

**MINUTES OF THE DRAPER CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024,  
IN THE DRAPER CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1020 EAST PIONEER ROAD, DRAPER, UTAH**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Troy K. Walker, and Councilmembers Mike Green, Bryn Heather Johnson, Tasha Lowery, Fred Lowry, and Cal Roberts

**EXCUSED:**

**STAFF:** Mike Barker, Acting City Manager; Kellie Challburg, Assistant City Manager; Scott Cooley, City Engineer; Spencer DuShane, Assistant City Attorney; Rich Ferguson, Chief of Police; Jennifer Jastremsky, Community Development Director; Malena Murray, Human Resources Director; Rhett Ogden, Parks and Recreation Director; Laura Oscarson, City Recorder; Linda Peterson, Communications Director; Clint Smith, Fire Chief; Jake Sorensen, Network Manager; Todd Taylor, Planner III; and John Vuyk, Finance Director

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## **Study Session**

### **Update: Major Road Capital Improvement Projects**

City Engineer Scott Cooley provided an update on current and planned road capital improvement projects and answered questions from the Council.

### **Presentation: 2024 Moderate Income Housing Report**

The Moderate Income Housing Plan was adopted into the General Plan in 2022, with an annual report and update as required by the State. Todd Taylor, Planner III, presented a 2024 Moderate Income Housing Report.

Responding to a question from Councilmember Green, staff said the State had not been specific about the number of residential units expected to be included in Station Area Plans (SAPs). Mr. Taylor said the current draft of the Town Center SAP included approximately 560 residential units. Councilmember Green said he wanted to include as few residential units as possible. The Council discussed that the City's annual Moderate Income Housing Update must be approved by a third party (Wasatch Front Regional Council) with somewhat ambiguous approval standards. Councilmember T. Lowery asked to see the most recent draft of the Town Center SAP. The Council and staff talked about the need for location-appropriate residential units and parking.

The Council discussed reducing the square-foot threshold for internal accessory dwelling units (ADUs). Mayor Walker thanked the staff for the presentation.

### **Council/Manager Reports**

Staff provided an update on a current development project. A Councilmember thanked staff for the recent Draper Days. Staff reported on recent vehicle accidents.

### **Closed Session**

Councilmember Johnson moved to recess to a closed session to discuss litigation and the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property. Councilmember T. Lowery seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

	YES	NO	ABSENT
Councilmember Green	X		
Councilmember Johnson	X		
Councilmember T. Lowery	X		
Councilmember F. Lowry	X		
Councilmember Roberts	X		

### **Business Session**

#### **1. Call to Order by Mayor Troy K. Walker**

#### **2. Pledge of Allegiance by John Vuyk**

#### **3. Public Comments**

Kathleen Keller, a Draper resident, commented on weeds in the corridor by Willow Creek between 150 East and 300 East and said she expected better for her taxes.

Annie Tippets, a Draper resident, thanked Councilmember T. Lowery for responding to an email she sent and spoke of confusion regarding the maintenance responsibility of the hillside behind her property.

#### **4. Consent Items**

##### **4.a Approval of the July 2, 2024, City Council Meeting Minutes.**

- 4.b Resolution #24-35, a Resolution authorizing the purchase of a police canine for a nominal sum.
- 4.c Resolution #24-36, a Resolution of the Draper City Council approving a Multi-jurisdictional Building Inspection Services Agreement.

Councilmember Green moved to approve the Consent Items. Councilmember T. Lowery seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

YES    NO    ABSENT

Councilmember Green	X
Councilmember Johnson	X
Councilmember T. Lowery	X
Councilmember F. Lowry	X
Councilmember Roberts	X

5. Items for Council Consideration

- 5.a Public Hearing: Local Consent for a Single Event Permit for Craft Culinary Concepts LLC dba Vermilion Hospitality Group.

Business License Official Travis DeJong explained the application for local consent for a Single Event Permit for an event at the Loveland Living Planet Aquarium and said the application met City requirements.

Mayor Walker opened a public hearing, and closed the public hearing seeing no one come forward.

Councilmember Green moved to approve the Local Consent for a Single-Event Permit for Craft Culinary Concepts LLC dba Vermilion Hospitality Group.

Councilmember F. Lowry seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

YES    NO    ABSENT

Councilmember Green	X
Councilmember Johnson	X
Councilmember T. Lowery	X
Councilmember F. Lowry	X
Councilmember Roberts	X

5.b Public Hearing: Local Consent for a Beer-Only Restaurant License for Pork N Roll Utah Inc dba Pork N Roll.

Mr. DeJong presented the application for a Beer-Only Restaurant License for Pork N Roll and said the application met all distance requirements.

Mayor Walker opened a public hearing, and closed the public hearing seeing no one come forward.

Councilmember F. Lowry moved to approve Local Consent for a Beer-Only Restaurant License for Pork N Roll Utah, Inc. dba Pork N Roll. Councilmember Roberts seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

YES    NO    ABSENT

Councilmember Green	X
Councilmember Johnson	X
Councilmember T. Lowery	X
Councilmember F. Lowry	X
Councilmember Roberts	X

5.c Public Hearing: This is an opportunity for the public to address the Council about the creation of a new school district.

Mayor Walker explained the boundary of the proposed new school district would include the cities of Lehi, American Fork, Cedar Hills, Highland, Alpine, and a section of Draper within Utah County boundaries.

Mayor Walker opened a public hearing. Seeing no one come forward, Mayor Walker closed the public hearing.

6. Community Reinvestment Agency meeting

Councilmember Green moved to recess to a Community Reinvestment Agency meeting at 6:55 pm.

Councilmember Roberts seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

YES    NO    ABSENT

Councilmember Green	X
Councilmember Johnson	X

Councilmember T. Lowery X  
Councilmember F. Lowry X  
Councilmember Roberts X

The Council returned to regular meeting at 7:32 pm.

7. **Adjournment**

Councilmember Green moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember T. Lowery seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

July 16, 2024

**OFFICIAL LETTER OF COMPLAINT**

Mayor Troy K. Walker  
Council Member Mike Green  
Council Member Bryn Heather Johnson  
Council Member Tasha Lowery  
Council Member Fred Lowry  
Council Member Cal Roberts

Honorable Mayor Walker and Distinguished Council Members:

We, the undersigned neighbors along the corridor of Willow Creek between 300 East and 150 East, do hereby petition the City of Draper to address the problem of six foot+ high Russian Thistles growing along the creek bed in the above-mentioned location. We have repeatedly brought this ongoing problem to the attention of your Code Enforcement Officer, to Greg in your Draper Parks Dept. and to Drew in your Storm Water Maintenance Dept. We began kindly advising your Code Enforcement that the thistles were growing rapidly on June 3, 2024. We reached out to Greg in the Parks Dept. and were referred to the Storm Water Dept. who returned our call on July 3, 2024 and informed us that Draper had sprayed the road bed along the creek and that the thistles were the responsibility of Salt Lake County Flood Control. When we called Salt Lake County Flood Control, they tell us that they are only responsible for the flow of the water and that Draper owns the land and they are responsible for the out-of-control vegetation. We call Draper and they point the finger at the County. and we call the County and they point the finger at Draper. That is our problem.

Let it be said that the residents on the east side of 300 East on the **Willow** Creek corridor have a beautifully manicured landscape that is maintained by the City of Draper. Please be advised that those of us residents on the west side of 300 East on the Willow Creek corridor pay our taxes

just like the people on the east side of 300 East. We are entitled to the same amenities as the people on the east side of 300 East.

We are not asking for a manicured landscape. We are requesting that the six feet tall Russian Thistles be cut down and removed immediately. They must be removed to prevent the spread of the thistles because the seeds travel even when the thistles have been cut down. When these noxious weeds bloom, they spew forth seeds that infest our properties and take hours to remove in addition to the cost of pesticides to control them.

When we do not follow the Draper laws in maintenance of our properties, we are issued a citation by code enforcement. When Draper does not follow the Draper laws in maintenance of their property, they are allowed to ignore our requests and there is no price to pay for Draper City and they conveniently point their finger at the Salt Lake County Flood Control.

We respectfully bring this problem to your attention in an effort to establish better communication between us, the residents, Draper City and Salt Lake County Flood Control. We are willing to work with the City, but we are now held hostage by the finger pointing of one government dept. versus another government dept. This is not effective or efficient. For the taxes we pay in Draper, we expect better from our Draper City.

Respectfully submitted by the following residents:

