

**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**MARCH 22, 2023**

The City Council held a meeting on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10 North Main Street, Cedar City, Utah.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Garth O. Green; Councilmembers: Terri Hartley; Craig Isom; W. Tyler Melling; R. Scott Phillips; Ronald Riddle.

**STAFF PRESENT:** City Manager Paul Bittmenn; City Attorney Tyler Romeril; City Recorder Renon Savage; Finance Director Jason Norris; City Engineer Jonathan Stathis; Police Chief Darin Adams; Fire Chief Mike Phillips; Leisure Services Director Ken Nielson; Aquatic Manager Marcie Burrill; Public Works Director Ryan Marshall; Street Superintendent Jeff Hunter.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rod Cosslett, Laurel Cosslett, Kathy Long, Reverend Celeste Lasich, Ann Clark, Tom Jett, Dan Roberts, Carter Wilkey, Nick Holt, Casey Romeril, Kohen Romeril, Hattie Romeril, Jay Romeril, Lyza Romeril, Bonnie Romeril, Shaun Barney, Michelle Barney, Tyler Barney, Jackson Barney, Alysha Lundgren, Wendy Green, Roger Thomas, Hadley Persons, Sadie Hinck, Paul Cozzens, Lara Sorensen, Tucker Thompson, Jaxton Melling, Brynlee Rynearson.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Reverend Celeste Lasich of the Community Presbyterian Church gave the invocation; the pledge was led by Tyler Romeril.

**AGENDA ORDER APPROVAL:** Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the agenda order; second by Councilmember Hartley; vote unanimous.

**ADMINISTRATION AGENDA – MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS; STAFF**

**COMMENTS:** ■ **Mayor** – as listening to the City Council last week, we need to speak up and lean into the microphones. We want to recognize the work of Mr. Romeril, as our attorney has provided for the past 6-7 years, he has served us well. His wife and family are here. Thank you for your service and we wish you the best. ■ **Mayor** – item #6 is on the consent, there may be some here to speak on that and they can talk under public comments. You can pull that item from the consent agenda if you would like after public comments. ■ **Phillips** – I want to offer congratulations to SUU for the great success in gymnastics, women's basketball and men's basketball, congrats on the great success in the winter months. ■ **Melling** – at the water conference Hartley, the Mayor and I attended, I feel there are some things we will want to take a look at. Specifically, I wanted to bring up, we had a brief discussion on the State's rebate on turf removal and at that time we weren't ready to take the steps for our residents to qualify, they were quite stringent. I think it is a discussion since the legislative session has passed, we may want to discuss those parameters. ■ **Paul** – Staff received a letter from the State on what needs to be in our ordinance, Don and Jonathan have a draft ordinance that will come to you soon. ■ **Melling** – we need the building community to be noticed of that as well. ■ **Writing Contest winners.** Brooke Twitchell – I have the best job in the city, I get to do fun things. We did a writing contest with 3<sup>rd</sup> graders in the Cedar City area about why they love to live in Cedar City. I anticipated them to be funny, but some aspects I didn't anticipate. They highlighted our city facilities, parks, Aquatic Center, festivals, it isn't something I thought would come out. It was hard to narrow it down. It filled my heart with pride, they are the next generation of leaders, and they have great teachers. I