

COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

The City Council held a meeting on Wednesday, September 28, 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; Megan Lamb, Executive Assistant; Finance Director Jason Norris; City Engineer Jonathan Stathis; Police Chief Darin Adams; Fire Chief Mike Phillips; Leisure Services Director Ken Nielson; Public Works Director Ryan Marshall; Airport Director Nick Holt; City Planner Don Boudreau.

OTHERS PRESENT: Carter Wilkey; Tim Watson; Joe Burgess; Beverly Burgess; Laura Henderson; Mike Platt; Jared LeFevre; Nathan Bracken; Wendy Green; Mindy Templin; Emily Templin; Ross Chapman; Dallas J Guymon; Aleese Cardon; Craig Cardon; Kara Conrad; Farah LeFevre; Alysha Lundgren; Tom Jett; Dallas Buckner; Zack Bittmenn

CALL TO ORDER: Councilmember Isom gave the invocation; the pledge was led by Ron Riddle.

AGENDA ORDER APPROVAL: Councilmember Scott Phillips moved to approve the agenda order excluding the September 14th minutes, as they were not in the council packet; this was seconded by Councilmember Terri Hartley; vote unanimous.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA – MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS; STAFF

COMMENTS: ■ **Mayor** – Today we have both an action and a work meeting. There are two agendas the rules are different for each meeting. On the Action meeting on the agenda item. There is still a comment period for anyone who would like to comment, but when they start deliberating and making decisions on the action agenda tonight, then we don't, if they want to hear from somebody, they can. If not, however, on the second half of the meeting when it is a work meeting, there's also a public comment period but then if you have a comment that may have something to do with one of the items that's on there, if you'll raise your hand, I will recognize you to make a comment on any agenda item when it does come up so that we keep our thoughts focused on the agenda item that we're working on. An announcement, Utah Symphony is going on tonight at 7:00. I'm confident from past history that we'll be done. There is no council meeting next week, because most of us will be at the Utah League of Cities and Towns. I don't know whether it was UDOT or whether it was our folks. But whoever pulled through on the turning lane, as you are coming off of Coal Creek Road going east. Thank you. We got the turning lane there and it and it works, very simple stripe of paint. But we're also obedient it all works, very well without the stripe of paint. People will stand in line rather than driving around. You gotta love it. ■ **Phillips** – I just have a couple that I'd like to bring up and both of them, I could be here all-night offering shoutouts

to our amazing staff for all they do. I am amazed, every time I turn around, seems like one of our streets has been improved. I just drove down 100 East just yesterday and thought. Wow. And 200 North and out in Fiddler's Canyon, our street department has really done a remarkable job and I know they've done work up in your neighborhood. They've done it pretty much all over town this season. So, I want to thank them for the expedient and quick job, they do. I know we've had a couple of concerns about sweepers going through a little more frequent and removing gravel, this is from some of our biker friends, but for the most part, I think they've done a great job and I just want to make sure I give a shout out to them. And while I'm there, I also want to thank our Parks Division for the way they've maintained the flowers and everything this season along our Main Street. I know they've retired them now because we are transitioning into another season and that just brings up my point that this Saturday, we will be decorating downtown for the harvest, and I see all these great 4-H kids here. You know, we're always looking for volunteers, if you want to come out at 8:30 on Saturday, we'll be here doing that, but I just wanted to give a shout out to the parks division for the great job they've done. ■ **Riddle** – Mayor, I just had a question that was brought to me. It's not real serious, I'm sure it's working its way through, where we've ran the 52-inch Culvert underneath Center Street, underneath the overpass, and it's been quite a while since there's been anything done on that. I just had a question of are we moving forward? There are we wait until the spring? or Jonathan, that's a great question. ■ **Jonathon** – Yeah, we are moving forward. Blackburn and Associates has the contract to build the concrete structures on both sides. They're just waiting to get the rebar. They should have it early next week and then as soon as they get the rebar, they'll be over there forming up the structures. They've already done a little bit of work, they had to relocate a water line and they've done that. ■ **Riddle**- There's excavation been going on but nothing sense. ■ **Jonathon** - Yeah. And I've been in touch with the property owner and I'm keeping him aware of what's going on. They are on hold until they get those materials. ■ **Ken Neilson**- I would like to introduce Kathleen Afatasi. She's our sports and recreation manager. Some of you may know her and she's here with our family, so I'll let her introduce herself. ■ **Kathleen Afatasi** - Some of you might know my husband officer Lehi Afatasi and I'm the new sports and recreation manager. I'm super excited. I've had the position for about a week and a half, and I absolutely love it. It's right up my alley. Chief Adams asked me earlier, what's my, I guess am I qualified is really what he asked me, but I played volleyball in high school. I earned a full ride volleyball college scholarship. So, I know the game really well. I've always really wanted to work with youth because I believe that sports are a great way to stay active to get involved in your community and most importantly, to make friends. So, the adults, yeah, I like working with them, but they youth are more exciting and I'm so grateful for this opportunity. So, thank you. ■ **Phillips** - Thank you. You've got lots of challenges. ■ **Kathleen Afatasi** - I know I'm ready for them. ■ **Mayor** – it's a busy, busy program around town. If we get a lot more volleyball. That would be great on some indoor gyms. That would be lots of fun. ■ **Kathleen Afatasi** - Yes, if this has any weight here, those indoor gyms would be great. And maybe if you're interested, if you have little granddaughters that are interested, we are starting hula classes at the rec center ages 5-12 starting in January. So, if you know anybody, anybody, anybody in this room, ages 5-12. They'll start in January. ■ **Mayor** - Hula, is that an expertise you bring? ■ **Kathleen Afatasi** - No, sir, I just play volleyball but my culture, I have found somebody who will teach it. ■ **Nick Holt** – I just wanted to make the community aware that we are starting our airport master plan and we do have our first community