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City of Washington Terrace

Minutes of a Regular City Council meeting
Held on September 17, 2019
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 – Excused
- Mayor Pro Tempe Scott Barker
- Council Member Scott Monsen – arrived 6:01 p.m.
- Council Member Blair Brown
- Council Member Larry Weir
- Council Member Jeff West – arrived 6:08 p.m.
- Public Works Director Jake Meibos
- Public Works Operations Manager Denzil Remington
- Building Official Jeff Monroe
- City Recorder Amy Rodriguez
- City Manager Tom Hanson

Others Present

Charles and Reba Allen, Spencer and Marsha Smith, Ulis Gardiner

- 1. **ROLL CALL** **6:00 P.M.**
- 2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. **WELCOME**
- 4. **CONSENT ITEMS**

- 4.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 4.2 APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2019, MEETING MINUTES**

Items 4.1 and 4.2 were approved by general consent with one change to the minutes concerning arrival time of Council Member West.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Resident Gary Klema- 429 W 4625 S – stated that he is upset that citizens only have 3 minutes to speak at Council meetings.

He stated that there are no grocery stores and only one gas station and he stated that taxes keep getting raised because we have nowhere else to get money from. He suggested that 300 West could become a toll road with free passes for residents. He expressed concern about the Fire Department. He would like to know what the plan is for the city before it gets out of control.

Resident Spencer Smith -229 W 5400 S- stated that he believes that South Ogden City is not providing adequate animal control. He stated that there is a vicious dog in his neighborhood. He stated that three children have been bitten by the dog. He stated that he finally had a summons issued for the owners of

49 the dog by calling South Ogden Police Department. He stated that he does not believe we are getting the
50 service that we are paying for. He stated that he has learned that the department has lost several animal
51 control officers and have not replaced them.

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53 **6. COUNCIL/STAFF RESPONSE AND CONSIDERATION TO CITIZEN**
54 **COMMENTS**

55 Mayor Pro Tempe Barker stated that Council and staff are available at any time for discussions. He noted
56 that Council receives information ahead of the meetings and they try to share information with the
57 residents. He stated that Hanson's door is always open and he is happy to answer any questions. Council
58 Member Brown stated that there needs to be control and business needs to be conducted during the
59 meetings, but he agrees with Mr. Klema that it is not fair or customer friendly to not allow citizens to
60 have a dialogue with Council at the meetings.

61 Council Member Brown stated that he has a lot of issues with the South Ogden Animal Control as well
62 and agrees with Mr. Smith's comments. He stated that it is a money issue and is not an easy fix. He
63 believes that the meetings need to be more customer friendly.

64 Hanson stated that Council, Mayor and himself are always available for extended conversations with
65 residents.

66 Hanson stated that the city is mandatorily required to provide fire services in the City. Hanson stated that
67 now that we receive automatic aid, other community fire departments help respond to fire situations.
68 Hanson suggested that residents read through the budget document to understand "the plan" of the city
69 corporation.

70 Hanson stated that he has spoken to the Smith's regarding their concerns. He stated that he recognizes the
71 shortages with Animal Control and is following up on procedures and challenges with the Department.

72 Hanson stated that the City is paying around \$35,000 a year for their services. He stated that with wages,
73 vehicles, and insurance it would run around \$100,000 a year if we contract with the county or run our
74 own department. Hanson stated that he will follow up with the Smith's.

75 Council Member Mosen stated that \$35,000 is too much to pay for no services and something needs to
76 be done to rectify the situation.

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78 **7. NEW BUSINESS**

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80 **7.1 MOTION/ORDINANCE 19-07: AMENDMENT TO SECTION 17.44.080 OF THE**
81 **MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING FENCE, HEDGE, AND WALL REGULATIONS.**

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83 Monroe stated that staff is proposing to allow scallop fences on corner lots. He stated that the posts are 3
84 feet, however the elevation of the fences are 2 feet. Monroe stated that the fences do not bother line of
85 sight and still allow for privacy for residents on corner lots from people cutting through their lot. Monroe
86 stated that this allows for beautification of corner lots. Monroe stated that there are a few scalloped fences
87 in the city already and this would allow them in the city.

88 Council Member Mosen stated that he is not concerned with the height of the fence, however he is
89 concerned with line of sight and ability to see traffic. Monroe stated that line of sight and safety are
90 always his priority when approving fences. Monroe stated that the building department will approve the
91 design of the fencing before permitting. Monroe stated that we can add language to add that the grading
92 begin at sidewalk level to the ordinance per Council Member West suggestion. This change will be made
93 before final codification.

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95 **Motion by Council Member Brown**
96 **Seconded by Council Member Weir**
To approve Ordinance 19-07 amending

97 **Section 17.44.080 of the municipal code regarding**
98 **Fence, hedge, and wall regulations including the added language as suggested**
99 **Approved unanimously (5-0)**
100 **Roll Call Vote**

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103 **7.2 MOTION: APPROVAL TO AWARD THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR**
104 **THE WATER MAINS TO FEED TANK # 1**

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106 Meibos stated that bids were opened on September 10, 2019 and Great Basin Development and
107 Construction were the most responsible lowest bidder at \$343,082. Meibos stated that a lower bidder did
108 not meet qualifications on the project. Meibos stated that he has called references on the company and
109 feels comfortable with the company. Meibos stated that he spoke to several other cities or entities for
110 references and all had favorable reviews.

111 Meibos stated that fifty percent of the grant must be spent by December in order to apply for a 2020
112 CDBG grant. The company will most likely begin work the second week in October. They believe they
113 can finish the project by mid- November.

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115 **Motion by Council Member Monsen**
116 **Seconded by Council Member West**
117 **To award the construction contract for the water mains**
118 **To feed tank#1**
119 **To Great Basin Development and Construction**
120 **Approved unanimously (5-0)**
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123 **8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATION WITH STAFF**

124 Council Member Brown stated that we should be very proud of the work Public Works has done at
125 Rohmer Park.

126 Council Member Brown stated that a realtor has parked his van for the sole purpose of advertising down
127 by Terrace Depot. He would like staff and Council to review and discuss realtor signs and business signs.
128 He stated that another realtor has a sign that is oversized and glaring into a neighbor's window.

129 Council Member Monsen stated that he would like to be a co-signer to Council Member Brown's
130 comments.

131 Council Member Barker stated that there were some good classes at the ULCT training last week and
132 encourages Council to attend the meetings when they are available.

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134 **9. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

135 Hanson stated that RAMP ribbon cutting will be on October 8th at 6:00 p.m.

136 Hanson stated that the employee appreciation lunch will be held on October 8th.

137 Hanson stated that the Council retreat will be held on December 7th from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Council
138 Member Barker asked if there can be a short discussion on citizen comments and processes.

139 Hanson stated that we have been seeing remarkable results with fire department applications and shift
140 sign ups.

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142 **10. UPCOMING EVENTS**

143 **September 26th: Planning Commission 6:00 p.m. (tentative)**

144 **October 1st : City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

145 **October 14th: City Offices closed for Columbus Day**

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October 15th: City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.
October 24th: Planning Commission (tentative)

11. ADJOURN THE MEETING: MAYOR ALLEN
Mayor pro tempe Barker adjourned the meeting at 6:41p.m.

Date Approved

City Recorder