

1 **City of Washington Terrace**

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3 Minutes of a Regular City Council meeting
4 held on August 20, 2013
5 City Hall, 5249 South 400 East, Washington Terrace City,
6 County of Weber, State of Utah
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8 **MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

- 9 Mayor Mark C. Allen
10 Council Member Mary Johnston
11 Council Member Blair Brown
12 Council Member Robert Jensen
13 Council Member Scott Monsen – Arrived at 6:03 p.m.
14 Council Member Val Shupe
15 Finance Director Shari’ Garrett
16 City Manager Tom Hanson
17 City Recorder Amy Rodriguez
18 Lt. Kevin Burns, Weber County Sheriff
19 Sheriff Terry Thompson
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21 **Others Present**

22 Charles and Reba Allen, Ulis Gardiner, Jason Allen, Justin Skeen, Dell Kraaima, Debbie Noorda
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24 **1. ROLL CALL 6:00 P.M**

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26 **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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28 **3. WELCOME**

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30 **4. CONSENT ITEMS**

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32 **4.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

33 **4.2 APPROVAL OF AUGUST 6, 2013, MEETING MINUTES**

34 Items 4.1 and 4.2 approved by general consent.
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36 **5. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

37 Resident Ulis Gardiner -4608 S. 450 W.- asked if the city will be following the guidelines set by
38 Pine View Water for water conservation and if residents will receive citations if the grass is dry.
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40 **6. COUNCIL/STAFF RESPONSE AND CONSIDERATION TO CITIZEN**
41 **COMMENTS**

42 Hanson stated that the Water District will be enforcing the water conservation system. Hanson
43 stated that residents will not receive citations from the city for dry grass due to the regulations.
44 Hanson noted that staff is aware that there will be some lawns that will become dormant,
45 however, the roots will remain healthy with the weekly watering. Hanson stated that the city will

46 be following the regulations set by Pine View Water District. He stated that parks will “brown
47 out” and watering will decrease at city properties. He stated that the playing fields at Rohmer
48 Park will remain watered and green for safety issues connected with football and other sports.
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50 **7. NEW BUSINESS**

51 **7.1 MOTION/RESOLUTION 13-18: ADOPTING THE FINAL PROPERTY TAX**
52 **RATES FOR TAX YEAR 2013 AND FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR**
53 **2013-2014**

54 Hanson stated that this is the final budget for Fiscal Year 13-14.
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56 **Motion by Council Member Jensen**
57 **Seconded by Council Member Shupe**
58 **To approve Resolution 13-18 to**
59 **Adopt the final property tax rates for tax year 2013**
60 **And final budget for fiscal year 2013-2014**
61 **Approve unanimously (5-0)**
62 **Roll Call Vote**
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64 **7.2 PRESENTATION: SHERIFF’S OFFICE MONTHLY REPORT**

65 Lt. Burns presented the monthly report for July. He highlighted a July 4th incident that is reported
66 as one incident, however, he noted that it involved several violations and tied up a lot of
67 resources. Lt. Burns spoke about a drug arrest in Uintah that involved a year- long investigation.
68 He stated that the strike force used Washington Terrace facilities for a while during the
69 investigation. He stated that some of the drug users on their way to Uintah from Riverdale came
70 through the Terrace were apprehended.

71 Council Member Jensen inquired about the traffic on Ridgeline Drive. He stated that there have
72 been several dogs hit on 5500 South. He stated that he does not want to see children hit now that
73 school is beginning again. Council Member Jensen asked if the office could put the speed trailer
74 out to remind people that there is a speed limit and asked for a higher law enforcement presence
75 on the street.

76 Council Member Brown asked about the progress on catching the suspect in the shooting.
77 Hanson stated that at this time there is a witness problem with the incident and is working on the
78 issue with the county attorney’s office. Hanson stated that the city and Sheriff’s office is pushing
79 for a resolution on this issue, stating that the County needs to work on some details to make the
80 arrest stick.

81 Lt. Burns stated that school has begun and the office has a strong presence in the school zones,
82 stating that there are school resource officers at all the schools. Lt. Burns stated that the officers
83 are continuing to do “walk- throughs” through the schools.
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86 **7.3 PRESENTATION: ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY “WEBER MOVES”**
87 **PROGRAM**

88 Principal Justin Skeen stated that the school is appreciative of the Sheriff’s Office and that they
89 are great to work with. He stated that there is a lot of concern with safety in the schools and the
90 Sheriff’s Office is very visible. He stated that the Weber Moves Program is a physical education

91 program that involves multiple organizations and will teach students specific skills for activity
92 during their free time (recess and non-school time) in the hopes that they will receive extra
93 exercise and learn healthy activities aside from sitting watching television or playing video
94 games. He stated that the school is welcome to any suggestions from Council.
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97 **7.4 MOTION: APPROVAL OF THE 2013 MUNICIPAL ELECTION POLLING**
98 **LOCATIONS AND ELECTION JUDGES**

99 Rodriguez stated that the list of approved judges and polling locations must be approved per state
100 code and will be sent to the appropriate county and state agencies.
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102 **Motion by Council Member Monsen**
103 **Seconded by Council Member Johnston**
104 **To approve the polling locations and election judges**
105 **For the 2013 Municipal Elections**
106 **Approved unanimously (5-0)**
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108 **7.5 DISCUSSION: DURATION OF UTILITY DEPOSITS**

109 Hanson stated that the utility deposit is held for two years. He stated that Council decided to
110 waive the deposit on a one time basis at the first shut off. Hanson stated that the deposits are in
111 place to cover roughly 2 months of utility bills if someone defaults on a bill. Hanson stated that
112 other utilities have similar policies in regards to deposits. Hanson stated that the city has run into
113 problems when deposits have been refunded and the account becomes delinquent again and the
114 deposit must be reinstated.

115 Council Member Brown stated that the policy should remain the same and possibly increase in
116 amount if the water rates increase. He stated that most residents pay on time but there are some
117 users who are shut off regularly. Council Member Johnston stated that she is not interested in
118 changing the policy either and sympathizes with residents who have a hard time keeping up on
119 payments but noted that the shut-offs also cost the city money.

120 Council Members Monsen and Jensen agreed to keep the policy the way that it is. Council
121 Member Shupe stated that Council needs to take advice of staff and leave the policy the way that
122 it is.
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124 **8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATION WITH STAFF**

125 * Council Member Johnston stated that she appreciates the good job that Hanson is doing and
126 appreciates the quick response that he gives to Council and residents on issues.
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128 * Council Member Jensen noted that it appears that the city is working well with weed control
129 this year and areas are looking a lot better than they have in the past.
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131 **9. ADMINISTRATION REPORT**
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- 133 • 450 West Project update. Hanson stated that the waterlines are being put in and the
134 project should be wrapped up by Mid-September. He stated that the city has kept open
135 communication with the residents and has not received a lot of feedback from residents.

- 136 • Adams Ave. Project update. Hanson stated that there is much more infrastructure than
137 was originally thought. The contractor is currently working on North-South lines.
138 Hanson stated that he will be attending the Wasatch Front Regional Council discussion
139 on funding for the project. Hanson stated that the city was able to justify the traffic
140 count and the road will be widened to full expansion to be in compliance.
141 Hanson stated that the bus turn outs will probably not be done at this time because the
142 traffic count demonstrated that it is not required. Hanson stated that the WFRC has gone
143 through the steps for final approval for funding in 2014. Hanson stated that he will
144 attend the meeting and explain the regional impact .
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- 146 • Hanson stated that he is working on a Retail Leakage Study discussion to see what
147 economic development is not being met in this region that the city can possibly capture
148 once the roadway is completed. There will be an RDA meeting at the next meeting to
149 discuss the study.
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- 151 • Council Member Jensen stated that Utah is the only state that has no confirmed West Nile
152 Virus cases. He stated that as our representative on the Mosquito Abatement Board, he
153 has learned that the county resources are available for those residents who need help with
154 mosquito issues. He stated that the county will give fish that eat mosquito eggs to
155 residents with ponds and also provide mosquito spraying by request. He asked that an
156 article be put in the newsletter to inform residents of the resources available to them.
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158 **10. UPCOMING EVENTS**

159 **August 29th: Planning Commission Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

160 **September 2nd: City Offices closed for Labor Day Holiday**

161 **September 3rd: City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

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163 **11. ADJOURN THE MEETING: MAYOR ALLEN**

164 Mayor Allen adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
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Date Approved

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City Recorder

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