
Minutes
Washington City Council
Electronic Special Meeting
October 8, 2020

Present: Mayor Kenneth Neilson, Council Members Roger Bundy, Craig Coats, Kurt Ivie, Kress Staheli, Doug Ward, IS Director Steve Whittekiend, City Recorder Danice Bulloch, Deputy Recorder Tara Pentz, City Attorney Jeff Starkey, Human Resource Director Ruth Holyoak, Police Chief Jason Williams, Audience: April Ellerman, Gretchen Peschke, John Peschke, Nancy Tidwell, Jesica Black, Brittany, McClellan, David Woodcock, Kelly L. Carlson, Brandon Wright

Meeting commenced at 6:00 P.M.

1. Approval of Agenda

Council Member Coats made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Bundy seconded the motion; which passed unanimously.

2. Consideration for appointment of a City Manager by the Mayor and approval by the City Council. Mayor Kenneth Neilson

Mayor Kenneth Neilson recommended the appointment of Matthew Loo to the position of City Manager.

City Attorney Jeff Starkey reviewed the procedure for appointment for City Manager.

Council Member Staheli made a motion to confirm the appointment of Matthew Loo to the position of City Manager. Council Member Ivie seconded the motion; which died with the following tie vote:

<i>Council Member Bundy</i>	<i>Nay</i>
<i>Council Member Coats</i>	<i>Nay</i>
<i>Council Member Ivie</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Council Member Staheli</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Council Member Ward</i>	<i>Nay</i>
<i>Mayor Kenneth Neilson</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Mayor Kenneth Neilson made a motion to appoint Jeremy Redd to the position of City Manager.

<i>Council Member Bundy</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Council Member Coats</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Council Member Ivie</i>	<i>Nay</i>
<i>Council Member Staheli</i>	<i>Nay</i>
<i>Council Member Ward</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Kenneth Neilson</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Council Member Staheli stated he is one of the biggest supporters of Matthew Loo. He believes he is the best candidate for Washington City. However, Jemery Redd has just received four votes, and will now be the new Washington City Manager.

Council Member Ivie noted all of those who sent in support for Matthew Loo. SITLA, Five County Association of Governments, all three County Commissioners, St. George Administration, Southern Utah Home Builders Association, Washington County Water Conservancy District, St. George Chamber of Commerce, Local Attorney Partners, Washington County School District, Dixie State University, Dixie Technical College, IHC, all area Mayors, as well as 99% of the Department Heads. He feels the only job Council was to find the best fit for Washington City.

Council Member Coats stated both applicants were good candidates. The way he chose Jeremy was his experience as a City Manager. He was a manager, and he felt he would be the best fit for Washington City.

Mayor Neilson thanked all those for their applications. Matt is a fine man, and he will still be at Washington City in his position. He feels Mr. Redd will do a fine job with the help of our outstanding staff.

3. Adjournment

Council Member Bundy made a motion to adjourn the meeting; which passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 P.M.

Passed and approved on the 14th day of October, 2020.

Washington City

Attest by:

Danice B. Bulloch

Danice B. Bulloch, MMC
City Recorder



Kenneth F. Neilson
Kenneth F. Neilson, Mayor

