

COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 23, 2023

The City Council held a meeting on Wednesday, August 23, 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 Randall McUne; City Recorder Renon Savage; Finance Director Jason Norris; Project Engineer Shane Johnson; Police Chief Darin Adams; Fire Chief Mike Phillips; Leisure Services Director Ken Nielson; City Planner Don Boudreau; Public Works Director Ryan Marshall.

OTHERS PRESENT: Laura Henderson, Tom Jett, Kathy Long, Brittany Fisher, Wendy Green, Rob O'Brien, Rob Ferraud, Dallas Buckner, Mike Platt, William Garza, Kathryn Garza, Steven Trosell, Abby Haight, Gregory Haight, Trent Ciccardi.

CALL TO ORDER: Reverend Schuyler Rhodes of the Community Presbyterian Church gave the invocation; the pledge was led by Councilmember Riddle.

AGENDA ORDER APPROVAL: Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the agenda order with the change of moving item #3 to the action agenda; second by Councilmember Melling; vote unanimous.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA – MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS; STAFF

COMMENTS: ■**Mayor** – I was honored to be involved at the loading facility opening at BZI at Inland Port. I felt like the train was coming in 1923 one more time in Cedar City. I looked over the desert and think the train will change the community, some won't like the changes, but it is historic. Also, I was involved in Red Peak Gym ribbon cutting last Saturday morning. It is a beautiful building and there were a lot of kids there having fun. They worked for many years to get that building where it needed to be. It is a private business that will reach an area that is unfulfilled. I wish them the best. On the 30th we will have a work meeting since the Council and staff will be in Salt Lake for the League of Cities and Town on September 6th. I started a discussion with Ken Nielson and Anthony Pearson, I want to start the park on the north end, I want to go to Washington County and look around at various parks and see what others are doing and maybe they will tell us what they like and what they don't like. I have a van that holds 15 people. ■**Phillips** – a reminder to everyone that the public schools have begun and when you see crosswalks and flashing lights, watch out for that. Next week a lot of students will be arriving at SUU, there will be an influx of students and traffic. ■**Ryan Marshall**, Public Works Director – we had some flooding last week, we have had a lot of rain. Our infrastructure can handle long slow rain, but the 2.5 inches concentrated in Fiddlers Canyon came down all at once. We have a few detention basins put in with the subdivisions, but it is a patchy development and doesn't have curb and gutter all the way, so we get a lot of debris from the undeveloped area. The detention basins worked and slowly released it and then it hit the undeveloped area. We had our crews clean all the debris that night. We had a lot of comments and concerns about Northfield Road, it is designed to take water, it is the low spot by Canyon View Middle School. Northfield Road is to transmit storm water to the detention basin. The pressure was so high it blew manholes, it was not sewer, it was storm drain manholes. It flows under the freeway into Cedar Willows