

City of Washington Terrace

Minutes of a Regular City Council meeting

Held on August 7, 2018

City Hall, 5249 South 400 East, Washington Terrace City,
County of Weber, State of Utah

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Mark C. Allen

Council Member Scott Monsen

Council Member Blair Brown

Council Member Larry Weir

Council Member Scott Barker

Council Member Jeff West

City Manager Tom Hanson

Public Works Director Steve Harris

Chief Building Inspector Jeff Monroe

City Recorder Amy Rodriguez – absent (in training)

Fire Captain Clay Peterson

Others present

Lt. Jeff Pledger

1 WORK SESSION

5:00 P.M.

Topics to include, but are not limited to:

- Fireworks in City Limits
- Code Enforcement Issues

Mayor Allen stated that he brought in some yard sales signs that have been posted around the city. He stated there are signs on poles every weekend. He asked what the ordinance regulations are on these types of signs and asked if Council would like to strictly enforce the signs because they turn into litter.

Monroe stated that the ordinance states that the signs cannot be affixed to a pole or street sign, or on any city property. Mayor Allen stated that if someone has it on their lawn on an A-frame or something similar and remove it at the end of the day, he is fine with that.

Monroe stated that there is a ten dollar fine for signs left out on poles. Monroe stated that the tape used also detracts from the appearance of the poles once the signs are gone. Monroe stated that he has an issue with the advertisement signs that are being posted.

Council Member Monsen stated that we should enforce the ordinance, however, he is not against changing the ordinance to allow for some leeway. He agrees that there should not be any signs on poles or public easements. He stated that he is not opposed to signs on public property (grass) as long as they are taken down timely. He stated that the advertisement signs and advertisement signs should be removed immediately. He stated that he does not have a problem with yard sale signs if they are put up right before the yard sale and taken down after the yard sale.

Mayor Allen stated that the problem arises when the signs are up on Sunday, or even two weeks later. Council Member Brown stated that commercial signs should be taken down and cited. He stated that he agrees to let the resident put up a yard sale sign as long as it is not a business and not on a pole. Monroe stated that Mayor and Council have authorization to take down signs if

49 they feel comfortable in doing so. He stated that they could call him and he will remove it.
50 Mayor and Council instructed Monroe to take the signs down and bring them to the resident and
51 let them know that the next time they put up the sign they will receive a citation. Hanson stated
52 that the ordinance can be amended to address the yard sale signs and an article could be put in the
53 newsletter explaining the appropriate way to post yard sale signs.

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55 Hanson stated that there were many aerial fireworks this year. Council Member Monsen stated
56 that there was a 3-2 vote to ban aerials last summer. He stated that the intent was to have an
57 ordinance in place this year. Hanson stated that he researched state law on the City's right to ban
58 aerial fireworks. He stated that cities that have wildlife interface have been allowed to ban
59 fireworks within the city, while providing an area to which someone could go and light fireworks
60 safely. Peterson stated that state law changed a few years ago to allow pancake aerial fireworks.
61 He stated that single shot fireworks are still not allowed in Utah. Peterson stated that fireworks
62 can be prohibited in safety sensitive areas. This is in alignment with the restricted areas
63 designated in the city. Peterson stated that he would like to put up some A-frame signs that post
64 the restricted areas in the restricted areas.

65 Council Member Brown stated that he does not believe that Council wants to see people cited. He
66 stated that they should only be cited if they continue the behavior after warnings. Peterson stated
67 that he makes residents break the illegal fireworks and place them in water. Peterson stated that
68 there should not be any tolerance in Rohmer Park.

69 Council Member Monsen stated that our ordinance should mirror state law so that we are
70 protected if someone challenges our ordinance. He stated that state law does not allow us to ban
71 fireworks. Council agreed to keep our ordinance as is, in accordance with state law.

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73 Peterson stated that he will let Council know if he hears anything different from his State contact
74 concerning the City's right to ban fireworks.

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Others Present

Charles and Reba Allen , Dell Kraaima, Ulis Gardiner, Amy Miller

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2. ROLL CALL

6:00 P.M.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. WELCOME

5. CONSENT ITEMS

5.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5.2 APPROVAL OF JULY 17, 2018, MEETING MINUTES

Items 5.1 and 5.2 were approved by general consent.

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6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Resident Amy Miller- 6130 S 1375 E, South Ogden- stated that she was representing the Community Methodist Church. She stated that there is a sign on 4800 south that points to Bonneville High School. She asked if there was a possibility that a sign could be erected that pointed to the church. She stated that the church was wondering if church community events would be allowed to be advertised in the newsletter. She asked if the city runs a Truck or Treat, and if so, they would be interested in partnering with the City. She stated that the church collected backpacks and school supplies to be distributed to several schools, with Washington Terrace Elementary being one of the recipients.

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7. COUNCIL/STAFF RESPONSE AND CONSIDERATION TO CITIZEN COMMENTS

Hanson asked Ms. Miller to contact City Inspector Monroe concerning street signs, while noting That there are some challenges concerning Hwy 89 because it is a state road. Hanson stated that the City does have advertising space available in the newsletter. He stated that it may be at no cost if it is a philanthropic event. Hanson stated that the city does not sponsor Trunk or Treats. Council Member Brown stated that he would be able to Ms. Miller get in contact with the Bishops who hold the Trunk or Treats so that they may partner together. Council Member Monsen stated that he would like the city to be able to legally support some of the activities that are community based.

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146 Council Member Barker stated that he would be interested in learning about the supplies for the
147 elementary school. The Mayor agreed that the projects are beneficial and would like more
148 information as to whether the city could help out with support.
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150 **8. NEW BUSINESS**

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152 **8.1 DISCUSSION/ACTION: MOTION TO REVIEW THE COMPENSATION FOR**
153 **ELECTED AND STATUTORY OFFICERS AND SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR**
154 **AUGUST 21, 2018**

155 Rodriguez explained that in order to be in state compliance, a fee compensation must be adopted by
156 ordinance for elected official as well as statutory officials, which includes the Recorder and City
157 Treasurer. As stated in the staff report, Council approved a \$100.00 a month wage increase for the
158 Mayoral position. This must be approved by ordinance after a public hearing is set. This ordinance will
159 also approve the compensation ranges for Council and Recorder and Treasurer. The staff report talks
160 about different ways of doing this. We can set it for the actual amount in the budget, and amend the
161 ordinance each year if there are any changes. Rodriguez explained that the amount set does not have to be
162 what is budgeted for each year, that will still default to pay plan and budgetary restraints. The amount
163 that is set is what Council feels comfortable with to trigger a public hearing and ordinance amendment.
164 We can set the amount for a higher range and as long as we don't exceed that amount, the ordinance will
165 stand. We can set it with percentage increases and those amounts will stand as long as the actual amount
166 does not exceed the ordinance.

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168 Rodriguez stated that we will need to set the public hearing date for august 21st. The ordinance will be on
169 the agenda that night.
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171 Mayor Allen stated that he would like the Recorder and Treasurer wages to stay within ranges, however,
172 he feels that the Mayor and Council wages should reflect they are actually receiving and should have a
173 public hearing every time they are changed.

174 Council Member Monson agrees with the Mayor, stating that he feels comfortable with Rodriguez,
175 Garret, and Hanson deciding on the ranges for Recorder and Treasurer.

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177 **Motion Council Member Monsen**
178 **Seconded by Council Member West**
179 **To set a public hearing for August 21, 2018 and**
180 **Direct staff to review and suggest the appropriate ranges for statutory officers**
181 **Approved unanimously (5-0)**
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185 **9. COUNCIL COMMUNICATION WITH STAFF**

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187 Council Member Barker asked on the 5700 South road completion. Hanson stated that they are waiting
188 for road and gas line crossings and the road should be completed within a few months.

189 Council Member West asked about the timeline on the demolition building. Monroe stated that he does
190 not have a deadline on the project. He stated that the rebuild should begin within a few weeks.
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192 Mayor Allen stated that the Weber County Fair is being held this week at the fairgrounds.

193 Mayor Allen asked Council Member Brown about a West Nile report in Pleasant View. Council Member
194 Brown stated that the Abatement Board is spraying a lot. He stated that he did not hear about the reported

195 case. He stated that the Abatement Board will spray your area if you are concerned. He stated that the
196 Board stated that there is not much of a threat at this time.

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198 **10. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

199 Hanson stated that there was a tri-city meeting held last week to discuss the proposed Fire District.

200 Hanson stated that the Fire Chief from Riverdale has made some comments that were inaccurate in
201 regards to Washington Terrace City. Hanson stated that he would like to hold an extended work session
202 after the Council Meeting on the 21st.

203 Hanson stated that Chief Bush will be at the meeting, and possibly the Fire Chief from Ogden City to
204 discuss some of the challenges that we are seeing. Hanson stated that it is important to note that just
205 because discussions are held concerning a consolidated district does not mean that our residents are not
206 being served.

207 Hanson stated that a decision must be made by the first week in September as to whether the city would
208 like to move forward with the District discussions.

209 Hanson stated that there was a request for the rental of little Rohmer Park to hold a fundraiser for a little
210 girl who has been a victim of an assault. Hanson stated that it will be a motorcycle friendly group. He
211 stated that he does not know how big the event will be. He stated that several groups are putting on the
212 event. He stated that the event will be from 2:00 pm until 10:00 pm. He stated that he has spoken to the
213 organizers concerning city rules, insurance information, and other items. Hanson stated that staff will be
214 working on a special events/mass gathering ordinance. Hanson stated that the Sheriff's will be enforcing
215 park rules throughout the event. Council Member Monsen stated that the ending time of the events should
216 be looked at when reviewing the ordinance.

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219 **11. UPCOMING EVENTS**

220 August 21, 2018: Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.

221 August 30, 2018: Planning Commission Meeting 6:00 p.m.

222 September 3, 2018: City Offices closed for Labor Day

223 September 4, 2018: City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.

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225 **12. ADJOURN THE MEETING: MAYOR ALLEN**

226 Mayor Allen adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

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Date Approved

City Recorder