



AMERICAN FORK CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 10, 2024
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Members Present:

Staci Carroll	Council Member
Ryan Hunter	Council Member
Tim Holley	Council Member
Ernie John	Council Member
Clark Taylor	Council Member

Members Absent:

Bradley J. Frost	Mayor
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Staff Present:

David Bunker	City Administrator
Camden Bird	Assistant City Administrator
Terilyn Lurker	City Recorder
Derric Rykert	Community Services Director
Patrick O'Brien	Development Services Director
Anna Montoya	Finance Officer
Aaron Brems	Fire Chief
George Schade	IT Director
Cherylyn Egner	Legal Counsel
Cameron Paul	Police Chief
Sam Kelly	Public Works Director
Bronte Stevens	Communications Specialist

Also Present: American Fork Public Safety personnel, Police Chief Brian Gwilliam and wife, Officer Goodale, Officer McComie, Officer Valadez, Officers Williams, Officer Kinser, Landon Waldvogel, Matt Waldvogel, Stacy Waldvogel, Hunter Waldvogel, Peyton Waldvogel, Leanne Maclean, Jaren Maclean, Paul Maclean, Adam Maclean, Heather Goodale, Wendi Karbakhsh, Abraham Karbakhsh, Dave Andrews, John Ragan, John Judd, Matthew Judd, Nathan Simpson, and several additional citizens.

The American Fork City Council held a public hearing in conjunction with the regular session on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, in the American Fork City Hall, 31 North Church Street, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

- Receiving public comment on the vacation of a public utility easement located at approximately 19 North 900 West.

There were no public comments.

Regular Session

1. Pledge of Allegiance; Invocation by Council Member Holley; roll call.

Mayor Pro Tem Clark Taylor welcomed everyone to the meeting. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation was offered by Council Member Holley. Roll call was taken. Mayor Frost was excused from the meeting.

2. Presentation of the HERO Award to Officer Goodale, Officer McComie, Officer Valadez, Officer Williams, Officer Kinser, and Landon Waldvogel.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor invited Chief Paul, Chief Gwilliam, Officer Goodale, Officer McCombie, Officer Valadez, Officer Williams, Officer Kinser, and Landon Waldvogel to the front. He read the following:

On the night of August 8, 2024, a routine patrol turned into an extraordinary act of heroism. Lone Peak Police Officer Austin Williams was on duty when a 17-year-old driver sped past him at more than double the speed limit. As Officer Williams turned to initiate a traffic stop, the driver ran a red light, lost control, and collided with a tree. The impact was catastrophic, and the car burst into flames almost immediately.

A short video of the event was shown.

Officer Williams acted swiftly, attempting to save the young driver trapped inside the burning vehicle. The situation was dire-the driver's door was jammed, and the young man was pinned by the crushed dashboard. As the flames grew, Officer Zach Goodale of the American Fork Police Department arrived with a fire extinguisher, helping to momentarily control the flames.

In the midst of this crisis, 21-year-old Landon Waldvogel, a nearby resident, ran to the scene. Without hesitation, Landon began carrying buckets of water from his home to help douse the flames. His actions, alongside the officers, were crucial in preventing the fire from spreading further.

Officers Jordan McComie, McKay Valadez, and Dakota Kinser soon arrived and joined the rescue efforts, helping with additional fire extinguishers and water. With time running out, Officer Goodale grabbed a tow rope from his patrol vehicle and the officers used it to pull the jammed driver's door open. Together, the officers freed the young driver from the burning car.

In just over five minutes, these brave officers and Landon made the difference between life and death. The young man was transported to the University of Utah Hospital's Burn Center, where he was treated for second-degree burns.

Officer Williams, Officer Goodale, Officer McCombie, Officer Valadez, and Officer Kinser, your actions that night exemplifies the very best of what it means to serve and protect. Landon, your courage and selflessness in a moment of crisis prove that heroes come in many forms.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor presented them with the HERO award.

Chief Gwilliam and Chief Paul came forward to share a few words.

Chief Gwilliam, the Lone Peak Police Chief, stated it was appropriate they are here on the eve of September 11, where we are recounting heroics that took place in 2001 and in August. He expressed his appreciation for the American Fork employees, noting the three officers were integral to accomplish what was done. He remembers watching the raw video, and he gets emotional talking about it. He felt like a proud father, and he walked around with his head held higher when they talked about this incident. He wanted to recognize the three officers. In the Lone Peak Police Department, they give out a "Chief's Citation" for those officers who do exemplary work. He presented the American Fork officers with the Chief's Citation from the Lone Peak Police Department. He thanked the city for giving him the opportunity to recognize our officers.

Chief Paul wanted to recognize the families and spouses of those serving in public safety, which is challenging for them. Families are often overlooked. His favorite part of the job is to interact with the personnel. He stated they comprise the best people in society, people who want to serve and protect others. He is surrounded by incredible people and wanted them to remember their impact on society, on each other, and on him, was significant and life changing. He thanked them for all they did.

3. Twenty-minute public comment period - limited to two minutes per person.

There were no public comments.

4. City Administrator's Report

David Bunker announced that "Bubble Day" will be held on September 23rd. The fitness center will be closed while personnel install the bubble over the pool.

Mr. Bunker congratulated the officers for their incredible work. He is in awe when he watches that video. It was a heroic act, with quick thinking on the part of the officers. He appreciated the public safety department.

5. Council Reports

Council Member Carroll had nothing to report. She asked Chief Paul to pass on to his officers that she agrees with the comments made about the things they do every day and their families that sacrifice for them. This was incredibly moving watching their work, with no thought for themselves.

Council Member John had nothing to report.

Council Member Holley had nothing to report. He stated he has been out for a few weeks with his military reserve time. There was a lot going on in Europe, and it made him much more appreciative of the safety and security we live in. His job is to read articles, and he reads about rockets that are sent in to kill people. He was grateful to live in this country, and grateful for those who serve and protect us.

Council Member Hunter stated he loves American Fork and what this community stands for. They may get riled up in potholes, but that goes away when we think of what really matters. This was truly impressive of the young man who stepped in and helped the officers. He appreciates them and thanked Council Member Holley for his service, noting his son is off for his first military assignment.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor commented that when they think about all that has taken place, the brotherhood and sisterhood of support shown tonight, and the award Chief Gwilliam gave to our officers, this was community and very much appreciated. They join arms and take care of each other. He appreciates his freedom and is grateful for Council Member Holley and others who serve this country. Freedom is a tremendous gift, and one they should be grateful for. He stated that having a young person jump in and help was refreshing; he expected to see great things out of Landon Waldvogel in the future.

Common Consent Agenda

(*Common Consent* is that class of Council action that requires no further discussion or which is routine in nature. All items on the Common Consent Agenda are adopted by a single motion unless removed from the Common Consent Agenda.)

1. Approval of the August 20, 2024, work session minutes.
2. Approval of the August 27, 2024, city council minutes.
3. Approval of the authorization to release the Improvements Durability Retainer of \$36,174.82 for Autumn Crest Plat E, located at 1040 North 930 East.
4. Ratification of city payments (August 21, 2024, to September 3, 2024) and approval of purchase requests over \$50,000.

Council Member John moved to approve the common consent agenda. Council Member Hunter seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ernie John, Council Member
SECONDER:	Ryan Hunter, Council Member
YES:	Carroll, Hunter, Holley, John, Taylor

Action Items

1. Review and action on an ordinance approving the vacation and relocation of a public utility easement located at 19 North 900 West as part of the Freeman Site Plan.
This was the purpose of the public hearing.

Council Member Carroll moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-09-42 approving the vacation and relocation of a public utility easement located at 19 North 900 West as part of the Freeman Site Plan. Council Member Hunter seconded the motion.

It was noted there were conditions attached to the motion.

Council Member Carroll amended the motion to include instructions to the city recorder to withhold recording the ordinance subject to final approval of the Freeman commercial site plan and recording of the new easement. Council Member Hunter agreed to the amendment. Voting was as follows:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Staci Carroll, Council Member
SECONDER:	Ryan Hunter, Council Member
YES:	Carroll, Hunter, Holley, John, Taylor

2. Review and action on a resolution to consider the Petition for Annexation of the E-Commerce Park Annexation, consisting of 6.26 acres located at approximately 1250 South 500 East.

Council Member Carroll moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-09-32R accepting the petition for annexation of the E-Commerce Park Annexation, consisting of 6.26 acres at 1250 South 500 East. Council Member Holley seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Staci Carroll, Council Member
SECONDER:	Tim Holley, Council Member
YES:	Carroll, Hunter, Holley, John, Taylor

3. Review and action on a resolution to consider the Petition for Annexation of the Auto Mall Drive Extension Annexation, consisting of 23.92 acres located at approximately 620 South 100 East.

Council Member Hunter moved to adopt Resolution No. 2024-09-33R accepting the petition for annexation of the Auto Mall Drive Extension Annexation, consisting of 23.92 acres at 620 South 100 East. Council Member John seconded the motion.

Voting was as follows:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ryan Hunter, Council Member
SECONDER:	Ernie John, Council Member
YES:	Carroll, Hunter, Holley, John, Taylor

4. Review and action on subdivisions, commercial projects, condominiums, and PUD's including 1) plat approval; 2) method of satisfaction of water rights requirements; 3) posting of an improvement bond or setting of a time frame for improvement installation; and 4) authorization to sign the final plat and acceptance of all dedications to the public and to have the plat recorded.

- a. Review and action on an application for a Final Plat, known as RCKM Medical Office, located at approximately 118 S 1100 E, American Fork City. The Final Plat will be for approximately 0.38 acres and will be in the PO-1 Zone.

Council Member Carroll moved to approve the proposed Final Plat, located at 118 S 1100 E, American Fork City, in the PO-1 zone, subject to any conditions found in the staff report. Council Member Holley seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Staci Carroll, Council Member
SECONDER :	Tim Holley, Council Member
YES:	Carroll, Hunter, Holley, John, Taylor

5. Review and action on approval of an Escrow Agreement with Central Bank and John Ragan for required development improvements.

Council Member Carroll moved to approve the escrow agreement with Central Bank and John Ragan for required improvements for the Ragan development. Council Member John seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Staci Carroll, Council Member
SECONDER:	Ernie John, Council Member
YES:	Carroll, Hunter, Holley, John, Taylor

6. Adjournment.

Council Member Hunter moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Carroll seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Terilyn Lurker".

Terilyn Lurker
City Recorder