

**NORTH OGDEN CITY
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

February 12, 2020

The North Ogden City Public Safety Building Committee convened in an open meeting on February 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the North Ogden City Office at 515 East 2600 North. Notice of time, place, and agenda of the meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the municipal office and posted to the Utah State Website on February 6, 2020. Notice of the annual meeting schedule was published in the Standard-Examiner on December 22, 2019.

PRESENT:	Brent Chugg	Committee Chairman
	Dirk Quinney	Committee Member
	Clark Crowther	Committee Member
	Laura Barker	Committee Member
	Tim Scott	Committee Member
	Jay Johnson	Committee Member
	Chad Roylance	Committee Member
	Gary Stoker	Committee Member
	Kevin Burns	Committee Member
	Cheryl Stoker	Committee Member
EXCUSED:	Phillip Swanson	Committee Member
	Karen McIntosh	Committee Member
	Robert Bolar	Committee Member
STAFF PRESENT:	Neal Berube	Mayor
	Jon Call	City Manager/Attorney
	Annette Spendlove	City Recorder/HR Director
VISITORS:	Jim Child	Scott Holmes

Chairman Chugg called the meeting to order. Cheryl Stoker offered the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTIVE AGENDA

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

2. REVIEW OF FACILITY TOURS

Chief Quinney provided the group with a refresher/overview of the facilities that they have toured over the last several meetings. He facilitated discussion among the group regarding the characteristics and components of each facility that they felt were most important to include in a new facility to be built in North Ogden. There was a focus on the importance of including a multi-purpose room that can be used for City Council meetings and court sessions; an adequate overflow/lobby space; and a public reception area with adequate security for personnel. The group indicated that they felt the Bluffdale facility was the best that they toured, but acknowledged that it includes many other city functions. The building was constructed in 2015 at a cost of \$5.3 million; it is three stories and the basement was not finished at the time of construction.

3. COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Mayor Berube noted that North Ogden residents are very conscientious about the cost of public projects and he would like for this Committee to serve as advocates in the community and spread the word about why a Public Safety facility is desperately needed. This will be vital in the community outreach phase of this project. Chairman Chugg added that it would also be helpful for the Committee members to be familiar with the implications of pursuing a bond for the project or waiting to save money for the project; this information could be shared with residents to ensure they are educated on funding options. This led to high level discussion about potential costs associated with a bond and the common term of a sizable bond. The group then focused on the most effective form of public outreach and determined to first send a message to the community inviting them to tour the City's current facility to gain a clear understanding of why a new facility is needed. The City can also plan a series of open house events to present information about the type of project the City is considering. Council Member Stoker also suggested that the City consider a fundraising campaign, which could include seeking support from developers in the City.

Chairman Chugg asked that the next Public Safety Committee meeting agenda include an item to give Committee members and opportunity to report on what they are hearing about this project as they speak to community members.

The group then discussed the potential of creating a fundraising sub-committee and a JRCA representative suggested that City representatives reach out to other cities to determine if they were successful in a capital campaign for this type of project.

4. POTENTIAL BUILDING SITES

JRCA representatives presented their scoring of possible sites for a new Public Safety facility. The two main sites that were considered are the old Public Works site and the existing Public Safety site at the City Hall campus. Relative to the site at the City Hall campus, the group discussed the implications of purchasing private residential properties to make the site viable and whether the owners of those properties have been notified that their property may be impacted. City Manager/Attorney Call stated that the City has secured right of first refusal to acquire one of the properties, but the other residents have not been approached yet because a site has not been determined by this group. If the Committee does select a site that will result in impacts to residential properties, the City will communicate with them.

The group then debated the merits of each of the sites presented by JRCA, with JRCA noting that he has found that it is easiest to build or upgrade a site in a location that the residency is accustomed to. He noted that a site that is roughly two acres in size is ideal for the actual building, but if a site that is located at a distance from the City Hall campus is selected, it will need to be larger than two acres to provide adequate space for public parking. Council Member Stoker stated that she feels that once all information is presented to the residents as to why the location at the City Hall campus is the best location, even though it may impact some residential properties, the residents will accept that decision. Several Committee members agreed, but Committee Member Warren noted that he feels the City should communicate to the residents who own those properties before presenting the concept to the entire City.

Chief Quinney asked if any Committee member has any opposition to the City Hall campus site being the preferred site. No objections were voiced.

5. JRCA COUNCIL PRESENTATION

JRCA representatives provided the Committee Members with a document detailing the needs assessment they performed; this study identified the various functions needed in the Public Safety facility and the appropriate size of each space and component. This assessment was used to inform a conceptual design of the facility to be constructed, which was relied upon to identify sites in the City that could house the facility. The size of the facility is intended to accommodate future growth and buildout of the City at the year 2040. The Committee discussed the potential for growth past 2040 and whether there will be a need to add on to the facility once the population exceeds growth estimates of 40,000.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

7. **COMMITTEE/STAFF COMMENTS**

Chairman Chugg indicated that the City Council's February 25 meeting has been cancelled, so the next time the Committee or JRCA representatives could present recommendations to the Council would be March 10. JRCA indicated they can be ready for that meeting.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Committee Member Burns motioned to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Quinney seconded the motion. All in attendance were in favor.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

/s/ M. Brent Chugg

Electronically signed with Permission of M. Brent Chugg

M. Brent Chugg

Committee Chairman

S. Annette Spendlove

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City Recorder

8 April 2020

Date Approved