expressed her gratitude to the Mayor and City Council. She believes that by coming to city council meetings that she has been able to gain a sense of understanding of the processes within Orem.

Mayor Young stated that he would like to speak with those who have made comments and would appreciate that they stay after the meeting. Brenn Bybee stated that he would like to express that the Mayor and City Council are in the support of the library. He stated that the Orem City Council did not give administrative instructions to the staff. Steve Earl stated some sections that have been of concern of being in compliance with. He read the sections of the code and stated that he has had the opportunity to read over the sections of the code and review the history. Mayor Young stated that he would like to have a foundation of honesty within Orem. He pointed out some of the articles that have been published and he understands why there may be concerns. He quoted some of the articles and made some comments about why things are being stated. He believes that there are some inaccuracies stated in the articles. He believes that the public should not be attacking any of the council members.

Mr. Merrill spoke about the advocates that have spoken tonight about the library and he expressed his gratitude.

SCHEDULED ITEMS

REAPPOINTMENT TO THE ARTS COUNCIL

Dave Blackinton & John Reinhard- Reappointment

Mrs. Lauret introduced John & Dave and stated some of the activities and events that they have helped orchestrate.

Mrs. Lauret moved to approve the reappointment of Dave Blackinton & John Reinhard to the Arts Council. **Mr. Macdonald seconded** the motion. Those voting yes: David A. Young, LaNae Millett, David Spencer, Debby Lauret, Jeff Lambson, and Tom Macdonald. The motion **passed**.

REAPPOINTMENT TO THE CARE COMMISSION

Tod Hadley- Reappointment

Mrs. Millet spoke briefly about the involvement of Tod Hadley in the commission in the past.

Mrs. Millet moved to approve the reappointment of Tod Hadley to the Care Commission. Mrs. Lauret **seconded** the motion. Those voting yes: David A. Young, David Spencer, LaNae Millett, Debby Lauret, Jeff Lambson, and Tom Macdonald. The motion **passed**.

APPOINTMENT TO THE PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Mike Whimpey- Appointment

Mrs. Millett moved to approve the appointment of Mike Whimpey to the Public Works Advisory Commission. **Mrs. Lauret seconded** the motion. Those voting yes: David A. Young, David Spencer, Debby Lauret, LaNae Millett, Jeff Lambson, and Tom Macdonald. The motion **passed**.

APPOINTMENT TO THE CITY RECORDER

Teresa McKitrick

Mr. Bybee introduced Mrs. McKitrick and spoke highly of her great work that she has done for the City of Orem.

moved to approve the appointment of Teresa McKitrick as the City Recorder. **seconded** the motion. Those voting yes: David A. Young, David Spencer, Debby Lauret, LaNae Millett, Jeff Lambson, and Tom Macdonald. The motion **passed**.

APPOINTMENT - LIBRARY COMMISSION

-Debbie Smith

Mrs. Millett moved to approve the appointment of Debbie Smith to the Library Commission. **Mr. Macdonald seconded** the motion. Those voting yes: David A. Young, David Spencer, Debby Lauret, LaNae Millett, Jeff Lambson, and Tom Macdonald. The motion **passed**.

RESOLUTION - OF THE OREM CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE DISPATCH SERVICES PROVISION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OREM AND PROVO CITY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN SAID AGREEMENT.

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RESOLUTION - APPOINTING BRENN BYBEE AS THE CITY'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UTAH INFRASTRUCTURE AGENDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE UTAH RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UTOPIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Mr. Macdonald moved to approve the RESOLUTION - APPOINTING BRENN BYBEE AS THE CITY'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UTAH INFRASTRUCTURE AGENDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE UTAH RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UTOPIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Mrs. Millett seconded the motion. Those voting yes: David A. Young, David Spencer, Debby Lauret, LaNae Millett, Jeff Lambson and Tom MacDonald. The motion **passed**.

RESOLUTION/PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 22-8-8(A) GENERAL ZONE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS PERTAINING TO OVERALL HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS FOR A PARAPET

Mayor Young opened it up for public comment at 7:16pm and no comments were made.
Public Comment Closed.

Mrs. Lauret moved to approve the RESOLUTION/PUBLIC HEARING - Amending portion of Chapter 4 (Housing) of the Orem General Plan including updating Section 4.4.2 pertaining to Moderate Income Housing Strategies. **Mrs. Millett seconded** the motion. Those voting yes: David A. Young, David Spencer, LaNae Millett, Terry Peterson, Debby Lauret, Jeff Lambson and Tom MacDonald. The motion **passed**.

RESOLUTION - Adopt the 2022 Orem Water Reclamation Facility Capital Facilities Plan

Mr. Macdonald moved to approve the RESOLUTION - Adopt the 2022 Orem Water Reclamation Facility Capital Facilities Plan **Mayor Young seconded** the motion. Those voting yes: David A. Young, David Spencer, LaNae Millett, Terry Peterson, Debby Lauret, Jeff Lambson and Tom MacDonald. The motion **passed**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:41PM

David A. Young, Mayor


Teresa McKittrick, City Recorder



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