

**Minutes of the North Logan City
City Council
Held on July 17, 2024
At the North Logan City Offices, North Logan, Utah**

Item #1 - Opening Business

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lyndsay Peterson at 6:31 p.m.

Council members present were: Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey. (Joni Kartchner was excused.)

Others present were: Amanda Wilkinson, Michael Wilkinson, Dave Flandro, Cameron Whiting, North Park Police Department Lt. Andy Marchant, Logan Fire Chief Nate Thompson, Jordan Oldham, Scott Perkes, Scott Bennett, Alan Luce, and Marie Power.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Buzzy Mullahkhel.

An invocation was given by Mayor Lyndsay Peterson.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion

Emily Schmidt made a motion to adopt the agenda, as presented. Buzzy Mullahkhel seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey voting in favor.

Approval and Follow-up of Minutes of the June 26, 2024 City Council Meeting.

Motion

Mark Hancey made a motion to approve the above-referenced set of minutes, as presented. Kenny Reese seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey voting in favor.

Recognition of Exemplary Staff Member

Mayor Peterson recognized Chase Argyle from the Streets Department, for his exemplary work in his department. Public Works Director, Jordan Oldham nominated him.

Review of Action Items

Alan Luce reviewed the list with the council, and addressed various questions and comments.

New Business

Current Action Items

Mayor Lyndsay Peterson read aloud the guidelines for speaking at a public hearing, for the following three items on the agenda.

Item #2 - 6:35 Public Hearing to receive public input regarding North Logan City's proposed application to the Council of Governments (COG) for funding for 200 East Roadway reconstruction, which would include a new signalized intersection at 1600N 200E. Following the public hearing, the City Council may consider approval of this application.

Jordan Oldham explained the background on this roadway project, which he explained is being done as a collaboration with the City of Logan, and is for the reconstruction of 200 East, and includes a signalized intersection at 1600N 200E. He used a displayed aerial image of the location to give a general explanation of the plan. He explained the work and application process the City has undertaken to this point, and how that process is managed. He said this application will go to the COG (Council of Governments), which is a grant request for seven million dollars to complete this roadway, which amount he explained is the North Logan City portion only. He said that North Logan has to match that amount with 8%, which equals approximately \$518,000. He also said that along with this project, North Logan will have a water-line replacement; and the

57 engineering estimated cost for that is approximately \$500,000, which he said is *not* eligible for the
58 COG funding. He also mentioned that Logan City's portion for their match is much smaller, at
59 \$400K, and reiterated that this is a joint application.

60 Alan Luce and Jordan addressed questions from the council, including the layout for the project,
61 and some of the details for the reconstruction.

62 Alan explained the difference with how the COG is managing the funds this year, per a question
63 from Mayor Peterson regarding the total "pot" of money that is available. He also explained
64 "regionally significant" roads, which are identified by UDOT, the CMPO, and the COG, which for
65 North Logan City are 200 East, 3100 North, 1200 East, and 2500 North. He explained that those
66 "regionally significant" roads do not have a "cap" for requesting funds, and that the only cap is
67 how much money is actually available in that year. He said if your road is not on that approved
68 "regionally significant roads plan," then there is a cap of approximately \$400,000; and also
69 explained that cities are also split between the designations of "urban" and "rural" and the pot of
70 money is different for each of those.

71 Mayor Peterson explained the monthly meetings she attends on this, and commented that this
72 application amount is a significant "ask" but said that these are roads that are driven on by
73 everyone in the area, and commented further.

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75 *Mayor Peterson opened the public hearing at 6:48 p.m., stating that the rules she read previously*
76 *for speaking at a public hearing still apply.*

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78 North Logan resident, Cameron Whiting said that only saw the one-page proposal for this, and
79 was concerned because he didn't see any accommodations for pedestrians, or cyclists, or traffic
80 calming measures; and said he would really like it if it included all three of those things.

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82 Mayor Peterson asked Jordan to address this; and Jordan explained that this plan does include a
83 signalized intersection at 1600 North, as well as plans for an eight-foot pedestrian path on the
84 east side of this roadway.

85 Per a question from Buzzy Mullahkhel, Jordan confirmed that the path will be made of blacktop;
86 and said they will continue that corridor all the way through, along with a four-foot bike lane.

87 Alan explained some of the difficulties they've incurred with this 80-foot right-of-way and all that
88 they're putting in; and said the only thing they couldn't include along this section is parking, which
89 is in order to accommodate parking and a multi-use path.

90 Per a question from Buzzy, Alan said that the sidewalk on the west side will remain, and
91 commented further.

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93 *Mayor Peterson closed the public hearing at 6:50 p.m., as there were no further public comments.*

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95 Kenny Reese asked about how this is managed in the budget, which Mayor Peterson and Alan
96 explained.

97 Kenny also asked what the system is for determining which projects are chosen, which Mayor
98 Peterson explained, including the committee process and how the various funds are used,
99 depending on the types of roads. She said the percentage of votes that the valley Mayors have
100 on these projects is very small, and that there is feedback that the voting Mayors actually do not
101 have enough influence or say in determining the outcome of which projects get funded. She
102 commented further, and explained how the process works for applying, and how the projects are
103 reviewed, and more. Mayor Peterson also mentioned that there is a significant advantage to
104 being on the list of regionally significant roads.

105 Mayor Peterson and Alan continued to address various, related questions from the council.

106 Emily Schmidt mentioned the two letters of support that she has received on this, which she said
107 is really good to see, particularly in terms of the safety issues that exist there.

108 Alan commented on this and explained the significant benefit in getting this done due to the
109 considerable safety issues that exist in this location, and that this will finally address that.

Motion

Emily Schmidt made a motion to approve this application to the Council of Governments (COG) for funding for 200 East Roadway reconstruction, which would include a new signalized intersection at 1600N 200E, as presented. Buzzy Mullahkhel seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey voting in favor.

Item #3 - 6:38 Public Hearing to receive public input regarding North Logan City's proposed application to the Council of Governments (COG) for funding for engineering and improvements for a 1200 East 3100 North Roundabout (installation of a single lane roundabout with pedestrian crossings). Following the public hearing, the City Council may consider approval of this application.

Jordan Oldham explained the situation and application request for this, which is for funding the planning and improvements for a single lane roundabout with pedestrian crossings at 1200 E 3100 N. He explained various details of the site, including the subdivision that was built there recently, and the setbacks that the City put in at the time, in order to install a roundabout at a future date. He explained various, related details further. He said the cost for this is estimated cost for this is \$1,250,000, and the City's 8% match is roughly \$92,000. He mentioned that this situation is "cleaner" as the City has no need for any utility improvements.

Mayor Peterson opened the public hearing at 6:59 p.m., stating that the rules she read previously for speaking at a public hearing still apply.

Amanda Wilkinson said they live in a home close to this intersection, and said there's a lot of support from the neighborhood for this roundabout, and said they've been hoping for this for a couple of years. She said one of the main concerns of the neighbors is pedestrian safety, particularly for all of the school children that will be traveling to and from North Park and Greenville Elementary schools, on foot, scooter, and bicycle, and how the children would be getting around that, and explained further. She said the other question the neighbors have is how the center of the roundabout going to be designed, and whether it will look similar to the one in Hyde Park on 1600 East. She also mentioned that with the improvements that were made for the new subdivision, there are now some existing drainage issues that were not happening before, and she wanted to make the City aware of them. She said that will likely have to be looked at, especially around the area of the canal; but said these issues are secondary to the pedestrian issue of the kids getting to the schools.

Alan Luce asked Amanda for clarification on where the drainage issues are occurring, which she explained.

Jordan explained what will be put in place for safety measures for the roundabout to allow pedestrians to navigate it safely, including using pedestrian flashers, and having a significantly lower speed limit in the roundabout, and commented further.

Amanda asked if there will be a pedestrian approach to the roundabout; and Jordan confirmed that will be the case, in all directions.

Various items were discussed further, and Jordan and Alan explained additional details and addressed questions and comments. Alan explained the intentions for the center of roundabouts, in that they're designed so that people are not to supposed to see over or through the center of them, in order for increased safety. He commented further.

The discussion on this continued.

Dave Flandro made a recommendation that these roundabouts could potentially be done as service projects, both installed as well as maintaining them, instead of not really having any design to them; and they could then be something that really adds value to the community, and commented further.

Cameron Whiting said, the same as the others, he's interested in traffic-calming measures ahead of the roundabouts.

Alan agreed with Cameron's point; and explained that today, most roundabouts are now designed to slow traffic down as drivers approach the roundabout, and explained further.

The discussion continued.

Michael Wilkinson said he would recommend having the roundabout be higher in the middle, as he said he can imagine people driving over the top of them in that location very quickly, and down that road away from that stop sign. He mentioned some of the flatter roundabouts in town that he sees people driving over the middle of them.

Alan reiterated that they are supposed to be designed to not be able to see over, and explained further.

Mayor Peterson closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m., as there were no further public comments.

Buzzy Mullahkhel asked about the slope on that road, and whether we have any ability to do add something or reconstruct it, in order to deal with the difficulty in being to slow down or stop in that location on icy days. Jordan addressed this and said there is really no way to do this, and explained further.

Buzzy also asked what the situation is with the rights-of-way in this area, which Alan addressed and detailed.

Kenny Reese asked what happens if the COG approves this funding, and then we're unable to move forward with the project. Alan addressed this and explained that the COG is always aware of that potential, but that is typically avoided by North Logan doing its due diligence and speaking with the adjacent property owners on a project, and including that information as part of the application process.

Kenny expressed his concerns about the actual safety of roundabouts, despite the data. Jordan and Emily Schmidt addressed his questions and concerns, and explained the data, and reality of roundabouts actually being much safer, both for traffic as well as pedestrians.

Various related items on this were discussed and debated further.

Motion

Buzzy Mullahkhel made a motion to approve this application to the Council of Governments (COG) for funding for engineering and improvements for a 1200 East 3100 North Roundabout (installation of a single lane roundabout with pedestrian crossings), as presented. Emily Schmidt seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey voting in favor.

Item #4 - 6:41 Public Hearing to receive public input regarding North Logan City's proposed application to the Council of Governments (COG) for funding for engineering and improvements for 1200 East Roadway (from 3175 N to 3290 N). Following the public hearing, the City Council may consider approval of this application.

Jordan Oldham explained that North Logan is essentially the "letter of support" for Cache County, who is doing a roadway improvement project, explained where this is taking place, on a section of North Logan roadway, on 1200 East, from 3175 N to 3290 N. He said Cache County owns that roadway, once you pass the North Logan boundary; and said that road has been in need of a rebuild very a very long time. He used an aerial photo of the site to explain the portions of roadway further. He also detailed the improvements that will be done with this, and also mentioned the discussions Sunrise Engineering, who is spearheading this project, has had with the affected property owners, including North Logan's proposed roundabout for 3100N 1200E. Jordan said this project is totally being run by Cache County, and said the total estimated cost for North Logan's portion is \$710,000, and North Logan City's 8% match is approximately \$56,000. He explained that with this, we would have to install a sewer line out to our northern boundary, which he said is something North Logan City has needed to do for a long time, and will cost us an estimated \$200,000.

Mayor Peterson opened, and then closed the public hearing at 7:19 p.m., as there were public

comments forthcoming.

Motion

Kenny Reese made a motion to approve this application, to the Council of Governments (COG) for funding for engineering and improvements for 1200 East Roadway (from 3175 N to 3290 N), as presented. Emily Schmidt seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey voting in favor.

City Council Work Session Items

Item #5 - Updates regarding North Logan's Moderate Income Housing Plan annual reporting.

Scott Perkes reminded the City Council that a couple of years ago, the State Legislature mandated that every community of a certain size was required to include a Moderate Income Housing element into their General Plan. He further detailed the process and requirements, and what list options the communities were given to determine what to include in that housing plan. He reviewed some of the elements on the required "checklist" that the City had to submit, including describing the meetings and workshops that were held with the Planning Commission, and having to report that process and the commission's findings to the state as part of the application. He reviewed the list of goals and strategies that staff and the Planning Commission put together as part of that plan; and also discussed other requirements, including when and how often they are required to resubmit the plan, annually. Scott also discussed some of the changes that have been made to some of the uses in the City.

Scott addressed questions and comments from the City Council, and they continued to discuss various, related items.

Mayor Peterson expressed her gratitude for how hard Scott has had to work on this, and for his "Herculean" effort on this.

Mayor Peterson also expressed her issues with the fact that the state treats every community the same, and the lack of consideration for what cities are doing, or have done, to manage issues in their own communities. She also discussed the need to continue communicating with our representatives, and commented further.

Mayor Peterson repeated how much she appreciated Scott's work on this, and how fortunate the City is to have him.

Mark Hancey asked about the including of the information regarding impact fees, which Scott addressed.

Item #6 - Updates regarding the North Logan City General Plan.

Scott Perkes reviewed various upcoming dates for meetings and workshops that are being held to continue the discussions and planning for the City's General Plan rewrite; and also discussed the additional upcoming Public Workshop, and the items they will be discussing and reviewing. He mentioned that said these meetings will be advertised through the typical channels.

There was discussion about potential conflicts with the August 8th meeting, which they worked through, and agreed that at this point, they could hold the August 8th meeting.

Item #7 - Updates regarding North Logan's water capital improvement projects.

Jordan Oldham gave an update on the city's water improvement projects, including relating to water retention efforts and the amended water fees. He also discussed the approval of the Division of Drinking Water application loan the City will receive in the amount of \$8 million, for 30 years at 2.25%. He said the City will use an additional million dollars out of the water fund to match that grant, and explained further, including that those funds will primarily go towards the new water tank and distribution lines. He asked the council to review that, because they will seek approval for that at the first City Council meeting in August.

Jordan reviewed the remaining items on the list. He also explained that the lead and copper project is complete and that we are the first city in the valley to do that, and commented further.

Item #8 - Updates on Civic Center.

Alan Luce gave an update on the status of this project.

Item #9 - Reports from City officers, boards, and committees.

Chief Nate Thompson explained that they were given the incorrect date (of July 1, 2024) as to when the new ISO rating of 2 goes into effect; and that it will actually go into effect on September 1, 2024. He commented further.

Per a question from Buzzy Mullahkhel, he also discussed the new wildfire mandate that Rocky Mountain Power is implementing for wildfires in relation to turning off the power in the event of an area wildfire, which he explained at the last City Council meeting.

Chief Thompson also said they are keeping an eye on whether or not fire restrictions will move from the current level 1, to a stricter level 2, and explained further, briefly.

Chief Thompson also discussed the recent call stats for the department. Per a question from Mayor Peterson about fireworks restrictions for the 24th of July, he said the department is reviewing that and discussed what they are putting in place to ensure that they are using appropriate safety measures, and watching extremely closely.

Chief Thompson continued to address questions from the council.

NPPD Lt. Marchant gave an update on the stats for the police department, as well as explained the current staffing situation.

There was also discussion that the National Police Night Out would not be taking place this year, as it would be replaced with the event for Remember 9-1-1, which he explained further.

Alan Luce reviewed the upcoming events list with the council, and addressed their various questions. They discussed the events for the 24th of July, and the City Council's participation in some of the events on that day. Alan also discussed the upcoming Utah League conference with them, and getting registered for that.

Item #10 - Closed Session to discuss the acquisition of real property.

Motion

Emily Schmidt made a motion to close the regular City Council meeting and move into Closed Session, in the adjacent conference room, for the purpose of discussing real property, after a short recess. Buzzy Mullahkhel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called for and taken, and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey all voting yea, in favor. This occurred at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes for this portion of the meeting are written under separate cover.

Motion

Emily Schmidt made a motion to move out of Closed Session and return to the regular City Council meeting. Buzzy Mullahkhel seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey voting in favor. This occurred at 8:21p.m.

Item #11 - Consider the approval of proposed purchase contracts for properties along 1200E.

Motion

Emily Schmidt made a motion to approve the proposed purchase contracts for properties along 1200 East, as presented. Buzzy Mullahkhel seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey voting in favor.

Motion

Emily Schmidt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mark Hancey seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously with Buzzy Mullahkhel, Emily Schmidt, Kenny Reese, and Mark Hancey voting in favor.

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336 The meeting adjourned at: 8:25 p.m.

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338 Approved by City Council:

August 7, 2024

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Scott Bennett/City Recorder