

**NORTH OGDEN CITY COUNCIL & PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE  
JOINT WORK SESSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

July 7, 2020

The North Ogden City Council convened in a virtual meeting on July 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81341085110> or by Telephone: US: +1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 9128 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 646 558 or <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCriqbePBxTucXEzRr6fclhQ/videos> . A field trip also occurred at 7:38 pm at 1700 North and Washington Boulevard in North Ogden, Utah. Notice of time, place, and agenda of the meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the municipal office and posted to the Utah State Website on July 2, 2020. Notice of the annual meeting schedule was published in the Standard-Examiner on December 22, 2019.

PRESENT:	S. Neal Berube	Mayor	
	Ryan Barker	Council Member	
	Blake Cevering	Council Member	
	Charlotte Ekstrom	Council Member	
	Cheryl Stoker	Council Member	
	Phillip Swanson	Council Member	(excused)

**PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE:**

Brent Chugg	Chairman
Laura Barker	Committee Member
Kevin Burns	Committee Member
Karen McIntosh	Committee Member
Tim Scott	Committee Member
Robert Bolar	Committee Member
Clark Crowther	Committee Member
Chad Roylance	Committee Member
Dirk Quinney	Committee Member

**PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Eric Thomas	Chairman
Scott Barker	Commissioner
Don Waite	Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT:	Jon Call	City Manager/Attorney
	Annette Spendlove	City Recorder
	Evan Nelson	Finance Director
	Lorin Gardner	City Engineer

committee that will make decisions on grant allocation. For North Ogden, Council Member Swanson will be the assigned representative.

Mr. Call then provided brief information regarding the grant application process for businesses in the County; a website has been created by the County to make the application process easier.

**Council Member Cevering motioned to approve Resolution 12-2020 approving the CARES Act Interlocal Agreement A13-2020. Council Member Ekstrom seconded the motion.**

**Voting on the motion:**

<b>Council Member Barker</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Cevering</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Ekstrom</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Stoker</b>	<b>aye</b>

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**WORK SESSION AGENDA**

**3. DISCUSSION ON THE PUBLIC SAFETY PROJECT TIMELINE (WHERE WE ARE AND THE NEXT STEPS)**

Public Safety Committee Chairman Chugg provided the City Council with a report of the work that has been done by the Committee; following a detailed evaluation process, they determined that the current Public Safety Facility is inadequate to meet the public safety needs of the City at the present and in the future. Internal planning has been done by the Committee and a formal recommendation has been provided by the City Council to proceed with securing funding for an upgraded facility. A study has been completed by JRCA and the findings of their study will inform the design of the project. The next step is to establish community support for the project and the Committee asks for the aid and support of the City Council in that endeavor. The Committee has participated in several site visits to view the layout and design of upgraded Public Safety Facilities in other communities and they have great ideas for addressing the needs of North Ogden. He and the Committee look forward to group discussions with the City Council regarding the best way to proceed. Design and delivery of the project can proceed once decisions are made by all parties involved.

Mayor Berube stated that since this is likely one of the most expensive projects that will be funded by the City, he would like for the citizens to be given the opportunity to vote on whether to support a general obligation bond for the project. However, the City may



have the opportunity to secure property for the facility in advance of a bond election and he would like for the Council to discuss that issue. There has been some public criticism about the project because some citizens believe that decisions have been made without public input. He emphasized that is not the case and he is committed to being very transparent relative to any formal decisions that need to be made regarding the project.

The Council then engaged in high level discussion with Mr. Chugg regarding opportunities for communicating information about the project to the community. Mayor Berube suggested that each Committee member be assigned to contact at least ten people in the community to give them detailed factual information about the need for an upgraded facility. Police Chief Quinney accepted that assignment, but noted that he and the Committee need direction from the Council regarding whether to continue their planning efforts or if the process should be halted until decisions are made by the City Council and the Mayor.

Committee member Chad Roylance stated that his frustration has come from the fact that public discussion has been focused on inaccurate information about the project, such as an inflated project cost when the actual cost has not yet been determined. Mayor Berube agreed and noted that it is necessary for Committee and City Council Members to share factual information. Committee member Robert Bolar suggested that a virtual open house be held and for videos to be produced that can be easily shared through email or via social media platforms. The group discussed this idea and all supported the concept of creating a video or multiple videos that illustrate the public safety needs of the community with a focus on the needed growth of the Police Department responsive to projected population growth of the community at build-out. Mr. Roylance and Mr. Bolar stated they can work together to create a high-quality video that can be easily distributed. Mr. Roylance stated that he would like to create a website that will only have information about the project; links to that website can be included on the City's webpage and social media accounts.

Council Member Ekstrom stated she feels that the public concern is related solely to the high cost of the project rather than the actual need for the project; it may be necessary to communicate the actual needs of the facility that may be contributing to the higher costs of the project. Mayor Berube agreed and stated it would be helpful to convey that information.

**4. EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING SQUARE FOOTAGE.**

Police Chief Quinney then used the aid of a chart that provided a comparison of current working conditions in the existing Police Station with critical needs of a Public Safety Facility for the current population of the City as well as projected buildout of the City. Following the presentation, Chief Quinney stated that he believes that some of the public

**Voting on the motion:**

<b>Council Member Barker</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Cevering</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Ekstrom</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Stoker</b>	<b>aye</b>

**The motion passed unanimously.**

City Manager/Attorney Call noted that the public is welcome to participate in the field trip; it will also be streamed on the City's YouTube Channel.

The active portion of the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

**FIELD TRIP – 7:54 PM**

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	Rob Scott	Planning Director
	Lorin Gardner	City Engineer

PLANNING COMMISSION:	Eric Thomas	Chairman
	Nicole Nancarrow	Commissioner

VISITORS:	Jack Barrett	Dawn Barrett	Jake Thomas
	Steve Davies	Kevin Burns	Stefanie Casey
	Megan Sanders		

**8. FIELD TRIP TO VILLAGE AT PROMINENCE POINT (1700 N. AND WASHINGTON BOULEVARD) – UPDATE**

Developer Jack Barrett provided a general overview of the history of the Village at Prominence Point project with a focus on the amendments to the layout of the project and the Development Agreement; he then facilitated a walk-through of the undeveloped portions of the project property. There was high-level discussion about parking requirements for the types of land uses included in the project; the water table on the

property; affordability of the residential units planned for the project; amenities to be included in the residential area of the project; the ratio of open space/built space; the current housing market relative to whether there is a demand for the type of units proposed to be included in the project; and the Council's desire for a gateway building at the corner of 1700 North and Washington Boulevard and whether there is an opportunity to include residential use on the upper floor of that building to achieve the desired look/aesthetic.

9. **COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION/MAYOR COMMENTS**

There were no additional comments.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**


**Council Member Ekstrom motioned to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Stoker seconded the motion.**

**Voting on the motion:**

<b>Council Member Barker</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Cevering</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Ekstrom</b>	<b>aye</b>
<b>Council Member Stoker</b>	<b>aye</b>

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.**

  
S. Neal Berube, Mayor

  
S. Annette Spendlove, MMC  
City Recorder

  
Date Approved