

**Pleasant Grove City
City Council Meeting Minutes
Work Session
Tuesday, December 5, 2023
4:30 p.m.**

Mayor: Guy L. Fugal

Council Members: Dianna Andersen
Eric Jensen
Cyd LeMone
Todd Williams

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
Deon Giles, Parks Director
Tina Petersen, City Attorney
Kathy Kresser, City Recorder
Denise Roy, Finance Director
Chase Gustman, Deputy Chief
Sheri Britsch, Library and Arts Director
Neal Winterton, Public Works Director
Kyler Brower, Assistant to the City Administrator
Keldon Brown, Police Chief
Megan Zollinger, Recreation Director
Daniel Cardenas, Community Development Director

Excused: Brent Bullock, City Council Member

The City Council and staff met in the Community Room, 108 South 100 East, Pleasant Grove, Utah.

4:30 P.M. WORK SESSION

Mayor Fugal called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and welcomed those present.

a. Presentation of Plaques for the "G".

City Administrator, Scott Darrington, reported that the City will formally recognize the hard work of the individuals who worked or had responsibility, on the G Mountain site. Each person will be provided with a plaque with their name in appreciation of their time and dedicated service. The completed project will serve as a legacy years into the future. He also thanked Lisa Young for making the arrangements to get the plaques for the presentation.

The following individuals received a plaque and a photograph was taken:

Carter Bigger	Stetson Cook	Bill Candland	Brent Phillips
Dusty Boren	Ken Rymmer	Andrew Peterson	Spencer Carpenter
Sawyer Peacock	John James	Dir. Deon Giles	Mayor Guy Fugal
Brice Farnworth	Beau Farnworth	Braxton Farnworth	Deny Farnworth
Maurilio Reynoso	Fernando Reynoso	Jorge Garcia	Narcisco Baltasar
Jesus Martinez	Oscar Naranjo	Jesus Naranjo	

b. Discussion on City Logo.

Administrator Darrington reported that during recent discussions about the City website, it was suggested that the "City of Trees" logo, which has been in use for 15 years, be updated. To move forward, staff requested feedback from the City Council on the overall direction to take. The City Council has the option to start fresh, change the slogan, or revamp what is presently being used. The information obtained will assist staff in preparing options for the City Council to consider. He noted that finances are not to be considered in this discussion.

Council Member LeMone stated that the current logo appears to be dated when compared to the current website update and needs to be modernized. Her preference was to update the trees and the colors used. She did not see it as a branding change, which would require a different discussion. Council Member Williams agreed. Council Member Andersen would like to start phasing out the wording "City of Trees." Council Member LeMone stated that her initial concern was more with the actual image of the logo. She thought that omitting the "City of Trees" language might be more of a branding issue that involves a longer process. There was discussion about the possible changes, including colors and wording, and it was ultimately agreed that the wording "City of Trees" be omitted, as another slogan could be added later when branding is addressed. Recognizing that the City Council does not want a lot of money spent on the issue, Administrator Darrington stated that staff will provide two or three different options for updating the logo in color and design to match the website, including the financial impact, for Council's review and comment.

c. Staff Business.

Deputy Fire Chief, Chase Gustman, reported on the following:

- It has been a busy couple of weeks in terms of calls.
- Last Monday's major accident was reported in the news and required mutual aid response from American Fork, Lone Peak, Orem, and Provo to address multiple issues including a rescue and extraction of a resident pinned inside the damaged apartment, medical transport of victims, and a structure fire. There was also concern about the structural stability of the apartments, which impacted ongoing work being done. This was a "once in a career" type of call. The outcome for both parties was good with positive hospital reports. The impacted apartment building had to be shored up and made structurally stable enough to do the work. Building officials quickly responded to the scene and evaluated the structure, which was found to be uninhabitable and ultimately red-tagged. The owners will be responsible for the repairs.

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2 Police Chief, Keldon Brown, reported on the following:
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- 4 • It has been a busy couple of weeks.
- 5 • The Department assisted at the accident site the previous Monday.
- 6 • Officers responded to a couple of serious knife stabbings and threatening behavior at the
7 Hyatt House.
- 8 • They assisted the Fire Department crew and families on Sunday with Santa Claus-related
9 activities.
- 10 • In December, officers will deliver gift bags to families who have experienced recent tragic
11 situations.
- 12 • Officers have also been involved in a variety of community interactions, including Bingo
13 with seniors. He was pleased with what was going on in the community.
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15 Council Member Williams, after hearing about “knife fights,” asked if the police are seeing a
16 different type of criminal. Chief Brown stated that people generally involved in crime are the same
17 well-known County residents who move from city to city. They are put in jail and get out quickly.
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19 Parks Director, Deon Giles, reported on the following:
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- 21 • Approximately 175 high school students helped with the final clean-up of the G Mountain
22 site. The trash collected was then flown out by helicopter. The help of the students was a
23 significant service to the City.
- 24 • The Department is busy installing Christmas lights, leaf pick-ups, and snow removal.
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26 Recreation Director, Megan Zollinger, reported on the following:
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- 28 • They are busy with Junior Jazz and pickleball and are ready for the winter season.
- 29 • A Fitness Fair is scheduled to take place in January.
- 30 • Director Zollinger looked forward to the Christmas season and the Angel Tree, which will
31 have tags identifying six families and two individuals for gifting. The presents will be
32 delivered in late December.
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34 Public Works Director, Neal Winterton, reported on the following:
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- 36 • Water year calls have begun as the snowplows have already been used a few times. They
37 are prepared with well-maintained vehicles.
- 38 • The pressurizedirrigationmeters.com (“PGPI”) website is active.
- 39 • The secondary meter program is active with 20 installations per day. Work has been
40 ongoing for a couple of weeks.
- 41 • Roadwork bids were put out in the amount of \$4 million. Going out to bid now helps with
42 budgeting and getting the work on the contractor’s schedule. Out-of-state contractors have
43 expressed interest, which is good for competitive bidding.
- 44 • Staff continues to do small concrete jobs with one on Main Street for trip hazard repairs.
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1 Library and Arts Director, Sheri Britsch, reported on the following:

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- 3 • Both the Library and the Commissions remain busy.
- 4 • There was great support from the City Council and Mayor for the Old Town Hall Christmas
- 5 event. There was also a lot of support from the community with well over 200 people in
- 6 attendance.
- 7 • Tonight is Open Mic Night at The Grove Station, which will have holiday-themed music.
- 8 • The Best Christmas Pageant Ever is currently underway.
- 9 • The orchestra is doing a Messiah Sing-Along at the high school on Friday night.

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11 When asked which season is busiest for the Library, Ms. Britsch stated that summer is the busiest
12 because of the programs offered and because children are out of school.

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14 Finance Director, Denise Roy, reported on the following:

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- 16 • She continued to work on the Audit, which is a very intense, annual process.
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18 City Recorder, Kathy Kresser, reported on the following:

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- 20 • She will soon be retiring and thanked all for making her time in the City a joy. She
- 21 appreciated the support and will miss everyone.
- 22 • She introduced her replacement, Wendy Thorpe. Ms. Thorpe comes from Herriman City
- 23 where she served as the Deputy City Recorder. She was grateful for that experience and
- 24 was excited to be here. She also congratulated Ms. Kresser on her retirement.
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26 Assistant to the City Administrator, Kyler Brower, reported on the following:

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- 28 • On Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. there will be a ribbon cutting at the Old City
- 29 Hall.
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31 ADJOURNMENT

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33 **MOTION:** At 4:58 p.m. Council Member Jensen moved to ADJOURN the Work Session.
34 Council Member Andersen seconded the motion. Council Member Jensen seconded the motion.
35 City Council Member vote: Dianna Andersen, Yes; Eric Jensen, Yes; Cyd LeMone, Yes; and Todd
36 Williams, Yes. Motion carried unanimously.

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40 Wendy Thorpe, CMC
41 City Recorder
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