



Washington City Council
Workshop Meeting Agenda
February 16, 2022

Present: Mayor Kress Staheli, Council Members Kimberly Casperson, Craig Coats, Bret Henderson, Kurt Ivie, Ben Martinsen, City Manager Jeremy Redd, City Recorder Tara Pentz, City Attorney Thad Seegmiller, City Engineer Paul Mogle, Public Works Director Mike Shaw, Economic Development Director Rusty Hughes, Audience: LaDel Laub, Colin Jack, Mike Brown, Chery Hulet, Dave Bassett, Jerry Amundsen

Meeting commenced at 4:00 P.M.

1. Approval of the Agenda.

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

**2. Update and review of services provided by Dixie Power to Washington City.
LaDel Laub, President and CEO Dixie Power**

Mayor Kress Staheli thanked Dixie Power for hosting the meeting this afternoon.

Colin Jack reviewed a PowerPoint which included the areas Dixie Power provides service.

Mayor Staheli asked how they were able to keep their rates so low.

Mr. Jack explained they were able to obtain a wholesale power supplier, Deseret Power. They own multiple resources, the majority being coal. Deseret Power has more resources than they do load, which means they can sell the excess into the market at the current rates. They received this deal in 1996, which keeps the rates so low. The rates are through this agreement until approximately 2030. They are currently working on what is the next phase to get economical power.

City Manager Jeremy Redd asked about a Renewable Energy Standard, and how it would affect Dixie Power.

Mr. Jack stated Renewable Energy is not economically viable. This would quadruple the current rates.

City Attorney Thad Seegmiller asked about the solar power located in Enterprise.

Mr. Jack stated the solar farms located in Enterprise are a California merchant. They do

not belong to Dixie Power. He explained how solar power is converted to electricity for usage.

Mayor Staheli thanked Dixie Power for their services to Washington City, and for thanking the time to give them this update.

LaDel Laub stated they appreciate the partnership with Washington City. Dixie Power has a great relationship with the Cities, and looks forward to continuing as such.

3. Telegraph and Green Springs Access. Public Works Director Mike Shaw

City Engineer Paul Mogle explained they hired Avenue Consultants to assist with the Green Spring and Telegraph intersection. They completed an access management study to try and alleviate some of the congestion on those roads.

Mr. Dave Bassett presented a video to the Council.

Mr. Bassett explained there are many reasons for raised medians, and reviewed some of the issues we currently face in Washington City along Telegraph and Green Springs.

He then reviewed a powerpoint presentation - see attached.

Council discussed different options for access point removal, as well as the possibility of widening the road in the future.

Public Works Director Mike Shaw stated they will get an initial design to bring back to the City Council. They will then have individual meetings with each property owner, and move forward with design.

Council Member Ivie asked if they could have a site visit, it might make it easier to see the vision if they take a look in person.

Public Works Director Shaw stated the raised medians are not that much money. The Council can contact him individually to see the areas.

4. Discussion regarding the Annual Meeting Schedule. Mayor Kress Staheli

Mayor Kress Staheli reviewed possible changes to the City Council Workshop and Regular Meeting schedules.

The amended meeting schedule will be placed on the Regular Meeting Agenda for February 23, 2022.

5. Adjournment

Council Member Coats made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Martinsen seconded the motion; which passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 5:54 P.M.

Passed and approved on the 9th day of February, 2022.

Washington City



Thomas Staheli, Mayor

Attest by:

Tara Pentz, City Recorder