

Sunset City Corporation
City Council Minutes
May 21, 2024
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Minutes of a regular meeting held May 21, 2024 at Sunset City Hall, 200 West 1300 North, Sunset, Utah; Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill presiding.

REGULAR SESSION

Mayor and Council Present:

Scott Wiggill	Mayor Pro Tem
Ricky Carlson	Council Member
Nancy Smalling	Council Member
Hope Thompson	Council Member

City Employees Present:

Recorder Supp	Recorder
Jason Monroe	Public Works Director
Brett Jamison	Police Chief

Others Present:

Laura Penman	Planning Commission Chair
Sam Bartling	Sunset Resident
Chad Bangerter	Sunset Resident
Carol Lyon	Sunset Resident
Aubry Bennion	UDOT
Greg Davis	UDOT

Excused:

Nakisha Rigley	Council Member
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The regular session was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill.

Council Member Carlson gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member Carlson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 2, 2024 and April 16, 2024 as presented and Council Member Smalling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Carlson, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

Regular Meeting

Public Comments: Carol Lyon approached and shared her address of 447 West 2400 North. Ms. Lyon stated that she wanted to know the status of the proposal for Sunset Elementary to be used as a homeless shelter, either temporary or permanent.

Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill clarified that the last he had heard about Sunset Elementary was that after Mayor Madsen had toured the facility, they didn't think it would fit the needs they had. However, that didn't exempt the location from still being considered. But after touring a couple of other facilities as well, the overall consensus seemed to be that a location closer to the middle

of Davis County was needed. Again, he couldn't be held to that definitively, but that was the last update they had received. He thanked Ms. Lyon and asked if there were any other comments.

Chad Bangerter approached and shared his address was 110 W 2400 N. He thanked Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill for answering the previous question, noting the Council often doesn't feel it's appropriate to answer public comments and questions directly. Mr. Bangerter stated he was also concerned about the Sunset Elementary property situation. In discussions with some county commissioners over the past couple of weeks, he had learned that the property was still under consideration and had not been removed from the scope. Mr. Bangerter suggested that the Council or Mayor Pro Tem reach out to the school's principal to find out what she knew about the situation. He mentioned there had been an open house at the school's closing where there was a lot of discussion, but he overheard comments suggesting the property was already under contract for sale. He asked them to look into it on their end if possible. Mr. Bangerter then offered condolences on the loss of Mayor Madsen. He knew it was tough for the Council as well, as he had worked with Mayor Madsen for several years. He expressed appreciation for all the Council was doing to continue working for the best of the City. In his opinion, Mayor Madsen deserved more than he received - after 27 years with the highway patrol, there was very little representation from them at his funeral services. As vice chair of the Fire District as well, there was little representation from them at the actual services, though they were present the night before for the viewing. Mr. Bangerter commended the great representation from the City staff, Council Members, and Police Department who attended. He stated that Mayor Madsen was a great man who would be truly missed. It was important to keep his family in prayers and to continue remembering his legacy and what he had done, as well as honoring former mayors who had passed, as there had been some great ones besides himself. He offered his condolences and appreciation to the City for all they had done, acknowledging it was a tough situation.

Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill followed up on the discussion about Sunset Elementary. He stated that they had received a letter giving them the first option to purchase the property from the Davis County School District. If they were not interested, the district would be notified so they could proceed with marketing the property to others. However, with everything that had transpired with Mayor Madsen's passing, they had not yet had an opportunity to formally respond to that letter or consider purchasing the property. But they had received that first option letter to purchase the property.

Brian Thompson introduced himself, stating that he lived at 1756 North 250 West. He wanted to comment about the 1800 North expansion project. Mr. Thompson stated that he had received a letter from the state indicating they wanted to acquire his property, as well as some other properties they had started purchasing over three years ago. A plan had been incorporated stating they now wanted his property in order to basically build a driveway to the Central Park in Sunset. Mr. Thompson explained that he and his wife had moved to Sunset over 26 years ago. They had rented for 26 years before finally having the opportunity to purchase a home, and they decided to stay in Sunset. Both of their children and their spouses also lived in Sunset and were raising his grandchildren there. He expressed pride in being a Sunset resident for nearly three decades. When his grandchildren attended the local schools, he was an active volunteer with the PTA. In his work, he was on call 24/7, but whenever available, he would help work at events.

Both Mr. Thompson and his daughter had been trained and certified as part of the Community Emergency Response Team, although he hadn't been able to volunteer much. He had assisted a couple of times with crowd control and security for the City's fireworks show when available between being on call for work. Mr. Thompson stated that he felt there could be other options besides taking his property on 250 West just to create another driveway access to what would be left of the City Park after the road expansion. He wanted to know if this plan was finalized. Nonetheless, Mr. Thompson emphasized that he and his wife had chosen Sunset decades ago to raise their family and now grandchildren. They really did not want to be forced out of the City they loved. That was all he wished to convey.

1. Discuss Appraisals and Receive Updates from UDOT on the 1800 North Project: Dian McGuire introduced herself, stating that she was the one handling the acquisition side. She had printed out the appraisal documentation which she provided to the Council Members. Ms. McGuire explained that she had split up all the parcels, and what she had printed was the main information in an easy-to-read format rather than going through closeout documents. Council Member Carlson stated that when he first looked at the figures for this commercial property, they all seemed low to him. Ms. McGuire explained that, as she had mentioned, she was not the appraiser. They hired independent appraisers, so they did not have a vested interest in what the property values were determined to be. Council Member Carlson referred to the piece of property down by the railroad tracks that had buildings on it. Ms. McGuire responded that the buildings did not contribute value, meaning no value was attributed to them. Council Member Carlson expressed surprise, stating he didn't think they were evaluating the usability of the buildings, which were permanent structures, so they should have value. Ms. McGuire clarified that she didn't believe the appraiser had attributed any value to the buildings. This was likely because if the properties were listed for sale, the question was whether a buyer would want the buildings or if they would demolish them to build something new there instead. That was the rationale for not assigning value to the existing buildings. Council Member Carlson pointed out that the City had been using those buildings as their Public Works facility, so the buildings did have use and value to them. He stated that when projects came in and they were forced to acquire more property for an expanded Public Works facility, it was not cheap to do so. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill noted that since Ms. McGuire was just the realtor acquisition agent, if these appraisal values were going to be contested, like the question Council Member Carlson had raised appropriately, a solution was available. Ms. McGuire confirmed the City could get a second appraisal done at no cost to them by going through the Ombudsman's office. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill stated that he thought everyone seemed to feel that course of action was reasonable. Ms. McGuire added that the City could actually pick their own appraiser to perform the second evaluation. Council Member Carlson verified that the City would have to pay for having a second appraisal done. Ms. McGuire clarified the City would not pay. She explained the City would go to the state's Ombudsman's Office, which would provide a list of approved appraisers, and the City could select whichever one they wanted from that list to perform the second appraisal free of charge. Council Member Carlson asked if they would get just one more appraisal then. Ms. McGuire asked how many additional appraisals the Council would like. Council Member Carlson noted that in many business dealings, the standard was to get three or more appraisals. Ms. McGuire explained that with the City's situation, they would re-cap because the state was offering to pay for the second appraisal. The City could get their own third

appraisal if desired, but the state likely would not recognize that one officially. Their recommendation was for the City to pick an appraiser from the state's approved list. If that appraiser's valuation came in higher, perhaps \$100 more per property, then a negotiation could potentially occur over that increased valuation amount. However, if the City selected an appraiser not on the approved list, that could make the negotiation process more difficult. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill stated that before ending the meeting for the night, they needed to determine a point of contact if serious questions had been raised about pursuing additional appraisals, as that seemed to be an avenue of interest to some Council Members. He asked if there were any other questions pertaining to the appraisals before moving on. Council Member Carlson wanted to include a question for Director Monroe about the retention pond related to water collection. He asked if it was just for the 1800 North project area or if it covered a larger area for water flow. Director Monroe explained the retention pond covered everything from 800 North all the way up to 1800 North, as well as collecting runoff from above the old Public Works shop area. In total, it collected about 65% of the City's water runoff. He stated that as part of the UDOT 1800 North project, they would be adding some smaller detention ponds behind the job trailer site, specifically in the area to the east of the job trailer where two homes had been. Those would be detention ponds rather than a retention pond, and they would tie into the City's existing larger retention pond. Ms. McGuire added that UDOT would establish a temporary easement during construction so they could ensure proper drainage while working on that area. Council Member Carlson asked about the temporary easements mentioned. Director Monroe confirmed the City's engineer had done all the necessary hydraulic calculations, so they were good to proceed with the planned drainage system. Council Member Carlson sought clarification that the City would not be owning that specific ponding area, just making it larger. Ms. McGuire explained they had obtained a temporary easement for that area, but the City would maintain ownership of the existing retention pond. She believed UDOT's new detention ponds would be situated right next to the road once the old job trailer area was cleared out. Aubry Bennion offered to pull up the map to show the council members the details being discussed. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill asked if there were any other questions before thanking Ms. McGuire and the UDOT team for the informative presentation. He noted it seemed they would be in further contact soon regarding the appraisals.

Ms. Bennion pulled up the first couple of maps she had previously shared with the Council Members.

Greg Davis from David Evans and Associates, a consulting engineering firm hired by UDOT to design the project, stated he could pull up the map and walk the Council through it, addressing any questions the members had. Mr. Davis provided a narrative overview of the project schedule. The design had been underway for about two and a half years, so they were pretty far along in the process. They were currently putting together the advertising package to request construction bids that fall, likely in November. Once awarded to a contractor, the expectation was that construction would begin in spring 2024 as soon as the weather allowed. Council Member Carlson remarked that construction seemed likely to start even sooner than spring, given the project timelines. Mr. Davis acknowledged the aggressive schedule, noting this project had been in the works for a while. His team had previously presented details to the Council over the last year, keeping them informed as designs progressed. Council Member Carlson agreed, saying it seemed like the project had been kicked down the road many times before finally gaining

traction. Mr. Davis confirmed it was finally happening and ushered the team to pull up the map visuals for the Council's reference during the rest of the discussion. Director Monroe assisted in pinpointing the areas of interest, identifying the railroad tracks, City retention pond, and future detention pond locations being added as part of the project. Mr. Davis pointed out the former Public Works facility on the west end, as well as the green areas indicating the new detention ponds being added - one north of the old Public Works site and another just west of the LDS church. He explained that because the project was adding a significant amount of impervious paved surface area, they had to increase the regional detention capacity to handle the increased runoff. This was the purpose for the added ponding basins. For the section between the railroad tracks and 250 West, Mr. Davis described the roadway cross section as five lanes - two lanes in each direction plus a center turn lane. There would also be 12-foot shoulders incorporated, as well as a multi-purpose path running the full length from Main Street to 2000 West. One side would have the standard 5-foot sidewalk with park strip, while the other side had a 12-foot multi-use path plus park strip. Director Monroe confirmed that conformed to the City's specifications for the path and sidewalks. Council Member Thompson asked where specifically the road overpass or viaduct section would start in the map area shown. Director Monroe estimated it would be around the 350 North cross-street. Mr. Davis then described the plans for the area around the church's west entrance. He said there would be retaining walls along the road all the way up to the railroad tracks as the road climbed over them. The retaining walls would wrap around where the bridge started. Council Member Carlson confirmed that there would be a pass through on the east side. Director Monroe added that for Public Works, they would have a fence on the south side to prevent vehicles from parking there. Council Member Thompson asked if for residents at 350 W, the area would be blocked off, requiring them to go up 1600 N and over to 250 W in order to access 1800 N. Mr. Davis confirmed this. He then pointed out another frontage road in a darker gray color on the south side of the new lanes to maintain connection within the neighborhood there. Mr. Davis said demolition and construction activity would be visible in the area, clarifying that although it may look like the project had started, the runway construction itself had not begun in earnest yet.

Mr. Davis explained that due to two driveways off 1800 N being closed on the west side, they wanted to add an additional access point to the park for residents. Director Monroe confirmed there was currently one driveway there that would remain open on the east side. Ms. Bennion confirmed they were losing those two driveway entrances, but gaining the new one shown. Ms. Bennion confirmed they were losing those two driveway entrances, but gaining the new one shown. Mr. Davis then pointed out three properties outlined in blue the state had purchased for the park to replace what was being taken for the interchange. Mr. Thompson from the audience asked if this property acquisition had already been approved. Mr. Davis said yes, and explained that the documentation for the properties outlined in blue was part of a lengthy "6F" approval process that was about 95% complete and had been submitted for final approval that week. Ms. McGuire provided some context that a staff member designated to work on the 6F process had left recently, so they were trying to get a new person assigned to complete the remaining steps. Mr. Davis noted the 6F process was required due to federal money used for the initial park acquisition decades ago. Mr. Bangerter from the audience suggested clarifying the purpose for the residents whose properties were involved. Ms. McGuire confirmed Mr. Thompson's property was not part of the acquisition. However, Mr. Thompson stated he wanted to know why a

dedicated right-turn lane from 250 North onto 1800 North would go through the middle of his front yard. Ms. Bennion suggested discussing Mr. Thompson's specific situation separately after the meeting.

Council Member Smalling wanted to discuss how the interchange would connect to the main roads and freeway, being curious about those details. Mr. Davis offered to pan the map eastward to show that area. As the map view moved east, Mr. Davis pointed out the Main Street intersection first. Council Member Carlson commented that it looked like a good interchange design that should work really well, like others recently built. Ms. Bennion pointed out the existing I-15 lines that were hard to see, explaining that area would be demolished as I-15 shifts over with the new single point urban interchange design. Council Member Thompson asked whose property was being taken for that. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill said the Mida property impacts would need to be addressed. Chair Penman asked if there had been continued contact with the Mida property owner since the form-based code efforts, as the planning commission had passed that responsibility to the City at some point. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill said he would have to check if Mayor Madsen had taken that on, as he did not know the current status.

Mr. Davis asked to zoom the map out a bit to provide a bigger picture view of the location. Mr. Davis then described how I-15 was being relocated eastward onto the current Hill Air Force Base property through an ongoing land transfer between the base and the state. The existing I-15 area, shown in green, would become UDOT's property in the future. He pointed out the single point urban interchange design, similar to others, that would allow for a lot of traffic capacity. Mr. Davis noted that I-15 would go up and over this new interchange, requiring traffic traveling east on 1800 North to climb up and over as well. He also mentioned a pedestrian overpass planned just east of the interchange to connect the future trail system. Council Member Carlson expressed surprise at all the recent work done on I-15 through this area, only for it to be demolished and relocated.

Council Member Smalling asked if the interchange and 5600 North projects would be bid together in January, and if they would be constructed simultaneously, expressing concerns about potential traffic nightmares like the current 5600 North project. Mr. Davis said it would all be bid as one project. Ms. Bennion assured that since this was all being built on currently undeveloped "greenfield" land, there would be very minimal impacts felt by existing traffic on I-15 or surface streets during construction, unlike the 5600 North project. The only area of impact would be at the 1800 North interchange tie-in. Mr. Davis agreed, estimating three total years of construction. The first year would focus on the new interchange area away from I-15. The second year would likely shift northbound I-15 traffic to the new lanes while building the middle section where the existing I-15 is now. But he reiterated there should be very little disruption felt by current I-15 travelers. Council Member Smalling remained concerned about potential issues given the area's busy traffic, despite being told impacts should be minimal. She cited poor signage and dangerous conditions during the 5600 North project as reasons to plan carefully. Ms. Bennion clarified again that since they were building in an undeveloped area away from existing roads initially, there would be no impacts felt until the short interchange tie-in period.

The discussion turned to the project phasing, Mr. Davis said 1800 North utility relocations would likely begin in that first year, which always requires significant work on UDOT projects according to Ms. McGuire's experience. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill was curious about the timeline for the utility relocation work on the 1800 North portion, since that was near his house. Mr. Davis acknowledged they needed to get the utilities out of the way first. Ms. Bennion used the example of another project to illustrate that utility relocation work had been ongoing since construction started in October, with grading work just beginning a couple weeks prior in front of the Holiday gas station area. She explained that all the early work focused on relocating utilities to clear a path for building the new road on top.

Ms. McGuire said one positive was never having to wait for trains again, recounting her own experiences waiting 20 minutes or more over the last two decades when houses near the tracks had to be purchased. Council Member Smalling agreed that was indeed a benefit they were looking forward to. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill pointed out the small green dot at the far left of the screen, indicating that was the location of his backyard, so he wanted to be aware of impacts in that area.

Ms. Bennion mentioned they had a project website with a similar version of the map that could provide more detail. She guided them through finding visuals and simulations on the website that could better help visualize aspects like the overpass, retaining walls, and bridge that had been difficult for property owners to picture initially. Council Member Smalling suggested putting that website link on the City's website as well, with some brief instructions on how to access the visuals and simulations. Ms. Bennion and Ms. McGuire confirmed the website resources were meant to be helpful for residents understanding the project. Mr. Davis pointed out which view on the simulation would represent the vantage point from Sunset looking west towards the interchange area. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill thanked the presenters for the great information and suggested meeting separately with Mr. Thompson afterwards.

2. **Consider and Approve Resolution 2024-10 Approving the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Davis County for Dispatch Services:** Chief Jamison said he felt the costs proposed by Davis County were very reasonable. He mentioned potentially renegotiating down the road once Layton had its own dispatch center operating, but felt Davis County's current rates were an excellent deal for the services provided. Council Member Carlson recalled when dispatch fees had first been implemented years ago on a per-call basis, with Davis County charging \$2.50 per call at one point, and Clearfield looking at \$2.25 per call. He noted this agreement seemed to be based on the number of officers instead. Council Member Thompson asked what would happen if their number of officers changed in the future. Chief Jamison stated the fee would remain for the current year, but could be adjusted the following year based on any changes.

Council Member Smalling made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-10 and Council Member Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote from Council Members Carlson, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

3. **Consider and Approve Resolution 2024-11 Approving the Local Public Safety and Firefighter Surviving Spouse Trust Fund Cost-Sharing Agreement:** Chief Jamison explained this was something they had been paying annually for years, with last year's cost around \$760. He said it technically cost \$100 per officer and was a legislated program they had to participate in. The fund assisted surviving spouses and children of fallen firefighters or public safety officers in Utah by providing financial support after such tragic events. Sunset's cost for the current year was \$900. Council Member Carlson pointed out the section stating coverage extended to any child of the member until age 26.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-11 and Council Member Smalling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote from Council Members Carlson, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

4. **Mayor, Council and Department Head Reports:** Council Member Smalling reported the Mosquito Abatement had a meeting the same day the sad news about Mayor Madsen came out, making it difficult for him to fully focus and take good notes. She provided an overview that they were in their budgeting process like other entities. They had a full staff crew this year, even with extra applicants, which was unusual. Preparations were underway to start operations, including working with partners in California. Their new truck that had been on hold was also being delivered. Council Member Carlson asked if the mosquito crew staffing was the same as prior years. Council Member Smalling confirmed they did have a full staff, which was the first-time adding positions in almost a year. With the new truck arriving, they were also looking at potentially needing to relocate their facilities. For the Fire District, the main focus had been the budgeting process as well. Council Member Smalling described it as a huge, tight budget with many uncontrollable costs like insurance reimbursement rates that were frustrating to deal with. She shared the Fire District was extremely busy, with over 300 calls in April alone, around 200 of which were medical calls. There had been one structure fire that month causing about \$100,000 in damage to the back side of a home in Sunset. Council Member Smalling mentioned the anticipated June completion for the new fire station was looking less likely based on contractor reports, though an exact timeline was still uncertain. Factors like electrical work and other elements out of the District's control were causing delays, though construction was coming along nicely overall. On a separate note, Council Member Smalling expressed appreciation to the City staff for their hard work during the very difficult previous week following the Mayor's passing. She specifically thanked the front office staff, Public Works, and the Police Department.

Council Member Thompson's reported said he had contacted the Davis School District about the park area with a playground and bowery near Fremont Elementary that the City owned. Ideally, she hoped the district would grant ownership of that property to the City, but was still waiting to hear back with their final determination that week. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill agreed that even if the City had to purchase the land, it should be considered since that bowery area was heavily utilized for events like sports team parties in his experience. Regarding the upcoming parade, Council Member Thompson said the organizer from Sunset Junior High had reached out initially, but subsequent attempts to communicate details had failed. Her hope was that participants would still show up on the day of the parade, otherwise it would be very small with few registered entries. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill asked what more could be done to promote the parade, since

Council Member Thompson was already sending weekly emails. Council Member Thompson said she did not know, unless Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill was aware of specific businesses to personally contact. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill suggested they could have the Office Manager review previous parade entries to contact them to reach out for more participation. Turning to the Grand Marshal for the parade, Council Member Thompson stated she believed there was agreement on who would fill that role, but needed to determine if a fancy vehicle or trailer would be preferred to transport the honoree and their family. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill said he would reach out to the selected individual to get their preference and ideas. He mentioned planning to contact her son as well. Recorder Supp asked for clarification on who the Grand Marshal would be. Director Monroe confirmed it was planned to be Connie Madsen. Council Member Thompson elaborated that directly behind the Grand Marshal's vehicle, she envisioned having an "In Memoriam" parade entry with Mayor Madsen's family members like grandchildren riding on a trailer.

Council Member Carlson had nothing to report but thanked the City staff for their hard work.

Director Monroe shared he would send an email about declaring the old dump trailers previously discussed as surplus to sell off, pending Council approval via email. For his second item, Director Monroe briefly discussed with Chief Jamison about the upcoming road construction on 1300 North and 250 West near a school crossing area. His proposal was to make those intersections 4-way stops for enhanced child safety. Council Member Smalling welcomed feedback on the idea. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill agreed the intersections at 1300 North and 2300 North should both be considered. Council Member Smalling voiced full support for 4-way stops in that area given the traffic. Director Monroe stated it was an unavoidable need in his opinion to better protect children. While he knew it could frustrate some drivers, he felt non-residents would be the ones most impacted. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill raised a concern about implementing 4-way stops so close to Main Street, as 1800 North would become a major east-west corridor once the large road construction project started next spring. With limited optimal routes until 5600 North was complete, he worried 4-way stops on 1800 North could significantly impede traffic flow. However, Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill reinforced his agreement that child safety was the top priority. He just wanted to ensure thorough discussion about potential traffic impacts. Council Member Thompson, speaking as someone who frequently travels City roads, anticipated significant pushback from drivers over new 4-way stops in that area. Chief Jamison had not been in the right mindset during his initial brief discussion with Director Monroe, but supported the idea conceptually. Council Member Smalling felt it was a change that would take some getting used to, but improvements often face initial resistance. Director Monroe described his vision as not just simple stop signs, but a full-fledged school zone with LED-outlined signs, advance warning flashers, and pedestrian crosswalk signals activated by crossing guards. This would be a properly implemented safety zone, not a quick fix. While different pedestrian crossing designs like illuminated red lights could be considered, Director Monroe stated this would be a full budget package to execute correctly based on his preliminary cost estimates. Shifting topics, Director Monroe said his staff had been out doing residential Lead and Copper inventory inspections in preparation for future pipeline replacement projects. They were still on track to complete the inventory by early October. Council Member Smalling asked if they were encountering any issues with residents during the inspections. Director Monroe said there were

occasional calls against the work, but he appreciated Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill's recognition that Sunset was likely the only City making this intensive effort to fully catalog its system details. Most other cities were likely not meeting the requirements as diligently. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill hoped this level of preparatory work would be taken into consideration for any future grant funding opportunities, since other cities might just plead, they did their best with limited resources. Director Monroe agreed, stating he did not want to let the state just give a 90-day order to complete more work later. With the grant funding, his approach was to complete the Lead and Copper inventory now and move to the next replacement phase.

Chief Jamison started his report by acknowledging the extremely difficult last two weeks in the wake of Mayor Madsen's tragic passing. As someone with 27 years of service to the City, this was likely the toughest situation he had ever dealt with professionally, given his close relationship with the Mayor. He described still struggling to wrap his head around the overwhelming loss of not just the City's leader, but his phenomenal boss and friend. The initial shock was compounded by a SWAT standoff, numerous traffic accidents including a severe rollover crash involving teenagers, and another unexpected resident death within the City - a destabilizing series of events. Chief Jamison credited the department's support team and therapists for their urgency in providing resources to help officers process the accumulated traumas. However, between this and dealing with typical high call volumes, it had been an incredibly tough situation to manage. Council Member Smalling wanted to recognize that Sunset's Police department seemed understaffed compared to neighboring Clearfield based on relative call volumes and officer counts. Chief Jamison confirmed Sunset had handled just 2,000 fewer calls than Clearfield the prior year, leaving Clearfield's mayor puzzled over the disproportionate workload. While admitting they could not control call volumes, Chief Jamison assured they loved their work and took pride in serving the community. They would persevere and keep plugging along through this difficult period. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill thanked the chief for the update and his department's perseverance.

Recorder Supp reported the City newsletter was at the printers. She also wanted to confirm for the next meeting that there would be no earlier start time - it would remain at the normal 6:30pm start, and it would also incorporate an open vote for mayor position as per the consensus. Recorder Supp checked if everyone remembered that. Council Member Carlson mentioned that they were going to discuss how they would vote. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill recollected the discussion they had, stating that they thought everyone had approved doing it not as a special meeting but as an open meeting at the very beginning of the next meeting in two weeks. He asked if anyone had an agreement with doing it that way. Council Member Carlson clarified that what they were referring to was not a special meeting but a regular scheduled meeting, as a special meeting would be called for a specific purpose. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill confirmed that there were no objections to that, reiterating that they were going to vote, but there was no objection to the proposed open vote approach. Council Member Carlson agreed that it was fine. Council Member Carlson clarified that they were waiting for any objections, and there were none.

Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill informed everyone if they were having mosquito problems in their area, they could certainly put in a call to the Mosquito Abatement. He shared that the previous year,

they had put in a call, and the Mosquito Abatement team was there the very next day, spraying their neighborhoods. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill urged everyone not to forget that this service was available to the entire community, there was a number to call, and they could take care of it. Regarding Fun Days, they knew everyone was deep into the preparations and appreciated all the effort put into it. He then shared his thoughts about the Mayor Madsen, he had been his deputy mayor for his entire term, and it was an honor and privilege to have him as a mentor. As stated by everyone, Mayor Madsen had also become a friend. He described him as an awesome person and expressed that what happened was tragic. He could only hope that all the people in the office, Public Works, and the Police department could move forward. As a Council, he knew they could put their heads down and move forward to make the transition as easy as possible for the City staff. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill wanted to remind everyone that leaders were only as good as the people they surrounded themselves with to support them. He felt that as a Council, they had done an extremely good job working with the departments they had, which were awesome, to provide their community with awesome service. He thanked everyone for their support.

Council Member Carlson made a motion to move into the Work Session and Council Member Smalling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Carlson, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

WORK SESSION (Began at 8:13pm)

1. Discuss FY24 Budget Amendments: Recorder Supp explained that on the first page, she had updated any revenues that had come in higher. The property tax had come in a little higher, and business licenses slightly, and that was about it. She mentioned that nothing had changed on page two, as those all stayed the same. There was also nothing in the Mayor and Council, Court, or in the Administration budget; besides the adjustment from the last time where the phones were updated to align with how the Treasurer's pay was handled versus how her predecessor's pay was handled. There were no changes on page five through seven. Moving to page eight, where this showed their total fund balance would be 34.29% of the state statute. In the Utility fund, they had not taken down any accounts for the rest of the budget because she did not want anything to go too low, so she had just kept it all the same from the last time. They asked if anyone had any questions on that.

Moving to page twenty, this was where the only thing changed was in Capital Outlay, where she had added the payment on the Public Works building including the amount of \$353,373 from the sale of the 1913 property. She had just received that bill, so the voucher would be put on the next Council meeting agenda, and they would see it being paid out before the end of the year.

On the General fund summary with the budget as it was, they were going to use \$274,330 of the fund balance for the revenues over expenditures. On the last page for the total of all the funds, revenues over expenditures were \$762,462. They had done a lot of work on this budget last time, and there were not a lot of changes.

2. Discuss FY25 Budget Requests: Moving on to the FY 2025 budget, Recorder Supp stated on page two she had added the transfer from the Economic Development funds, in the amount of \$68,000 for the bowery and the playground. She knew there had been some talk about having

different quotes for park toys that were ADA accessible. Council Member Thompson confirmed she had quotes. Council Member Thompson said she was going to put it all together and inform everyone at a later time. Recorder Supp asked if the amount for the transfer was still okay with everyone. After receiving confirmation, she stated when they hold their public hearing, they would ensure that in the open public meeting, they talked about this transfer.

Moving on, Recorder Supp mentioned nothing had changed on page three. On page four, the planning services they had moved last time to the Economic Development fund. She shared that she moved the monthly price for PSN of \$50 in the Administration budget in the General fund to the Utility fund because it was only for utilities. However, that was the only thing that had changed recently in the Administration budget.

On page five in the Non-Departmental fund, she had updated the camera system to reflect the new price with the park cameras. This request was \$3,400 higher in this fund. Nothing had changed in the Police budget.

Over to Streets budget, she had put "moved" instead of "removed" for all those ones, so everyone knew it was not actually taken out for the Ventrac and the Asphalt Zipper. The same changes were done on page seven in Buildings and Grounds, just having an update to the camera, door and install in the amount of \$3,400.

Recorder Supp stated that under Parks, the \$68,000 was for the bowery and the playground. She had put it as an expenditure in Parks and a revenue in the General fund, and it would also be seen coming out of the separate Economic Development Fund. These changes brought the budget to 23.8% of the state statute. Recorder Supp mentioned that was a good spot to be in.

On page nine, it reflected the utility bill increases as they had discussed several times. On page 10, in the Water fund they would see the \$100 for the PSN services instead of just \$50, which was the only thing that had changed in that fund. In the Non-Departmental fund there was another item for the camera system, which they would see up there.

Recorder Supp then mentioned she had received an email from Madison Aviles on the grant for recycling cans right before the meeting but was unable to read it so she would pass along the information as soon as she could. For budgeting purposes, she had put \$30 per recycling can, with 1,800 cans at \$30 each in the Capital Outlay line in the Refuse fund.

In Buildings and Ground there was the increase in the building upgrades for the park cameras. In Storm Water and Class C, nothing had changed. Moving to the Dispatch fund, she had taken out Animal Control fees, and changed Dispatch fees to 90 cents that everyone had approved, so that the revenue and the fund balance would slowly drop. Nothing had changed in the Emergency Preparedness or Liquor Control funds.

Recorder Supp stated in the Youth City Council fund, everything remained the same. There was nothing in Miscellaneous Grants or CDBG. In the Economic Development fund, they were going to see the transfer to the General fund of \$68,000 for the bowery and the playground. In the

General fund, they would be using from their fund balance for the revenue over expenditures. On the total funds on page 23, that brought them to a usage of \$1,715,738 of the fund balances combined for all the funds. Council Member Thompson felt like they were trending in the wrong way, thinking it was probably because they had moved things to the smaller funds. Recorder Supp expressed that by utilizing the smaller funds it relieved some of the burden put on residents by not having to raise taxes since the General fund was stressed.

Director Monroe shared he wanted the Council to consider some items regarding their speed monitoring sites in the City. He stated there was special signage that a vendor was offering a deal where if they bought two, they could get one free. The Council had been talking lately about four-way stops and slowing traffic down, and they thought this was another good way to do that. Director Monroe suggested using the Local County Highway fund to pay for the signs. Council Member Thompson asked if they were talking about the signs that just showed the speed limit and the driver's current speed. Director Monroe said if someone were to call and say there were a lot of people speeding down a particular street, they would leave the sign there for a week and then compile all that data, such as how many speeders there were and at what times, and all that different data could be collected. For example, if the speed limit was 25 mph, and someone was going 40 or 50 mph, it would continuously tell people to slow down. In the last month, they had seen probably around 10 to 15 people going through school zones that would trigger it. Council Member Smalling said it might only be a temporary fix while the sign was there, but it did make people think twice before they got there. Director Monroe mentioned that they had separate post spots across the streets, so they could change the direction every couple of months. Council Member Carlson requested \$16,000 for the speed signage. Council Member Thompson expressed concern over the frequent reckless driving and drag racing occurring from 1800 N to 1300 N, noting that speed bumps may deter some dangerous behavior even if unable to entirely stop it. Director Monroe stated speed bumps ruin snow plows so they are not a great option on a Public Works standpoint. As the discussion continued, Council Members weighed various options, considering logistics and costs. Ultimately, a consensus emerged to allocate funds for installing three additional speed signs.

The conversation then shifted to potential improvements at the Veterans Memorial park. Council Member Smalling raised the idea of a statue honoring veterans but noted the prohibitive \$50,000 to \$70,000 estimated cost based on initial inquiries. Council Member Smalling expressed hesitation about over-developing the park, intended as a solemn space for remembrance. Council Member Carlson pointed out the need to balance commemorating Veterans with providing enjoyable community spaces for all residents. Concerns arose about the park becoming an event rental venue, contrary to its purpose. Ultimately, no firm decision emerged regarding major new installations like a statue. However, the Council supported modest beautification efforts respectful of the park's reverent atmosphere.

Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill then addressed a few final housekeeping items. He stated they would not proceed with placing the budget on the agenda for the next meeting, as only revenues will increase and no additional questions or concerns over the budget were asked. However, he reminded everyone that if they were considering running for the mayor position, they needed to

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declare their candidacy by the next meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Wiggill noted that the next meeting would allow them to take care of mayoral candidate declarations and other business matters.

Council Member Smalling made a motion to adjourn the Work Session and go back into the Regular Session and adjourn. Council Member Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Council Members Carlson, Smalling and Thompson voting yes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Approved – June 18, 2024

Scott Wiggill, Mayor Pro Tem

Nicole Supp, Recorder