

1 Minutes of the Centerville City Council **work session** held Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at 5:45
2 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers, 250 North Main Street, Centerville, Utah.

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4 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

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6 Mayor Paul A. Cutler

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8 Council Members Ken S. Averett
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10 John T. Higginson
11 Stephanie Ivie

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13 **MEMBER ABSENT** Lawrence Wright

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15 **STAFF PRESENT** Steve Thacker, City Manager
16 Blaine Lutz, Finance Director/Assistant City Manager
17 Lisa Summers, Youth Council Advisor
18 Katie Rust, Recording Secretary

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20 **YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**

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22 Eli Bangerter Hannah Klein
23 Valarie Beer Lyndsey Kunzler
24 Rachel Creer Jenna Lewis
25 Jens Fillmore Nathanael McDonald
26 Jacob Garn Jeremiah Moore
27 Jessica Greer, Youth Mayor Joe Moore
28 Jordan Hawkes Thomas Newman
29 Abbie Hodgson Ayden Richards
30 Annelise Horlacher Spencer Vogrinec
31 Peter Jeppesen Abigail Wadley
32 Emma Kimball

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34 **YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT**

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36 Braden Brown Brittney McDonald
37 Sarah Cutler Brenna Wilkinson

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39 **WORK SESSION WITH YOUTH COUNCIL**

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41 Jessica Greer, Youth Mayor, described Youth Council activities planned for the coming
42 year. This year the Youth Council will have two representatives on each of seven City
43 committees: Jordan Hawkes and Jeremiah Moore with the Trails Committee; Jenna Lewis and
44 Jens Fillmore with the Parks and Recreation Committee; Anna Klein and Peter Jeppesen with
45 the Landmarks Commission; Lyndsey Kunzler and Brittany McDonald with the Whitaker
46 Museum; Annelise Horlacher and Spencer Vogrinec with the Planning Commission; Abbie
47 Hodgson and Jessica Greer with the City Council; and Rachel Creer and Ayden Richards with
48 the Centennial Committee. Councilman Averett suggested the Youth Council could also assign
49 representatives to the Citizen Corps Council.

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51 Mayor Cutler stated he feels the Centennial Celebration in 2015 will be a good
52 opportunity for Youth Council involvement. He suggested that, although most of the

1 celebration will take place around the 4th of July festivities, the Youth Council could sponsor an
2 activity earlier in the year. The City Council and Youth Council discussed possible opportunities
3 for Youth Council involvement in the Centennial Celebration.
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5 Steve Thacker, City Manager, described the different phases of the planned Community
6 Park Expansion Project. Mr. Thacker stated he is willing to meet with the Youth Council
7 representatives assigned to the City Council prior to Council meetings to brief them on
8 upcoming agenda items. Councilwoman Fillmore said she is excited to have the Youth
9 Council's voice on the City committees.
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11 Councilwoman Fillmore mentioned the pedestrian bridge that will be installed over I-15
12 to provide pedestrian and bike access to the west side of the city, and asked for Youth Council
13 input regarding what could be done to improve the community. Mayor Cutler added that he
14 would like Youth Council input regarding the west side planning process. The City is currently in
15 the process of long-term planning for the west side of the city south of the Megaplex theater
16 project area. The planning takes into account the desire for a FrontRunner stop in the future,
17 which would require higher density residential and commercial development around the desired
18 FrontRunner stop location. Councilwoman Fillmore pointed out that the design of the area,
19 more than the density, will be important in activating and generating need for a transit stop. She
20 mentioned Station Park in Farmington as an example of a well-designed higher density project.
21 Councilman Averett commented that developers on the west side have tried to attract
22 restaurants to the area, but have not been successful because of insufficient housing density.
23 Councilman Averett said he voted against higher-density housing projects on the west side
24 because of the lack of services available to support residents. He mentioned that he has been
25 impressed with the planning and design that allows residents and visitors to get around the high
26 density environment of Daybreak with ease. Councilman Averett added that mass transit and
27 pedestrian access play a big part in the Daybreak community. Long-term planning also takes
28 into account availability of shopping, schools, churches, and other necessary services.
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30 Mayor Cutler stated that the school district has expressed a desire to be involved and
31 informed regarding west side planning and zoning changes to be able to plan ahead for schools.
32 Councilman Higginson added that a large percentage of those who attended the recent open
33 house regarding west side planning were West Bountiful residents, and Centerville will need to
34 find a balance between what is best for the City, the property owners, and the neighbors in West
35 Bountiful. The Council and Youth Council discussed the space available and the types of
36 businesses that would be attracted to the west side. Councilwoman Fillmore stated that an
37 important part of development will be business office commercial that will bring more jobs to the
38 community. Councilman Averett pointed out that with UTOPIA Centerville has attracted and will
39 continue to attract high tech businesses, entertainment, residential, and office buildings.
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41 Councilman Averett mentioned that the Whitaker Museum is hosting a Zombie Run in
42 October, and has recruited the Davis High Track Team as volunteer zombies. He said he thinks
43 it is too bad they had to go outside the community for the volunteers, and suggested the Youth
44 Council could help with the Zombie Run next year. Councilman Averett also asked if the Youth
45 Council has considered sponsoring a scarecrow walk, where families and businesses could
46 submit scarecrows for a small participation fee.
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48 Mayor Cutler told the Youth Council that the Trails Committee is concerned about off-
49 road vehicle use on the hillside. Off-road drivers are straying off the Firebreak Road and
50 designated bowl area onto private property. Farmington has prohibited off-road vehicle use on

1 some portion of the Firebreak Road within Farmington boundaries. The Mayor explained that
2 Centerville would like to keep access open, but controlling use has been difficult. Abbie
3 Hodgson mentioned that a lot of teenagers hang out on the hillside and would be affected by a
4 prohibition. Jens Fillmore commented that it is difficult to control a rule without enforcement.
5 Jenna Lewis asked if the high school students would still be able to paint the Viewmont "V" on
6 the hillside. Mayor Cutler responded that exceptions could be made for special occasions.
7 Ayden Richards suggested that promoting appropriate use would reduce incorrect use. Jordan
8 Hawkes suggested the City shut down access to the Firebreak Road, but leave access to the
9 designated bowl area open. Abbie Hodgson suggested that if the bowl area were developed a
10 little more for public use as a park-type area citizens would treat it better and not want to
11 vandalize. Jenna Lewis recommended placing small boulders along the Firebreak Road to
12 prevent off-road vehicles from straying. Councilwoman Ivie mentioned that the Trails
13 Committee has several Eagle Scout Project opportunities available. Ayden Richards suggested
14 the City make the bowl area safer, and patrol the area more often.

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16 **ADJOURNMENT**

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18 At 6:48 p.m. Mayor Cutler thanked the Youth Council for their input and adjourned the
19 work session.

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25 Marsha L. Morrow, City Recorder

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Date Approved

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31 Katie Rust, Recording Secretary

