

CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING-WORK SESSION
SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

FINAL

Mayor Arave called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Len Arave
Council Member Lisa Watts Baskin
Council Member Brian Horrocks
Council Member Ryan Mumford (participated via telephone)
Council Member Natalie Gordon
Council Member Stan Porter

STAFF PRESENT: Ken Leetham, City Manager; Paul Ottoson, City Engineer; David Frandsen, Public Works Director; Janice Larsen, Finance Director; Craig Black, Police Chief; Sherrie Pace, Community Development Director; Tyler Abegglen, Golf Course General Manager; Todd Godfrey, City Attorney; Linda Horrocks, City Recorder.

OTHERS PRESENT: Alisa Van Langeveld, Dee Lalliss, Rachel Butterfield and Hayley Pratt, residents.

1. ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Paul Ottoson reported that the current construction season had been very challenging with material and labor shortages. He spoke on the Eaglewood Loop secondary water and street reconstruction project. The bid for this project was awarded on April 6, 2021 with the contractor to begin work on the water line in May. The PVC pipe was ordered and took three months to arrive, which pushed that portion of the project until July. Mr. Ottoson showed a map of the project, which included the sections with the completed water line improvements that had been paved as well as the sections that were in progress and would be completed by the following Friday. He said it was anticipated that the remainder of the project would be completed by May 2022 as work would not continue through the winter.

Mayor Arave asked staff to assess the road condition of Woodbriar Way. Paul Ottoson reported that a high density mineral bond was placed several years ago but there were some newer cracks.

Paul Ottoson reported on the Main Street reconstruction project from Center Street to 350 North (being done as part of a federal grant). He said the contractor had been working on the concrete including replacing sections of the curb and gutter that were ponding as well as sections of sidewalk. Concrete work should be completed in October with the asphalt work to be completed

three weeks after that. Staff ensured that the residents were informed of street closures and other details of the projects through notifications including an initial Zoom webinar.

Paul Ottoson reported on the Google Fiber installation and estimated that 20% of the City had been completed. He said that they were installing near the gutter in most cases unless there was an inlet box or a street that had been recently repaired. Staff provided Google Fiber with a map of all the streets that had been reconstructed or had a recent seal coat or overlay within the last three years. They would not be allowed to cut into those streets so install would occur behind the sidewalk in those instances.

Mayor Arave asked about the schedule for the project. Paul Ottoson replied that the project would be completed by June 2022 with work to continue through the winter months. He said that Google Fiber would install the lines before the Eaglewood street reconstruction.

Paul Ottoson reported on the Eaglewood Cove 13 project, which began in late June 2021 with grubbing. He showed drone footage of the area that had been denuded the most due to fatty clays above Eaglewood Loop. He said that a detention basin was also built to divert some of the water in the area, and after that was completed, the contractor would then install sewer and underground utilities.

Paul Ottoson spoke on the Village Station project. He said one of the difficulties with this property was that the carports would be built next to a cliff. Several of the precarious boulders had been removed by experts and a rock wall fence with a cable fabric was installed. This property would be owned and managed by an HOA who would monitor the cliff. Mr. Ottoson said Orchard Drive had been closed in this area with curb and gutter to be poured the following weekend.

Ken Leetham what would be completed on Eaglewood Loop by spring 2022. Paul Ottoson explained that everything would have asphalt through the winter and the road would remain open. A section of the water line along Eaglewood Loop may need to have a cold patch placed over the trenches through the winter to allow work to commence in the spring.

Council Member Baskin questioned why the Eaglewood Drive and Springwood areas were not able to have a secondary water line. Paul Ottoson replied that the City only had an 800-acre-foot contract for water with Weber Basin and the golf course used approximately half of that amount each year.

Mayor Arave asked when the water study would be completed and how many homes could be serviced before capacity. He also asked if water from the Sewer District would be available for the golf course and mentioned an ABNR project for staff to further research. Ken Leetham responded that Dal Wayment with the Sewer District said that they did not expect to have any excess water. He said the water study should be completed by the end of the year.

Mayor Arave said explained that the Sewer District still planned on introducing the algae project at their south plant at some time in the future. He said there should be water available at that time.

Paul Ottoson addressed the question of how many homes may be serviced and said staff had performed a study, which showed Eaglewood Cove and all of the areas along Elk Hollow, Rosewood, Sunflower Circle, Tanglewood, etc. based on historical usage.

2. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

The City Council minutes of September 7, 2021 were reviewed. **Council Member Horrocks moved to approve the City Council minutes of September 7, 2021 as amended. Council Member Porter seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Council Members Baskin, Gordon, Horrocks, Mumford and Porter.**

3. ACTION ITEMS

The action items list was reviewed. Completed items were removed from the list.

Council Member Porter thanked Paul Ottoson for researching the potential for a bridge over Center Street.

4. COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Gordon apologized for missing the last Council meeting due to a family emergency. She reported on the first food bank event with the Youth City Council (YCC) at Camelot that afternoon. She said the YCC would participate in future monthly mobile food banks in the City.

Council Member Gordon also said that she was asked by Salt Lake County to participate in a presentation on the importance of the missing middle housing crisis on October 7th.

Council Member Porter reported that the Get to the River event was on Saturday at 8:30 a.m. He also said the parking lot for the trail at Tunnel Springs Park was full on Sunday and that the park was getting lots of use.

Council Member Horrocks reported on the last meeting of the Davis County Mosquito Abatement Board and said it was near the end of mosquito season. He said there were 11 cases of West Nile Virus in Utah with one death this year. He spoke on the issues related to COVID this year including testing and symptoms as well as the lack of employees. This resulted in reduced treatment of areas and the need to increase wages, which may result in increased rates.

Council Member Horrocks mentioned local weather predictions and issues related to the drought. He commented that local weather forecaster, Kevin Eubank, said that if snowpack was not at least 70% of normal, then there would be severe restrictions on culinary water and no secondary water next year. Council Member Horrocks suggested that the City should plan to be conservative in the meantime with water use and also development.

Mayor Arave said he hoped the water plan would address this issue and suggested measures such as removing park strips, etc. Ken Leetham commented that the City focused on conservation this year and the Bowen Collins water study would recommend an aggressive conservation program moving forward. He said residents had used 75% of their normal usage and there was a 25% reduction in the supply of water from Weber Basin this year.

Council Member Baskin clarified what Council Member Horrocks had stated and said that in terms of the Planning Commission and City Council approving projects caution was needed. Council Member Horrocks replied that it may be premature but if it was a bad snow year then building may need to be halted.

Ken Leetham commented that the study should show that City ordinances need to change related to landscaping and the City should incentivize the replacement of turf with more water-wise materials.

Mayor Arave said that a moratorium would be necessary to halt building and there would not be cause for a moratorium at this time.

Council Member Porter said he participated in the Weber Basin Water District tour and that there was a discussion about high density housing and how that did not use as much water as single family lots. He said that Weber Basin felt conservation was the answer.

Ken Leetham commented that there were several initiatives for the upcoming State Legislative session related to water. Mayor Arave said that the League of Cities and Towns had given up dates that indicated that the legislature was looking at ways to prohibit cities from restricting housing developments.

Council Member Porter suggested that technology could be used to utilize water more effectively.

Council Member Baskin commented that Weber Basin water storage was at the lowest levels it had been in decades.

Ken Leetham said that the City did not overuse their supply from Weber Basin this year. He mentioned that the City asked all culinary irrigation users to stop watering after October 1st and that those who continued to water would be contacted by staff. Mr. Leetham commented that

better ordinances were needed to really enforce this with citations and fines. He said staff would bring this to the City Council if there was a need the following year.

Council Member Baskin reported that the Meet the Candidates Night would be held the following evening at 6 p.m. Sherrie Pace replied that it was scheduled for two hours via Zoom.

Council Member Mumford reported that there were nine days left for residents to enter photos and essays for the NSL Reads contests. The submission deadline would be September 30th at 5 p.m. He said the NSL Reads event would be held October 7th.

5. ADJOURN

Mayor Arave adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m. to begin the regular session.

CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING-REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

FINAL

Mayor Arave called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Member Stan Porter offered the invocation and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor Len Arave
Council Member Lisa Watts Baskin
Council Member Brian Horrocks
Council Member Natalie Gordon
Council Member Stan Porter

EXCUSED: Council Member Ryan Mumford

STAFF PRESENT: Ken Leetham, City Manager; Paul Ottoson, City Engineer; David Frandsen, Public Works Director; Janice Larsen, Finance Director; Craig Black, Police Chief; Tyler Abegglen, Golf Course General Manager; Sherrie Pace, Community Development Director; Todd Godfrey, City Attorney; Linda Horrocks, City Recorder.

OTHERS PRESENT: Duaine Rasmussen and colleague, Castlewood Development; Tammy Clayton, Alisa Van Langeveld, Conrad Jacobson, and Dee Lalliss, residents; Kristian and Caroline Wang, Troop 27.

1. CITIZEN COMMENT

Kristian Wang thanked the City for recent improvements in the Foxboro area including the roundabout. He asked if the detour and road closure signage could now be removed from the location. Paul Ottoson replied that he asked the contractor to remove the signage about a month ago and was told there was still some work to be done but that the contractor was having a hard time finding someone to finish the job.

2. CONSIDERATION OF PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAT APPROVAL FOR
WILLIAMSBURG PARK SUBDIVISION AND FINAL SITE PLAN FOR
WILLIAMSBURG APARTMENTS, LOCATED AT 256 SOUTH HIGHWAY 89,
CASTLEWOOD DEVELOPMENT, APPLICATION

Sherrie Pace reported that the City Council approved the General Development plan for Williamsburg on October 2, 2018. The plan was amended in January of 2019 with a change of architecture. Since that time, Castlewood Development has entered into a purchase agreement

with the current owners for the project. The new owners were responsible for the demolition and removal of the dilapidated structures that were on the property as part of their purchase agreement. On April 6, 2021, the City Council approved the Amended General Development Plan increasing the total unit count to 246 with a parking ratio of 1.8 spaces per unit, and a requirement that each unit be provided one (1) space for each unit that may not be unbundled and rented separately.

Ms. Pace explained that the developer, Castlewood Development, was requesting a preliminary plan and final plat approval for a two-lot subdivision for the purposes of financing the commercial building separately from the residential portion of the project. The subdivision was reviewed by the Planning Commission who recommended approval as the lots met the minimum standards for size and frontage and the plat provided for a cross access easement for both lots as well as utility easements in favor of the City for the purposes of maintaining the city storm drain lines on the property and water meters for culinary service. A trail segment and public trail easement is provided along the north property line and would connect to the future Hatch Park trail segment as identified on the City's Town Center Master Plan. She said there were several engineering redlines on the plat that must be resolved prior to plat recordation including correction or clarification on the title report of parcel boundary description and the correction of a typo in the plat note.

Sherrie Pace reported that the second portion of the approval was the final site plan. She said that as part of the General Development Plan amendment approval, the developer was required to submit a final site plan with full engineering submission. She said the site plan had been reviewed and found to be in conformance with the approved development agreement and City code. The City engineer found some minor redline corrections related to page numbers and water line installation details, which needed clarification. The Development Review Committee (DRC) had determined that one issue remaining related to the installation of the retaining walls adjacent to the west property line along the I-215 off ramp. She said the code limited the height of retaining walls to a maximum of nine feet, and walls higher than nine feet were required to be split into two or more walls and be tiered. The tallest portion of the subject retaining wall was approximately 14 feet. Given the topography of the site and the difficulty in maintaining the area that would be created by the tier, the DRC recommended the developer seek a variance from the Hearing Officer, conditioned upon the engineered block construction as designed would provide better aesthetics and maintenance along the west property line. She said that the developer had just submitted the plan for the tiered wall to staff.

Sherrie Pace stated the Planning Commission recommended approval of the Preliminary Plan and Final Plat for Williamsburg Park Subdivision & Final Site Plan for Williamsburg Apartments subject to three conditions including correction or clarification on the title report of parcel boundary description, corrected typo in plat note and any engineer redlines on construction plans, and that a variance is obtained for a retaining wall taller than nine feet, or the

will be tiered to less than 9 feet each. She said that as the third condition had been met this could be removed from the Council's motion.

Council Member Porter expressed concern about the tiered nine-foot walls as there would be a gap or plateau every nine feet, and he asked how the landscaping there would be maintained. Sherrie Pace replied that there was only one section of the wall that was 14 feet tall. She said shrubs would be placed in that location.

Council Member Porter asked if there was concern with maintenance due to the overhang onto the freeway. Paul Ottoson replied that there was a railing on any of the sections over 36 inches in height.

Council Member Gordon asked how wide it would be between the tiers. Paul Ottoson replied that as City code required it to be one-half the distance of the tallest wall that it would be 4 1/2 feet.

Duaine Rasmussen, Castlewood Development, said that while a final decision had not been made that it would be based on constructability. He explained that once a contractor reviewed the plan that they may need to ask for the variance. Mr. Rasmussen commented that it was a short area and they would install a railing to ensure safety.

Council Member Gordon moved that the City Council approve the Preliminary Plan and Final Plat for Williamsburg Park Subdivision & Final Site Plan for Williamsburg Apartments subject to the following conditions:

- 1) **Correction or clarification on title report of parcel boundary description; and**
- 2) **Corrected typo in plat note and any engineer redlines on construction plans.**

Council Member Porter seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Council Members Baskin, Gordon, Horrocks, and Porter. Council Member Mumford was excused.

3. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2021-30R: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PURCHASE AGREEMENT (2021-27A) WITH HIGHLAND GOLF FOR 84 NEW GOLF CARTS TO BE USED AT EAGLEWOOD GOLF COURSE AND LEASE AGREEMENT (2021-28A) WITH VANTAGE TAG SYSTEMS FOR GPS EQUIPMENT FOR GOLF CARTS

Tyler Abegglen reported that the Golf Oversight Committee had discussed this item for several months and determined that the current fleet of Yamaha carts should be traded in for a newer fleet. The delivery date for these new carts would be July 2022 in fiscal year 2023. The new carts would have nicer seats and GPS units to allow for a better customer experience as well as monitoring by staff. The purchase price less the trade-in value of \$236,000 would be \$223,480.

He said that the GPS units would be \$32 dollars per cart per month for a total of \$2,688 per month for 60 months.

Mayor Arave asked about the necessity of GPS units as many golfers now use range finders to determine yardages. Tyler Abegglen replied that they reviewed all of the GPS options and felt that Vantage Tag Systems seemed like the best option. He said that the majority of the use would be for staff to monitor the golf course and carts including speed, location, pace of play as well as for scoring and messaging, etc.

Council Member Porter said that GPS systems seemed to become outdated quickly. He also expressed concern about the price of the units. Tyler Abegglen responded that these carts were mid-range in price. He said the GPS units were the newest model and he felt the usability and functionality was worth the cost. Mr. Abegglen commented that he would check the lease to see if the GPS units could be traded when newer technology became available.

Council Member Horrocks commented on restrictions with the golf carts and how staff could control where the carts went. He said that the golf carts were being presented as an expense but were a source of revenue for the course as they were rented out. Tyler Abegglen stated that he would be recommending an increase to the golf cart rental rates next year, which would generate more revenue.

Council Member Horrocks spoke on supply shortages and asked about the possibility of using the old carts through 2022. Tyler Abegglen replied that this was the reason he requested funding the new carts in the next fiscal year. He said the estimated delivery was July 1, 2022.

Council Member Baskin expressed concern with a provision in the contract. She explained that it was a lease finance agreement with binding arbitration that the parties would waive all rights to discovery including depositions and that any decision made was final. She said she would not vote for this unless that language was removed. Tyler Abegglen responded that the City attorney may have a provision to change that language.

Todd Godfrey commented that he was in agreement with Council Member Baskin and recommended it be removed from the contract. Tyler Abegglen said he would request that Vantage Tag Systems remove that portion of the agreement and would bring the contract back to the Council.

Mayor Arave asked if this was a capital lease with a buyout option at the end. Tyler Abegglen replied that it was a capital lease for the carts but the GPS units were a straight lease.

Ken Leetham commented that if the GPS units broke that they would be replaced. Tyler Abegglen replied that they would have two replacement units available on hand.

Ken Leetham clarified that there were two separate leases and staff would bring back a lease agreement through a bank for a traditional loan. He explained that the GPS units would be under a separate lease.

Council Member Porter asked if the Council had to approve agreements for both the carts and the GPS units right then. Tyler Abegglen replied with his concern about obtaining approval for the golf carts so he could place the order and avoid further delay on delivery. He said the order for the GPS units was not as critical.

Council Member Gordon commented on the five-year lease and asked if the current carts had lasted five years. Tyler Abegglen responded that the current carts were four years old and would be five years in October 2022. He said most carts were replaced in four-to-five years.

Council Member Gordon asked if it was anticipated that the payment for the golf cart lease would come from golf course revenue. She asked if this would affect the payment of the bond for the golf course remodel. Tyler Abegglen replied affirmatively and said that increasing the cart rates would generate approximately \$200,000 in additional revenue per year. He estimated that the golf cart revenue alone was \$500,000 last year.

The Council determined to review and potentially approve the lease agreement for GPS units at a later date.

Council Member Horrocks moved the City Council approve Resolution No. 2021-30R approving the lease purchase agreement for Eaglewood Golf Course Carts in the amount of \$233,480 with the caveat to strike 9.3 from the contract pending that approval. Council Member Porter seconded the motion. Council Member Porter seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Council Members Baskin, Gordon, Horrocks, and Porter. Council Member Mumford was excused.

Council Member Baskin moved to table Resolution 2021-28A approving the Lease Agreement with Vantage Tag Systems for GPS equipment for Golf Carts. Council Member Porter seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Council Members Baskin, Gordon, Horrocks, and Porter. Council Member Mumford was excused.

Mayor Arave commented that one issue at the golf course was the pace of play and if the use of GPS units could be implemented to improve this then it would help revenues.

4. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2021-35R: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT (2021-31A) BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE AND SOUTH DAVIS SEWER DISTRICT FOR THE USE OF THE CITY'S ARPA FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,000

Ken Leetham reported that the Sewer District approached staff in July 2021 requesting funds and in August 2021 the City Council approved a resolution to share \$76,000 of those funds. These funds would be used for the Sewer District's North Plant Nutrient Removal project. This type of project was an authorized expense under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). He felt that a contract between the City and South Davis Sewer District would be a good way to document what the funds were being used for in the event of an audit as well as to report to ARPA.

Council Member Porter moved that the City Council approve Resolution 2021-35R: A resolution approving an agreement (2021-31A) between the City of North Salt Lake and the South Davis Sewer District for the use of a portion of the City's ARPA funds in the amount of \$76,000. Council Member Horrocks seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Council Members Baskin, Gordon, Horrocks, and Porter. Council Member Mumford was excused.

5. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2021-36R; A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT (2021-32A) BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE, WOODS CROSS CITY AND THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (UDOT) FOR USE OF UDOT PROPERTY FOR A DOG PARK

Ken Leetham commented that this was a great solution to a public need in which 2.8 acres could be used for water detention and a dog park. He explained that staff had worked with Woods Cross who had conceptually agreed to sharing the cost of design services, construction and daily maintenance of the park in addition to the shared obligations related to the proposed agreement with UDOT. Mr. Leetham recommended a formal agreement between the City and Woods Cross to formalize those understandings. He said that this type of park needed to be maintained daily and that an outside party was the best option for that service.

Ken Leetham said the contract for the park included maintenance of the detention pond, which was typical work that could be done once a year.

David Frandsen presented a rough mockup of the park and said it would include a small and large dog play area and a potential restroom.

Council Member Horrocks commented that people may walk through Legacy Park to access this park and said the splash pad may be at risk. He suggested that it may be appropriate to fence the west side of the splash pad.

Mayor Arave suggested that because the dog park would be readily available ticketing abusers anywhere in the park would be much easier.

Council Member Porter asked about liability and if it could be split between both cities. Ken Leetham replied that he would pursue this option. He said that the approach would be to share the entire cost of the dog park equally with Woods Cross.

Council Member Horrocks moved that the City Council approve Resolution 2021-36R: A resolution approving Agreement 2021-32A between the City of North Salt Lake, Woods Cross, and UDOT for the use of UDOT property for a dog park. Council Member Baskin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Council Members Baskin, Gordon, Horrocks, and Porter. Council Member Mumford was excused.

6. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2021-37R: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT (2021-33A) BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE AND WEBER BASIN WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT (WBWCD) FOR THE COST SHARING OF A WATER LINE REPLACEMENT IN MAIN STREET

Paul Ottoson reported that Weber Basin Water Conservancy District had a need to install two new water lines from Center Street to the Big West Oil and Chevron refineries. City staff had been working with Weber Basin for the best alignment on this project and the route that had been selected was south along Main Street to Highway 89, continuing south along US-89, and then going west and crossing I-15 south of the Williamsburg subdivision. Mr. Ottoson stated that the Main Street water line project had been scheduled for the 2024 budget year, but staff recommended moving it to the current budget year along with the Main Street reconstruction project. He said the proposed agreement from Weber Basin only included the cost to design the City's water line project along Main Street and would be \$20,000. Mr. Ottoson explained that by doing the project in this manner, the City would save money since all three water lines would be installed in the same trench and Weber Basin would pay their portion of the street reconstruction for the trench work they should have completed. He said the City also had a street reconstruction project planned so it made sense to complete this project at the same time.

Paul Ottoson said that Weber Basin proposed that both projects, the water line and the street reconstruction, be completed by the same contractor. He said that in order to do this project, staff would also recommend that the 150 North Street water line and street reconstruction project, which was scheduled for this year, be postponed until the 2024 budget year. A budget adjustment would have to be approved by City Council at a future meeting for the new Main Street project. Staff was proposing to delay the 150 North project (in the current budget) to help offset the total costs of adding the Main Street project. Mr. Ottoson said the cost difference was estimated to be approximately \$105,000 more to perform the Main Street project but the actual project costs would be presented to the Council when the project was awarded.

Council Member Baskin commented that in paragraph five of the interlocal agreement that the term of the agreement would commence on December 1, 2020 and would continue for 50 years. The agreement also stated that Weber Basin had the sole right to make the determinations on the

facilities. Todd Godfrey replied that Weber Basin always proposed an interlocal agreement even if it may not be necessary. He clarified that the provision stated that if Weber Basin did not need their major water lines at some point in the next 50 years that they would cease operation to them. Mr. Godfrey said that this did not have anything to do with the City's facility, which would remain in place. He said the 50-year clause did not make sense, but in his opinion it also did no harm.

Council Member Baskin asked what would happen in the instance the City wanted to use the road for another reason. Todd Godfrey replied that this did not necessary alter an existing relationship. He said they have a facility in the road that was not covered by any formal easement but was governed by statutory restrictions on utility facilities for public purposes. Mr. Godfrey explained that the City would have to work with Weber Basin if any major work was being done anyway. He did not feel this provision had any significant effect.

Council Member Porter asked if there were any potential issues if the City decided to alter Main Street in the future such as closing or change the course. Paul Ottoson replied that he did not think there would be any impact as the water line would remain as is.

Council Member Porter moved the City Council approve Resolution 2021-37R and the agreement between Weber Basin Water Conservancy District and the City of North Salt Lake (2021-33A) to provide the design for the City's Main Street water line project from Highway 89 to Center Street. Council Member Gordon seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Council Members Baskin, Gordon, Horrocks, and Porter. Council Member Mumford was excused.

7. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2021-38R: A RESOLUTION CREATING A HEALTH AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE AND CREATING GENERAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THAT COMMITTEE

Ken Leetham reported that the City Council had previously discussed this item in relation to the numerous other regional activities the City participated in such as Communities that Care and Healthy Communities. He said the Mayor suggested the creation of a Health and Wellness Committee for this purpose. Mr. Leetham proposed eliminating the existing United Neighbors Committee and combining emergency preparedness into the purview of the Health and Wellness Committee. He said this Committee would also carry out approved programs and initiatives in the areas of physical and mental health, personal wellness, food and housing access, addiction services, public education, and any other public health and general welfare issues.

Ken Leetham explained that this would be an advisory committee and the members would be aware that they could not make their own policies without the approval of City Council. He said the proposal was for nine committee members including five citizens selected by the City

Council, one Council Member, the City Manager, the Chief of Police, and the Community Development Director, or their designees.

Mayor Arave spoke on some of the concerns he had related to the Uniting Neighbors committee, including inconsistent meetings and lack of attendance, especially related to emergency preparedness. He said that formalizing the Committee should help especially as the City would be working closely with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for emergency preparedness. Mayor Arave also said that this organized Committee would make it easier to coordinate with the different organizations and the County in providing services for residents.

Council Member Gordon felt that combining emergency preparedness with mental/emotional wellbeing together would be difficult. She said that when thinking of individuals to represent those aspects that they would be different people for emergency preparedness versus mental health. She recommended separate committees.

Council Member Baskin commented that this was a great idea particularly the suicide prevention aspect. She said there were many ways the City could partner with other organizations in the community.

Council Member Porter suggested that the emergency preparedness could be a sub group of this Committee and felt it could be setup similar to the Parks, Trails and Arts Board.

Council Member Horrocks commented that even if the Committee did not organize the emergency preparedness that it was already coordinated through Davis County and the local LDS church. Mayor Arave replied that he felt like it was still important to have this committee handle emergency preparedness and the coordination between those entities and the City and to meet at least once per year.

Ken Leetham said staff struggled with the emergency preparedness portion and felt that if the City wanted serious engagement in that aspect that a professional should be hired. Council Member Porter explained that the original role of the United Neighbors was to unite the City and work on issues together. He suggested having representatives from different areas of the City.

Council Member Horrocks asked whether Marty Peterson was still involved with emergency preparedness. Mayor Arave replied that Marty no longer had time to commit as much time as the role would require.

Ken Leetham commented that Bountiful City had a designated police officer in charge of emergency preparedness. He also said Davis County had a good emergency manager with capable staff.

Council Member Baskin suggested an independent contractor could be hired to perform this service.

Chief Black commented that he appreciated Marty who was always willing to help. He spoke on the Bountiful officer and said they were more of a contact person and not a proactive position. Chief Black said he liked the suggestion of having a committee that provided input, was aware of local resources, and maintained relationships with the County.

Council Member Porter moved that the City Council approve Resolution 2021-38R: A resolution establishing the Health and Wellness Committee.

Council Member Gordon asked for clarification if the motion was establishing a Health and Wellness Committee or establishing the Health and Wellness Committee and eliminating the United Neighbors Committee.

Council Member Porter amended his motion to eliminate the United Neighbors Committee. Council Member Horrocks seconded the motion.

Council Member Gordon commented that she would vote in opposition if emergency preparedness was part of the Health and Wellness Committee. She felt that emergency preparedness would be better handled by a staff member.

The motion was approved by Council Members Baskin, Horrocks, and Porter. Council Member Gordon voted in opposition to the motion. Council Member Mumford was excused.

8. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Arave had nothing to report.

9. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Todd Godfrey had nothing to report.

10. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Ken Leetham reported the recent bonding and that Key Bank would purchase bonds for the City. He said this closing would be on September 29th with low interest rates and added that the City was making a huge investment in the golf course and the Foxboro Wetland Park.

Ken Leetham thanked the Public Works department for their efforts during the Day of Service on September 11th. He said there were 11 designated sites with hundreds of volunteers. Mr. Leetham

said a lot of spurge was removed from the Wild Rose and Tunnel Springs areas. He said the fall cleanup would be held that next weekend on Friday through Sunday.

Ken Leetham mentioned that the City's IT company, ETS, asked for their own service project on September 10th and they removed a lot of debris and invasive tree seedlings at the Springhill Geologic Park.

Mayor Arave asked when the City would be able to hold Zoom meetings again. Ken Leetham replied that the equipment had been ordered but due to supply chain issues, the pieces were delayed a few more weeks.

11. ADJOURN

Mayor Arave adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

The foregoing was approved by the City Council of the City of North Salt Lake on Tuesday October 5, 2021 by unanimous vote of all members present.



Linda Hoffrocks, City Recorder