

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverdale City Council held Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., at the Civic Center, 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
Annie Hansen, Councilmember
Karina Merrill, Councilmember

City Employees: Steve Brooks, City Attorney/City Administrator
Mike Eggett, Community Development
Scott Brenkman, Police Chief
Rich Taylor, Community Services
Shawn Douglas, Public Works
Shalee Nay, Police Department

Visitors: Mike Staten
Natalie Allgood
Nate Martinez
Randy Poulsen

A. Welcome & Roll Call

The City Council meeting began at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Mitchell called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance, including all Council Members and all members of the public.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Mitchell invited Councilor Merrill to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Invocation

Mayor Mitchell invited Steve Brooks, City Attorney/City Administrator to give the Invocation.

D. Public Comment

Mayor Mitchell invited any member of the public with questions or concerns to address the Council and asked that they keep their comments to approximately three minutes. No action will be taken during public comment.

Mike Staten approached the council with a presentation for additions to the bike park in Riverdale.

Natalie Allgood approached the council asking that the city look into possibly getting an all-abilities park for children who are unable to play on normal playgrounds. She provided paperwork with grant information.

E. Presentations and Reports

1. Mayors Report

Mayor Mitchell wanted to discuss the possibility of flooding and the preparation the city is doing to help the situation. He asked Shawn Douglas, Public Works, to speak on the topic and provide information to the council about what has been done thus far within the city. Mr. Douglas stated that earlier during the week, Public Works and the Fire Department as well as volunteers had filled an estimated five hundred seventy sandbags. He noted that the city is concentrating on the areas that have had issues in the past. Mayor Mitchell and Shawn Douglas noted that the citizens of Riverdale do remarkable when assistance is needed. Mayor Mitchell spoke about the emergency volunteer program and how to enroll into the text notifications.

2. Utah Jazz Presentation

Nate Martinez with the Utah Jazz addressed the council and awarded Riverdale City with the Jr. Jazz Program of the Year. He thanked Riverdale City as well as Rich Taylor and Baylee with the Community Services Department for their dedication to the program. He presented Rich Taylor with a basketball that was autographed by the Utah Jazz basketball team.

3. City Council Assignment Reports

F. Consent Items

1. Consideration to approve the City Council meeting minutes from: Work Session and March 21, 2023 Regular Session.

Mayor Mitchell invited any corrections or comments regarding the above referenced meeting minutes.

MOTION: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve the meeting minutes. Councilmember Hilton seconded the motion. There was not any discussion regarding this motion. The motion passed unanimously in favor.

2. Advice and consent regarding the appointment of Randy Poulsen to the Planning Commission to fill a vacant position.

Mayor Mitchell invited discussion on the appointment of Randy Poulsen to take over the remainder of Commissioner Jones' term on the Planning Commission. He thanked Commissioner Jones for his years of service to the Commission and stated that there were many qualified candidates that were interviewed. Mayor Mitchell invited Randy Poulsen to address the council and introduce himself. The council were all in consensus to appoint Mr. Poulsen to the Planning Commission.

G. Action Items

1. Consideration of Resolution #2023-15 approving the 2023 Annual Wastewater Report.

Shawn Douglas, the Public Works Director, summarized the executive summary which explained: The Municipal Wastewater Planning Program is required by the State Division of Water Quality. We have completed the report as required by the Division of Water Quality. Our system is in good condition and the maintenance program that we have in place keeps it functioning well. During the last year we did not have any wastewater backups or overflows. I would recommend approval of the resolution.

MOTION: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Resolution #2023-15, the 2023 Annual Wastewater Report. Councilmember Merrill seconded the motion.

Mayor Mitchell invited discussion regarding the motion. There was no discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmembers Merrill, Arnold, Stevens, Hansen, and Hilton all voted to approve.

2. Consideration of Ordinance #963 amending Title 10, Chapter 15 "Parking Loading Space; Vehicle Traffic and Access" of the Riverdale Municipal Code, regarding residential parking calculations and restaurant drive-through standards

Mike Eggett, in Community Development, summarized the executive summary which explained: Over the last month or two, the Community Development Director and City Administrator completed a few discussions and a review of parking standards for multi-family dwellings. At the conclusion of the discussions and review, it was determined that an update to the multi-family dwelling parking standards would be a benefit to consider amending and updating to better reflect the uses and needs of household units in multi-family settings. Therefore, the Community Development Department carried out a survey of cities to look at parking concepts for multi-family dwelling uses and identified a city code from the city of Saratoga Springs that is reflective of a distance relationship concept for parking access to household units. Further, the City Administrator and staff have determined that increasing the minimum parking requirement for each multifamily unit would be advantageous to better accommodate the parking needs of each unit in a multi-family project. There was also determined to be a need to update the parking ordinances regarding fast food drivethrough queuing and, as such, additional language was proposed to be amended to better clarify these queuing requirements. As a result, the provided proposed parking amendments (as found in the packet) reflect these ideas for consideration by the Council. On March 14, 2023, the Planning Commission held a public hearing to consider potential public comments regarding these proposed Municipal Code amendments to various sections of Title 10, Chapter 15. This public hearing, regarding the proposed code amendments, was posted and advertised in accordance with State Code. No public comments were provided prior to this public hearing or during the public hearing. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Planning Commission ended the hearing and discussed the proposed land use codes amendments. Following the discussion of the proposed code amendments, the Planning Commission provided a favorable recommendation to the City Council to approve the proposed code amendments as found in the packet.

MOTION: Councilmember Arnold moved to approve Ordinance #963, amending Title 10, Chapter 15 "Parking Loading Space; Vehicle Traffic and Access" of the Riverdale Municipal Code, regarding residential parking calculations and restaurant drive-through standards. Councilmember Merrill seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

3. Discussion, direction, and action concerning deadlines on building permits and water rights on new and grandfathered developments

Steve Brooks, City Administrator, summarized the executive summary which explained that there has been a unique situation with the city code. He mentioned code 10-25-5 and noted that the code is not clear and that the proposal would be approved. He noted he wanted the council to be informed and unless there were any objections from the council that the permit would be approved. Mr. Brooks stated that the code will be brought up in the future to be amended. Councilmember Arnold asked what fees the developer would have to start over with. Steve Brooks noted that if the proposal was not approved that they would need to start over from the beginning with fees with an all new proposal. Councilmember Stevens wanted to clarify who was submitting the proposal and what exactly was being proposed. Mike Eggett, Community Development, stated that there will be a new Design Review Committee meeting regarding the plan.

H. Adjournment.

MOTION: Having no further business to discuss, Councilmember Arnold made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hilton; all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

I. Training: Strategic Planning

The City Council and City Staff will hold this training after RDA Meeting.

Date Approved: