



MINUTES – CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

City of Saratoga Springs

City of Saratoga Springs City Offices

1307 North Commerce Drive, Suite 200, Saratoga Springs, Utah 84045

City Council Policy Meeting

Call to Order: Mayor Jim Miller called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present Mayor Jim Miller, Council Members Michael McOmber (via teleconference), Stephen Willden, Chris Porter, Ryan Poduska and Christopher Carn.

Staff Present City Manager Mark Christensen, City Attorney Kevin Thurman, City Manager Owen Jackson, Economic Development and Public Relations Director David Johnson, Planning Director David Stroud, Police Chief Andrew Burton, City Engineer Gordon Miner, Public Works Director Jeremy Lapin, and Deputy City Recorder Kayla Moss.

Invocation: Council Member Poduska

Pledge of Allegiance: Council Member Porter

Public Input: None

REPORTS:

Council Member Porter advised that he and the City Manager had their first meeting for the Northwest transportation system. This is to get improved service in Saratoga Springs from UTA. They have hired a consultant who has done a similar project in Weber County. They think that there should be a completed study done by January. They will be doing a survey that they would like the Council and staff to promote to the residents.

City Manager Christensen advised that there will be impact fee discussions brought to an agenda in the future.

MINUTES:

1) **October 6, 2020.**

Motion by Council Member Carn to approve the Minutes of October 6, 2020, was seconded by Council Member Porter.

Vote: In Favor – All Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

City Council Work Session

1) **Capital Facilities Projects Review.**

City Manager Christensen advised the Council on the projects that are happening in the City. He would also like to get the Councils input on what projects are the priority. The projects discussed tonight will be funded by impact fees.

Council Member McOmber doesn't want to go out to bond for projects that make it easier for a developer to develop. He would like them to pay for the improvements if they want to come in and develop. If they have vested rights he is okay with it. He is also okay with bonding if there are issues with systems that are affecting current residents.

Council Member Carn agreed with Council Member McOmber. He doesn't want to put the City in a position to make it easier for developers to develop when residents are already unhappy with how fast development is happening.

Council Member Willden wants to make sure we are protecting and helping current residents with any projects that are bonded for.

Council Member Carn mentioned that he hears from residents that have sewage smells in their homes from time to time. It was discussed and determined that the longer things sit at the pump station the more likely it is to cause the smell. Public Works tries to use chemicals and things to keep the smell at bay. The more use there is the less likely the smell. Public Works would like to know when and where the smells are so they can do mitigation.

The Council was in favor of funding the addition to the fire department building. This will allow for expensive equipment to be stored indoors instead of having to winterize them.

Council Member Poduska asked about residents that want certain amenities in the city. If we don't bond for sewer systems and other things would that prolong the amount of time it would take for the amenities to come.

City Manager Christensen advised that it potentially could. For example, if development doesn't get to 2,000 homes in the neighborhood around Encore Park it wouldn't be put in.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Mayor Miller adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.



Jim Miller, Mayor

Attest:



Cindy LoPiccolo, City Recorder



Approved: 11-10-20