

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AUGUST 23, 2005, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Jones, Councilman Don Antczak, Councilman Scott Bracken, Councilman Gordon Thomas

EXCUSED: Mayor Kelvin Cullimore

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Liane Stillman, City Attorney Shane Topham, Community Development Director Kevin Smith, City Recorder Linda Dunlavy, Director of Finance David Muir, City Planner Michael Black

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Watson, Mike Falk, Kit Lindsey, Brian Allen, Detective Corbett Ford, Detective Paul Brenneman, Don Machen, Spencer Muir, Takami Kowalski, Brian Kolwaski, Kathleen Atkinson

1.0 **WELCOME/PLEDGE**

1.1 Mayor Pro Tem Jones opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. and welcomed those attending.

1.2 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Don Antczak.

2.0 **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

2.1 Spencer Muir, 1511 East 7380 South, stated that he would like to pursue the possibility of a cross access sidewalk from 7200 South to Target/Circuit City parking lot at 1385 East. He explained that there are no dedicated access points from the neighborhood to the business district to the north. He conducted a survey of surrounding neighbors to measure their interest in a cross access sidewalk and 86.7% expressed support for the idea. Many people walk up and down the sidewalk and jump the fence in the parking lot by Circuit City. He asked the City Council for their support in moving this project forward by making it a priority for the City or helping to encourage the shopping center owners to contribute. The estimated cost is approximately \$40,000.

Mayor Pro Tem Jones explained how the Council prioritizes the capital projects.

City Planner Michael Black will set up a meeting between the property owners and Spencer, so that he can make a presentation to them.

2.2 Kathleen Atkinson, 2833 East Fort Union Blvd. asked to comment on the 2751 East Fort Union Blvd. rezoning application. She stated that she has a concern with the lack of parking at the proposed site.

Mr. Black stated that the applicant has withdrawn the application.

2.3 Don Machen, 8096 Mountain Oaks Drive, stated that he attended a meeting on August 23, 2005, at the County building regarding the fire district and only three people were in attendance. He asked if anyone on the Council has been appointed to participate in the Unified Fire Authority

City Attorney Shane Topham explained that Salt Lake County set up a special service district, which provides fire service protection to the unincorporated County. Because the fire district was created before Cottonwood Heights' incorporation, the City was part of that district until July

when the City withdrew from the fire district and joined the Unified Fire Authority. The fire district is a member of UFA along with the contract cities like Cottonwood Heights.

City Manager Liane Stillman explained that the fire district directly assesses a property tax on the unincorporated area to fund the cost of their contract with UFA. Cottonwood Heights pays for fire service through a direct contract with UFA since July 1st. Because this is a transition year the fire district will appear on property tax notices for residents of Cottonwood Heights. But it will not appear on their notices next year.

- 2.4 Mike Falk, 7768 South 2325 East, questioned why there have not been any patrols in the area where he lives since there is so much speeding in the area. He said it is not just high school kids, but everyone and would like to see more officers in the area.

3.0 **REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

3.1 **Salt Lake County Sheriff's Department Report**

- 3.1.1 Detective Ford reviewed the crime statistics for the month of July. In June there were 945 calls which generated 645 cases and July had 1079 calls and generated 817 cases. There were increases in burglar alarms, fraudulent use of credit cards, suspicious activities, and stolen vehicles. He encouraged residents not to leave valuables in plain sight, to lock all doors, and to watch bank accounts on a regular basis in order to keep from becoming a victim. Detective Ford noted that they have written articles on the fraudulent use of credit cards and identity theft for the Valley Journal. He suggested that the City website provide consumer links to sites for fraud and forgery.

3.2 **City Manager's Report**

- 3.2.1 Bark in the Park: City Manager Liane Stillman explained that this is an event for pets and their people and will be held October 8th at Bywater Park. Valley Journals, Willow Creek Pet Hospital, and Wild Oats will be sponsors of the event.

Mayor Pro Tem Jones suggested the Committee be invited to Council to report on the event.

- 3.2.2 Oak Creek Drive Public Hearing: Ms. Stillman explained that it is important for the public to know that the City Council is considering several options on how to solve the traffic issues on Oak Creek Drive. A public hearing will be held September 27th, 7:00 p.m. at Butler Middle School. Flyers announcing the public hearing will be distributed to 1200 homes and information will also be included on the City's website.
- 3.2.3 Cottonwood Heights Website: Ms. Stillman reported that the City's new website is up and running. Staff and the consultants are still working on several issues with the website.

Mayor Cullimore joined the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

4.0 **PLANNING/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS**

4.1 **Resolution No. 05-60 Approving a Consulting Agreement with Tom Tuft**

- 4.1.1 City Attorney Shane Topham stated that this is a proposed agreement with Tom Tuft for consulting on safety issues regarding the Holladay Gun Club.
- 4.1.2 **MOTION:** Councilman Bracken moved to approve Resolution No. 05-60. The motion was seconded by Councilman Antczak and passed unanimously on a roll call vote. Mayor Cullimore did not vote.

5.0 **OTHER MATTERS**

5.1 **Resolution No. 05-61 Approving an Employment Agreement with Daniel Cox for IT Purposes**

- 5.1.1 City Attorney Shane Topham explained that the agreement before the Council proposes that Mr. Cox be a part-time employee of the City to handle the information technology issues that arise.

City Manager Liane Stillman explained the proposed work schedule for Mr. Cox.

- 5.2 **MOTION:** Councilman Antczak moved to approve Resolution No. 05-61. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

6.0 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 6.1 The minutes of August 23, 2005 were approved as submitted.

7.0 **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 7.1 Mayor Pro Tem Jones reviewed the calendar of events.

8.0 **ADJOURN TO WORK SESSION**

- 8.1 The Business Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m. and the Council reconvened in a work session.