

Riverton City, Utah
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes
September 3, 2019

Riverton City Hall
12830 South 1700 West
Riverton, Utah 84065

Attendance:

Mayor Trent Staggs

Council Members:

Council Member Tish Buroker
Council Member Brent Johnson
Council Member Tawnee McCay
Council Member Sheldon Stewart
Council Member Tricia Tingey

City Staff:

Konrad Hildebrandt, City Manager
Virginia Loader, City Recorder
Ryan Carter, City Attorney
Trace Robinson, Public Works Director
Kevin Hicks, Administrative Services Director
Sheril Garn, Parks & Public Services Director
Jason Lethbridge, Development Services Director
Casey Saxton, Communications Director
Chief Don Hutson, RPD

1. Mayor and Council Informal Meeting – No action on any items

2. WORK SESSION – 5:45 PM

Mayor Staggs called the Work Session to order at 5:45 p.m. Council Members Buroker, Johnson, McCay, Stewart, and Tingey were present.

Mayor Staggs reviewed the Pro and Cons of the following four Riverton Broadband Options: 1. Status Quo, 2. Full Utility Model, 3. UTOPIA, and 4. Public Private Partnership.

Mayor Staggs said that he, along with others, had met with UTOPIA where they discussed ways they could partner with Riverton City to bring fiber to the City. Mayor Staggs recommended UTOPIA make their presentation to the entire City Council at a future Work Session so the Council will be able to give some definitive direction; the Council Members agreed.

3. Presentations

a. UFSA Report

Council Member Stewart explained the differences of Unified Fire Authority (UFA), which is the fire fighters, etc. and Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA), which is the funding source for UFA. He then expressed his concerns with UFSA and explained that, at the formation of UFSA when Riverton joined, Riverton had two fire stations, trucks, apparatus, and a fleet. When Riverton City joined, they basically gave their buildings to UFSA and, at the time, made an agreement that if Riverton ever left the UFSA, the buildings would go back into Riverton's ownership. He said there has been a lot of discussion in UFSA Board Meetings regarding a bond for funding to

build some new fire stations and to make some seismic improvements throughout UFSA. He said types of bonds were being debated equaling approximately \$36 million to \$40 million dollars. He said a bond would have a big impact on residents of Riverton City because he does not feel that Riverton City has the need for any new and/or improved stations. He said the issue has been in a long debate and he has pressed for a General Obligation Bond. He said there had also been a UFSA meeting regarding the allotment of UFSA CDAs and RDAs, which, he explained that since Riverton City's membership, Riverton City has had two granted and Millcreek has had three granted after being a City for only three years.

Council Member Stewart then explained the structure of the Board, which he said has increased from five members to sixteen members, of which Riverton is a member and has one vote. He spoke of his concerns regarding the number of Board members and that many of them have one vote but only represent a city/town with less than 500 population.

Council Member Stewart then spoke about the current and proposed UFSA fire stations and explained that Riverton City could be serviced by two strategically placed fire stations. He said that the fire stations within Riverton City have no current bonding, no debt, associated with them, yet with a \$40 million dollar bond, the residents would be obligated for 25 years to build stations in several other areas of UFSA. He said he has raised his concerns with the Union, the UFA Chief, and the UFSA Board. He said that his personal analysis was that Riverton City was not being, nor has been, benefited by UFSA.

Council Member Stewart said he did not have concerns with UFA and it was not his intent to leave UFA; however, based on his concerns, he said he feels the need to change funding mechanisms and leave UFSA.

Mayor Staggs and Council Member Stewart addressed questions from Council Members. Mayor Staggs then instructed Staff to conduct their own feasibility study, looking at the costing exhibit, timeline and overall impact to the residents, and present the results to the Council at a future meeting for to assist then in making a more informed decision.

4. Discussion Items

- a. Proposed Ordinance No. 19-21 – Amending Sections 18.225, Accessory Structures, and 18.145, Automobile Parking, Addressing Accessory Dwelling Units In Riverton City, Proposed by Riverton City

Ryan Carter, City Attorney, explained that, currently in the Riverton City Code, Accessory Dwelling Units are not allowed. He said that with the proposed amendment, the City would expand private property rights, which would be enjoyed by residents who want to pursue ADU opportunities with their properties, keeping in mind that not all residents would appreciate living next door to an ADU.

Discussion was held and amendments proposed to Mr. Carter. Mr. Carter noted the recommended amendments in 18-225.070 8(a), 8(d), 8(e), 8(g), (9), and 11 regarding lot/area sizes, ADU sizes, windows, permits, and entrances. He said he would make those amendments in the ordinance for consideration at a future meeting.

5. Mayor / Council / Manager Reports moved to City Council Meeting.

6. Adjournment

Council Member Stewart MOVED to adjourn the Work Session. Council Member McCay **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Staggs called for discussion on the motion; there being none, he called for a roll call vote and the vote was as follows: Council Members Buroker-Yes, Johnson-Yes, McCay-Yes, Stewart-Yes, and Tingey-Yes. The motion passed unanimously. The Work Session adjourned at 6:57 PM.

COUNCIL MEETING

1. Call to Order

Mayor Staggs called the Riverton City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and conducted a roll call. Council Members Buroker, Johnson, McCay, Stewart, and Tingey were present.

2. Prayer / Pledge of Allegiance

Bishop Thackeray, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, offered the invocation and Council Member Tish Buroker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comments

Mayor Staggs opened the Public Comment period and called for public comments;

Matt Barron expressed concerns regarding a letter he and his neighbors received from Tom Beesley, Riverton City Floodplain Administrator, regarding an updated FEMA Flood Plain that affects their properties and may require them to purchase flood Insurance. He requested the City's assistance in addressing their questions and concerns. The letter stated that a public open house would be held on September 9th at Riverton City Hall providing the residents an opportunity to provide comments and ask questions about the impacts the new maps would have on their property.

There being no further comments or question, Mayor Staggs closed the public comment period.

Moved to Item 5. CAFR-PAPR Award

5. Recognitions / Proclamations – N/A

- a. Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) Awards**

Jim Clayton, Utah Government Finance Officers Association (UGFOA), presented a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Riverton City from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which is the City's 10th year for receiving the award. He explained that the Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by the City and its management. He then presented the Popular Annual Report (PAFR) Award, which is the City's 8th year for receiving the award. He then commended the Finance

Department for their excellent work, which included staff members Kevin Hicks, Jiny Proctor and Trish Dixon.

Jonathan Ward, Zions Public Finance Inc., then addressed the Council and explained that since August 27, the bond market has caused a drop of approximately \$100,000 of previously anticipated refunding revenue; however the SLGS were locked in with the Council action taken on August 27th. He said the Bond Authorizing Resolution was scheduled to be on the current agenda for consideration; however, it will now be presented on September 17. He said that proceeding with the bond refunding process at this time would 'save' the city approximately \$1,000,000. He then asked the Council if they were still in favor of proceeding and they all agreed to proceed.

4. Mayor/Council Reports

Mayor Staggs reported that openings had been advertised regarding the Mayor's committees. He reported on the progress of the City Hall Frontage Project. He then said the Council Room and other interior changes would begin the first week in November. He then announced a South Valley Chamber event "Town Hall at City Hall with Ben McAdams" and encouraged everyone to attend. He then issued an invitation to attend a special presentation detailing Riverton City's new initiative to combat the Opioid Crisis on September 12th at the Old Dome Meeting Hall.

Council Member Tingey – No Report

Council Member McCay reported on a recent TRCC Funding Meeting.

Council Member Stewart said he had attended meetings regarding Mountain Ridge Blvd., Safe Walking Routes for Mountain Ridge High School, and that he was working with staff and Herriman City regarding those roads.

Council Member Buroker commended Riverton City for their Active Transportation Plan Kick Off event and for the "Get into the River Festival"; which she described additional upcoming "River" events. She mentioned that Bluffdale City had joined the Jordan River Commission and would be participating in the events.

Council Member Johnson – No Report

Konrad Hildebrandt, City Manager, reported that Chief Watkins was called out to help fight Hurricane Dorian. He presented Concept Plans from Think Architecture for the proposed Fish Pond and Dog Park. He then reported that the Emergency Preparedness position had been filled and said that Scott Chatwin would begin his employment next Tuesday.

6. Consent Agenda

Mayor Staggs presented the following Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes:** WS/CCM 08-20-19
- b. Bond Release(s):**
 - i. Beehive Home of Riverton (1749)-Warranty Release
 - ii. Treasure Estates Subdivision Phase 2-Warranty Release

- c. Proposed Resolution No. 19-62 – Approving a Betterment Agreement between the Utah Department of Transportation and Riverton City for Active Transportation Improvements on South Side of 13400 S from London Bay Drive to Bangerter Highway
- d. Proposed Resolution No. 19-63 – Approving a Change Order to Silver Spur Construction for the Completion of Phase 2 and 3 of the Rose Creek Realignment Project

Council Member Tingey **MOVED that the City Council approve the Consent Agenda.** Council Member McCay **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Staggs called for discussion on the motion; there being none, he called for a roll call vote and the vote was as follows: Council Members Buroker-Yes, Johnson-Yes, McCay-Yes, Stewart-Yes, and Tingey-Yes. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Public Hearing(s) / Action Items – N/A

8. Discussion / Action Items

- a. Update on Fishing Pond Upgrade and New Dog Park - Addressed in the City Manager's Report

9. Upcoming Meetings

- a. September 17, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – Work Session & City Council Meeting
- b. October 01, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – Work Session & City Council Meeting
- c. October 15, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – Work Session & City Council Meeting

10. Closed Session – N/A

11. Adjournment

Council Member Stewart **MOVED to adjourn the City Council Meeting.** Council Member Tingey **SECONDED** the motion. Mayor Staggs called for discussion on the motion; there being none, he called for a roll call vote and the vote was as follows: Council Members Buroker-Yes, Johnson-Yes, McCay-Yes, Stewart-Yes, and Tingey-Yes. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Approved: CC 09-17-19