

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, August 19, 2014 7:00 p.m.
Community Recreation Center
10640 N Clubhouse Drive, Cedar Hills, Utah

Present: Mayor Gary Gygi, Presiding
Council Members: Trent Augustus, Rob Crawley, Mike Geddes
Absent/Excused: Jenney Rees, Daniel Zappala
David Bunker, City Manager
Chandler Goodwin, Assistant City Manager
Jeff Maag, Public Works Director
Greg Gordon, Recreation Director
Charl Louw, Finance Director
Others: Lt. Sam Liddiard, Priscilla Leek, Elie Slay, Marisa Wright, LoriAnne Spear

COUNCIL MEETING

1. This meeting of the City Council of the City of Cedar Hills, Utah, having been properly noticed, was called to order at 7:09 p.m. by Mayor Gygi.

Invocation given by C. Augustus
Pledge of Allegiance led by David Bunker

2. Approval of Meeting’s Agenda

MOTION: C. Augustus—To approve the agenda as is. Seconded by C. Crawley.

Yes - C. Augustus
C. Crawley
C. Geddes Motion passes.

3. Public Comment

Elie Slay: Mr. Slay has lived in the city for two years. He is a golf enthusiast, and has heard about the problems with golf courses in the area. He would like to present some of his ideas to the Council to make the golf course profitable.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

4. Review/Action on Adopting a Resolution Recognizing Cedar Hills Champion, Priscilla Leek

Mayor Gygi presented Priscilla Leek as a Cedar Hills Champion for her work in education and for receiving the prestigious Huntsman Award for Excellence in Education. Ms. Leek was the first female justice of the peace in Utah and has served on many committees within Cedar Hills.

Ms. Leek thanked the Council and Mayor Gygi for the honor. She is grateful that Jon and Karen Huntsman are devoted to education. Every year they award 10 Huntsman Awards, each with a \$10,000 check.

MOTION: C. Geddes—To approve Resolution 08-19-2014A, a resolution recognizing Priscilla Leek as a Cedar Hills Champion for her outstanding commitment to excellence, for her professionalism, her leadership and for her example and commitment to teaching and preparing her students for successful futures. Seconded by C. Augustus.

Yes - C. Augustus
C. Crawley
C. Geddes Motion passes.

CITY REPORTS AND BUSINESS

5. City Manager

300 youths registered for flag football.

Soccer and tot soccer start next week.

The city has been meeting with a gentlemen interested in starting an ultimate Frisbee league.

The Utah League of Cities and Towns fall conference is Sept 10-12. All Council members are invited.

The Timpanogos Special Service District will be meeting on Thursday. There are several litigation issues in the district.

6. Mayor and Council

Mayor Gygi: The Lone Peak Public Safety District will be meeting on Thursday

C. Crawley: The Beautification Committee held the city breakfast with 280 people attending. They will do more advertising for the event next year. He did some research on SR 146. He called Justin Shellenberg about the recent work. Mr. Shellenberg reported that the minor repair was meant to tide over to spring 2015 when major work would be done. Mr. Crawley stated that disagreements, even among councilmembers, are healthy, and should be valued.

C. Augustus: North Point Solid Waste is exploring the option of creating a large Wasatch waste management district. In January, changes were made to titles in the City Code, which led to mistakes with the repackaging by the codifying company. The portions that were left out, Chapter 6, will impact the discussion on the financial goals and policies.

SCHEDULED ITEMS

7. Review/Action on Approval of Fiscal Policies and Financial Goals

Charl Louw stated that over the summer Standard and Poors reviewed the city's general obligation bonds. Based on their review they filed a report affirming the city's AA- rating, but the city is right on the border of getting a AA rating. This proposal is to update and establish a fiscal policy that will become a basis for fiscal decisions. It will also allow the city to improve its bond rating, which can save money (see handouts). The last word of section 7.2 should read "Cities" rather than "Counties." Mr. Louw clarified that the code states that Budget Officer is the City Manager.

C. Augustus stated that he would like the city to research and analyze the true costs in fulfilling GRAMA requests, so the city can justify its fees.

MOTION: C. Crawley—To approve Resolution No. 08-19-2014B, a resolution adopting the recommended Financial Goals and Policies to formalize the City’s commitment to financial best practice and compliance requirements for the City of Cedar Hills, Utah. Seconded by C. Augustus. Vote taken by roll call.

Yes - C. Augustus
C. Crawley
C. Geddes Motion passes.

8. Discussion on Canyon Heights and Hillside Drive Traffic Concerns

Chandler Goodwin stated that in the last council meeting there was a public comment expressing concerns about the safety on the corner of Hillside Drive and Canyon Heights Drive. Staff has been aware of the problem for some time and has worked in the past years with the homeowner to clear vegetation and landscaping and has placed a speed trailer near that intersection. Data from the speed trailer does not show excessive speed. The homeowner has cleared back 45 feet and does not need to do anything additional to meet code guidelines. Some of the ways the city can make the corner safer include: adding rumble strips to slow cars, flashing lights to alert drivers to school drop-off/pick-ups, painting curbs red and yellow to prevent parking. The crosswalk is already scheduled to be repainted. The city can ask Alpine School District to move their bus drop-off/pick-up, but that is up to their discretion.

Jeff Maag stated that there are concerns with rumble strips specifically that drivers will go into the opposite lane to avoid the rumble strips causing safety issues. The last time the city talked to the Alpine School District about the bus stop, they did not want to change the location because of slope issues on the other roads in the area. A flashing sign during school pick ups would cost about \$4,000. A radar speed sign costs about \$6,500. The most effective and least costly solution would be to move the pick-up/drop off point.

C. Crawley stated that he leans towards the \$4,000 flashing sign.

C. Augustus stated that this is a multi-tiered problem. He would like to proceed cautiously because it’s not clear what will work, and he doesn’t want to spend a lot of money on a solution that won’t solve the problem and the residents won’t like.

Mayor Gygi will talk to the Alpine School District about moving the bus stop.

Marisa Wright stated that previously the Alpine School District had contacted residents to tell them that the school bus stop would be moved to Canyon Road. The mothers in the neighborhood banded together to stop the change because they felt Canyon Road is too dangerous. She lives in that neighborhood and has never heard complaints about the danger of that intersection.

David Bunker suggested looking at the turn around radius at the county park for a possible bus stop.

9. Discussion on the General Plan Revision

Chandler Goodwin stated that there are three elements of general plan: land use, transportation and housing. Cedar Hills does not have a moderate income housing plan. In looking at that aspect of the General Plan, it was noticed that the entire General Plan is incredibly out of date. He met with Ken Young, who provided guidance on how to go about updating the general plan, starting with organizing a citizen advisory committee tasked with updating the General Plan.

C. Augustus stated that if the city is going through this exercise, he wants to ensure it is all encompassing, such as including the Design Guidelines.

Mayor Gygi instructed Councilmembers to send committee recommendations to David Bunker.

ADJOURNMENT

10. This meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m. on a motion by C. Augustus, seconded by C. Geddes and unanimously approved.

Approved by Council:
September 2, 2014

/s/ Colleen A. Mulvey, CMC
City Recorder