

CITY OF OREM
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
56 North State Street Orem, Utah
December 11, 2018

3:00 P.M. WORK SESSION – CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM

CONDUCTING	Mayor Richard F. Brunst
ELECTED OFFICIALS	Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner
APPOINTED STAFF	Jamie Davidson, City Manager; Brenn Bybee, Assistant City Manager; Steven Downs, Deputy City Manager; Greg Stephens, City Attorney; Karl Hirst, Recreation Department Director; Richard Manning, Administrative Services Director; Bill Bell, Development Services Director; Scott Gurney, Fire Chief; Gary Giles, Police Chief; Ryan Clark, Economic Development Division Manager; Jason Bench, Planning Division Manager; Kirby Snideman, Long Range Planner; Kena Mathews, Community Services Manager; and Jackie Lambert, Deputy City Recorder

PRESENTATION – Special Project at University Place

Mr. Clark began by saying that Orem was the center for the arts, and was the first city in Utah County to adopt a Cultural Arts and Recreation Enhancement (CARE) Tax. The Hale Center Theater of Orem (HCTO) played an important role in the City’s cultural arts offerings, and the proposal they would discuss was to relocate the HCTO to University Place. Mr. Clark introduced special guests from the HCTO organization, the Woodbury Corporation, and Utah Valley University (UVU). Mr. Clark then asked Cody Swenson, HCTO Executive Director, to share some information about the history of the organization.

Mr. Swenson gave a brief history of how his grandparents came to open their own theaters. The HCTO was opened in 1990, and since that time over 250 productions had been staged. Mr. Swenson said they were known for providing a quality theater experience in an intimate space, and most shows were sold out most of the time. They had great support from the community, and hoped to preserve their unique legacy in the proposed new theater.

Mr. Clark shared conceptual renderings for the proposed new theater, and said that the HCTO organization had been looking for a chance to expand since 2008. The economic downturn had changed those plans again and again, but there was now an opportunity for a special collaboration with the HCTO, the Woodbury Corporation, and the City of Orem. Hale had approached the City on this project, and had been open and transparent with their finances. Mr. Clark said the project had been “stress tested” and evaluated by Lewis Young Robertson & Burningham (LYRB), as well as Woodbury, and a project like this would not work without a city financing component. They wanted to have the best protection possible for the City, as well as a

situation that HCTO could afford and made sense for their theater. Mr. Clark said there were many partnerships like this between cities and theater organizations throughout the state. He said this would be an affordable product for the area with the same intimate feel.

Arty Woodbury said they agreed in principle on the location with HCTO, and to show how committed the Woodbury Corporation was to this project they would pledge \$1 million to kick start the fundraising efforts.

Mr. Clark showed proposed plans for the interior of the theater, which included a black box theater. Mr. Swenson explained that the black box theater would mainly be used for the youth theater productions, as it was harder to find time to schedule them on the main stage. Mr. Clark said the current theater had 11,000 square feet, with between 280-303 seats and 83 parking stalls with 77 additional stalls as overflow. The proposed main theater would be more like the now “old” Hale in West Valley with approximately 64,000 square feet, with 568 seats and 200 in the black box theater, and 316 parking stalls. Mr. Clark reviewed the steps required to realize the proposed project, including a zone change, street vacation, and removal of the rental homes Woodbury owned that would allow for the necessary parking.

Mr. Clark said this would add to Orem’s identity and the place making of University Place and as a regional draw would help stem the outward migration of businesses, retail, and other arts programs to other cities. It would add to the mixed use of the development at University Place, and there would be indirect benefits as well. As a 28-year tenant in the city, HCTO was a known entity and the new theater was projected to attract 300,000 patrons annually. Mr. Clark said finally that this would be a great legacy project to move forward with in Orem’s centennial year.

There was continued discussion on the proposal, including the details on the scope of the new Hale Theater in Sandy, questions on the timeline if the project were to move forward, and on fundraising. Jeff Fisher, with HCTO, said they hoped to be aggressive with moving forward on fundraising should the project be approved. He said the fundraising would be easier with a specific project and location to present. Mr. Swenson added that they would be approaching state legislators in the upcoming legislative session. Mr. Woodbury said once the project was approved they could begin to prep the land and work on other projects already in motion including a hotel, but the fundraising would also dictate the timeline.

Mr. Macdonald asked UVU Dean Stephen M. Pullen for his thoughts. Dean Pullen said they had met with Hale to hear the proposed plan, and they were delighted to see this collaboration between the involved parties. In response to a question about UVU’s relationship with the SCERA organization, Dean Pullen said it was a comparable relationship to that with the Hale organization. For all those students in the arts programs, it gave them more opportunities to get professional experience.

In response to a question posed by Mr. Seastrand, Mr. Davidson said the City would be open to partnerships of this kind with other organizations like SCERA and in fact already had a partnership with SCERA. There was a cooperative relationship for the SCERA Shell outdoor theater, and through the CARE tax. Mr. Davidson said this project had been in discussions for several years and while it had always been open it had not always been easy.

Mr. Macdonald said his feeling was the more fundraising that could be done by HCTO and Woodbury, the better. Laura Lewis, with LYRB, said it was unrealistic to expect them to raise all

the money. She said a 501c3 nonprofit organization had the opportunity to work through a municipality as a conduit to take advantage of the tax exemption savings, which would be significant. There was a benefit to that collaboration.

DISCUSSION – Multi-Jurisdictional Automatic Aid, Mutual Aid, Fire Training, Emergency Medical, and Other Services Agreement

Fire Chief Gurney and Deputy Chief Jason Earl presented information to the City Council on the Multi-Jurisdictional Automatic Aid, Mutual Aid, Fire Training, Emergency Medical, and Other Services Agreement (an inter-local agreement), which outlined the rights and responsibilities for mutual aid and other related services between the Orem City Fire Department and other fire and emergency medical service providers throughout the state of Utah.

Chief Earl said there was a kind of informal agreement with neighboring communities to help with fire services as needed. The agreement being discussed would formalize the terms. He reviewed some of the specifics of the agreement, saying that there would be no obligation to cover for others if the City was unavailable or short staffed.

Mr. Davidson asked about the possibility of disproportionately being called out to communities other than Orem, and subsidizing fire services for others. Chief Earl said it was a non-binding, non-obligatory agreement and they could opt out if necessary; he did not anticipate that being a problem. There were some emergencies that smaller communities could not handle on their own, in terms of equipment, personnel, and other resources. Hopefully that would be a rare occurrence, but they wanted to be available in those circumstances.

Chief Gurney said agreements like this were win-win. One of the benefits of the agreement was to outline how many offices and engines of what type were needed at specific incidents, which took the guesswork out of what resources were needed to respond. He said they would bring the resolution for the agreement forward to the first City Council meeting in January of 2019.

DISCUSSION – Section 108 Loan Refinancing Opportunity

Ms. Mathews said there was an opportunity to refinance the Section 108 Loan, which would result in a savings in excess of \$50,000. They were contacted by HUD about a public offering in February to move from a variable rate to a fixed rate.

Mr. Lentz asked if this would extend the life of the loan. Ms. Mathews said it did not. They would bring a formal resolution to the Council in January but they had a deadline of midnight on December 11th to indicate if they wanted take advantage of the refinancing option. The general consensus of the Council was to move forward with refinancing the loan.

UPDATE – Neighborhood Plans

Mr. Snideman provided an update on the neighborhood plan process. He said there were 21 neighborhoods in Orem that had been put into nine groups for the purpose of neighborhood plans. They had completed five of those plans and had four left to do; they were going to try to do two plans concurrently. He explained that the major components of neighborhood plans were not necessarily neighborhood specific, so they could use a template to start. Once a volunteer

neighborhood committee was formed, they could get more into the specifics. This would also give them the opportunity to combine public meetings. Mr. Snideman said they would do the last two plans concurrently as well, if the initial trial went well. They hoped to complete all nine plans by 2020.

PRESENTATION – Imagine Orem: Geneva Road Area-Wide Plan

Mr. Snideman invited consultant Katie-Rose Imbriano to join him to provide an update of the progress of the Geneva Road area-wide plan. Ms. Imbriano defined the boundaries of the plan area, and explained that “brownfield” areas were those with contamination of the soil, groundwater, etc. Geneva Steel had been a contributor to that issue in the area. She continued to review the processes of gathering data, contacting land owners and business owners along the corridor, and the public outreach process going into the development of the plan. Mr. Snideman said there would be a workshop with property owners on December 12th to show them what had been done with their feedback. They would discuss potential zoning, development, and the risks and benefits of having a master plan in place.

Ms. Imbriano reviewed the efforts made in public outreach over the past 12 months, including phone calls and personal visits to properties and businesses along Geneva Road, open houses in the spring and fall, and a survey conducted through imagineorem.org. Mr. Snideman said the addition of food and activities at the open houses had invited a variety of people from differing backgrounds to participate.

Ms. Imbriano shared some of the survey responses, and the three major concerns business owners had responded with: land use, neighborhood character, and transportation. They wanted to make sure the area was going to grow in the right ways. Major concerns were residential encroachment, adequate parking for businesses, and the expansion of the road. Many industrial businesses used vehicles that had different transportation needs. Mr. Davidson said those concerns stated by business owners seemed incongruous with attempts the City made to clean up or make any changes on Geneva Road, as there was usually push back. Perhaps this showed that those pushing back in public meetings may not be the majority opinion.

Ms. Imbriano presented the three districts that were proposed in the plan, which were the Gateway District, Geneva Crossing District, and Geneva Center District. She elaborated on the specifics of each plan, and said one important recommendation for all three districts was to improve the internal connections along the corridor. In response to a question about residential developments, Mr. Snideman said there may be some areas within the districts where residential was permitted, but there would not be an area that was 100% residential – it would have to be mixed use.

DISCUSSION – Rank Choice Voting

Mr. Lentz said he wanted to discuss the option to conduct a Rank Choice Voting (RCV) election for the 2019 Municipal Elections. He had pros and cons he wanted to share on the subject. He informally polled followers on his social media regarding RCV with no context or educational information, and found responses to be 50/50. After adding some more detailed information regarding the process, the feedback shifted to 90% in favor. The pros and cons Mr. Lentz identified were:

- PRO
 - Improved representation
 - More civil campaigns
 - Money savings (eliminate the need for a Primary election)
- CON
 - Reduced vetting of candidates
 - Greater need for education on election processes
 - Potential costs for new equipment

Mr. Lentz said greater control was an idea that grabbed people, and RCV elections would more likely represent the electorate. The risk of conducting a Vote By Mail (VBM) election had paid off, and in his mind the pros outweighed the cons.

Mr. Davidson shared that the deadline to contact the Lt. Governor's office to run an election with RCV was January 1, 2019. He said City Recorder Jody Bates had contacted the Lt. Governor's office earlier that day and no municipality in Utah had yet said they would be conducting a RCV election.

Council members had continued discussion on the benefits of RCV as well as the potential concerns. One major concern many shared was the need to educate voters on the new process which could potential be confusing; voters were just starting to be more comfortable with VBM, older voters in particular. Another main concern was the dysfunction of the Utah County Clerk/Auditor office, though the hope was that new leadership in that office would lead to better run elections. Some voiced concerns about eliminating the Primary Election as a valuable time needed to vet the candidates, and the costs saved in not conducting a Primary Election would likely be needed elsewhere.

Mayor Brunst shared information he found in researching RCV. He echoed some of the concerns shared by the others, though he appreciated what Mr. Lentz had shared on his pros and cons. He felt this was not the right time to move forward with RCV, and wanted to see what changes the newly elected Utah County Clerk/Auditor would be implementing before changing the process.

All City Council members but Mr. Lentz said they were not for conducting a RCV election at this time. Mr. Lentz hoped it would be something to consider again in the future.

Preview Upcoming Agenda Items

Mr. Bench gave a brief overview of planning items that will be coming before the Council in future meetings.

Agenda Review

The City Council and staff reviewed the items on the agenda. The Mayor and Council discussed appointments to boards and commissions, as well as the appointment of a new Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Brunst reviewed the upcoming events as listed in the agenda packet.

City Council New Business

With no new business to discuss, the City Council adjourned at 5:50 p.m. to the City Council Chambers for their regular meeting.

6:00 P.M. REGULAR SESSION – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CONDUCTING

Mayor Richard F. Brunst

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INVOCATION /

INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

Jim Jacobs

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Weeblo Troop 990

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Seastrand moved to approve the following sets of meeting minutes:

- November 13, 2018, City Council meeting
- November 14, 2018, Joint City Council/Alpine School District meeting
- November 20, 2018 Special City Council meeting.

Mr. Spencer seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

MAYOR'S REPORT/ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mayor Brunst reviewed the upcoming events, as listed in the agenda packet.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Brunst moved to appoint Mattathias Westwood to the CDBG Advisory Commission, and to appoint Catherine Whitaker to the Summerfest Advisory Committee. **Mrs. Lauret seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

PRESENTATION – Fire Department Citizen Award – Carlos Rodriguez

Chief Gurney and Deputy Chief Earl recognized Orem resident Carlos Rodriguez for his willingness to act with boldness and courage, and in so doing saved a child's life. Mr. Rodriguez had taken it upon himself to learn some CPR basics to be prepared if ever needed with his own children. Responding to the plight of a distraught neighbor, Mr. Rodriguez was able to perform CPR on the neighbor's one year old child and provided care until the emergency responders could arrive. The child survived, and was released from the hospital the next day. Since that time, Mr. Rodriguez has become CPR certified and encourages others to do the same.

Chief Gurney also wanted to commend the bravery of the child's mother, who sought the needed help to save her child.

Mr. Rodriguez was presented with the Fire Department Citizen Award and received a round of applause. Mr. Rodriguez and the Fire Department representatives took a photo with the Mayor and shook the City Council's hands.

PRESENTATION – Comprehensive Annual Financial Reporting Award

Paul Jerome, state representative from the board of the Utah Government Finance Officers Association (UGFOA), presented a certificate of achievement in government reporting to the City of Orem. Mr. Jerome said this was the 30th consecutive time this award had been presented to the City of Orem, which was not an easy thing to achieve, as nationally only 6% of municipalities received this award. Mr. Jerome said this showed a commitment to excellence and credited Orem's staff for their outstanding work in receiving the award year after year, particularly the work of Jeff Petersen and Brandon Nelson, the City's former and current Finance Division Managers respectively.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Time was allotted for the public to express their ideas, concerns, and comments on items not scheduled as public hearings on the agenda. Those wishing to speak should have signed in prior to the meeting, and comments were limited to three minutes or less.

There were none who signed up to speak during personal appearances.

CONSENT ITEMS

ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE 2019

Mr. Lentz moved to approve the Annual Meeting Schedule for 2019, with the amendment of rescheduling the November City Council meeting from November 12 to November 19 to

accommodate the Canvass after the General Election. **Mr. Spencer seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

MAYOR PRO TEM – January 1 through June 30, 2019

Mayor Brunst moved to approve the appointment of David Spencer as Mayor Pro Tem from January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019. **Mrs. Lauret seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**

SCHEDULED ITEMS

6:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION – Establishing a Residential Parking Permit Area on 400 East between 212 and 260 South

Chief Giles invited Lt. Craig Martinez to present a recommendation that the City Council approve of the resolution establishing a Residential Parking Permit area on 400 East between 212 and 260 South, changing the area from a 'no parking during school hours' zone to a Residential Parking Permit area.

Lt. Martinez said the west side of 400 East between 212 South and 260 South was across the street from Orem High School. The area was currently marked for “No Parking During School Hours”, but the neighborhood residents were asking that it be changed to a Residential Parking Permit area. The proper studies and contact with all residents in the area had been conducted.

Lt. Martinez said that all the homes were requesting to be included with permit parking, though one home was in the process of being sold. In response to Mr. Lentz’s question, Lt. Martinez said that home would be included in the permit area, but could easily be removed if the new owners did not want to participate. It would simply be a matter of moving signage.

Mayor Brunst opened the public hearing. No one came forward to speak, so he closed the public hearing.

Mr. Macdonald moved, by resolution, to approve the resolution establishing a Residential Parking Permit area on 400 East between 212 and 260 South, changing the area from a ‘no parking during school hours’ zone to a Residential Parking Permit area. **Mr. Spencer seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

Mr. Davidson took this opportunity to recognize Lt. Martinez on his acceptance into an elite FBI 10 week training course that would begin at the end of December. Mr. Davidson said this was a difficult and prestigious program to be accepted in, and he commended Lt. Martinez on his exceptional work and dedication to his field. Mr. Davidson said Chief Gary Giles had also participated in this program, and felt that spoke to the caliber of individuals in Orem’s Police Department.

RESOLUTION – Authorizing the execution of an amended Interlocal Cooperative Agreement by and between the Board of Education, Alpine School District and the City of Orem providing for School Resource Officers in certain Alpine District Schools Staff recommends that the re-updated Interlocal Agreement - a revision of the Interlocal Agreement for SROs with Alpine School District adding one additional SRO to the Junior High Schools and updating the agreement as per recent state law - be approved

Chief Giles said this was an updated Interlocal agreement between the City of Orem and the Alpine School District which added one additional SRO to the junior high schools and also updated the interlocal agreement to be in compliance with new state law. An updated agreement was approved and signed at the September 11, 2018 meeting, but additional changes were made by the School District after that and have been approved by the City Attorney's Office.

Chief Giles shared a redline strikeout version of the agreement with the Council outlining the changes to the agreement. He clarified that they were mostly issues of wording and not necessarily substantive changes.

Mayor Brunst moved to authorize the execution of an amended Interlocal Cooperative Agreement by and between the Board of Education, Alpine School District and the City of Orem providing for School Resource Officers in certain Alpine District Schools Staff recommends that the re-updated Interlocal Agreement - a revision of the Interlocal Agreement for SROs with Alpine School District adding one additional SRO to the Junior High Schools and updating the agreement as per recent state law - be approved. **Mrs. Lauret seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

6:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE – Amending portions of Section 22-24-1 (City Center District Zone) pertaining to the City Center District Zones

Mr. Bench said that with the recent adoption of the North Village District, Canyon Crossing District, the Arts District, and the HUB District, staff recommended the City Center District be amended to be consistent with the ordinance requirements outlined in the four new districts. Mr. Bench reviewed the minor changes that were recommended so the code matched the other district code language for consistency.

With no further questions from the Council, Mayor Brunst opened the public hearing. Seeing no one come forward, he then closed the public hearing.

Mr. Lentz moved, by ordinance, to amend portions of Section 22-24-1 (City Center District Zone) pertaining to the City Center District Zones. **Mr. Seastrand seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

RESOLUTION – Authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Orem and Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG)

City Engineer Sam Kelly said this was an agreement with MAG to move forward with a roundabout improvement project at approximately 400 West and 1200 South. He said this was a project identified in the 2015 Transportation Master Plan, and now MAG money had been approved for the project. Those funds would become available in October 2019, so now was the time to begin the design process. Mr. Kelly said the estimated cost for this project was approximately \$2.3 million, and Orem's would contribute about \$155,000 as a 6.77% match, though that would essentially be paid by UTA to improve the route for the bus rapid transit system.

In response to Mayor Brunst's question about land purchasing, Mr. Kelly said the design was not yet set, though one idea that had been discussed was to purchase property around the area including the home, the LDS church parking lot, and UVU to make the roundabout larger. Mr. Kelly emphasized that that was a preliminary idea, and until the agreement was in place they felt it premature to speak to land owners about that possibility.

Mr. Seastrand asked about the possible need to increase capacity out of the roundabout on 400 West before the light onto University Parkway. Mr. Kelly said that particular intersection had a lot of turning movements, and they had already added dual left turns and an extended right turn pocket. It was something they could continue to watch. Mr. Kelly spoke to the timeline of the project, saying that the construction goal was for spring of 2020.

Mr. Spencer moved, by resolution, to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Orem and Mountainland Association of Governments. **Mr. Seastrand seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

RESOLUTION – Accept Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Audit

Mr. Nelson presented information regarding the FY 2017-2018 Audit. Mr. Nelson said in accordance with State Law, the City was required to have a complete financial audit performed by an independent auditing firm on an annual basis. Over the past several months, the accounting firm of Gilbert & Stewart CPA, PC had been reviewing the City's financial records and had now completed their audit. All of the audit information was included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

Mr. Nelson said Ron Stewart from Gilbert & Stewart CPA, PC would review the CAFR in their presentation to the City Council. The City ended the fiscal year at June 30, 2018, in sound financial condition and received an unmodified auditor's opinion (a "clean" opinion).

Mr. Stewart said there were four things that they did as auditors. First, they gave an opinion on financial statements for the City; they came to the conclusion of an unmodified or "clean" opinion by reviewing the City's books and perform tests to assure that the information is materially correct. He then reviewed that process. Second, they looked at internal controls to make sure they were in place, designed correctly, and working. He said while they did not give an opinion on that area, they had not found anything that needed to be brought to the City Council. Third, if the City spent more than \$750,000 in federal money a single or individual

audit was conducted to ensure they were in compliance with federal grant procedures; no issues were found. Fourth and finally, the auditors checked that the City was compliant with state requirements and procedures. The only finding they had was that the General Fund balance exceeded the maximum amount, but that would be easily remedied with the next scheduled budget amendment.

Mr. Seastrand asked about how many years the City had been working with Gilbert & Stewart for audits, and the amount of the fund balance overage. Mr. Nelson said it had been four years with a maximum of seven years with the same firm, and the overage amount was approximately \$2.3 million. It was common practice to make the necessary amendments to the budget for the overage amount in the General Fund.

Mr. Stewart said he appreciated working with Orem's staff on the audit. Mayor Brunst added that over 150 hours was put into the process of the audit.

Mr. Macdonald moved, by resolution, to accept the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Audit. **Mrs. Lauret seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

Mr. Nelson asked if he should continue to review the highlights of the presentation that he had not yet presented before the vote. Mayor Brunst said what had been shared already was sufficient.

COMMUNICATION ITEMS

The Monthly Financial Summary for October 2018 was included in the packets distributed to the Council.

CITY MANAGER INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Davidson shared that Bill Bell, the Development Services Department Director, would be retiring early in the 2019. He shared some of the professional contributions Mr. Bell had made in the City of Orem, and thanked him for his dedication to serving and improving the city and surrounding community.

Mr. Davidson then said that there would be many bills introduced in the upcoming state legislative session that would affect municipalities. He mentioned some of the topics that may come up including affordable housing, referenda laws, and a recent State Supreme Court decision regarding the legislative vs. administrative functions of city councils. He recommended that the Council pay close attention to the legislative session that would begin in January 2019.

Mayor Brunst said the discussion on the one quarter (¼) cent of sales tax for roads was still ongoing at the county level. He briefly reviewed the details of changes since the issue was voted on at a state level, and said the Orem and the surrounding cities had road improvement needs that this increase in funding would go to. He then said the Utah County Commission would be making their decision on the subject the following week, and he recommended that the City

Council call a special council meeting to voice their support for the Utah County Commission to approve the ¼ cent increase.

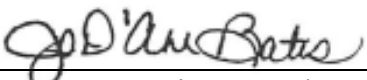
A special meeting was then scheduled for Thursday December 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Center Conference Room 107.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brunst moved to adjourn the meeting. **Mr. Seastrand seconded** the motion. Those voting aye: Richard F. Brunst, Debby Lauret, Sam Lentz, Tom Macdonald, Mark Seastrand, David Spencer, and Brent Sumner. The motion **passed**.

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.




JoD'Ann Bates, City Recorder

Approved: January 8, 2019