

THE STATE OF UTAH

COUNTY OF SEVIER
CITY OF RICHFIELD

At the City Council
In and For Said City
September 10, 2024

Minutes of the Richfield City Council meeting held on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Richfield City office building located at 75 East Center, Richfield, Utah. Mayor Bryan L. Burrows presiding.

1. OPENING REMARKS
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. MINUTES
5. EXPENDITURES
6. OTHER BUSINESS
7. ADJOURN & EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. OPENING REMARKS were offered by Elaine Street.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Kip Hansen.

3. ROLL CALL. Bryan Burrows (not voting), Kip Hansen, Kendrick Thomas, Elaine Street, Brayden Gardner, Michele Jolley (not voting) and Rob Jenson (not voting). Tanner Thompson was excused. Also, Trent Lloyd, Keith Mogan, Edward Nielson, Rob Call, Natalie Call, Carson DeMille, Matthew Lenhart and David Anderson.

4. MINUTES APPROVED. The Council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on August 27, 2024. **Motion:** Approve the minutes of the August 27, 2024, meeting. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kip Hansen, **Seconded by** Elaine Street. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4). **Yes:** Kip Hansen, Brayden Gardner, Elaine Street, Kendrick Thomas. **Excused:** Tanner Thompson.

5. EXPENDITURES APPROVED. The Council reviewed the August 2024 Warrant Register. **Motion:** Approve the warrants and cash disbursements for August 2024. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendrick Thomas, **Seconded by** Elaine Street. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4). **Yes:** Kip Hansen, Brayden Gardner, Elaine Street, Kendrick Thomas. **Excused:** Tanner Thompson.

1 6. Consider the delay of improvements: street improvement (shoulder), curb,
2 gutter, sidewalk until a date certain, or as part of any area-wide improvement
3 plan for Rob & Natalie Call for property located at approximately 1149 North 500
4 East, per ordinance 17.13.240 (b).

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6 Rob Call addressed the council and made the request to delay to curb and
7 gutter due to the fact that the surrounding buildings don't have it currently. He
8 said it would not fit the aesthetic appeal and consistency through the
9 neighborhood.

10 Councilmember Gardner asked if the request is consistent with others the
11 council has granted in the past. It is inline with other requests for delays of
12 improvement, Administrator Jolley said.

13 Mayor Burrows said he doesn't feel it would be possible to install the
14 improvements in the area at this point in time. Councilmember Thomas asked
15 about the future, and how the city insures it can get the improvements at a later
16 date. It is something the city would like to see accomplished at some point due
17 to the growing amount of traffic and pedestrian use along 500 East.

18 City Administrator Jolley said the Calls would have to sign a document stating if
19 a special improvement district were to be implemented in the area, the would
20 not be able to vote against it.

21 Mayor Burrows asked if it has to be specifically tied to a special service district. It
22 doesn't. The agreement could also be triggered if surrounding properties were
23 to develop with the curb, gutter and sidewalk. The timing of the improvements
24 would be at the discretion of the council, said Councilmember Thomas. He said
25 it should be noted in the agreement that he council has the discretion to
26 determine when the improvements go in.

27 Councilmember Hansen said he feels it is a reasonable request, but he does
28 have some hesitation due to the fact that the city has ordinances for a reason.
29 Exceptions are what they are, and he doesn't like them.

30 Mayor Burrows said 500 East is a major collector road, but will never get the
31 footage it needs. It is important to consider what is realistic for the area.

32 Public Works Director Mogan said there are not any pressing concerns from his
33 perspective – there is already a waterline in the area. There is no sewer service in
34 that area.

35 **Motion:** Approve the request to delay improvements of curb, gutter and
36 sidewalk until a date certain, or as part of any area-wide improvement plan for
37 Rob & Natalie Call for property located at approximately 1149 North 500 East,
38 per ordinance 17.13.240 (b). **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendrick Thomas,
39 **Seconded by** Kip Hansen. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote
40 (summary: Yes = 4). **Yes:** Brayden Gardner, Elaine Street, Kendrick Thomas, Kip
41 Hansen. **Excused:** Tanner Thompson.

7. Consider awarding the 300 South Improvement project bid to Carlisle Excavating with a bid of \$109,632.

Public Works Director Mogan explained the project would encompass the frontage of properties along the south side of 100 South between 100 East and Main Street.

Councilmember Thomas asked why there was such a difference on item 1-9 of the bid between Rasmussen Excavation and the other two (Rasmussen \$796, Carlisle Excavation \$10,375 and Hales and Gravel \$11,537). Mogan said it appears to be a mistake on the part of Rasmussen.

The bid totals were Carlisle Excavating \$109,632, Rasmussen Excavation \$123,326.25, Hales Sand and Gravel \$155,839. The starting date is tentatively set for Sept. 23, with completion by Nov. 15.

Motion: Accept the low bid by Carlisle Excavation for \$109,632. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kip Hansen, **Seconded by** Brayden Gardner. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4). **Yes:** Brayden Gardner, Elaine Street, Kendrick Thomas, Kip Hansen. **Excused:** Tanner Thompson.

8. Consider approving the installation of a fence and lighting for the pickleball courts at Rotary Park.

Mayor Burrows asked if the fence is installed, would it mean the loss of the basketball court at the Rotary. Recreation Director Brady Edwards said it would. The City received a bid from Robins Fencing for \$12,680, which is approximately half what it was anticipated to be. The city also had another bid for some \$22,000, so Edwards said the bid from Robins appears to be a good deal for the City. He said people shy away from playing on the new courts at the Rotary Park because every time the ball leaves the court, it bounces or rolls into the grass and players have to chase it down. The fence will keep the ball contained on the court.

Edwards said he is asking both for the fencing and an additional \$10,000 for lighting. This would make the area much more useable for what the City has intended. The basketball standards would be moved and integrated into the new Lions Park remodel.

Councilman Hansen asked about the lighting portion of the project and if \$10,000 would be sufficient. Edwards said it would be, and that the lighting would likely come in at less than \$10,000. The lighting will include two poles and four lights to illuminate the two courts.

Mayor Burrows asked if the council is approving the lighting later. Edwards said if it authorized the funds now, the project could all be completed faster.

Motion: Approve the installation of a fence and lighting for the pickleball courts at Rotary Park including the \$12,680 bid from Robins Fence Company as well as an additional \$10,000 for lighting. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kip Hansen, **Seconded by** Elaine Street. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4). **Yes:** Brayden Gardner, Elaine Street, Kendrick Thomas, Kip Hansen. **Excused:** Tanner Thompson.

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2 9. Consider approving the trimming of trees on Main Street with funds set
3 aside for tree trimming.
4 Public Works Director Mogan said there are 56 trees in total along Main Street.
5 The city received two bids, one from S&S Tree Service for \$11,958 and the other
6 from Tip Top Tree Service for \$16,000.
7 The bid would take approximately half the height off of them as well as shape
8 them so they are away from the buildings – addressing some of the complaints
9 the city has received.
10 Councilman Thomas asked how much this will eat into the amount set aside for
11 tree trimming. There is approximately \$30,000 for tree trimming in the budget. This
12 is separate from funds available for the cemetery. The bid from S&S is
13 approximately \$200 a tree.
14 **Motion:** Approve the trimming of trees on Main Street with the bid from S&S Tree
15 Service for \$11,958. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Brayden Gardner, **Seconded by**
16 Kendrick Thomas. **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:**
17 Yes = 4). **Yes:** Brayden Gardner, Elaine Street, Kendrick Thomas, Kip Hansen.
18 **Excused:** Tanner Thompson.
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20 10. OTHER BUSINESS. Recreation Director Brady Edwards said the city may
21 want to consider locking its bathrooms at the city parks unless there is a
22 specified event. There have been two incidents of vandalism in recent weeks
23 where stalls have been completely destroyed, each costing up to \$10,000 in
24 damage. Edwards said for that cost, the city could rent porta potties all year
25 long. It's beyond frustrating. The city is already locking them at dark, with
26 vandalism occurring in the daylight hours.
27 Police Chief Trent Lloyd said the vandals have been caught in both instances.
28 However, he said the chances of the city recovering sufficient restitution to pay
29 for the damage is slim. The perpetrators are all either from Richfield or South
30 Sevier. Nobody calls, even though it is happening during daylight hours. Others
31 have damaged the city's playground equipment by drawing on it, which is
32 something that also likely occurred during daylight hours. The graffiti can't be
33 completely removed due to the surfaces that were hit with it.
34 Edwards said they will continue to fight the good fight, but it is frustrating.
35 Edwards said in some larger communities, a designated wall is provided for
36 people to put graffiti on with the theory that it prevents it from being put in other
37 areas. Councilmember Hansen said he doesn't buy into that theory. Public
38 restrooms have always had minor vandalism.
39 Hansen said he hesitates to invest money into remodeling the restrooms in the
40 parks because of this type of vandalism. One solution used at road-side
41 restrooms is masonry walls for the partitions so nothing short of a jackhammer
42 can damage them, Councilmember Thomas said.

1 Monroe City's restroom utilizes the masonry walls with a door, said Administrator
2 Jolley. Councilmember Street said they could even design an L-shaped
3 entrance to eliminate the need for doors.

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5 Public Works Director Mogan said the city's road sealing project is starting to
6 wrap up. From 500 South to 100 North there has been a micro-surface applied,
7 which has made the roads look really good. The hope is the surface will help
8 extend the life of the roads for some time.

9 The water project is also continuing. The health department only takes samples
10 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, which has become a factor in slowing
11 the project. The next step for the project is 700 North and 300 East.

12 Councilmember Thomas said he is appreciative of the roads in Richfield City
13 after visiting another community recently and comparing the two.

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15 City Administrator Jolley said the City party is set for next week. There is also a
16 need for a joint session with the council and the planning commission, which is
17 set for Monday Sept. 16 at 6 p.m. The session will be to discuss the City's general
18 plan.

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20 ADJOURN & EXECUTIVE SESSION. At 7:32 p.m. adjourn and convene an
21 executive session to hold a strategy session to discuss the purchase, exchange,
22 or lease of real property. **Motion: Adjourn and move into a closed session to**
23 **discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real property. Action:** Adjourn,
24 **Moved by** Kip Hansen, **Seconded by** Kendrick Thomas. **Vote:** Motion carried by
25 unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4). **Yes:** Brayden Gardner, Elaine Street,
26 Kendrick Thomas, Kip Hansen. **Excused:** Tanner Thompson.

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PASSED and APPROVED this * day of * 2024.

Recorder