

City of Washington Terrace

Minutes of a Regular City Council meeting

Held on October 6, 2020

City Hall, 5249 South 400 East, Washington Terrace City,
County of Weber, State of Utah

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MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Mark C. Allen
Council Member F. Carey Seal
Council Member Blair Brown - excused
Council Member Larry Weir
Council Member Scott Barker
Council Member Jeff West
General Planner Tyler Seaman
City Manager Tom Hanson
City Recorder Amy Rodriguez

Others Present

Randy Sant, Stauffer's Towing Crew (Chuck Hadley, Maggie Hadley, Cody Stauffer, Jeff, Steven)

1. ROLL CALL

6:00 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. WELCOME

4. CONSENT ITEMS

4.1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4.2 APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Items 4.1 and 4.2 were approved by general consent.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Phillip Lifsey wrote that he feels that there should be a painted crosswalk at 5700 South and 500 East.

6. COUNCIL/STAFF RESPONSE AND CONSIDERATION TO CITIZEN COMMENTS

Seaman stated that the City is currently involved in a study on the traffic counts for that crosswalk to determine if a light, crosswalk, or round about is needed. Hanson stated that we are completing a warrant study required by UDOT before a light could be put in.

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46 **7. NEW BUSINESS**

47 **7.1 MOTION: PROCLAMATION 20-04: OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING**
48 **VOLUNTEER SERVICE**
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50 Mayor Allen stated that we have an official proclamation recognizing Volunteer Service. Mayor Allen
51 wanted to recognize the service of all volunteers who worked during the major windstorm event that
52 occurred in early September. He especially wanted to recognize Stauffer's Towing, a local company, who
53 used their own manpower, time, and equipment to help residents with tree stump removal at no cost.
54 Mayor Allen stated that they contacted him and offered to help at no cost to the City or residents. Mayor
55 Allen stated that 101 residents were helped by this service.
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57 Mayor Allen read the proclamation noting that October 20, 2020 is hereby proclaimed as "Stauffer
58 Towing Day" to recognize their tremendous volunteer service. Mayor Allen stated that they were
59 essential in helping with the disaster recovery efforts.
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61 Mayor Allen stated that safety manager Chuck Hadley organized the efforts. Chuck Hadley introduced
62 Cody Stauffer, Maggie Hadley, Jeff and Steven, noting that they were just a small part of what made this
63 all happened. He stated that the residents were great and that they were more than happy to assist the
64 residents and the City. He stated that the gratitude was unbelievable. He stated that the idea came from
65 Kurtis Stauffer. Mayor Allen thanked Kurtis Stauffer and the Stauffer family for their generosity and for
66 providing all the man power. Mayor Allen stated that the equivalent of work performed was \$155,000.
67 Mayor Allen presented the Stauffer Towing staff with a plaque which stated that it is the Key to the City
68 award for their outstanding service and to commemorate Stauffer Towing Day of October 20, 2020. They
69 also received engraved water bottles for their staff.

70 Chuck Hadley stated that they were happy to help and be of service to the City.
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72 Mayor Allen stated that he, Hanson, and Meibos have taken lunches to Roy City and West Point City to
73 thank the crews for their volunteer service during the event. Hanson stated that he has an article in the
74 newsletter thanking all the cities and volunteers who provided service during the event.

75 Mayor Allen thanked Lance Peterson and the Weber County Commissioners for funding to help pay for
76 the chipper we have been using. Mayor Allen thanked all the volunteers.
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78 **Motion by Council Member West**
79 **Seconded by Council Member Weir**
80 **To approve Proclamation 20-04**
81 **Recognizing Volunteer Service**
82 **Approved unanimously (4-0)**
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84 **7.2 MOTION/ORDINANCE 20-06: AMENDED PARKING REGULATIONS**
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86 Seaman stated that the amended parking ordinance addresses the 3 foot and 9 foot rule for parking on
87 sidewalk and parking off of curb which has been discussed with Council over the last few months. He
88 would also like to make a recommendation to change the amount of time that vehicles can be parked on
89 the street. He stated that the language would delete the measurement rule and simply stated that a vehicle
90 cannot be over the sidewalk, stating that this is easier to enforce and will be clearer for residents to
91 understand. He stated that this will protect the people walking down the sidewalk. He stated that if there
92 is no sidewalk and only curb and gutter, he recommends to allow residents to utilize their driveway and

keep people off of the streets where we have the hazards.

He stated that he recommends a 24 hour time limit for loading and unloading of trailers. He stated that the Planning Commission wanted to keep it at 72 hours. Seaman stated that there is some contradiction in ordinance where we allow personal vehicles only 24 hours, but yet we are allowing 72 hours for motor homes and trailers.

Seaman stated that if an RV is parked on the street it should be attached to a vehicle. Council Member Barker stated that we need to be specific or the RV's will be parked for 3 days without being hooked up to a vehicle. Council Member Seal stated that he feels that nothing should be parked more for 72 hours whether they are attached to a vehicle or not. He stated that this should include cars as wells. Mayor Allen suggested that all vehicles should be allowed to be parked for 48 hours. Seaman stated that the point is to keep vehicles off the road so that it is easier and safer for vehicles to pass. Seaman stated that the hours for parking can be discussed at a later meeting.

Seaman stated that personal use automobiles can be on the road for 24 hours and must be registered.

Seaman stated that recreational vehicles can be staged for 72 hours. He stated that this includes recreational trailers as long as they are attached to a vehicle.

Seaman stated that commercial vehicles can only be parked on the road if they are administering a service to the property.

Seaman stated that he has discussed different parking options with our Lieutenant and should be bringing this to Council soon.

Hanson stated that notices will be put on windshields that are parked on the road reminding them of the winter parking ordinance. He stated that notices will be on facebook and in the newsletter.

Hanson stated that staff is also researching options that make parking tickets a civil issue along with a larger fine. He stated that it is a safety issue and cars need to be off the streets for passing, plowing, and other safety issues.

Motion by Council Member Barker

Seconded by Council Member Seal

To approve Ordinance 20-06 "Amended Parking Regulations"

Approved unanimously (4-0)

Roll Call Vote

8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATION WITH STAFF

Council Member Weir stated that he was working in the northern part of the city during the first week of the windstorm taking care of issues. He stated that he was approached by a woman on Friday who brought food to groups of workers. He stated that many people were out helping in any way that they could and those people should be thanked as well. He stated that everyone worked together and they didn't care what part of the city you were from.

Council Member Weir noted that there are quite a few lights out in the city and he will bring back the addresses of the lights. Hanson suggested calling in the addresses so a work order can be done and determine if they are city lights or a Rocky Mountain Power issue.

Council Member Seal stated that the sidewalk at 5700 South has a lot of tumble weeds hanging down on the road where people walk. He stated that he has had a few people ask if the weeds could be trimmed.

Council Member Barker asked if anyone has heard from any other residents who still may have issues with tree removal and the city response. Hanson stated that he met with Kimberly Clark to discuss the response issues that she had with the City. He stated that she stated that next time we need to get more information out and quicker. Hanson stated that we have again requested for people to sign up for Code Red and stated that we will be using it in the future. He stated that he felt like they parted ways in the spirit of cooperation. Council Member Barker stated that he reviewed his involvement in the response efforts and stated that he has a responsibility as an elected official and was disappointed in himself for not making his presence more known throughout the city. He stated that someone made the comment to him that they wished the Mayor was helping out more. He stated that he told the resident that the Mayor was all over the City helping out throughout the event. Council Member Barker stated that he made a commitment to himself to be out in the City during these events. He wants to be out there throughout the whole city checking on people. Council Member Barker stated that if all of Council were working checking on residents during these types of events, it may go a long way to help it being put all onto staff. He stated that he appreciated the Mayor for being everywhere. Mayor Allen stated that for many years he was working and couldn't get off work and stated that he understands that it is hard to juggle responsibilities. He stated that once he retired he has the opportunity to be out there more and see where there is a need. Mayor Allen stated that if you can make the effort, do it because it is very rewarding. Hanson stated that there is a natural link to reach out to wards during emergencies. He stated that they send people to us to coordinate. He stated that we need to work together with the community, including all religious groups. Council Member Barker stated that he is concerned about people who fall through the cracks and may feel like they don't know where to turn for help. Council Member Barker stated that those issues could have been solved if Council was in the city more talking with residents, and the used code red and other means to get the word out.

9. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

There were no administration reports.

10. UPCOMING EVENTS

October 12th: City Offices closed for Columbus Day
October 20th: City Council Work Session (tentative) 5:00 p.m.
October 20th: City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.
October 29th: Planning Commission (tentative) 6:00 p.m.

11. ADJOURN THE MEETING: MAYOR ALLEN

**Motion by Council Member barker
Seconded by Council Member seal
To adjourn the meeting
Approved unanimously (4-0)
Time: 7:10 p.m.**

12. ADJOURN INTO A REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING (The RDA meeting will immediately follow the regular meeting)

Date Approved

City Recorder