

Minutes of the **Work Session** of the **Riverdale City Council** held Tuesday September 20, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., at the Civic Center in the Council Chambers, 4600 S Weber River Dr., Riverdale City, Weber County, Utah.

**Present:**

City Council: Braden Mitchell, Mayor  
Alan Arnold, Councilmember  
Bart Stevens, Councilmember  
Steve Hilton, Councilmember  
Anne Hansen, Councilmember  
Karina Merrill, Councilmember

City Employees: Steve Brooks, City Administrator/Attorney  
Cody Cardon, Business Administration  
Mike Eggett, Community Development  
Jared Sholly, Fire Chief  
Michelle Marigoni, City Recorder

The City Council Work Session meeting began at 5:30 p.m. Mayor Mitchell welcomed all in attendance. It was noted for the record that all Councilmembers were present. Members of city staff were also present.

**Public Comment:**

Mayor Mitchell asked if there was any public comment. No one was aware of any.

**Presentations and Reports:**  
**Mayor's Report**

**City Administration Report**  
Department Reports August  
September Anniversaries Employee Recognition  
Staffing Authorization Plans  
Community Development Report

**Consent Items**

**Consideration to approve meeting minutes from:**

1. Consideration to approve meeting minutes from:  
September 6, 2022 Council Work Session  
September 6, 2022 Council Meeting

Mayor Mitchell asked if there were any changes to the minutes from September 6. Mayor Mitchell said there was one misspelled word (polices instead of police).

2. Discussion and consideration to grant city staff permission to schedule future public hearings for budget amendments related to tax increase revenue.

Mr. Brooks explained this is due to the tax increase revenue having changes at different times, so this would allow changes to be made without waiting two weeks each time.

**Action Items**

1. **a. Public Hearing to receive and consider comments regarding amendment(s) to the Riverdale City FY2023 budget.**  
**b. Consideration of Resolution #2022-32 adopting amendments to approve funding for the hiring of two police officers at a cost of \$430,000 and IT upgrades at a cost of \$40,000 to the Riverdale City FY2023 budget.**

Mr. Cardon explained this is only for the hiring of two officers and the IT upgrade is for a firewall upgrade for Spillman, which is also public safety but is coming from a different fund balance and not from the tax increase.

Mr. Arnold asked why the Fire Department's budget changes were not on this agenda. Mr. Brooks explained everything will not be done at the same time, but over the next two months or so. This is only the first amendment being made.

Mr. Arnold said we did this to ourselves by having an ambulance. He thought the work was already done but only part of the changes are being made and he asked who "dropped the ball". Mr. Brooks said Mayor Mitchell asked him to go

over every department to make sure the money is allocated responsibly, and this is taking some time. Mr. Cardon explained some costs have already gone up due to inflation and so allocations are being made in order of importance to make sure there is enough money. Mr. Arnold asked where the

Mr. Stevens said it was discussed that the money would be moved when it was available. Mr. Cardon said it would actually be received in January. Mr. Stevens said this is a process that needs to be dealt with and worked through. Mr. Brooks said the police budget was pushed through first because they need to order cars as soon as possible.

Mayor Mitchell said he asked for the money to be spent as soon as possible, but that there are a lot of logistics, including figuring out the code enforcement officer, emergency management, but the police needed to get taken care of first. Mr. Cardon said it is being worked on as fast as possible without making any mistakes. Mr. Stevens mentioned the company that converts the cars to police cars is backed up. Mr. Cardon spoke about some other challenges with getting it all done.

**2. Discussion and consideration to set a public hearing regarding ARPA Funds and CJC Request.**

Mr. Brooks said this had been brought in once before, but there wasn't a great reception regarding it. Some other cities are starting to pay this and using ARPA funds or pulling money from other places. He wanted to bring it in for discussion and said if they want to fund it, a public hearing will be necessary.

Mr. Hilton said the last he heard was that Mr. Brooks wasn't sure if ARPA could be used for that. Mr. Brooks said he still isn't sure it fits, but that many other cities have been using the funds for different things. He mentioned that Chief Brinkman is a huge proponent of this project.

Ms. Hansen asked if Weber County had taken over the CJC. Mr. Brooks said it is still owned by a private entity, though the service is held by the County. He said the amount requested is larger for Riverdale than other cities the same side, and that a lesser amount could be approved. He said it would need to be in the budget, like the CTC donation, so that it is clearly allowed.

Mr. Hilton asked if there were ARPA funds available. Mr. Cardon said ARPA funds have not been spent yet, but that Mr. Douglas would prefer to use it for infrastructure. The total ARPA funds available is about one million dollars, so it would be about ten percent of the total. The majority of cities have contributed. Mr. Hilton said he shares the opinion that donating to non-profit organizations is tough, because there are so many, and you can't donate to all of them. Mr. Brooks said a lot of the usage from Riverdale is from non-residents.

**3. Consideration to un-table Ordinance #953 to approve proposed rezone request from Agricultural (A-1) Zoning to Single-Family Residential (R-1-6) Zoning for property located at approximately 3450 South Parker Drive, Riverdale, Utah, 84405 as requested by Hugh Parke.**

Mr. Eggett noted at the conclusion of the July 5 meeting, there was a requirement for the applicant to get a flood plain study and geotechnical report. These have been made available.

**4. Consideration of Resolution #2022-33 to approve proposed updates to the Moderate-Income Housing Plan element of the Riverdale City General Plan and new requirements included in the Moderate-Income Housing Plan element in compliance with direction from House Bill 462.**

Mr. Eggett said the executive summary explains this well and summarized the information briefly.

**5. Consideration to un-table Ordinance #955 to approve proposed roadway vacation petition for Cozy Dale Drive (1500 West), 4650 South, 4675 South, 4800 South, 1300 West, and 1350 West as located between approximately 4800 South and 4400 South, Riverdale, Utah, 84405 as requested by America First Federal Credit Union and AWA Engineering.**

Mr. Eggett noted this is back before the council after being tabled at the previous meeting. The issues have been resolved, which has been verified by both parties. The city engineer is also comfortable with both the subdivision and the roadway vacation.

**6. Consideration to un-table Ordinance #956 to approve proposed AFCU Corporate Campus Subdivision, property located at approximately 4624 South and 4724 South 1500 West, Riverdale Utah 84405, as requested by America First Federal Credit Union and AWA Engineering**

**Comments**

1. City Council:
2. City Staff:

3. Mayor:

**Adjournment**

Having no further business to discuss, the Work Session was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

**Date Approved: 10/18/2022**