

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TO THE PUBLIC AND RESIDENTS OF VERNAL CITY: Notice is hereby given that the **VERNAL CITY COUNCIL** will hold a regular meeting on **Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Vernal City Council Chambers at 374 East Main St, Vernal, Utah.

A G E N D A

7:00 p.m. OPENING CEREMONY

1. Invocation or Uplifting Thought
2. Pledge of Allegiance

STANDING BUSINESS

1. Approval of the Minutes of October 17, 2018 Regular Meeting

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. Introduction of New Employees – Dallin Wyatt and Coy Dudley - Danny Anderson & Glade Allred

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program First Public Hearing to receive input regarding possible activities or projects– Quinn Bennion

POLICY & LEGISLATION

1. Consider Approval of a Public Defender Contract (Eight Months) – Allen Parker
2. Review of Application for City Sponsorship – Quinn Bennion
3. Request for Parcel of Property to designated as Surplus with No Value and Land Transfer from Vernal City to Reid Samuels and Ruth Marie Samuels for the Property Located at 380 North 300 West – Allen Parker

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

ADJOURN

NOTE: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations during this meeting should notify Quinn Bennion, 374 East Main, Vernal, Utah 84078 or phone (435) 789-2255 at least three days before the meeting.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor & City Council

FROM: Quinn Bennion, City Manager

RE: *Agenda Items for Nov. 7, 2018 Council Meeting*

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. **Introduction of New Employees – Dallin Wyatt and Coy Dudley** – Danny Anderson & Glade Allred

PUBLIC HEARING

1. **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program – Public Hearing – to receive input regarding possible activities and projects** – Quinn Bennion. The CDBG program requires applicant cities to hold a public hearing to solicit ideas and comments about potential projects in Vernal City. The use of the funds is limited to low-moderate income beneficiaries as established by a citizen survey or predetermined group such as women's crisis center, senior population and ADA projects near affordable housing. A list of potential capital projects is due to UBAOG by November 15th.

POLICY & LEGISLATION

1. **Consider approval of a Public Defender contract (8 months)** – Allen Parker. The City's current public defender is Lance Dean. Mr. Dean recently accepted a position with the State managing public defense services in the Tri-County area. He submitted his resignation. With eight months left on the contract, city staff worked with Jordan Van Oostendorp to continue the existing contract. In June 2019, the City will solicit for proposals.
2. **Review of application for city sponsorship** – Quinn Bennion. The City Council directed staff to draft an application for city sponsorship of community events. Included in the packet is a draft version. Staff is seeking Council's input and modifications before using the form for sponsored events. The application will provide data and information for staff and Council to determine the best uses of tax dollars in support community events. The form will be added to the City's new website so it can be submitted online.
3. **Request for Parcel of property to be designated as surplus with no value and land transfer from Vernal City to Reid Samuels for property located at 380 North and 300 West** – Allen Parker. Vernal City owns a parcel of property which is, in part, being used for public right-of-way. The west side of this parcel is being occupied by the adjoining property owner and appears to be excess land that is not usable to Vernal City or will never be useful to the City. The property owner has discussed the transfer of the property from Vernal City

to himself and this discussion has dated back to Ken Bassett's tenure. Staff's recommendation is the Vernal City Council consider declaring that this excess property as surplus and transferring it to the adjoining property owner at no cost.

MINUTES OF THE VERNAL CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD
OCTOBER 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vernal City Council room, 374 East Main,
Vernal, Utah 84078.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Samantha Scott, Travis Allan, Ted Munford, Dave Everett, and Bert Clark, and Mayor Doug Hammond.

WELCOME: Mayor Hammond welcomed everyone to this meeting.

INVOCATION OR UPLIFTING THOUGHT: The invocation was given by Councilmember Bert Clark.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Samantha Scott.

APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2018: *Councilmember Ted Munford moved to approve the minutes of October 3, 2018. Councilmember Travis Allan seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Munford, Allan, Scott and Clark voting in favor. Councilmember Dave Everett abstained.*

REPORT AND UPDATE FROM ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER - DON WATTS: Mr. Don Watts, regional business manager for Rocky Mountain Power, gave an annual report of what Rocky Mountain Power is doing in the Vernal area. He noted that they have approximately 5000 customers here and provide 95 million kilowatt hours of electricity to businesses and homes. Over \$13,000 was awarded in sponsorships for local events including Holly Days and they are happy to participate. Also, they are encouraging renewable energy and have purchased a solar farm so customers can purchase solar energy from that farm in 200 kilowatt blocks for 20 years at the same price. There are 14 participants in Vernal so far. Mr. Watts explained they are finishing up on the energy efficiency program geared toward small businesses where they change out the lights with more efficient bulbs providing a savings of almost two million kilowatt hours. The company's reason for these programs is to help delay the need to upgrade the current electrical system. Mayor Doug Hammond thanked Mr. Watts for the report and for all that Rocky Mountain Power does for the community. Mr. Watts stated they are glad to be a partner with the community and the City.

DINO TRI REPORT AND REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP - GREG MURPHY: Greg Murphy stated that the Dino Tri appreciates the support they have received from the City over the years. The participation numbers have dropped and the goal is to get them back up. One of the challenges is funding. A major sponsor dropped their participation which was a huge hit to this event. There is another organization, Tri-Utah, which has a lot of expertise in triathlons, so the Dino-Tri has partnered with them to help market this event. Councilmember Ted Munford stated he would like to see the financial statements. Greg Murphy stated he would send them to the City. Councilmember Travis Allan asked if they would be charging an entrance fee. Greg Murphy stated yes they will continue to do that. Quinn Bennion stated that the City has budgeted \$1500 for this event sponsorship. Councilmember Clark asked when this event will take place and suggested they not compete with other big events. Greg Murphy answered that the estimated date is June 29th and that is one of the reasons they are partnering with Tri-Utah to get on their calendar so they do not compete with other events. After further discussion,

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Councilmember Travis Allan moved to sponsor the Dino-Tri event in the amount of \$1500. Councilmember Bert Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Councilmember Munford.....aye;
Councilmember Allanaye;
Councilmember Everettaye;
Councilmember Scott.....aye;
Councilmember Clark.....aye.

REPORT ON ENERGY SUMMIT SPEAKER DOUG GRIFFITHS - “13 WAYS TO KILL YOUR COMMUNITY” - QUINN BENNION: Quinn Bennion explained that recently he heard a presentation from Mr. Doug Griffiths who spent his career looking at rural communities and what helps them thrive. He stated that he would like to give the Council a brief summary of his presentation and if they would like to view the entire presentation it is available on vernalutah.org. His presentation is based on his book “13 things that kill your Community”, which is the exact opposite from what communities should be doing. Those 13 items are as follows:

1. **Water quantity and quality;** this is a very important and a key issue for most communities.
2. **Don’t attract businesses;** the reality is government must allow competition, yet showcase what each business has to offer.
3. **Don’t engage youth;** the goal is not to keep them, but give them a reason to come home after exploring.
4. **Deceive yourself;** many communities underestimate beautification which is needed to attract business and residents and indicates the level of success.
5. **Shop elsewhere;** Consumers as well as shop owners need to support each other and one avenue is to identify their uniqueness to strive to buy locally first.
6. **Don’t paint;** this strategy is geared toward shop owner to make their establishment an enticing environment to bring customers in.
7. **Don’t cooperate;** Cooperation is key to being successful.
8. **Live in the past;** this section of the book goes in length about citizen groups and how many residents do not want change, but must adapt to change.
9. **Shut out your seniors;** Senior citizens help the economy.
10. **Reject everything new;** Learn from others success stories and adapt and adopt what has worked elsewhere.
11. **Ignore outsiders;** Make sure your community is welcoming so your population does not shrink and fail.
12. **Grow complacent;**
13. **Don’t take responsibility.**

Quinn Bennion stated that the messages in his presentation is that City officials are faced with hard decisions which may impact an individual person, yet still be necessary for the progress of the entire community. Overall, Vernal City is in good shape.

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STAFF REPORTS:

Grants:

Quinn Bennion stated the City applied for a grant in the amount of \$1500 to encourage walkability which also ties into the wayfinding system. He noted he will advise the Council if the grant is awarded.

Vernal Haunt:

Councilmember Dave Everett stated he has heard a great response for the Vernal Haunt. Quinn Bennion stated the first night was awesome with a long line all night. Councilmember Samantha Scott stated she went through the ghost tour which was almost too spooky.

Mayor's Walk:

Quinn Bennion reminded everyone of the upcoming Mayor's Halloween walk on Wednesday, October 31st.

ADJOURN: *There being no further business; Councilmember Samantha Scott moved to adjourn. Councilmember Dave Everett seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote and the meeting was declared adjourned.*

Mayor Doug Hammond

ATTEST:

Roxanne Behunin, Deputy Recorder

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October 17, 2018
Public Notice

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
VERNAL CITY FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Vernal City will hold a public hearing on November 7, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. at the Vernal City Hall, 375 E Main Street, Vernal, Utah. Vernal City is eligible to apply to the Utah Department of Workforce Services for funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program, a federally funded program administered by the State of Utah, Housing and Community Development Division (HCD). Vernal City is eligible to apply for CDBG funding provided Vernal City meets the applicable program requirements. The purpose of the public hearing is to provide citizens with pertinent information about the Community Development Block Grant program and to allow for discussion of possible applications. This public hearing will cover eligible activities, program requirements, and expected funding allocations in the region. THE CDBG Program can fund a broad range of activities, including, but not limited to: construction of public works and facilities, e.g., water and sewer lines, fire stations, acquisition of real property, and provision of public services such as food banks or homeless shelters. In the event that Vernal City chooses to apply for CDBG funding, a second public hearing will be held at a later time to discuss the project. Further information can be obtained by contacting Quinn Bennion, City Manager at (435) 789-2255. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during this hearing should notify Quinn Bennion, City Manager at Vernal City, 374 East Main Street, Vernal, Utah at least three days prior to the hearing. Individuals with speech and/or hearing impairments may call the Relay for Utah by dialing 711 or Spanish Relay Utah at 1-888-346-3162.

Published in the Vernal Express on October 23, 2018.



Vernal City Event Funding Application Form

Application Date: _____ Date(s) of Event: _____

Amount Requested: __\$ _____

Applicant/Organization: _____

Type of Organization:

- Not-for-profit
 For profit

- Government agency / district
 Other: _____

Contact Person / Title : _____ / _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Description of Event: _____

How will city funds be used? _____

Total budget for the event: __\$ _____ Funds remaining after last year's event __\$ _____

Other sources of funding for this event: _____

Estimated number of participants: _____ Number of room nights anticipated: _____

Priority will be given to community events that attract visitors to Vernal. The City does not generally support charity fundraisers. City funds cannot be used to benefit individual people. I agree the information provided is true and accurate. I agree to make a presentation to the Vernal City Council summarizing the event and explaining how the city's fund will be used.

Event Director / Contact Person

Date

(Accounting code- Internal use only)

Amount in City budget for this event: __\$ _____ Last year's funded amount: __\$ _____

**QUIT-CLAIM DEED
(Corporate Form)**

VERNAL CITY, a Utah Municipal corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Utah, with its principal office at Vernal, County of Uintah, State of Utah,

Grantor

hereby QUIT CLAIMS to

REID SAMUELS and RUTH MARIE SAMUELS, husband and wife

Grantees

of 1378 West 400 South - Vernal UT 84078

for the sum of TEN AND NO/100-and other good and valuable consideration-
the following described tract of land in Uintah County, State of Utah:

DOLLARS,

Beginning at a point 396 feet South and 841.4 feet East of the Northwest corner of Section 23, Township 4 South, Range 21 East, Salt Lake Meridian, thence East to the west right-of-way line of the Vernal City sidewalk; thence South along said right-of-way line 120 feet; thence West to point 120 feet South of beginning point; thence North 120 feet, more or less, to point of beginning.

The officers who sign this deed hereby certify that this deed and the transfer represented thereby was duly authorized under a resolution duly adopted by the City Council of the grantor at a lawful meeting duly held and attended by a quorum.

In witness whereof, the grantor has caused its corporate name and seal to be hereunto affixed by

its duly authorized officer this _____ day of _____, A.D. 2018.

Vernal City, a Utah Municipal Corporation

Attest:

Quinn Bennion, City Recorder

BY _____
Doug Hammond, Mayor

(Corporate Seal)

STATE OF Utah
COUNTY OF Uintah

On the _____ day of _____ 2018, A.D. personally appeared before me **Doug Hammond**, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is the Mayor of Vernal City and that the within and foregoing instrument was signed in behalf of said Vernal City, a Utah Municipal corporation, by authority of law under the direction of the City Council and said Doug Hammond duly acknowledged to me that said City executed the same and that the seal affixed is the seal of said City.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Residing In:

**Area To Be
Transferred**



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