

**ST. GEORGE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 16, 2016, 5:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT:

**Mayor Jon Pike
Councilmember Jimmie Hughes
Councilmember Michele Randall
Councilmember Joe Bowcutt
Councilmember Bette Arial
Councilmember Ed Baca
City Attorney Shawn Guzman
City Manager Gary Esplin
Deputy City Recorder Annette Hansen**

OPENING:

Mayor Pike called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Pam Palermo and the invocation was offered by Tim Martin from the Interfaith Council.

Mayor Pike read a proclamation expressing appreciation to Ski Ingram, who has been the acting St. George area American Legion Commander for many years. He is moving out of the community to be closer to family in Arizona. After presentation of the proclamation, Mr. Ingram addressed the Council and citizens who came to honor his years of service. He stated that he felt honored for being recognized for something he loves to do. He thanked the Mayor and Councilmembers for their support, and to the community for their dedication in making this city great and their love and devotion to the veterans' programs and issues.

Mayor Pike mentioned the groundbreaking ceremony at Dixie Regional Medical Center that Councilmembers were invited to attend on the 17th at 7 am.

Mayor Pike also mentioned that there would be not be a council meeting on June 23.

City Manager Gary Esplin mentioned that item 3A and 4A on the agenda has been tabled.

APPOINTMENTS:

Mayor Pike stated that the previous City Treasurer has resigned and it has become necessary to appoint a new one. He stated after much discussion with the finance administration, he has interviewed and asked Laura Woolsey to accept the position.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Arial to appoint Laura Woolsey as the City Treasurer.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Mayor Pike asked Ms. Woolsey to address the Council. She expressed her thanks for the opportunity and stated that she would do the best job she could and always give 110%.

Mayor Pike and Councilmembers thanked her for her willingness, hard work, and dedication to the City in her many duties. They also recognized her ability to work well with staff and the public and felt confident that she would do a good job in this position as well.

AWARD OF BID:

Consider award of bid for the 2016 4th of July fireworks.

Purchasing Manager Connie Hood explained that there were two pyrotechnic companies who bid on the 4th of July city fireworks, both were reputable and the city has used each of them in the past. She recommends awarding bid to Fireworks and Stage FX America for the amount of \$40,000.00.

City Manager Gary Esplin mentioned that due to the construction of the elementary school and other changes being made in the area of the SunBowl, the venue is being moved to the football stadium at Dixie State University.

Mayor Pike asked Support Services Director Marc Mortensen to explain the events of the day. Mr. Mortensen stated that the venue for the events of the day such as parade and 5k run would remain the same, but the evening entertainment which included a concert and fireworks, would be moved to the University location. He stated that there are rumors that you will need a ticket to get in to see the fireworks and concert and seating would be limited, but that is not the case. Tickets will be needed only for the grandstand seating area. All other areas, including lawn space, remain free and accessible to the general public.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to award the bid for the 2016 July 4th fireworks to Fireworks and Stage FX America for the amount of \$40,000.00.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bowcutt.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye

Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Councilmember Baca wished to mention the importance of voting in the upcoming elections this year not only for the President but for local leaders of the community.

Mayor Pike also mentioned that early voting has already begun and voters can go and vote at any of the early voting polling locations. He also wished to recognize two candidates in attendance at the Council Meeting; former Councilmember Gil Almquist, who is running for Washington County Commissioner, and Susi Lafaele who is running for Washington County School Boardmember.

ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT:

Consider approval of an engineering services contract with Sunrise Engineering for the resurfacing project on Bloomington Drive.

City Manager Gary Esplin presented the engineering services contract and explained that it is for design services for the first phase of the re-surfacing of Bloomington Drive. The contract includes surveying and locating existing improvements, coordination with various utilities, completion of plans, and all related work. The contract is recommended to be awarded to Sunrise Engineering for the amount of \$86,000.00.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the engineering services contract with Sunrise Engineering for the resurfacing project on Bloomington Drive for the amount of \$86,000.00 as presented.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

AMEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT:

Consider approval of a second amendment to the professional services agreement with Jviation for the Apron Pavement Preservation.

City Manager Gary Esplin stated that the amendment consists of providing design services and construction management services with Jviation for a total cost of \$99,146.00. FAA grant pays for 90.63% of this amendment of the agreement. He

explained that this is the improvement project at the Airport planned for the next fiscal year and is a Federally funded project.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to approve the amendment for the Professional Services Agreement with Jviation in the amount of \$99,146.00

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Baca.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

AWARD OF BID:

Consider award of bid for the annual purchase of asphalt, concrete, sand and gravel.

Purchasing Manager Connie Hood explained that this is the annual bid for asphalt, and concrete sand and gravel. The bids came in with split results for this annual buy. Blanket PO's will be established with both suppliers to take advantage of the lowest pricing for each product as shown. Having an alternate supplier will benefit the City by having supply on hand when needed from 2 different suppliers. The cost is \$150,000.00.

Councilmember Hughes commented that this was a great solution for the City to have the ability to choose the lowest price for the products needed and makes financial sense.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Arial to award the blanket bid not to exceed \$150,000.00 to be divided between SunRoc and Western Rock for materials needed for the fiscal year.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hughes.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPT FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 BUDGET/RESOLUTION:
Public hearing to receive public input on the Fiscal Year 2016-2017
Budget and Unbilled Utility Service.**

City Manager Gary Esplin explained that State Law requires the City to take public input in at least one public hearing regarding the proposed budget and also concerning the amount of water and electric utility services provided, yet not billed, to other City-owned facilities such as parks, right of way, water pumps and wells, etc. This is the second public hearing for the budget. He also explained the unbilled utility services notice was printed on the back of the utility bills mailed and emailed to all utility customers in May. He mentioned that not billing for some inter-department services is a common practice for municipalities and the notice informs citizens as to the amounts included in the annual budget. The net effect on the average monthly bill is \$1.23 per customer for this current year. Last year was \$1.54 and next fiscal year is anticipated to increase to \$1.68, mostly for electricity supplied to the Water Department for wells.

Mayor Pike opened the meeting for public hearing.

Resident Karl Palmer addressed the Council and stated that he called Cedar City, whose electricity is provided by Rocky Mountain Power, to see how much of their utility funds are transferred into their general fund as compared to St. George City's municipal power system.

City Manager Gary Esplin explained that the city doesn't transfer any funds into the general fund from the municipal utilities that aren't associated to an allocated cost, such as office operation costs. He stated that the 1.7 million proposed is for allocated costs that are tied to a specific item.

Mr. Palmer then asked if the City has the option to charge higher rates and send money to the general fund, or lower rates and not send money to the general fund.

City Manager Gary Esplin explained that some cities choose to do it that way through a public hearing such as this one, but they would then take one blanket amount from the electric fund and put in the general fund as part of the budget process and not have that associated with a cost. In the past, the City has chosen not to do that as Council believes that the electric fund ought to pay for those costs that they would otherwise have to pay to an alternate source. The only difference here would be that the City is not charging the power for the pumping of the wells; they are in the water fund.

Mr. Palmer then inquired about who pays the costs for City sheds, buildings, etc.

City Manager Gary Esplin explained that each department is billed for their usage; it is metered and paid for through their department budgeted funds. The only

exception is the City does not charge itself for the electricity to pump the water system.

Mr. Palmer then inquired about franchise fees, and Mr. Esplin explained how those fees are collected and allocated within the City. He also mentioned that the power company in Cedar City also pays property tax, with the City's municipal system the City does not receive a property tax.

Mr. Palmer then stated that he felt having municipal electricity was a great benefit to the City and thanked the Council.

Resident Kenneth Gee then addressed the Council in regards to the increase in water rates, and asked where they got their rates from.

City Manager Gary Esplin stated that the Washington County Water Conservancy District was raising rates of water and that cost needed to be passed on to the consumer. He stated that these rate increases help maintain and update the existing aging water infrastructure.

Mayor Pike also mentioned that although the water rates continue to increase, as they are expected to each year by about 10 cents per thousand gal, electric rates have remained steady, and there hasn't been an increase since 2006.

Mr. Gee then expressed his frustration with City employees who he perceived as being overpaid and underworked and as such, the City should be able to find ways to cut costs to keep from increasing rates to citizens on fixed incomes like his. He expressed further frustration with the Council in passing whatever they feel like without concern for the public.

Mayor Pike stated that although he respected and appreciated Mr. Gee for expressing his opinion, he felt that what he was stating was extremely inaccurate. He stated that the City employs over 600 full-time employees with another 400 part-time employees. Throughout the entire economy downturn there wasn't a single new position hire and department heads take seriously their responsibilities the charge of their employees. He also reiterated that the City does not charge citizens any more for utilities than they must to maintain the current infrastructure that we have.

Citizen Todd Watts addressed the Council. He explained that he is a manager of a commercial laundry business in town. He recognizes that he is one of the major water users every month. He expressed his concern at the 19% water rate increase for larger water users and inquired if he should expect this kind of drastic increase every year as he too must plan and stay within a budget.

Mayor Pike stated that although water rates are expected to increase every year, they are not anticipated to increase that drastically for larger water users each year.

Citizen Gordon Lighter addressed the Council and inquired about the options of solar energy in keeping costs down. Mr. Esplin stated that the City is currently looking at solar projects and works hard to keep costs as low as possible. He stated that solar power is good for general public, although there always needs to be the infrastructure and capability there for when solar is not producing as much as needed and the City needs to cover those backup costs.

Councilmember Bowcutt mentioned that the power department is a great source of information on this subject and regularly puts on seminars to help inform the public on the benefits and costs associated with solar energy.

Citizen Julie Benson stated that the increase affects her budget as well. She expressed concern about the Council staying within a budget. She inquired on the proposed water rate increase each year and then stated that the City should look into more xeriscaping for their parks to be more desert friendly.

Mayor Pike stated that the City works hard to stay within their budget, and they always do. The City does in fact use water conservative desert landscaping whenever possible, although it is not reasonable to do so in parks where children play or cemeteries. He explained that those areas are watered with re-use water that would otherwise go down river if not used. Hearing no further public comment, Mayor Pike then closed the public hearing.

City Manager Gary Esplin wished to clarify some aspects of the budget. He explained that the proposed property tax estimates are only as good as the numbers received from the County, and that those property taxes have not increased since 1995. That makes an average cost of \$280 per household per year to cover all streets, police, and fire costs based on a \$2,000 tax bill for a residence. He also explained the reallocation of items not included in the original budget proposal.

Councilmember Baca wished to let the public know that the Administration staff does a very thorough job with the budget and take it very seriously. He explained that there is a great deal of time given above and beyond the call of duty in preparing the budget and making sure that the City remains very reserved and frugal and they continue to keep things balanced very well.

Councilmember Hughes expressed his appreciation to those who took the time to make public comment. He stated that their concerns and comments are listened to, valued and respected. He reiterated that the Council always strives to maintain a very lean budget. He explained that it costs money to maintain good employees to help run this city as successfully as they do, and they do what they can to keep the quality of the employees of the City. He also mentioned that sometimes it feels to the Council like the public doesn't really care about certain issues because they never receive input, for example there was a public hearing for the budget the

previous City Council Meeting, and there wasn't a single person who wished to comment. He stated that although the Council and staff are not perfect, they try their hardest to maintain the integrity of the City and he wholeheartedly appreciated the comments and questions posed in holding Councilmembers responsible for what they do.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to approve the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget and unbilled utility services as presented.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hughes.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a roll call vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Mayor Pike wished to recognize and thank all the staff that worked so hard to put the budget together, especially City Manager Gary Esplin and Administrative Services Director Deanna Brklacich who has spent many months preparing this for approval.

**PUBLIC HEARING/AMEND FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET/RESOLUTION:
Public hearing to consider amendments to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016
Budget.**

City Manager Gary Esplin outlined the proposed amendments to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget as follows: 1) to increase the budget to acquire body armor and accessories to protect officer who respond to incidents involving in-progress shootings and high risk encounters; 2) to budget for a study of the Sand Hollow Aquatic Center dome fabric; 3) to budget for a contribution from the Southwest Public Health Department for trail and bicycle way finding signs to be purchased and installed by the City; 4) to budget for the Art grants received from various State and other governmental entities to fund improvements and art exhibits during the current fiscal year; 5) to adjust various budgets to anticipated revenues and expenditures by the end of the fiscal year; and 6) to re-allocate budgeted pavement management funding towards phase 1 of the Red Hills Parkway/Red Cliffs Drive connection (Mall Drive Underpass) project. Phase 1 includes extending an existing 12-foot drainage culvert under 1-15.

Mayor Pike opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments, he closed the public hearing.

- MOTION:** A motion was made by Councilmember Baca to approve the resolution adopting the amendments to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget as presented.
- SECOND:** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Arial.
- VOTE:** Mayor Pike called for a roll call vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION / FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 RAP TAX ARTS FUNDS:

Consider approval of a resolution adopting recommendations of the St. George Arts Commission for distribution of RAP Tax arts funds for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

Mayor Pike explained that there was \$40,000 of unallocated funds from the RAP tax that needed to be distributed for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017. He stated that the St. George Arts Commission (SGAC) has met and reviewed grant applications from St. George based arts organizations. SGAC members vetted the applications and have determined grant funding recommendations for City Council consideration that \$10,000 go to each of the following entities: Celebrity Concert Series, Southwest Symphony, Southern Utah Heritage Choir, and the St. George Musical Theatre.

- MOTION:** A motion was made by Councilmember Arial to approve the recommendations from the St. George Arts Commission and award the grants as presented.
- SECOND:** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Baca.

DISCUSSION:

Councilmember Arial commented that the organizations that receive the funds are worthy and very appreciative of the much needed financial help.

Councilmember Baca explained that this is the first disbursement of these funds, and that this process will be evaluated as part of the reconciliation process for receiving these funds. If the funds are not used satisfactorily they will no longer be able to receive funding in the future.

Councilmember Hughes wished to explain that this RAP tax was passed by the general public who voted on it; and as such, these funds are taxed for a specific

purpose and cannot be used for anything else. Allocating the funds is part of the process in doing what the general public wanted the Council to do.

Mayor Pike also wished to mention that the funds are divided between three entities; Recreation, Arts and Parks.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a roll call vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

AMEND CERTAIN FEES FOR VARIOUS SERVICES AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES/RESOLUTION:

Consider approval of a resolution amending and adopting certain fees for various services and recreational activities.

City Manager Gary Esplin presented the list of all the fees the city charges.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to amend and adopting the recreational fees as presented.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bowcutt.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a roll call vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

ORDINANCE PROHIBITING FIREWORKS IN DESIGNATED AREAS OF THE CITY:

City Manager Gary Esplin explained that this is an ordinance prohibiting fireworks in designated areas of the City, and the City has done similar orders in the past several years. An updated ordinance needs to be approved by the City Council each year. This order prohibits fireworks in areas of the City that present extra fire hazards such as dry washes, hillsides, etc.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the Ordinance prohibiting fireworks in designated areas of the City.
SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.
VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a roll call vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

DAYTIME WATER RESTRICTION

Conservation Specialist Rene Fleming explained that this request is to prohibit outdoor watering between the hours of 8:00 am and 8:00 pm. This applies to those that water using culinary (drinking) water. This is to reduce the amount of water lost to evaporation when irrigation is done during the heat of the day. This does not apply to those residents using irrigation quality water, as the irrigation system production and storage capacity is limited and not all large irrigation customers would be able to complete watering in a 12 hour period. It is a more efficient use of water resources to allow those using irrigation quality resources to water as water is available.

Councilmember Hughes asked if this has been effective in the past at deterring people from using culinary water during the daylight hours.

Ms. Fleming stated that it has been effective because it increases public awareness and provides a method to be able to bring attention to those who disregard the restriction.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to implement day time watering restrictions to prohibit all outdoor watering with culinary water between the hours of 8:00 am and 8:00 pm.
SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Arial.
VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

CLASS A BEER LICENSE AND PROXIMITY VARIANCE:

Consider approval of a Class A Beer License and proximity variance for a KB Express proposed west of Brigham Road and north of Desert Hills Drive. KB Express, applicant.

City Manager Gary Esplin explained that the applicant still needed to put in for a zone change, but would like to know the decision of the Council now before they go through that process if a beer license and proximity variance would be awarded.

City Treasurer Laura Woolsey stated that Stacey Bettridge, the owner of KB Express is requesting approval of a Class A beer license and a proximity variance to the Desert Hills Seminary and the Desert Hills Middle School as the City code does not allow any establishment vending alcohol to be within 600 feet of a school or church. She explained that this is 248 feet from Desert Hills Seminary which is 352 feet too close.

Councilmember Hughes asked if this kind of proximity variance has been done before. City Manager Gary Esplin stated that yes, there have been variances made in the past, but it has been a while.

Councilmembers discussed the issue of distance to the nearby school and seminary building and the feedback from both.

Councilmember Baca mentioned that he had spoken with the principal at Desert Hills High School and his biggest concern with traffic.

Councilmember Bowcutt stated that the issue of selling beer at a convenience store is not the main concern, because that alone would not necessarily cause increased traffic to the location.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Arial to approve the request for a Class A Beer License and proximity variance for KB Express, contingent on obtaining a certificate of occupancy and the required zone change for the project.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Baca.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENT:

Consider approval of a ten (10) year lease for the Chamber of Commerce to lease City owned property at 136 North 100 East. Gregg McArthur, applicant.

City Manager Gary Esplin explained that this is a ten year lease of the City-owned property at 130 North 100 East. The Chamber is ready to renovate the building interior, adding meeting space and badly needed updates. He explained that the City will be given the right to use the renovated meeting space and equipment for City meetings. The lease will be for a nominal amount, as with the old courthouse, because the Chamber would be doing roughly \$275,000 in improvements to the building. He also mentioned that the Welcome Center would continue to operate there.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to approve a ten (10) year lease agreement with the Chamber of Commerce to lease City owned property at 136 North 100 East.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Arial.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Mayor Pike then called for a 5 minute recess.

SET PUBLIC HEARING:

Council to set a public hearing to consider a zone change on 8.16 acres from R-1-12 to RE-20 located southwest of Seegmiller Drive and east of Little Valley Road.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Bowcutt to set the Public Hearing for July 7, 2016 as requested.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

FINAL PLAT:

Consider approval of a sixteen (16) lot residential final plat subdivision for "The Reserve at River Hollow Phase 1." Located at approximately 2780 East and 1200 South. The property is zoned RE-20 (Residential Estate 20,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size). The representative is Mr. Brandon Anderson, Rosenberg Associates. Case No. 2016-FP-014.

Planning and Zoning Manager John Willis presented the final plat for The Reserve at River Hollow Phase 1 to Councilmembers for approval. Planning Commission has recommended approval with the following conditions: no access to 2780 East Street; two (2) agreements are required to be reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office prior to Final Plat recording.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to approve the Final Plat for "The Reserve at River Hollow Phase 1" as presented.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Baca.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes - aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt - aye
Councilmember Arial - aye
Councilmember Baca - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

FINAL PLAT:

Consider approval of a twenty-two (22) lot residential Final Plat subdivision for "SunRiver Phase 42." Located at approximately 5200 South and 1800 West (off Grapevine Drive). The property is zoned PD-R (Planned Development Residential). Case No. 2014-FP-001

Planning and Zoning Manager John Willis presented the final plat as presented in the Council packet.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the Final Plat for SunRiver Phase 42 as presented.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes - aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt - aye
Councilmember Arial - aye
Councilmember Baca - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

FINAL PLAT:

Consider approval of a five (5) lot residential Final Plat subdivision for "SunRiver Phase 43A". Located at approximately 5100 South and 1600 West (off English Ivy Drive). The property is zoned PD-R (Planned Development Residential). Case No. 2016-FP-018.

Planning and Zoning Manager John Willis presented the final plat as presented in the Council packet.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to approve the Final Plat for SunRiver Phase 43A as presented.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Baca.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes - aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt - aye
Councilmember Arial - aye
Councilmember Baca - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

FINAL PLAT:

Consider approval of a fourteen (14) lot residential Final Plat for "SunRiver Phase 43B" Located at approximately 5200 South and 1600 West (off English Ivy Drive and Grapevine Drive). The property is zoned PD-R (Planned Development Residential). The representative is Mr. Brandon Anderson, Rosenberg Associates. Case No. 2016-FP-019.

Planning and Zoning Manager John Willis presented the final plat as presented in the Council packet.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the Final Plat for SunRiver Phase 43B as presented.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes - aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt - aye
Councilmember Arial - aye
Councilmember Baca - aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

PRELIMINARY PLAT

Consider approval of a preliminary plat for a fifty-five (55) lot preliminary plat for "Desert Valley at Desert Canyons". The subdivision would be located in the Desert Canyons development south of Desert Canyons Parkway and east of Rimrunner Road. The property is zoned R-1-10 (Single Family Residential 10,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size). Case No. 2016-PP-017.

Planning and Zoning Manager John Willis presented the final plat as presented in the Council packet. Lot size averaging, circular driveways, future park subject to change, open space dedication.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the preliminary plat for Desert Valley and Desert Canyons with the conditions as outlined by the Planning Commission.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Arial

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING:

Consider approval of the Friends of Switch Point Memorandum of Understanding.

City Manager Gary Esplin stated that this MOU would allow the Friends of SwitchPoint, a private nonprofit 501(c)(3) entity, to lease the building at a nominal rate and to operate the daily functions of the facility. It also identifies the roles of both the City and the Friends of SwitchPoint in relation to the operations of the facility.

City Attorney Shawn Guzman explained that this MOU also allows the City to appoint two (2) members of the Friends of SwitchPoint Board. He explained that the City still needs to finalize the lease for the building, and the Friends of SwitchPoint's attorney is drafting an operational agreement.

Mayor Pike mentioned that this agreement makes sure that both the City and the citizens are protected from liability, and the signing of this MOU would help the Friends of SwitchPoint move forward with applying for grants and other funding options.

Councilmember Baca also mentioned the benefits to the City in participating in this MOU.

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to approve the Friends of SwitchPoint Memorandum of Understanding as presented.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Arial.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

City Attorney Guzman also mentioned that there is a provision in the MOU that those persons brought to or referred to that facility by City staff, namely the Police Department, get first priority in exchange for leasing this building at a nominal rate.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT:

Consider approval of an interlocal agreement between the City of St. George and Washington County for participating construction costs of the Pioneer Park Storm Water Detention Basin. Washington County, applicant.

City Manager Gary Esplin mentioned that this should be subject to legal approval, as all the terms of the agreement have not been reviewed.

City Manager Gary Esplin stated that the Federal government through the NRCS has approved funds (\$930,600) for the design and construction of the detention basin near Pioneer Park to help with the drainage issues from the Red Hill. The local agency is to provide 25% of construction cost of the project. NRCS pays for 100% of the design and 75% of the construction cost. The County will administer the project through a separate agreement with the NRCS. It is estimated that the City's maximum participation cost would be \$232,650.

Mayor Pike stated that this agreement makes lots of sense, help issues with drainage coming down the hill

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Randall to approve the interlocal agreement between the City of St. George and Washington County for participating in construction costs of the Pioneer Park Storm Water Detention Basin as presented, subject to legal approval.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Baca.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

ADJOURN:

MOTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Arial to adjourn from City Council.

SECOND: The motion was seconded by Councilmember Randall.

VOTE: Mayor Pike called for a vote, as follows:

Councilmember Hughes – aye
Councilmember Randall - aye
Councilmember Bowcutt – aye
Councilmember Arial – aye
Councilmember Baca – aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.