



Regular City Council Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 6:00 pm

AGENDA

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Duchesne City Council will be held at the Duchesne City Office Building, 500 East Main, Duchesne, UT at the above date and time. The agenda will be as follows:

1. Roll Call, Prayer, Pledge

Minutes:

Mayor Rowley conducted the meeting. City Recorder, Myra Young took minutes. City Council Members present were, Bryce Hamilton, Matt Skewes, Jenny Adams, Cody Ivie, and Jason Baker. Council Member Adams offered the prayer. Mayor Rowley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Duchesne City Employee Attendees: Stephanie Skewes, Jessica North, Lane Genereaux

Public Attendees: Duncan Kading, Cassidy Kading, Janice Shipman, Taylee Wilson, Dawnette Browning, RoJean Rowley, Bobi Jo Casper, Jeff Crozier, David Mince, Heidi Brady, Valerie McLean, Deborah Herron, Julie Hamilton, Susan Hamilton, Stephen Rowley, Olivia Baker

2. Minutes

Minutes:

MOTION by Council Member Adams seconded by Council Member Hamilton to approve the minutes dated 7/29/2025.

- Council Member Hamilton – Aye
- Council Member Skewes - Aye
- Council Member Adams - Aye
- Council Member Ivie – Aye
- Council Member Baker – Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

3. Bills

Minutes:

MOTION by Council Member Hamilton, seconded by Council Member Adams to pay the bills.

- Council Member Hamilton – Aye
- Council Member Skewes - Aye
- Council Member Adams - Aye

- Council Member Ivie – Aye
 - Council Member Baker – Aye
- Motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. Charges and Credits

Minutes:

The City Council reviewed the Charges and Credits.

5. Business License

Minutes:

The Council reviewed the Business License issued to Jacobson Junk Removal LLC – Chris Jacobson.

6. Planning And Zoning

Minutes:

Deborah Herron reported on the Planning & Zoning meetings. At the August 11th meeting, Carrie Morrill requested a rezone of her property at 500 East 400 North from residential to residential agricultural so she could keep a few sheep on her ½ acre lot, which meets the size requirement. Danita Hinton suggested rezoning all the blocks south of 500 North between 500 East and 600 East to residential agricultural to align with surrounding zoning. The commission noted that such a change would require a public hearing and the full rezoning process, which is more involved. They also discussed the option of allowing Morrill to keep the sheep through a conditional use permit, noting she uses them for weed control due to limited time from running a daycare at her home.

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the subdivision ordinance drafted by Mike Hansen but noted more time is needed for full review; with Clay Crozier's resignation, progress is delayed, and the key question remains whether the City Council wishes to retain authority over subdivision approvals or delegate that responsibility to the commission.

During the open session, the commission discussed conflicts between the short-term rental ordinance and the ADU ordinance, noting that the current ADU rules prohibit short-term rentals. Adjustments will be needed to align the two ordinances and remove inconsistencies. It was also mentioned that Danita is considering resigning from the commission; although she had planned for the previous meeting to be her last, she attended again.

Council Member Ivie requested that, while the commission is reviewing the short-term rental ordinance, they also take a closer look at the section addressing mobile homes. He noted that many tiny homes are built on trailers and can fall into a gray area between recreational vehicles and mobile homes, depending on how they are classified. Some are technically considered recreational because they are trailer-based, but in practice they function more like permanent dwellings. Ivie suggested re-wording this section or refining the definitions to provide clarity on how such units should be classified under city code.

At the August 25th meeting, the commission reviewed a proposed lot line adjustment for Lane Genereaux on 200 West. Inconsistencies on the plat were noted, and the request was conditionally approved pending corrections. The property includes a

house and shop; a variance granted last year remains valid and setbacks are met. The commission recommends approval, with the action to be recorded as a simple boundary adjustment per the county recorder's office.

Council Member Adams asked for clarification on the Morrill zoning change. Deborah explained that under Residential Agricultural zoning, the first 20,000 square feet allows up to five sheep, one horse, one cow, and twenty poultry. She noted that goats are not specifically addressed in the ordinance.

The council then discussed whether to change only the Morrill property or rezone the entire block and suggested reviewing the city's zoning map as a whole. When asked if this issue arose from a complaint, Deborah confirmed that a neighbor had complained about noise. Council Members Ivie, Hamilton, and Adams expressed interest in hearing the details of those complaints and giving neighbors an opportunity to speak. Council Member Baker recalled that the council had denied a similar zoning change in the past. Council Member Ivie stated that before granting a conditional use permit, the council should first hear the complaints from neighbors. Council Member Hamilton added that land use issues require a public hearing, meaning no vote could be taken at this time. Deborah asked for directions on how Planning and Zoning should proceed. The council agreed that the next step is to hold a public hearing, but that the council must first decide how they want Planning and Zoning to proceed.

Mayor Rowley emphasized that the council should determine their approach and then assign Planning and Zoning to conduct the public hearing. Council Member Hamilton suggested reviewing the zoning plat of the entire town. It was decided to schedule a work session for September 16th at 6:00 p.m., with representation from Planning and Zoning to attend.

Mayor Rowley introduced the next item regarding Lane Genereaux's simple boundary adjustment. The Council reviewed the submitted plat map but could not act since it was not listed as an agenda item. The matter will be placed on the September 9th City Council agenda for consideration.

7. Interviews for Planning & Zoning Commission

Minutes:

There were two candidates interested in serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Both submitted resumes for the Council's review.

The City Council proceeded to interview David Mince and Duncan Kading.

MOTION by Council Member Ivie, seconded by Council Member Baker, to approve both David Mince and Duncan Kading onto the the Planning and Zoning Commission.

- Council Member Hamilton – Aye
- Council Member Skewes - Aye
- Council Member Adams - Aye
- Council Member Ivie – Aye
- Council Member Baker – Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

8. Javelin - Jeff Crozier

Minutes:

Jeff Crozier with Javelin reported that the company has continued working to find a

solution for the proposed drilling pad near the airport. He noted that the FAA issued a favorable determination for this same pad in 2020, later extended in 2021, though it was submitted under a different name at that time.

Since the last council meeting, Jeff consulted with Kim Silvester of J-U-B Engineers. Kim provided a letter indicating concerns about the 21-foot clearance angle, which she measured from the end of the runway. Jeff believes that if the runway striping were shifted 420 feet north, the clearance could be workable. Kim also suggested moving the pad 85 feet west, but that location falls on a county road with an existing pipeline and gas line infrastructure. Adjusting the orientation of the well bores from east-west to north-south was also considered, but Jeff explained that a drilling rig requires 165 feet of spacing from the bore, which would extend into the “backyard” of the rig and leave insufficient room.

Kim further suggested moving the pad 550 feet east, but Jeff explained that option is unfeasible. That area already contains another pad, along with a gas line, culinary waterline, saltwater infrastructure, and an access road to other property owners and well sites. He emphasized that moving the pad further risks compromising the integrity of the well bores due to torque and tangent limits. They also explored the possibility of using a rig with a shorter derrick but noted that no such rig with the required top-drive capacity for long horizontal wells is available.

Jeff stressed that Javelin is running out of options. Council Member Hamilton asked for clarification about moving south; Jeff explained that option is blocked by a compressor station and multiple gas lines. Hamilton then asked why another pad could not be used, but Jeff noted that section lines and mineral rights regulations limit placement, making this location critical.

Mayor Rowley reminded the council that FAA representative Nathan Shelley had indicated only 21 feet of clearance between the glide slope and the rig, leaving approximately 24 feet under a plane. Council Member Ivie asked about runway length, and it was confirmed the airport has a 5,800-foot runway, which larger planes fully utilize. The council discussed whether temporarily shutting down the airport might be an option.

Jeff shared that FAA records show fewer than 1,000 operations annually at the airport, about 2.5 flights per day, with peak traffic between April through May and again June through August. Javelin’s drill schedule is March 8th - April 19th, and all three wells would be drilled during that timeframe.

Council Member Hamilton emphasized that Kim’s current recommendation is not to approve the project as proposed and that the council needs to discuss possible options with J-U-B before making a decision. Council Member Ivie questioned what has changed since FAA approval in 2020, to which it was explained that legislative changes and the new airport ordinance altered requirements. Council Member Baker pointed out the liability issue, if approved, the city could be accountable in case of an accident, but if denied and Javelin proceeds, the liability would fall on the company. Jeff provided Council Member Adams with the FAA approval letters. Baker noted that even if the city does not approve, Javelin could proceed under FAA clearance but emphasized the company is trying to be a “good neighbor.” Jeff confirmed that NOTAMs would be issued regardless, ensuring pilots are notified.

Jeff also explained that without city approval, their only alternative would be legal action due to the lack of an appeal process in the ordinance, something they do not want to pursue. Baker suggested that, given the low flight traffic in the off season, the

city consider suspending flights for the six-week drilling period or evaluating temporary use of the secondary runway for emergencies. Mayor Rowley added that IFR (instrument flight rules) approaches could pose additional risks if not addressed. The council agreed more information is needed before making a final decision and plans to meet with Kim on Thursday. Jeff stated he is willing to attend and work toward a solution. Council Member Ivie asked how soon a decision is needed. Jeff explained they are already securing a rig for January 3rd, so timely approval is critical. Jeff questioned the approval letters for the other two wells, Mayor Rowley noted that they continue to arrive in a single package for all three wells, and Mayor Rowley requested Jeff separate them so the city can act on the two non-disputed locations. Jeff agreed to do so.

9. Independence Day Committee Decision and Update

Minutes:

- Olivia Baker and Taylee Wilson, representing the Independence Day Committee, reported that the committee has decided to establish a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Olivia explained that the committee views this as the best long-term solution and noted that Kristen will assist with the required paperwork. Council Member Adams mentioned that Nate Zilles is also willing to provide support, and Olivia said they plan to reach out to him soon. Council Member Ivie emphasized that once the nonprofit and its new bank account are in place, the committee will need to reconcile all existing finances with the City, then transfer the remaining funds to the new account.
- Deborah Herron, representing the Independence Day Committee, informed the council about the upcoming deadline for the America 250 grant and presented a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the America 250 Utah Commission and Duchesne City for review. The grant is for \$1,500.

Council Member Ivie stated that Melissa Hughes had sent him sample wording for a resolution that, in his understanding, would need to be passed by the City Council in order to receive the America 250 funds. He said he would ensure the City Recorder received that information.

Deborah disagreed explaining her instructions came directly from Chris Abbott, who told her the process was much simpler. According to his July 23rd email, the only requirements are submitting a signed MOU and Duchesne City's W-9, after which the Utah Commission's finance team would generate an internal invoice and quickly process the funds.

Ivie noted that his earlier April 22nd email specifically mentioned a resolution requirement, but Deborah emphasized that the process appears to have changed since then. She stated the MOU now serves in place of a resolution, and that the Commission no longer requires cities to submit ideas or proposed actions in advance.

Deborah further explained that the MOU functions as a contract, obligating Duchesne City to complete certain requirements and submit a final report. She assured the council that the Independence Day Committee already maintains thorough records, including receipts, reports, photos, and videos, so meeting these obligations will not be an issue. She commended Olivia for her strong recordkeeping on behalf of the committee.

Mayor Rowley's signature on the MOU would formalize the City's commitment, with

tasks delegated to the IDC. Deborah also noted she had listed Cana Ivie as the point of contact, as the Commission holds bi-monthly Zoom meetings with participating communities to ensure funds are used appropriately.

A discussion followed on whether Duchesne City should provide its W-9 or whether it should be handled by the IDC once their 501(c)(3) status is finalized. City Recorder Myra Young will consult with Nate Zilles for guidance. Deborah suggested the simplest approach would be to treat the funds as a donation to the IDC. Once proper direction is received, the IDC will submit the signed MOU and W-9 to finalize the process.

10. Canvass of the Primary Election

Minutes:

The Duchesne City Council and Mayor convened as the Board of Municipal Canvassers to review and certify the official results of the 2025 Municipal Primary Election held on August 12, 2025.

City Recorder Myra Young, serving as Election Officer, presented the official canvass report, which included all ballots cast, verified totals, and provisional ballot counts. The report confirmed that the election was conducted in compliance with Utah Code Title 20A, and all ballots had been verified and counted.

MOTION BY Council Member Ivie, seconded by Council Member Hamiton to certify the official results of the 2025 Municipal Primary Election as presented.

- Council Member Hamilton – Aye
- Council Member Skewes - Aye
- Council Member Adams - Aye
- Council Member Ivie – Aye
- Council Member Baker – Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The City Council, acting as the Board of Canvassers, hereby certifies the results of the Duchesne City 2025 Municipal Primary Election. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes are declared nominated and will advance to the General Election in November.

Certified Vote Totals

- Mayor (4-year term)

Jason Andrew Baker – 180 votes - Nominated for General Election

Deborah V Herron – 228 votes - Nominated for General Election

Corby Patrick – 12 votes – Eliminated for General Election

- City Council (2 seats, 4-year term)

Dawnette Browning – 155 votes – Nominated for General Election

Mark Eugene Nielsen – 189 votes - Nominated for General Election

Jenny Adams – 190 votes - Nominated for General Election

Marty Anthony Herrera – 263 votes - Nominated for General Election

Janice Lynn Shipman - 34 votes – Eliminated for General Election

The official canvass report provided by the Duchesne County Clerk is attached to and incorporated into these minutes by reference.

The City Recorder/Election Officer will transmit the official canvass certification to the Lieutenant Governor's Office in accordance with Utah Code §20A-4-306 and ensure that notice of the certified results is published as required by law.

Following the certification of the election results, City Recorder Myra Young presented Certificates of Election to attending candidates Jason Andrew Baker, Deborah V. Herron, Dawnette Browning, and Jenny Adams, certifying their nomination to the Duchesne City 2025 General Election. On behalf of Duchesne City, the Recorder congratulated all of the candidates and expressed appreciation for their willingness to serve the community. The certificates formally recognize their success in the primary election and confirm their placement on the ballot for the upcoming General Election.

11. Ballot Proposition #6 Argument in Favor of RAP Tax - Voter Information Pamphlet

Minutes:

The Council reviewed requirements for Proposition #6 regarding the voter information pamphlet. Deputy Recorder Jessica North explained that an official argument in favor of the proposition must be submitted, and members of the public have until September 9th to submit arguments either for or against.

Jessica presented a draft pamphlet, noting that language from Council Member Adams had been incorporated. She explained that the City must include a financial plan in the pamphlet, designating specific projects the RAP Tax funds would support. Council discussed possible examples, including continue improvements to the swimming pool, improvements on Main Street, upgrades to the Mickelson Building for arts and community programs, and future projects such as pickleball courts and upgrades to the parks.

It was clarified that the pamphlet should highlight positive uses of the tax, emphasizing that RAP funds are not applied to groceries, gasoline, or medications, but instead support parks, recreation, and the arts in Duchesne City and to include this is not a new tax.

Deputy Recorder Jessica North reminded the Council that because of state deadlines, the argument and project list must be finalized immediately for submission. The Council agreed to continue the discussion in a brief work session following the meeting to finalize the argument language for the pamphlet.

12. 15-Minute Open Session

Minutes:

- RoJean Rowley approached the council with a complaint regarding zoning ordinances. She explained that a couple of months ago, her neighbor, Bodie Allen, brought a pig into his yard. He already had chickens, pheasants, and dogs which she has no issue with. RoJean stated that she contacted the city office to file a complaint and ask who enforces zoning. She was told that the mayor handles such matters and that her concern would be relayed to him. When she called back the first time, she was told the mayor did not want to discuss the matter at that time because Bodie's father had recently passed away, which she said she understood. The second time she called, she was told the Allens were allowed to have the pig temporarily for the county fair, and that the city would obtain a signed form from them. The mayor later confirmed that the form was never returned. RoJean noted that the fair has ended, the pig remains, and she has received no further communication. She emphasized that pigs are not listed as permitted animals under the city ordinance and asked what steps need to be taken to have the pig removed. Mayor Rowley responded that he had spoken

with Allens during the fair, but now believes the pig was not a 4-H animal, which may explain why the paperwork was never submitted. He committed to speaking with the Allens again tomorrow and stated that residents also have the option to contact the county animal control officer directly, as the city contracts with the county for such services. He said he would also reach out to them regarding the pig. RoJean further expressed frustration, saying: "The council says we believe in the Constitution, which is that you're on private property. But I challenge any of you to show me in the Constitution where it says you don't have to obey the laws of a city, county, or state." She stated that if this matter is not resolved, she will consider speaking with an attorney. Council Member Hamilton noted that because pigs are not specifically listed in the ordinance, the situation might need to be addressed under the nuisance ordinance. Council Member Baker asked whether RoJean had spoken directly with the Allens. She replied that she had not and would not, and said it was the city's responsibility to enforce its ordinances. Council Member Baker clarified he was only asking questions, pointing out that pigs are uncommon pets and wondering if the animal was being kept to be butchered or for some other purpose. He added that if it were him, he would simply ask the neighbor what was going on. RoJean confirmed the pig was large and repeated that she would not speak with the Allens herself. Council Member Ivie asked what specifically about the pig should be considered a nuisance so that the city would have clear grounds for enforcement. RoJean responded that pigs cause noise, odor, and attract flies. She is concerned that if pigs are allowed, then other livestock such as sheep, which currently the council is discussing could follow, gradually changing the area into agricultural rather than residential zoning. Council Member Ivie instructed the mayor that when he speaks with the Allens next, he should be specific: tell them the pig is a nuisance, explain the reasons, and cite the applicable ordinance. RoJean stated she is willing to sign a formal complaint if necessary but will not personally confront Bodie Allen. She also raised concerns about dogs barking through the night, noting that she had previously brought this issue to the council. The mayor asked if she had ever called dispatch, as animal control services are now handled through the county. RoJean replied that she had not, explaining that in the past the city had its own dog catcher. The mayor clarified that residents must now contact dispatch directly for animal control services.

- RoJean Rowley raised a second issue concerning Hogan Trailer Park. She asked whether their water bill is still only \$230 per month and whether individual trailers are being billed separately. Council Member Ivie responded that he believed the park is billed under a commercial rate. RoJean countered that the trailers should be considered residential. Ivie replied that if they were classified as residential, they would not be permitted in that location. RoJean asked if the residents live there year-round. She stated that if they do, she intends to contact the State Auditor to request an audit of the water bills. She explained that the city previously passed an ordinance requiring each trailer to have and pay for its own individual hookup, the same as residential properties, and questioned why Hogan Trailer Park is treated differently. Ivie clarified that Hogan is classified as a mobile home park. He added that because neither the city nor the state has an ordinance defining "temporary," the classification is not clearly addressed.

RoJean responded that in other trailer locations within the city, every trailer was required to pay for an individual hookup. Ivie noted that those were not mobile homes. RoJean insisted that those sites were also billed under commercial meters at one time, but the city later determined that trailers must each pay for an individual hookup. Ivie asked who made that determination. RoJean answered, "The city," explaining that an ordinance had been passed during her time as mayor. Council Member Ivie asked which ordinance she was referring to. RoJean admitted it was passed some time ago and could not recall whether the requirement was to place individual meters on each unit or simply to require individual hookups. She reaffirmed that the city had established such a rule when she was mayor. Mayor Rowley, who owns Hogan Trailer Park, stated that there is currently only one meter for the property, which he pays. There was discussion about Nathan Coulter and Travis Grant's trailer parks. RoJean explained that the ordinance had been changed years ago because of problems with commercial hookups. She recalled that at Travis Grant's property formerly owned by her family commercial hookups had been in place, but the city passed an ordinance requiring each trailer to have an individual hookup instead. She stressed that Hogan Trailer Park should be treated the same way, pointing out that those trailers are not temporary. She noted that many residents live there year-round, some for four or five years or longer. She asked Mayor Rowley to confirm, and he acknowledged that some tenants have indeed lived there that long. RoJean concluded by stating that this constitutes full-time residential use.

- Jeff Crozier and Valorie McLean approached the City Council to discuss an FAA advisory. Jeff explained that Valorie had identified information in the advisory that seemed to answer the earlier questions about VFR and IFR impacts. He noted that the advisory already contained FAA guidance relevant to the issue. Valorie elaborated, recalling that this approval was different from others she had handled in the past. Normally, she is required to notify the FAA three to five business days in advance and also notify the city office. She typically calls in and requests a NOTAM (Notice to Airmen) for the city. In this case, however, the FAA notice specified that the proposed structure would exceed the municipal airport's VFR traffic pattern approach by 22 feet. The FAA evaluation stated there would be no impact on IFR operations, existing or proposed arrival or departure procedures, enroute instruments, visual flight rules, or minimum flight altitudes. However, the notice included additional requirements that Valorie had not seen before. It specified that she was responsible for filing the NOTAM, contacting the appropriate officials, and addressing an issue with the Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI). According to the advisory, the PAPI would not provide the required minimum obstacle clearance over the proposed structure. To resolve this, the proposal should ideally be altered. If that is not possible, the PAPI must be taken out of service for the duration of the project. Mayor Rowley clarified that PAPI lights are two red lights located at the end of the runway. When pilots approach, the lights help them determine whether they are on the correct glide slope showing if they are too high or too low. Valorie agreed, noting that in this case, the lights would have to be turned off. The FAA notice also directed that the airport manager be contacted at least 30 days before the structure is erected. Council Member Ivie raised a question about IFR, suggesting that since IFR

approaches are not guided directly to the runway threshold, that may be why the FAA determined there was no issue. Mayor Rowley responded that the PAPI lights are specifically the reason for the concern, and that they must be deactivated. Council Member Ivie reiterated that the FAA's statement confirmed there is no IFR impact, while Council Member Hamilton questioned how that could be. Ivie clarified that he interpreted the notice to mean that IFR instruments do not guide pilots directly to the end of the runway in a way that would be obstructed. Valorie confirmed, explaining that it is specifically the PAPI lights that provide that visual guidance, which is why they must be disabled. Jeff added that as long as the required NOTAM is filed and distributed to airmen in advance, pilots will be aware of the change and able to prepare accordingly. The FAA's instructions outline the steps to coordinate with the airport manager and shut off the PAPI 30 days prior to construction of the temporary structure. Council Member Ivie requested a copy of the FAA document Valorie and Jeff were referencing so the council could review it and clarify any discrepancies. Jeff provided a copy to the council.

- Lane Genereaux reported that Dillon Dastrup had contacted him regarding a flooding issue near Central Utah. Lane stated that he visited the site, took photos, and observed water coming from Bryce Hamilton's property, flowing down the road in front of the dentist's office. Instead of following the waterway, the flow was crossing over into the driveway and entering the building. Lane noted that Dillon is willing to meet with the council to discuss the matter further. He was unsure if any of the ongoing work on 150 East might help mitigate the problem but wanted to bring it to the council's attention. Discussion followed, including the possibility of installing a larger culvert to help divert the water.

13. Book Of Complaints, Concerns And Comments

Minutes:

There were no complaints, concerns & comments recorded in the book.

14. Mayor And Council Review Of Old Business

Minutes:

- Council Member Baker requested an update on the Old Farm Road project. Mayor Rowley reported that the contractor had laid nearly the first 400 feet of sewer line one foot too high. As a result, the section had to be pulled up and re-laid, and work has progressed nearly to Wade Poulson's residence as they correct the grade. Deborah Herron asked whether sleeves were being installed for irrigation. Mayor Rowley confirmed that they are.
- Council Member Adams asked if the mayor had been able to get a roofer to evaluate and bid the roof on the Mickelson Building. Mayor Rowley explained that Jones Paint and Glass had come out, but only to address the doors on the north and east sides of the building. The quote for that work is \$7,900 and does not include the roof. He noted that the roof issue appears to be caused by a leaking skylight rather than the entire roof, with water possibly overflowing into the heater pipe. Discussion followed regarding the door repairs. The quote includes replacing one set of doors and repairing the other. Council Member Ivie

asked whether the front doors in the city building would also be replaced. City Recorder Myra clarified that the plan is to install a removable T-post in the middle and replace the hardware, as the current crash-bar system is no longer functional. While full new doors have been considered, the design of the entryway requires more extensive changes. With the T-post and hardware replacement, the doors will function properly without needing a complete rebuild.

- There was discussion about speaking with Justin Lazenby with UDOT about the lane makings at the pool and the 191/Main Street construction. Council Member Adams reported that she had spoken with Justin and asked Mayor Rowley if he had spoken with him. Mayor Rowley confirmed that UDOT and the contractor want to close the northbound lane and reroute traffic as part of their control plan. The proposal is to direct northbound traffic onto 200 South, over to Center Street, and through the traffic light for the next couple of weeks. Mayor Rowley told UDOT the matter would be discussed with the council. Council Member Hamilton expressed concern about liability, noting that those roads were not built with a base designed to handle that volume of traffic. Discussion followed about the challenges of rerouting traffic and what the safest, most practical solution would be. It was noted that once construction on Main Street began, truck drivers had already started creating their own diversions. Council Member Ivie asked whether the rerouting would involve 200 or 400 South. Mayor Rowley clarified that traffic would be routed to Center Street and out onto Highway 87. The left-hand lane would be closed, with right-hand turns directed from 400 South to Center Street. It was noted that this made more sense than routing through 200 South. Mayor Rowley will be meeting with UDOT and the contractor the next day to discuss the plan further. The closure is expected to last approximately two weeks. Additional discussion focused on whether measures could be taken to discourage traffic from diverting down Center Street and on the relative impacts of routing through 200 South versus 400 South.

15. Work Session

Minutes:

There was a work session held to discuss Ballot Proposition #6 Reauthorization of RAP Tax Argument for.

Mayor Rowley called the work session to order at 8:07 p.m. to discuss Ballot Proposition #6, the reauthorization of the RAP Tax, argument in favor.

The council discussed preparing the official “argument in favor” of Proposition #6 RAP Tax Reauthorization for inclusion in the voter information pamphlet. It was emphasized that the information should be presented clearly and efficiently so voters understand why continuation of the tax is important. Jessica provided examples of RAP Tax language from other cities to guide the council’s drafting. The council also reviewed how past RAP Tax revenues have been used, including Main Street Christmas decorations and new picnic tables for the park. It was agreed that the argument must clearly state this is not a new tax, but rather a continuation, and should focus on how the funds benefit the community without making promises that cannot be guaranteed. After discussion, Council Member Baker read the following draft statement reflecting the council’s points. He suggested the statement should clarify that, if passed, RAP Tax funds will continue to support maintenance of the city pool and may also be applied to

future projects, including renovation of the Mickelson Building to include amenities such as a pickleball court, recital hall, or game room. Additional projects under consideration include a splash pad, replacement of playground equipment at Roy Park and Wallace Park, ongoing park maintenance, and extension of community trails such as the Riverwalk.

MOTION by City Council Member Ivie seconded by Council Member Adams to adjourn the work session at 8:17 pm.

- Council Member Hamilton – Aye
- Council Member Skewes – Aye
- Council Member Adams – Aye
- Council Member Ivie – Aye
- Council Member Baker – Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

16. Executive Session

Minutes:

There was no executive session held.

17. Adjournment

Minutes:

MOTION by Council Member Ivie seconded by Council Member Hamilton to adjourn the regular City Council meeting at 8:05 pm to go into a work session to discuss Ballot Proposition #6 Reauthorization of RAP Tax Argument in favor.

- Council Member Hamilton – Aye
- Council Member Skewes – Aye
- Council Member Adams – Aye
- Council Member Ivie – Aye
- Council Member Baker – Aye

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Attest:

Myra Young, Recorder: *Myra Young*