

**Heber City Corporation  
City Council Meeting**

**September 5, 2013**

**6:00 p.m.**

**WORK MEETING**

The Council of Heber City, Wasatch County, Utah, met in **Work Meeting** on September 5, 2013, in the City Council Chambers at 75 North Main Street, Heber City, Utah.

**Present:**

Mayor  
Council Members

David R. Phillips  
Robert Patterson  
Alan McDonald  
Benny Mergist  
Jeffery Bradshaw  
Erik Rowland

**Also Present:**

City Manager  
City Recorder  
City Engineer  
Planning Director  
Chief of Police

Mark K. Anderson  
Michelle Kellogg  
Bart Mumford  
Anthony Kohler  
David Booth

**Others Present:** Guy M. Haskell

Mayor Phillips opened the meeting and welcomed those in attendance.

**Ordinance 2013-06, An Ordinance Amending Section 10.16.030, Unlawful Types of**

**Parking:** Mayor Phillips stated this item was a continuation from the last meeting. Council Member Rowland asserted that at certain times Main Street was more congested than at other times, and he asked if the City could limit parking to a certain distance from the driveways on Main Street. He thought that might solve the semi-truck parking problem but wouldn't affect boats or other trailers. Chief Booth thought that might be a good option. Council Member Rowland stated he wouldn't want to discriminate but did want to make Main Street safer. Council Member Mergist concurred that parking setbacks would solve his concern with those areas on Main Street. Council Member McDonald stated Main Street was the only public parking for semi-trucks, since parking lots were not amenable to truck parking. He favored the parking time limit of 30-45 minutes for those areas on Main Street. Chief Booth felt a shorter time limit was better for semi-trucks. The boats and recreation vehicles parked on Main Street stayed longer and families spent more money at the establishments. He saw a safety issue with parking too close to the driveways as well.

Mayor Phillips asked if the City should limit semi-trucks to parking only between the arrows. Council Members Patterson, Rowland, Mergist were in favor of those setbacks. Council Member McDonald wanted to see time limits imposed. Council Member Bradshaw indicated time limits for trucks were not a problem during the day, but safety was an issue the City should consider.

Council Member Rowland asked that staff determine what a safe setback would be from a driveway. It was determined that an ordinance would be drafted with setbacks and time limits. This item was moved to the next regular meeting agenda.

**Brian Lee, Request to Purchase .20 Acre of City-Owned Right-of-Way on 600 South from 300 West to 430 West:** Anderson stated 600 South had more right-of-way than was necessary for that street. Lee requested that the City sell him the excess so he could have sufficient setbacks to build a building on his property. A plat map was shown on the overhead to show the proposed land. Mayor Phillips noted there was plenty of parking at Activa Plaza but many people parked on the street for the close proximity to the entrance of the building. Mayor Phillips suggested at some point “no parking” signs might be considered to keep 300 West clear for through traffic. Council Member McDonald asked if 600 South would need to be widened in the future. Mumford stated if it was any wider, houses would need to be taken out. The street was as wide as it could go on the south side. Anderson stated there were no long-term concerns about needing the requested property. He noted the buyer had hoped for the same consideration as other properties in the area that were sold by the City. Council Member McDonald stated he was in favor of selling the property since it had no value to the City. Council Member Rowland stated the option of giving the parcel to Lee would be in line since the City gave excess land to Redmond Minerals. The majority of the Council was in favor of Lee submitting an offer to the Council to purchase the land.

**Chief Booth, Discuss Law Enforcement Support of Special Events:** Chief Booth stated in the last few weeks, several people contacted him seeking police coverage for their special events, but were upset when Chief Booth told them there would be a fee for the service. These groups threatened to go to the Council or Mayor to gain support of receiving law enforcement services at no charge. Chief Booth requested that the Council support him in his answers to these groups. Council Member Rowland asked if the groups felt entitled since other cities provided the service for free. Chief Booth indicated some larger cities might provide services free of charge since they had more officers on duty that could be spared to cover the event. But Heber had a total of 14 officers, with sometimes only one officer on-duty during a certain time period, so there was not enough staff to cover these events. Council Member Rowland asked about the charge for special events. Chief Booth stated the charge was \$75 per hour per officer with a four hour minimum. All the Council agreed to support Chief Booth with regard to special events.

**Ordinance 2013-08, Beekeeping:** Council Member Rowland stated he was a beekeeper and had an interest in this proposed ordinance. Council Member McDonald stated before this ordinance was put in place, the City needed to find out if there was a conflict with the Health Department’s regulations, write any violations into the ordinance, and also write how the ordinance would be enforced, along with its purpose. Council Member McDonald stated he talked to a man that kept bees on five acres and he learned many things about bees. The man didn’t recommend having hives in neighborhoods because it would be a nuisance to neighbors. Council Member McDonald stated he was not in support of this ordinance. Council Members Mergist, Bradshaw and Rowland asked that this item be moved to the next regular meeting agenda.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Michelle Kellogg, City Recorder