

**COUNCIL WORK MINUTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 21, 2022**

The City Council held a meeting on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, 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; Scott Phillips; Ronald Riddle.

**STAFF PRESENT:** City Manager Paul Bittmenn; City Attorney Tyler Romeril; Economic Development Executive Assistant Megan Lamb; Finance Director Jason Norris; City Engineer Jonathan Stathis; Police Lieutenant Clint Pollock; Economic Development Director Danny Stewart; Public Works Director Ryan Marshall; Events Director Brooke Twitchell; Airport Director Nick Holt

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Barbara Lewis; DeNean Petersen; Kara Conrad; Farah Baldwin LeFevre; David Woods; Wendy Green; Carter Wilkey; Tim Watson; Aleese Cardon; Craig Cardon; Laura Henderson; Arlo Fawson; Tom Jett; Ann Clark; Nathan Bracken; Teri Kenney; Heidi Miller; Alysha Lundgren; Rob Obrien; Michael Platt; Wendy Smith

**CALL TO ORDER:** Pastor Pete Akins of Cedar City Foursquare Church gave the invocation; the pledge was led by Jonathon Stathis.

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

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

**COMMENTS:** ■ **Mayor** – just a reminder that there will be some renderings of examples of the new State flag being offered. They are at the Beverly Center for the Arts at 10:30. He has also been intrigued by a group named 10,000 Beds that is located here in Cedar City. They are a non-profit organization, and their mission is recovery for those without resources to help with those with addiction. He has taken some interest and there will be a breakfast presentation tomorrow morning at 7:30am at the Courtyard by Marriott. Next week on September 28th will be an Action and Work meeting. The 5<sup>th</sup> of October is the League of Cities and Towns and many of us will attend that on that Wednesday. Today is a Work meeting so we do it a little different, public comment is always public comments and they're always in there. However, if you are here to comment on anything that is on the agenda; items #1-11 you will be able to speak when that item is brought up. Next week is an action meeting and we don't allow public comment on those unless the council wants to hear from the public. ■ **Phillips** – a couple of quick shoutouts and I don't want to get the wrong department, but the street department and crews responsible for opening the road between Joe Thurston Way and Spruce Street. I have heard from some of the neighbors and they're very happy to have the street available to use. Also, down by Industrial Road the weeds have been taken care of and it looks so nice. So whatever department is responsible for that I want to thank them for doing so. ■ **Hartley** – I want to echo Councilman Phillips it is noticed that the weed issue is being addressed. The Street Department has been involved in a lot of

projects and they have cleaned areas up and working on the weed issue. They are doing a great job.

Call for Staff Comments ■ **Brooke Twitchell**, City Events – I want to stop by and give an update on the Cedar City Half Marathon and what a success it was. This is the one event I was nervous about; I am not a runner, so this is new to me. My goal with the Half Marathon was to make it a big celebration at the finish line. We really hit it out of the park with the finish line. It was really a true celebration, and everyone stuck around and had such a good time. The swag bags that I left for you is just a sampling of what local businesses have donated to this event. Brooke shared some of the compliments shared in the post event survey that was sent out. We had musicians in the canyon, Cello Mania in the park, and a live band at the finish line. I take a lot of pride in our local businesses and wanted to utilize them for as much as possible for our events. There are extra t-shirts in a box at the front for anyone that wants one. Brooke ended with a quick video wrap up of the event.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** ■ **Ann Clark** – I just want to add a follow up from last week. I hope that at some point we get some protections for the historic and the general core of our city. She offered; think about this, that Plum Creek it was going to be mostly R-1 and now it is mostly high density. Because a developer came and asked for a change. Cross Hollows: I asked Renon to do a zoning history by the area by the church because all of those are R-1 and then all of a sudden, we have all those townhomes. These were all R-1, and the developer comes and asks and then it's always changed. And it's always about money. We can't have trust in the city when that is happening. I went and spoke with Mr. Romeril and when I asked him What if the developer doesn't follow the RDO? He told me they won't get another RDO and then I go they plan the RDO and get moving forward and low and behold here's the Iron Horse RDO and pods 3 & 4 are being changed from Residential Agricultural to mixed use. What I'm saying to you is that when we make a general plan it changes so often there can be no confidence in this City as a citizen that if they buy something or they move somewhere that the zoning is going to remain. ■ **David Woods** – Just wanted to bring to light again the problem down on 800 W. There is a homeless guy. According to the police he has been notified and going to be issued a citation. He has cleaned up some and he has made a little progress, but he has put up a 6ft fence right up against the sidewalk which according to our ordinances can't be in the setbacks. I don't know where he got that he could do that, but he told him that he checked with the city, and they okayed it to be. David would like the problems that were originally addressed completed. He would like to know a timeframe of when if he doesn't comply when the city is going to move in and do it for him and charge him for it. ■ **Hartley** – There is an officer here, we could ask him. David says that he lives two houses down and across the street and he could hear the gentleman yelling at the officer and he feels that officers need to be respected. The questions David has for Law Enforcement is: Has he been cited? What is the time frame on that? How long before the city steps in and finishes cleaning it up? The outdoor shower has not disappeared at all. It's still there. The fence that has gone up and I mentioned that I was walking by, and he stepped out and said something to me and they visited for a moment and David let him know that it is his understanding that he can't have a six-foot fence in the setback. The man said that if he has to take it down, he is going to put razor wire up. That's not acceptable either. ■ **Lt. Clint Pollock** – to answer the first question, he has been cited. Lt Roden is the one that has gone