



City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah
City Council Work Session
Special Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 26, 2024

ATTENDING: Mayor Ren Hatt, Council Members Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Ben Lehnhoff and Guy Webster; Employees; David Wilson, Julie Spadafora, Loni Meadows; Citizens; Mandy Dinkins, Chalyn Francis, and Lance Erwin.

CONDUCTING: Mayor Ren Hatt, the meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/Approve/Deny Ordinance NO. 2024-07 Amendments to 10-12-17: Vacation vehicles and Mobile Homes Prohibited; Exceptions
Mayor Ren Hatt opened the discussion on Ordinance No. 2024-07 regarding amendments to 10-12-17 concerning vacation vehicles and mobile homes. David Wilson provided a summary of the proposed changes, explaining that the ordinance would allow people to live in travel trailers while building a home, similar to existing rules for manufactured homes.
Guy Webster raised concerns about potential abuse of the ordinance, such as people claiming to be building homes outside city limits. The council addressed adding language to tie the allowance to building permits and limiting it to a cumulative one-year period.

MOTION: After a discussion, Guy Webster made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024-07 with these suggested changes to amendments 10-12-17 vacation vehicles, mobile home prohibited with the language in the last sentence in blue, the period of habitation such vacation vehicles should not exceed a cumulative year. He also state if they run into problems, it can be readdressed at that time if it is being abused. Kent Nelson seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Ben Lehnhoff and Guy Webster voted aye. The motion carried.
2. Discuss/Approve/Deny Ordinance NO. 2024-08 Amendments to Title 11 Subdivision Regulations
Mayor Ren Hatt introduced the amendments to Title 11 Subdivision Regulations, explaining that the changes were necessary to align with the new state

requirements. The main changes include replacing “City Council” with “Planning and Zoning” or “Zoning Administrator” in various sections and changing “Concept Plat” to Preliminary Plan.”

Guy Webster raised a questions about changing the lot number from 10 to 2 in section 11-1-3. David Wilson explained this was to limit exemptions from the normal subdivision process.

Kent Nelson suggested having the Planning Commission approve requests to ensure proper insights.

After a discussion, the council agreed to keep the number at 10 instead of reducing it to 2. They also decided to add back the “Meets and Bounds” language and to ensure correct terminology throughout the document.

MOTION: Guy Webster made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024-08 with the amendments to Title 11 Subdivision Regulations with the change of Title 11-1-3 saying 2 less than 2. Change that back to 10. And then, a basic grammar check, making sure to have proper terminology having the concept review where it should be.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Ben Lehnhoff and Guy Webster voted aye. The motion carried.

3. Discuss/Approve/Deny the purchase agreement for the private pipeline along Hastings Road

Mayor Hatt presented the purchase agreement for the private pipeline along Hastings Road, which had been in discussion for about 6-7 months. The agreement would allow the city to purchase the pipeline from Main Street to city limits. **MOTION:** Bo Harrison made a motion to approve the purchase agreement for the private pipeline along Hastings Road. Larry Packer seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, Ben Lehnhoff and Guy Webster voted aye. The motion carried.

4. Discuss Setting a three-year tentative calendar

Mayor Hatt introduced the idea of creating a three-year tentative calendar for the city. He suggested including City Council meetings, election-related events, and regular city events. The council discussed adding planning and zoning meetings, school district events, and potentially birthdays of city residents.

Guy Webster asked if the calendar would be available on the city’s website, to which Mayor Hatt confirmed it would be, with the option for people to subscribe and add it to their personal calendars. The council agreed it would be helpful for planning purposes and to avoid last-minute preparations for events like the city’s Christmas celebration.

5. Discuss Storm Mitigation Plan

Mayor Ren Hatt brought up the need to review and update the city’s storm mitigation plan. He mentioned that the document was extensive and suggested having a meeting with David Wilson to go through it page by page.

Council member discussed various issues they wanted to address in the plan including:

1. Drainage above the ditch
2. Engineering for areas without curb and guttering.
3. Addressing long stretches of road without proper drainage.
4. Updating outdated information in the current plan.

Mayor Hatt suggested meeting at the beginning of the year to review the plan and potentially seek grants for implementation. Guy Webster emphasized the importance of having a plan in place to qualify for grants and federal funding. David Wilson mentioned a recent meeting with (FEMA) Federal Emergency Management Agency regarding flood insurance and potential grant opportunities for certain projects.

6. Discuss Noise Ordinance

The council discussed ongoing issues with noise in the city, particularly related to loud music and barking dogs. Kent Nelson shared concerns about late-night noise from a nearby trailer park and difficulties in getting law enforcement to address the problem. Mayor Ren Hatt suggested setting up a meeting with Sheriff Huntington and local deputies to discuss enforcement of existing noise ordinances. Guy Webster emphasized that there are already state statutes in place that could be enforced without creating new city ordinances.

7. Discuss Office Hours

The council revised the topic of city office hours, particularly regarding Friday operations. Guy Webster expressed concern about potential conflicts with citizens if the office appeared closed during posted hours. David Wilson reported that Friday traffic in the office had been very low, with only 2-5 people coming in on recent Fridays. The council discussed potential solutions, including:

1. Having a staff member present to take bill payments.
2. Implementing a system to triage inquiries and direct people to the appropriate staff member.
3. Using signage to clearly communicate office hours and availability.

Mayor Ren Hatt said they would develop a basic plan and present it to the council at the next meeting.

8. Adjourn, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

MOTION: Kent Nelson made a motion to adjourn. Larry Packer seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Bo Harrison, Kent Nelson, Larry Packer, and Ben Lehnhoff and voted aye. Guy Webster abstained. The motion carried.

Ren Hatt, Mayor

Julie Spadafora, City Recorder

Approved: January 14, 2025