

**Pleasant Grove City
City Council Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Mayor: Michael W. Daniels

Council Members: Dianna Andersen
Cindy Boyd
Eric Jensen
Cyd LeMone
Ben Stanley

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
David Larson, Assistant to the City Administrator
Deon Giles, Parks and Recreation Director
Britt Smith, Police Lieutenant
Kathy Kresser, City Recorder
Degen Lewis, City Engineer
Tina Petersen, City Attorney
Sheri Britsch, Library and Arts Director

The City Council and staff met in the City Council Chambers at 86 East 100 South, Pleasant Grove, Utah.

1) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Daniels called the meeting to order and noted that all Council Members were present.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scout, Mason Snow.

3) OPENING REMARKS

The opening remarks were given by NAB Chair, Libby Flegal.

4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Daniels stated that Items 7 and 8 would take place prior to the open session. Furthermore, Item 8D would be added to include a presentation from The Void.

ACTION: Council Member Stanley moved to approve the agenda with the aforementioned changes. Council Member Andersen seconded the motion. The motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Council.

5) **OPEN SESSION**

Note: Items 7 and 8 took place prior to the open session.

Mayor Daniels opened the open session.

Lisa Coombs gave her address as 1742 East Cherokee Drive and reported that there were 10 food trucks tonight.

There were no further public comments. Mayor Daniels closed the open session.

6) **CONSENT ITEMS**

There were no consent items to discuss and approve.

7) **BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

A) APPOINT AND ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE TO THE NEW PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR.

City Administrator, Scott Darrington, explained that Lynn Walker recently retired as the City's Public Works Director. After interviewing several candidates, Marty Beaumont was selected to fill the position. Administrator Darrington explained that it is protocol to have all new City directors appointed by the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Beaumont's first day will be June 15.

The time was turned over to Mr. Beaumont, who introduced his family to those were in attendance. Mr. Beaumont stated that he has worked with Pleasant Grove City for the past 11 years, while in his position at J-U-B Engineers. He had enjoyed working with the City and hoped to have a lot to offer in the new position.

Mayor Daniels recommended to the Council the appointment of Marty Beaumont, as the New Public Works Director.

ACTION: Council Member LeMone moved to appoint Marty Beaumont as the Public Works Director. Council Member Jensen seconded the motion. The motion carried with the unanimous consent of the Council.

City Recorder, Kathy Kresser, administered the Oath of Office.

8) **PRESENTATIONS**

A) STRAWBERRY DAYS ROYALTY AND RODEO QUEENS PRESENTATION.

Jessie Beck, the 2015 Strawberry Days Queen, invited everyone to attend Strawberry Days the week of June 15 to 20. Miss Beck's attendants were introduced as Ciara McCurdy (1st Attendant), Brittney Beagley (2nd Attendant), Jessika Matheson (3rd Attendant), and Eliza Ann Shumway (4th Attendant). Each of the Attendants took a turn speaking about the events that will

take place during this year's Strawberry Days. Victoria Hall, Rodeo Queen, and McKell Watt, Rodeo Royalty 2nd Attendant, invited everyone to the Strawberry Days Rodeo.

B) CITIZENS ACADEMY GRADUATES. *Presenter: Lieutenant Smith.*

Police Lieutenant, Britt Smith, explained that every year for the past five years, the Police Department has held a Citizens Academy, which has created an opportunity for the Police Department to meet and establish relationships with members of the community. Lieutenant Smith stated that it takes everyone to keep a community safe. The Police Department is only comprised of 26 members and, therefore, partnerships with other community leaders is crucial to protect a City of 35,000 citizens. The Citizens Academy also provides a forum where citizens can obtain answers relating to Police procedures and protocols, which is especially relevant in light of disorderly conduct that has surfaced in the news.

Lieutenant Smith read the names of the most recent Citizens Academy graduates. The following individuals participated: Dave Young, Sydney Young, Laura Giles, Amanda Shaw, Michael Stringham, Susan Stringham, Keith Brown, Benjamin Fowler, Evan Woolley, Andrea Snow, Lisa Coombs, Kelsee Coombs, Konrad Chen, Katie Frampton, Jeremy Hall, Matt Godsey, Gary Yeates, Michael Harney, Roselle Harney, Lore Bunker, Alexis Mease, Jack Crannell, Debbie Hong, Taylor Reay, Trenton Webb, and Lisa Lystrup.

Jack Crannell commented that he enjoyed an enlightening experience that was made possible by the City. Mr. Crannell thanked the Mayor and Council for supporting Chief Smith to build such an exceptional Police Department. They are highly skilled and devoted to making the sacrifices necessary to protect the people of Pleasant Grove.

Mr. Crannell stated that cities such as Ferguson, Chicago, Baltimore and New York are in a crisis. Hundreds of citizens have died violently in the last couple of weeks at the hands of other citizens, and several police officers have also either been wounded or killed. Furthermore, city administrations around the country have failed to support their own police departments for political reasons. Mr. Crannell acknowledged that Chief Smith understands that having the support of the citizens and elected officials is critical to protecting a community. The Citizens Academy is a powerful tool to keep the City healthy and strong.

Laura Giles expressed that she originally decided to attend the Citizens Academy because she was writing an article for *The Daily Herald*. While Ms. Giles thought that she knew a lot about police work, she soon realized that in reality she knew very little. It was a very educational experience, and every week she learned something new. Furthermore, Ms. Giles felt that the course truly fostered a partnership between citizens and police officers. Ms. Giles stated that the City's police officers are very professional and kind. It was particularly insightful for Ms. Giles to realize that police officers literally have no idea what kind of work they will encounter on a day-to-day basis.

Mayor Daniels thanked everyone for their participation and support for the Police Department.

C) BECCA MALLORY, VICTIM ADVOCATE UPDATE FOR THE COUNCIL.

Mayor Daniels noted that Ms. Mallory was not present at tonight's meeting.

D) Presentation from The Void.

Ken Bretschneider explained that his company has been working on bringing a theme park called "Evermore" to Pleasant Grove. The proposal is still on the docket, although they still do not know where it will be located. They soon realized that the original location for Evermore was not ideal because it was too close to residential areas. However, through developing the project, the company still feels that they will be bringing the park to Utah. There are several theme park groups around the country and the third largest recently contacted them about developing Evermore.

The Void is an extraction of a section of Evermore Park, which has been created as its own business. A video of The Void concept was presented to those in attendance. Mr. Bretschneider stated that The Void is also going international and explained that The Void experience is basically a Star Trek holodeck where any virtual reality can be created. The response to the video was beyond overwhelming to the company, and there were literally thousands of publications worldwide, featured on almost every news program around the world. They have more funding than they were originally hoping to gain for the project and they have some of the top content providers in the world. The company would like to build their first center in Pleasant Grove on what used to be the Evermore property. Their intent is for their development to also attract other food and entertainment businesses to the City, which they believe Utah County needs.

The growth that will occur as a result of The Void project will be significant and organized. Mr. Bretschneider explained that the company also plans on being headquartered in Pleasant Grove. This will create a number of film and tech jobs, such as computer graphics, imagery, film production, and story-telling. The Void experience will be like "living" a movie. The roll-out strategy is to build centers in all major cities in the United States and Canada and shortly thereafter launch in Asia, Europe, and possibly Australia. Mr. Bretschneider stated that they are the only group in the world that has been able to accomplish this technology at this level. He concluded by stating that The Void is a fully funded project, it's not as expensive as the Evermore development, and is proposed in the right location. Therefore, they are definitely moving forward with June 2016 being the projected opening date.

Council Member Jensen asked if they were partnering with any major movie producers. Mr. Bretschneider replied that they have relationships with several large studios, as well as game and education developers. They would also like to provide educational entertainment during the day and experiences that people never thought possible. Some educational attractions would include traveling through a human body, roaming with dinosaurs, and various social experiences throughout the world. Furthermore, they have been contacted by three branches of the military to provide virtual reality training simulations. Recently, they included a S.W.A.T. team in the experiments and the team was blown away by how amazing a tool it could be for military training. Furthermore, they plan to use their centers to provide local support for police and fire departments.

Council Member Andersen asked if they will be producing or experiencing onsite, and Mr. Bretschneider answered that both will occur onsite. Part of the property will have an office complex, which is where the headquarters for the entire company will be located. Mr. Bretschneider then explained that he is investing a lot in Utah and reviewed some of the other

developments he is working on in the Salt Lake area. In response to a question from Council Member LeMone, Mr. Bretschneider remarked that they are ready to break ground as soon as possible.

Curtis Hickman introduced himself as the Chief Creative Officer of the The Void, and was the same Chief Creative Officer of Evermore. He is one of the founders of the company in addition to Mr. Bretschneider and James Jensen. Mr. Hickman proceeded to describe what the overall experience will be once the doors open to The Void. There will be a ticketing system and guests will then enter into a dome waiting area, which will also be a museum filled with artifacts from The Void. Guests will then suit up in hardware that will provide a wrap around view and enter into The Void. The Void is a maze, and the virtual walls that are seen are the physical walls in the space. The Void will be comprised of several different "pods", which will each have a virtual experience inside. There are several gateways to walk through as one goes through the entire experience.

Another feature The Void would like to include when they open is an attraction called Ripper's Cove, which is a haunted experience. Mr. Hickman noted that Ripper's Cove was part of the Evermore Park layout. At the end of the experience, guests will be able to take home videos of themselves while in The Void. Mr. Hickman explained that the pods are like "infinite hallways" that allow them to create worlds that are essentially endless. A person could walk in what they think is a straight line for miles and miles and never turn; however, the person is only really walking in circles in a 60 x 60 square foot space. This allows The Void the ability to unfold maps and create huge worlds. The time was turned over to the gentleman who does the construction for The Void.

Council Member LeMone asked what materials the dome shell is made of. It was noted that the pods are made by a company called Verizon Structures. They have done hundreds, if not thousands of similar dome shells around the country. The shells have a 20-year warranty and The Void can plan on their structures lasting that long, if not longer, before they will need to be replaced. The domes will be referred to as "air domes", which in theory is a bubble. The material is bolted to a foundation that is pressurized.

It takes about 40 minutes to blow up a structure that will be roughly one acre in size. A backup generator is also installed in the event of a power outage. It was noted that historically these structures have been being built since the late 1960s and in the last 50 years only one dome collapsed due to human error. There have never been any deaths and only one injury. The dome will be about 100 feet in height, which will house two stories of pods with high ceilings.

A concept drawing was presented, which showed the layout of the proposed development. At any given time, The Void could have an occupancy of 90 people and is projected to have over 200,000 visitors per year. The air dome covers roughly 45,000 square feet and the front retail structure holds 13,800 square feet. Furthermore, there will be additional space on the second story. There will be four pods on the second level, which will each be 4,000 square feet. Office space will also be held in the retail building.

The design and architecture of the development will be old meets modernism. The development will be located in the Garden District, and The Void has tried to be very aware of the specified design requirements for the area. The design team has taken a lot of elements found on the

Yerkes Observatory in Chicago and incorporated them into the design of The Void dome structure.

The Mayor and Council were then invited to ask questions, and several points made throughout the presentation were reviewed, including the number and layout of pods that will be contained in the dome. It was also noted that the simulation areas will be different than the pod experiences. In response to a question from Council Member Boyd, The Void representatives explained that the dome structure is needed because it provides an environment without structural columns or beams. This is critical because they have found that metal interferes with the experience. The first trial run was with a conventional structure and the grid patterns of the column interfered with the pods and location devices.

Administrator Darrington commented that staff wants to move forward with this development as quickly as possible and make sure the process is done properly. The Conditional Use Permit needed for the height of the dome will be approved by the Planning Commission and not the City Council. However, the site plan approval will be reviewed and approved by the City Council. Mayor Daniels informed the audience that the staff and elected officials have had the opportunity to experience the technology first-hand, and attested to the fact that it is real and does work.

E) PRESENTATION OF NEW EMPLOYEES.

Mayor Daniels turned the time over to Lieutenant Smith to present the newest employees in the City's Public Safety Division. Lieutenant Smith reported that they recently hired three new dispatchers, who have been on board for about two months. The new dispatchers were identified as Jennifer May, Kim Shappel, and Brian Eccles. Each were given an opportunity to introduce themselves. Ms. May stated that she has lived in Pleasant Grove for eight years and she has three children aged 20, 16, and 13. Her background was in non-profit organizations and legislation, and she loves community involvement.

Ms. Shappel has lived in Pleasant Grove for most of her life and this is her dream job. She has four children between the ages of 22 and 12 and she loves the community. She was amazed by how much the public safety personnel shelter the residents of Pleasant Grove. Ms. Shappel spoke about the importance of teaching children how to make 911 calls.

Mr. Eccles worked as a banker for the last 10 years and explained that he is now in this dispatch position part-time. He has several friends in law enforcement, and he was enjoying the job.

9) ACTION ITEMS READY FOR VOTE:

There were no action items ready for vote.

10) ACTION ITEMS WITH PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were no action items with public discussion.

11) ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – NO ACTION TAKEN:

A) DISCUSSION ON WATER RESTRICTIONS. *Presenter: Administrator Darrington.*

Administrator Darrington noted that the Beautification Committee presented a water conservation and education plan a few weeks earlier. The City is involved in the enforcement, by way of establishing a watering schedule for businesses and residences. The purpose of the schedule is to help keep the system balanced. Three to four employees were recruited to drive around the City to make sure that people are watering on the proper day and that people are not overwatering. This is the third year the City has implemented an enforcement plan, which has proven a successful method for water conservation.

Administrator Darrington explained that the first warning for overwatering is in the form of a door hanger, which includes the watering schedule and penalties for future offenses. Last year the City issued 1,500 warnings. Around 100 people who were penalized once were required to pay a \$50 fee to reconnect their water system. This year, staff has been asked to put a watering thermometer on the City's website, which gauges the City's water use on a weekly basis. Administrator Darrington explained that this information is now live and there are two thermometers; one that shows year-to-date usage, the recommended amount of water usage, and the amount that is actually being used. The second thermometer breaks down this information weekly. Council Member LeMone asked where the readings were coming from. Administrator Darrington explained that the thermometers are readings of the City's total water usage on the secondary system.

Administrator Darrington stated that he has been compiling a list of FAQs, which include the following: *What is the current watering schedule? Why do I see the City and others watering on Sundays? Why does it seem that the City waters every day of the week? I was told when the secondary water system went in that I'd be able to use all the water I wanted and that the price wouldn't go up. How much water does the City have? If the residents can water as much as they want on their allotted days, then are we really conserving water? Are we currently in a drought? We got all this rain in May. Is the drought over? What if my neighbor is watering too much or on the wrong days? Why does the City allow more development when we have a water shortage? Why isn't secondary water metered? Would we save water if we metered secondary water?*

Council Member Boyd asked if there is a certain timeframe within the day that residents are not allowed to water. Administrator Darrington explained that it is better on the City's system if there are some residents who are watering during the day. If everyone waters at night, the system struggles to keep up. Council Member Stanley asked which fund the water fines are deposited into each year. Administrator Darrington replied that they are deposited back into the Water Fund; however, there aren't very many fines issued, so the money does not cover enforcement costs. Enforcement costs are an investment on the City's part, in order to ensure conservation.

Mayor Daniels asked if the number of infractions have decreased over time. Administrator Darrington answered in the affirmative and noted that the rains have caused a drastic reduction. However, this could change as the weather warms up in the summer. He explained that overwatering is typically identified if water is visually detected running down a street. Council Member LeMone felt this was not a very accurate way of measuring over-watering, and suggested that the City publish a lawn watering guide. For example, the recommendation for Utah homes in July is to water 21 minutes every three days. If a resident has had their water on for three hours at a time, there is no point having assigned watering days. Council Member

LeMone was of the opinion that specifying watering lengths would be more enforceable than visually looking to see if there is water running down a street. Administrator Darrington agreed to include information on watering length in the FAQs.

City Engineer, Degen Lewis, added that the State Division of Water Resources produces a map weekly that indicates by County how many watering turns they should have each week. According to this map, Utah County should not be watering prior to June 4. Mayor Daniels suggested adding a link to the aforementioned map to the City's webpage. Council Member Jensen asked NAB Chair, Libby Flegal, if watering information could also be distributed to residents through neighborhood chairs. Administrator Darrington explained that the information can be included on the FAQ sheet, which is distributed with the door hangers. He then reviewed the answers to some of the FAQs included on the sheet, which he later noted will also be posted on the City's website and distributed with the newsletter.

Council Member LeMone asked if the City sprinklers have been turned on yet, and staff answered affirmatively. Parks and Recreation Director, Deon Giles, stated that they are spot watering in places such as the cemetery. Administrator Darrington mentioned that the rainfall is off the charts, at around 300% above normal in the month of May. However, the snow pack in the mountains is below is 50%.

Mayor Daniels commented that if the drought continues and the City runs out of water, every person in the current generation will immediately become sensitive to water conservation. Administrator Darrington added that there is only a certain amount of physical water available, regardless of water rights. He noted that the City just received a water allotment of 41% from the Provo River, which may change over the course of the year. Pleasant Grove purchased storage water three years ago which they still have not used and this is what they plan on using this year to get by.

Council Member Boyd asked if in looking to the future, the City will be considering the provision of incentives for new, larger developments to implement xeriscaping on their property. Administrator Darrington responded that currently there isn't an incentive program in place. However, staff could pursue creating incentives and begin researching whether other cities have developed a similar plan and what those plans entail.

Council Member LeMone requested that staff publish the violation penalties on the City's website. Furthermore, she did not believe residents understand that 90% of what they are paying for is the infrastructure to get the water to their home. She felt that a breakdown of the cost would be valuable to include on the FAQ sheet. Council Member LeMone asked if the enforcement personnel are also being asked to monitor large water users in addition to residential areas.

Administrator Darrington noted that rain sensors are not required as part of the City ordinance; however, Director Giles was working on getting some for certain areas in the City. At this point, he was still in the research stage. The cities of American Fork and Highland use rain sensors and have reported that they are very useful. Council Member Jensen added that American Fork is also considering a requirement that new developments install rain sensors, which may also be a consideration Pleasant Grove could make. Council Member LeMone asked for an update on metering City buildings. Administrator Darrington replied that staff has calculated costs for each

property and they are starting to purchase meters for the largest users. The meters have been ordered, but have not yet arrived.

There was discussion regarding large water users, including churches and schools, and how to ensure that they remain compliant. Administrator Darrington explained that while some large users have remained compliant, others have disregarded the watering schedule, which was frustrating. Council Member Boyd suggested having a discussion with other cities in the Alpine School District on how to communicate to the school district that they need to be more aware of watering needs.

Carl Kuni, who resides at 2115 North Crestwood Boulevard, suggested that some of the City's personnel act as a liaison for communication to the janitors, subcontractors, and FM directors who are actually turning on the sprinkler systems at some larger establishments. While it is important to have enforcement officers, it would also be valuable to have individuals act as public educators as well. Mr. Kuni agreed with a previous comment made by Mayor Daniels, that this is a going to become a generational issue.

B) UPDATE ON MANILA SEWER ISSUE. *Presenter: Administrator Darrington.*

Administrator Darrington reported that staff met with a group of residents who live on 900 West last week. Staff calculated a cost of just under \$2 million to provide sewer to every Pleasant Grove resident north of the canal in the Manila neighborhood. The initial focus was on 4000 North, however, a resident on 900 West lost their septic system and is now in limbo on how to connect to sewer.

A document showing cost estimates broken into five phases was presented. Phases include 4000 North, 900 West, Canyon Road, etc. Administrator Darrington explained that when \$2 million is divided by the number of people who connect to sewer, it comes down to about \$59,000 per resident, which is incredibly steep. The next question is who will pay for the line; i.e., whether or not the City will front a portion of the cost. The purpose of tonight's discussion was to review the numbers. A decision would be made in another meeting.

Administrator Darrington made reference to a suggestion made by Council Member Stanley in a previous meeting that residents put a lien on their home and pay capital costs when they move and sell their homes. Administrator Darrington was of the opinion that many homes won't be able to build up nearly \$60,000 in equity in order to pay for the sewer. There are many residents in the Manila area, including Gina Day whose septic tank recently failed, who are working out a deal with Cedar Hills that would allow them to connect to their sewer line. There was discussion on the agreement Ms. Day is making with Cedar Hills with regard to her home boundary adjusting into Cedar Hills after she sells her home. City Attorney, Tina Petersen, explained the process by which Ms. Day and Cedar Hills may establish this contract.

Council Member Boyd got the impression from the Manila neighborhood meeting that the residents are not interested in signing a letter indicating that they would stub onto the Cedar Hills sewer line with the commitment of annexing their property into Cedar Hills when they sell their home. The majority of the residents have indicated that they are happy being residents of Pleasant Grove and will pump their septic tank every year. Furthermore, they are happy with their one-half acre lots and are not interested in subdividing. Administrator Darrington added

that much of the discussion at the meeting was hypothetical, because staff didn't have all of the information readily available about how much of the cost will be the citizens' responsibility. There was continued discussion regarding Pleasant Grove's relationship with Cedar Hills.

Administrator Darrington noted that currently there are 34 homes that would hook onto a new sewer line, with a potential build-out of 85 homes. Council Member Andersen asked how the urgency of the situation is defined. Mayor Daniels replied that the issue becomes urgent when the sewer begins rising in the basements of the homes. For now, Ms. Day's home is the only home in panic mode. Council Member Jensen added that Dan Stewart opted to install a new septic tank, which guarantees him another 20 to 30 years of use.

Administrator Darrington suggested that the Council crunch all of the numbers at the meeting on June 23, and determine how much the City can put toward the sewer line. Once this number is determined, they will know how much the citizens will have to put forward. This can be communicated to the residents in one of two ways. The City can either approach all 34 residents, or they can approach residents in the phased areas. In order to create an assessment area, 60% of the residents have to be favorable for creating the area. They could either create one large assessment area, or several smaller ones.

In response to a question from Mayor Daniels, Administrator Darrington explained that for other neighborhoods in the City, residents are required to pay a connection fee of \$265, an impact fee of \$1,000 to Pleasant Grove City, and \$2,400 to TSSD. Furthermore, residents are required to pay for the laterals. The lines are typically installed by developers or the City, depending on the development.

Mayor Daniels asked staff to find out who paid to install lines in the older neighborhoods. Furthermore, he inquired as to where the funds came from for the sewer lines that were paid for by the City. Administrator Darrington explained that the residents of Pleasant Grove pay a sewer fee, which is what pays to put in systems. He mentioned that the line that runs along Pleasant Grove Boulevard was paid for by the City. Mayor Daniels pointed out that the City represents 36,000 people and all of the money belongs to the citizens. Therefore, all of the other citizens have paid for the infrastructure. He was of the opinion that it seems fitting that any citizen who wants the infrastructure has to pay for it to be installed. This needs to be thoughtfully considered as the staff and elected officials determine how much of the sewer will be paid for by the citizens and the City.

Blaine Thatcher made additional remarks regarding the different scenarios a developer goes through in putting in a trunk line for a newer development, versus the notion of having all of the citizens pay to install a trunk line in an older neighborhood. He emphasized the importance of identifying who will pay for the trunk line. Mayor Daniels added that when a new development goes in further upstream, the downstream portion of the system has to be reevaluated, and the fees that are collected by the City from the rest of the citizens goes into upsizing the pipe. Mayor Daniels reiterated that the City needs to view funding the new sewer line as an upfronting of the costs and the people who benefit from it need to reimburse the rest of the citizens for the cost. Otherwise, it is an imbalanced taxation. There was further deliberation on the matter.

Council Member Boyd asked if the residents in the Manila area want to subdivide and if there isn't a Pleasant Grove sewer in front of their home whether they are able to install a septic tank

instead. Administrator Darrington explained that currently the ordinance does not make this allowance. Mayor Daniels concluded that this should also be discussed at the June 23 meeting.

12) DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR THE JUNE 9, 2015 MEETING

Mayor Daniels reported that he will have recommendations ready for the Council's review for the nine-member Public Safety Building Committee. He will also have recommendations for nine alternates. The members of the committee will represent pro, con, and neutral viewpoints. Mayor Daniels noted that 39 people were interested in serving on the committee. Furthermore, the following week presentations would be given to introduce new employees, present Fire Department certificates, and Becca Mallory will provide a victim update.

Item 9A will be a discussion and possible action on the formation of the Public Safety Committee. With regard to Item 9B, Attorney Petersen explained that in conjunction with HB 362, a one-quarter cent sales tax option has to be adopted by the counties. The Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) has circulated a model resolution that each city has been asked to consider about whether they would like to see this tax adopted by the County. The model resolution also includes a section that encourages the County to put this item on the ballot for the 2015 election cycle.

Attorney Petersen reviewed the options the Council may consider when deciding whether to adopt the model resolution. ULCT has indicated that as per their discussions with Utah County, the County is probably not going to be interested in putting the item on the 2015 ballot. Furthermore, ULCT has communicated that they are not taking a position on the matter; however, they have fought long and hard to give cities the option to tap this extra source of revenue for transportation issues. Attorney Petersen pointed out that the model resolution also indicates support for the transit system, which the Mayor and Council may want to consider modifying.

Council Member Stanley was inclined to remove the section of support for transit, because he felt that Pleasant Grove has greater needs with their roads. Council Member LeMone asked if not supporting the model resolution would result in Pleasant Grove not receiving money from the County if and when the quarter cent sales tax is implemented. Staff answered that this is not the case and Mayor Daniels added that the resolution is more of a statement.

Attorney Petersen explained that the purpose of having individual municipalities pass the resolution is to use the political system to emphasize that cities are serious about the fact that they need money for roads. If there aren't enough municipalities in the County that want to express that support, the County may not ever put it on the ballot. Therefore, the several hundred thousand dollars ULCT has estimated each city will receive will no longer be made available as a source of revenue.

Mayor Daniels stated that most of the transit money, and much of the quarter cent and County funds which are done through MAG allocations, are going to the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) in Orem and Provo. When assessing the monies involved, Mayor Daniels did not feel that their need for the BRT overruns the needs of every other city for road maintenance. He strongly believed that the money should go directly to the municipalities. There are already methods for funding allocation in place for regional projects and the BRT is basically triple-dipping. Mayor

Daniels argued that if Orem and Provo wants the BRT, they should take their portion of the sales tax and use it to fund the project. Pleasant Grove's needs should not be superseded by their desire to have the BRT. Most importantly, this matter should be taken to the people for a vote.

Attorney Petersen stated that based on the Council's feedback, she will remove the paragraph relating to the transit system as well as a specific date for when the City would like the quarter cent sales tax to be added to the election ballot for a vote.

Staff and Council briefly discussed some of the questions raised at last week's meeting. Administrator Darrington agreed to add a presentation addressing the questions to next week's agenda.

Next week, the Council would also consider approval of a Proclamation declaring July 1 to July 7, 2015, Local First Utah's Independent Week. Furthermore, they will adopt a resolution approving and adopting Pleasant Grove's Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Budget. Mayor Daniels explained that he recently met with staff who provided him with summary data from the City's financial statements. Based on how they were summarized, Mayor Daniels had questions about whether or not enterprise monies were mixed with General Fund revenues and expenses. Mayor Daniels planned to meet with Director Lundell prior to next week's meeting to make the clarifications.

The Council will also consider approval of a final plat subdivision plat called Olayan, on approximately .5 acres of property. City Engineer, Degen Lewis, explained that this item is formerly known as Atwood Estates and he noted the changes made to the development. Namely, the applicant is willing to install a private sewage lift station in order to get sewer to the line on 1300 East.

Item 10C was to consider approval of a final plat for a 23-lot subdivision called Mahogany View, which will be on approximately 12.32 acres. There is a rezone for the property, and City Recorder, Kathy Kresser, noted that she will add that item to the agenda. Engineer Lewis explained that several residents were unhappy with the Planning Commission's decision to rezone the property. However, there were also several residents who supported the change. Staff suggested that this item be a public hearing, as there will likely be citizens present who will want to address this item.

Item 10E will be a resolution authorizing the Mayor to declare a 2000 Chevy Impala and a 2003 Crown Vic as surplus. Item 10F will be a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Interlocal agreement with the Pleasant Grove City Redevelopment Agency (RDA) for tax increment participation in the 1300 West Community Development Project Area. Administrator Darrington noted that this item relates to the doTERRA Incentive Agreement.

13) NEIGHBORHOOD AND STAFF BUSINESS

Assistant to the City Administrator, David Larson, reminded those present of the upcoming Chamber luncheon the following Thursday. Library and Arts Director, Sheri Britsch, announced that the Summer Reading Program is about to start. There are many activities associated with the program, which brings hundreds of children, teens, and adults to the library. Additionally, there will be a six-week computer programming class for teens. The library only has four

computers, and there are about 28 children signed up. They are asking the children to bring their own laptop.

Administrator Darrington reported that the following day at 4:00 p.m. will be the kick-off meeting for the structural engineers. Mayor Daniels asked staff to communicate to the public via social media that it will be a kick-off meeting and not a presentation of the results. Additionally, Administrator Darrington noted that Monday, June 8, will be the Downtown Cleanup Project Day. Traditionally staff, the elected officials, and residents clean the downtown area in preparation for Strawberry Days. Engineer Lewis reported that the DRC reviewed a proposal for a new fuel and convenience store next to Walmart. It will be a very small structure at around 1,200 square feet in size. The company is called Murphy Express and it may be up to year before they open.

14) MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS

Council Member Jensen announced that Big Buddha is coming to Strawberry Days on Tuesday morning at 5:00 a.m. He also invited a representative from Rocky Mountain Power to briefly discuss Watt Smart. Watt Smart is a program that pays for efficiency studies through the City through the water system. The program has been in place since 2007 and may be something the City would like to consider.

Council Member Andersen commented that she would like a follow up on Sterling Boren's home. Attorney Petersen reported that she received a phone call from the Sheridans, and they were concerned about the structure being built in their neighbor's yard, which they feel is too close to the property line and larger than allowed. Attorney Petersen explained that a Conditional Use Permit was issued to Mr. Boren to exceed the minimum lot size coverage for an accessory building, which is 10%. As part of the CUP, there were some other conditions added, including that it had to be 30 feet from the property line and include a size restriction.

The Community Development Department has been in contact with both parties and there is another CUP issued by the Planning Commission on June 11 to assess whether Mr. Boren is in compliance with the first permit. Additionally, there is a provision for the height variance for which he is asking, in that if the neighbors protest within 10 days, a public hearing is mandatory. The City received two protests; one from the Sheridans and another from other neighbors, which mandates a public hearing take place. Operations on the property had ceased for the time being.

Council Member Andersen made additional announcements regarding Strawberry Days. Council Member Stanley asked for a master list of events. Council Member LeMone mentioned the Strawberry Days Challenge.

15) SIGNING OF PLATS

The Palisades Plat "C" as signed.

16) REVIEW CALENDAR

There will not be a meeting on June 16, 2015.

17) **ADJOURN**

ACTION: Council Member Stanley moved to adjourn. Council Member Andersen seconded the motion. The motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Council.

The City Council Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Minutes of June 2, 2015 were approved by the City Council on June 23, 2015.

Kathy T. Kresser, City Recorder

(Exhibits are in the City Council Minutes binders in the Recorder's office.)