

Pleasant Grove City Council Work Session Minutes
October 9, 2007
7 p.m.

PRESENT:

Excused:

Mayor Michael W. Daniels

City Council Members:

Cindy Boyd

Mark Atwood

Lee G. Jensen

Bruce Call

Jay Meacham

Deputy Recorder:

Mary Burgin

Others:

Franks Mills, City Administrator

Gary Clay, Finance Director

Tina Petersen, City Attorney

Tom Paul, Police Chief

Deon Giles, Leisure Services Director

Lynn Walker, Public Works Director

Ken Young, Community Development Director

Richard Bradford, Economic Dev. Director

Marc Sanderson, Fire Chief

Degan Lewis, City Engineer

Libby Flegal, Neighborhood Chair

The City Council members met in the City Council Chambers at 86 East 100 South, Pleasant Grove, Utah 84062 at 7 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Atwood welcomed everyone to the meeting. He excused Mayor Daniels from the meeting as the Mayor was out of town.

1. Opening Remarks

The Opening Remarks were given by Attorney Petersen.

2. Mountain View Project Update and the announcement of the Public Hearings in November (Teri Newell, UDOT Project Manager)

Following Mayor Pro Tem Atwood reading this item, UDOT Project Manager, Ms. Teri Newell, came forward and said that she appreciated the opportunity to address the Council. She said that over the last five years there have been stages that UDOT has gone through in looking at various alternatives. She explained that UDOT and the Federal Highway Administration are releasing a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on the Mountain View Corridor, a proposed highway and transit corridor in western Salt Lake County and northwestern Utah County. She noted that the Federal Highway Administration will ultimately make the final selection of a preferred alternative; which will be documented in the Record of Decision. This record is expected in 2008.

The Mountain View Corridor team held a series of public meetings at key milestones during the Environmental Impact Study (EIS) process. She added that the draft EIS report is now in. In 2003, she said that Growth Choices Workshops were held. In 2004, they held Talk Truck Meetings with residents. In 2005, Alternative Refinement Open Houses were held. In 2006, Town Hall Meetings were the next part of the process. In 2007, the DEIS meetings are being held.

Due to wetland concerns, Ms. Newell told the Council that the 2100 North Freeway Alternative was the plan UDOT preferred. She went through the other plans; including The Arterials Alternative and the Southern Freeway Alternative. Ms. Newell said that a meeting will be held in Lehi at the Willow Creek Middle School on Thursday, November 15, 2007 from 4 to 8 p.m. to receive comments. Also, she said residents of Pleasant Grove can view a copy of the DEIS in hard copy at Pleasant Grove City Library at 30 East Center St. She added that people can also comment through their website if they want to.

Administrator Mills asked Ms. Newell that since UDOT had indicated that they now had the 2100 North Freeway Alternative, if there was any kind of chance that another route would be considered. Ms. Newell said that UDOT is concerned that whichever route is chosen, that they make the least amount of impact to the community. She said, therefore, that it is important that input come in from the communities. However, she noted that there is no easy way to solve transportation problems. She also indicated that other proposed routes will make a large impact on wetlands; and it is hard to overturn such decisions with public sentiment.

3. Rocky Mountain Power update regarding substation located at approx. 400 North

Mr. Delynn Rodeback from Rocky Mountain Power came forward and said that there will be an increased capacity from 46,000 to 138 KV at the Pleasant Grove substation along 1100 North. He said he and his co-workers had come to take questions, as well as explain the purpose of upgrading the substation. This was to be explained to the Council prior to coming in for the formal permit approval process.

Mr. Stan Spencer then came forward. He explained that he was born and raised in Pleasant Grove, and it was good to be back. He also said he is an electrical engineer for Rocky Mountain Power. The Pleasant Grove substation is basically out of capacity with the growth in the area. He said that longer insulators will be added for the new voltage that will now be sent to the substation. Two new transformers will be added.

The location of the substation is right next to the cemetery. He said that eventually, he feels that Rocky Mountain Power will be able to work with the City on some additional land that the City will need for the expansion of the cemetery that Rocky Mountain Power owns. There is also a chance the City could use some of the property for a detention basin, also.

Council Member Jensen asked how large the piece of property would be. Mr. Spencer said it is 214 feet by 115 feet.

Administrator Mills suggested that maybe the power company could complete the work now, instead of waiting an additional four to five years. Mr. Spencer said that the expense of that would be more than the company could payout at this time.

4. Department Report (Leisure Services Department)

Director Giles said he would first like to turn a few minutes over to Recreation Manager Nielsen to introduce his newest employee. Manager Nielsen then introduced Mr. Tyler Wilkins. He said Mr.

Wilkins will function as the recreation coordinator with Mrs. Doreen McDade. He said Mr. Wilkins has come up through the ranks in doing everything from mowing lawns for the City to being a sports official.

Director Giles then introduced Mr. Justin Whatcott as the new Parks Foreman. He introduced Mr. Kerry Johansen as the new Cemetery Sexton and Dusty Boren as the new Assistant Sexton. He also introduced Mr. Andrew Peterson, Dave Thurston and Cory Fralick as new members of the parks crew.

He announced next that the brick should start going up on the walls of the Community Center the following week. He said the facility is amazingly huge, now that the floor is poured.

Director Giles mentioned that resident Mr. Bushman had come forward in a previous meeting regarding the Senior Citizen's excursions. He explained that American Fork, Pleasant Grove and Lehi Seniors rotate the sign ups and responsibility for the trips to Wendover, etc, that they take during the year. He said that 60 to 70 seniors frequent the trips from the three cities.

He reminded the Council that the tree lighting would coming up on November 21, 2007. Also, he said that there would be a special program on Veteran's Day on November 12, 2007.

He said the new Mahogany Park has been hydro seeded. Also, there are replacement plants being put in the median on Pleasant Grove Blvd. Additionally, new playground will be completed at Battle Creek Park in about two months. He said the cost for this project will be \$36,000; all of which but \$3,000 has been covered by grants.

A new mapping program for the cemetery is in the works. He said that the program will meet both the current and future needs of the cemetery.

5. Discussion of items for the upcoming October 16, 2007 City Council meeting

a. Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance regarding Matthew and Carol Whitaker's request to amend Section 10-9A-G and E by amending the distance that an animal barn can be located from a residential dwelling and to also amend the number of horses that can be allowed on the property; for property located in the RR (Rural Residential, 21,780 sq. ft. lot area) zone. CITY WIDE IMPACT

After Mayor Pro Tem Atwood read this item, Administrator Mills said he was concerned that Attorney Petersen had not been able to see the Ordinance with this item prior to it being presented to the Council. Director Young then suggested that if Attorney Petersen did have the opportunity to read the Ordinance prior to the meeting the following week, and felt comfortable with it, it could go ahead. Otherwise, it would need to be re-posted at another date.

Mayor Pro Tem Atwood said that it has been mentioned in these meetings before that the Ordinance needed to be reviewed by the City Attorney prior to it coming before the Council. Director Young said that the process hadn't been followed. The Council discussed it, and Mayor Pro Tem Atwood suggested that maybe Attorney Petersen could look the Ordinance over and let Director Young whether or not it should remain on the agenda. He said it was her call.

b. To consider an Ordinance approving Eric Todd Johnson and Noreen Johnson's (husband and wife) request to disconnect from Pleasant Grove City. Said property is located at the intersection of 4000 West and Cedar Hills Drive on the east side of 4000 West and the south side of Cedar Hills Drive. The disconnection would include a portion of 4000 West fronting the subject property.

Attorney Petersen said she would be presenting this item. She added that this was the item that was presented earlier whereby Mr. Johnson agreed to wait to see if a Boundary Agreement could be finalized with Cedar Hills, which it was not.

c. To consider the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a quit claim deed in favor of Robert E. and Vaniece M. Carter deeding approximately .010 acres of surplus property to them which was not utilized in constructing Pleasant Grove Blvd. Said property is located at approximately 1250 West Pleasant Grove Blvd., Pleasant Grove, Utah.

There was no comment on this item.

d. To consider adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign quit claim deeds in favor of B.W. Inc and Don Brandt, deeding approximately .049 and .0486 acres of surplus property to them which was not utilized in constructing Pleasant Grove Blvd. Said property is located at approximately the intersection of Pleasant Grove Blvd and Sam White Lane, Pleasant Grove, Utah.

Attorney Petersen indicated that there were three small parcels that needed to be "cleaned up" by the Council's action. She said the pieces need to be returned back to B.W. Inc. She went on to say the pieces are remnant parcels left over from constructing Pleasant Grove Blvd. and other roads in the Grove area.

5. Mayor, City Council and Staff Business

- Director Bradford reminded everyone of the PGBA meeting coming up on Friday, October 12, 2007 at noon in the downstairs meeting room in the Library. He said it would be a "Meet the Candidates" forum.
- Council Member Meacham gave a brochure he had obtain in a community in Northern Utah regarding trees. He asked for the Council and Director Giles to look it over and see if maybe Pleasant Grove could publish a similar guide to trees for the residents.
- Council Member Call said he was able to attend a recent meeting whereby Mrs. Susan Schumacher was named the Wal-Mart Teacher of the year. He asked if the City could perhaps have a proclamation honoring her. Attorney Petersen said she would work on an official proclamation.

Please note: At this point, the Council signed the Walker subdivision final plat.

6. Adjourn

ACTION: At 8:05 p.m, Council Member Jensen moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Call seconded and the motion passed unanimously by Council Members Meacham, Jensen, Atwood, Boyd and Call voting “Aye.”

This certifies that the Work Session Minutes
For October 9, 2007 are a true, full and correct
copy as approved by the City Council on
October 16, 2007.

Mary Burgin, Deputy Recorder