

**Pleasant Grove City
City Council Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Mayor: Michael W. Daniels

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

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
Denise Roy, Finance Director
Dave Thomas, Fire Chief
Kathy Kresser, City Recorder
Deon Giles, Parks and Recreation Director
Tina Petersen, City Attorney
David Larson, Assistant to the City Administrator
Sheri Britsch, Library and Arts Director
Degen Lewis, City Engineer
Marty Beaumont, Public Works Director
Mike Smith, Police Chief
Ken Young, Community Development Director
David Larson, Assistant to the City Administrator

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 Council Member Jensen.

3) **OPENING REMARKS**

The opening remarks were given by Council Member Andersen.

4) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

ACTION: Council Member LeMone moved to approve the agenda. Council Member Andersen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5) **OPEN SESSION**

Mayor Daniels opened the open session.

Mayor Daniels mentioned that the items regarding protocol for meetings had not been voted on and would not be addressed until the January 5, 2016 meeting. He encouraged the attendees to be considerate of each other's time.

Jennifer Baptista gave her address as 32 North 1300 East and asked for clarification on Items 10B-10E not being listed as public hearings and whether public comments will be taken. Administrator Darrington explained that for those items, the public hearing was held at the Planning Commission level. Citizens, however, may address the issue during the open session.

Christopher Williams gave his address as 845 North 100 East and mentioned that the Rules of Order and Procedures of an open meeting were discussed during the last meeting and was not open to the public. He thanked Council Members Andersen and Stanley for voting for the citizens. He is an advocate for citizens' rights and addressed respect/disrespect. Mr. Williams stated that there has been disrespect during Council Meetings, mutually between citizens and Council Members. A month ago an applicant showed support but also felt disrespected at the same time. Mr. Williams wanted the Council to feel accountable for their actions.

Michael Butt, who resides at 936 North 1420 West, expressed concern about the passing of laws taking away from the industrious and given to special interest groups. He expressed distress at the curtailing of liberties and the muting of voices that oppose such. He quoted George Washington regarding preservation of our government and happiness, and mentioned how locally the Council is altering the people's ability to express their opinions. He urged the Council to not diminish the voice of the people and encouraged citizens to voice their opinions clearly and concisely.

Dale Rowe gave his address as 769 East 1300 North and addressed Items 10B-10E with regard to trails. He wanted to view appendices G and H, but they were not available. He expressed concerns (speaking for Ray Lines and Scott Monida as well) with the runoff. Mr. Rowe suggested that the plans be included before voting. He appreciated the explanations given, but mentioned that there are questions regarding ongoing maintenance and curfews on the trails. He stated that the Chief of Police expressed concern with a lack of manpower to police the trails and questioned why the trails have to be so close to property lines given the land availability to the north. He and his neighbors also had concerns with parking and how it will be enforced, especially when used for community events. Mr. Rowe asked for assurance that parking will be enforced. Last, he mentioned that the agenda was not posted 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Blaine Thatcher, who resides at 120 North 1400 East, addressed the Council regarding decisions to restrict citizens' ability to give opinion during Council Meetings. He felt that the action blames

citizens' input for long, disorderly, uncivil meetings. He argued that restricting citizens' input curtails the fundamental elements of a governmental system. Citizens should be able to hear deliberations and voting as well as give input. He asked the Council to not restrict input from their constituents, and proposed to limit the time of citizens' comments when an issue is controversial, limit number of times a person can comment when there are numerous people wishing to comment, and allow public comment on voting items. Mayor Daniels clarified that the decision was made to bring it to action as a resolution. The decision has not actually been made regarding this issue.

Melvin Renslow gave his address as 871 East 1250 North and expressed concern about the foothill trails. His home backs the foothills and he is primarily concerned about the water runoff. Furthermore, he was concerned with the trash/debris from races up on the trails, which will become the responsibility of the homeowner. He is a lacrosse coach and they have no lacrosse field to play on in Pleasant Grove. Mr. Renslow believes if funds are allocated for the foothills for one club, the City needs to do the same for other clubs as well. He encouraged the Council to wait a month or two to make a decision after studies about the water runoff have been conducted and other concerns have been resolved. He mentioned that there are only two access roads to his subdivision and more access roads would be needed for the foothill trails.

Jason Cowley, who resides at 582 East 780 North, addressed comments about the trail system. He stated that the majority of objections to trails are that citizens do not want them in their backyards. He empathized with this expression, but felt a greater majority will benefit from the three-foot wide dirt trails that don't bring anything else in. He mentioned they have done a complete engineering site plan and stepped away from leagues offering money so that the trails are not tied to certain events. He explained that every event will be subject to the Council's requirements for trash cleanup and parking. Mr. Cowley stated that the property is primarily privately owned and meets easements, and that building a trail system is an improvement to properties. Trails will use reverse grading and re-vegetation to disperse water. He mentioned that the engineering firm has looked at water runoff issues, which would be the same with or without the trails. Mr. Cowley was concerned about the measure dying and the urgent need for the trails. The benefits are not exclusive to his biking club. Any other club that supports City youth programs would be welcome. In conclusion, Mr. Cowley explained that the program is helping at-risk youth with scholarships and sponsorships.

Dani Rowan gave her address as 462 East 420 South and expressed support for the trail system, because it will be beautiful and quiet and she would love it in her backyard. She respects the private property aspect but seconded Mr. Cowley's comments. She believes the real fear is change and mentioned that as a community they can only direct how change occurs. She expressed that this will be a positive development for the City, will attract people and businesses to the City and will show that Pleasant Grove is serious about looking for positive growth. She stated that concerns have been addressed and the majority wants the trails. Ms. Rowan hoped the Council would unanimously approve the trails.

Sasha Welker gave her address as 556 East 1300 North and asked for clarification on the Bike Park. Her understanding was that the plan has been around for many years, studies have been conducted, and support has been presented. Community Development Director, Ken Young, explained that concepts for the Park and Trail System have been identified in a general sense, but

the specifics have not been identified. Ms. Welker encouraged everyone to keep a perspective that this is what Pleasant Grove wants.

Mindy Frank, who resides at 406 South 175 East, expressed support for developments promoting an active community for children. She encouraged those opposing trails to look at the wonderful parks in the area and see the benefits.

Lewis Cowley gave his address as 1066 North 400 East and commented that the community is missing the point of a City Council. He expressed concern with runoff, traffic, and some of the same issues 20 to 30 years ago when they started building on the hill. Mr. Cowley encouraged those present to do what is right for the majority of the City. He urged the Council to do what is best for the City and stated that the citizens should accept the outcome.

Nathan Harman, who resides at 1206 North 730 East, stated that he uses the foothills all the time, and expressed supported for the plan as presented. His son is on the Biking Team and he encouraged his neighbors to utilize the park in the future. He wanted good people to come to his neighborhood and believes bikers will police it themselves. Mr. Harman stated that the Bike Park is a benefit for the community and youth. He believes it will be a destination spot for people to visit Pleasant Grove and will attract the right type of people to the community.

Brian Fruit gave his address as 661 West State Street and stated that he was there at the start of the original committee to put together the Pedestrian and Cycling Master Plan connecting to other cities. He explained there was a lot of foresight that the cycling path would not dead-end but connect to neighboring cities so that people could commute. In a visit to Colorado with that committee, he saw how they embraced cycling and pedestrian paths and saw that it was being used. Mr. Fruit stated that he is a Ride Leader with the Biking Team and they are required to pass background checks, concussion training, and first-aid certification. Mr. Fruit is a developer of properties in Pleasant Grove and other cities and explained that people in businesses look for communities with these types of amenities. He mentioned that private funds are available if City funds are not. He explained that the Murdock trails took 25 years to approve, and thousands of people use them every day.

Judd Zimmerman gave his address as 693 East 100 North and expressed support for the proposed trail system. He is an avid mountain biker that started a team four years ago. Speaking for the Utah Cycling League, he stated that if there are events, trash will not be an issue. He mentioned that the likelihood of having races is slim because areas within the City are too small and races require at least two acres. He stated that he doesn't believe there will be parking problems as bikers are their own policemen. Mr. Zimmerman believed that a park and trails system is one of the best amenities the City could provide for youth and commerce.

Dale Rowe clarified that his opposition is not due to a fear of change. He likes bike trails and loves biking to work in the summer. He commented that as an IT professor he embraces change. However, his concerns are not what is being done, but how. He noted that certain studies have not been provided, such as those related to grading, runoff, and maintenance plans. Lastly, he noted that the ground could potentially be broken before it thaws.

Lori Williams gave her address as 175 South 1300 East said did not feel that all of the questions have been addressed sufficiently. It was mentioned that horses will be on the trail; however, she argued that horses will beat it up. Ms. Williams asked who will assume maintenance responsibilities and who pays for the engineering studies. She recalled that Jason Cowley indicated that there would be revenue from events; however, another argument was made that Pleasant Grove is too small for races. Furthermore, if events do take place, Ms. Williams asked who would pay for portable restrooms.

Rod Ririe, who resides at 1238 North 1000 East, reported that he recently purchased property in Pleasant Grove. A few days later, a neighbor mentioned the Trail Park but said it would not affect him. He was shocked at the first meeting to see that the trail was shown on his property; however, it is not shown as being on his property now. He expressed support for the park in principle. In speaking with a friend, he was informed about NICA events leaving substantial trash and causing parking issues. Mr. Cowley and others mentioned that trash will not be an issue because of self-policing, but his primary concern was the proximity to property lines. The southeast corner of the trail comes out of nowhere and passes by two homes, and he wondered why this is the case. Mr. Cowley replied that the area in question is the only flat part in over 100 acres and will be used as a staging area for events. Mr. Ririe voiced concern about the 400 feet of trail that comes so close to his property. He mentioned that there is some property to the north that is owned by the bank, which the City doesn't have permission to use. He asked the Council to consider the portions of the trail that lie within 10 feet of homes. Mr. Ririe indicated that he is currently in negotiations to purchase said land and asked the Council to consider cutting off the 400 feet of trail.

Christian Burrell gave his address as 797 South 1100 East, and indicated that he is formerly affiliated with NICA and is a close friend of Mr. Cowley. He expressed his love of all things outdoors and was happy that the City is moving in this direction. He holds an Earth Science degree and believes the measures included in the plans are the best he has seen in land development. Mr. Burrell understand people's fears, but stated that any erosion would happen regardless and the trails will improve the current situation. He commented that the trailhead in Draper is a great resource.

Drew Armstrong, who resides at 995 East Center Street, addressed the Planning Commission's role in the project. He had heard many concerns regarding erosion, noise, rowdy kids, and known forest service land area where people go to shoot. In anticipation of the questions he knew would come forward at the Planning Commission level, he observed six different bike competitions in neighboring cities. In Eagle Mountain and Draper, events went through neighborhoods. While some residents were concerned with the bike routes, each of those cities want NICA to come back every year. The events attracted a lot of people to their cities and generated community participation. As a real estate agent, he knows that the Murdock Canal is one reason why people want to move to the area. While there may be trash initially after an event, overall it is self-policed by event participants. Teams take care of major expenses and many local communities want the events to come to their cities every year.

Mr. Zimmerman noted that event organizers pay for portable toilets. Organizations pay the City for each participant.

Debbie Hong gave her address as 992 East 100 North and mentioned that because bike equipment is expensive, anyone invested in the sport will take care of trails. She expressed her full support for the trails system.

David Lisonbee, who resides at 150 East 300 South, reported that he is ride leader and has seen biking transform lives, especially in youth. He travels to St. George, Corner Canyon, and other locations, and feels that the parks and trails would make Pleasant Grove a destination. He was of the opinion that NICA events are not pertinent to this item.

Molly Andrew, who resides at 1107 Nathaniel Drive, expressed her excitement for a trail that is closer to homes. She thanked Council Member Boyd for her service on the City Council.

Council Member LeMone mentioned that an open house for Council Member Boyd will be held on January 5, 2016 from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

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

6) **CONSENT ITEMS**

- a) **City Council Minutes:
City Council Minutes for November 17, 2015.**
- b) **To consider approval of payment vouchers for December 10, 2015.**

ACTION: Council Member LeMone moved to approve the consent items. Council Member Jensen seconded the motion. The motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Council.

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

There were no appointments.

8) **PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

9) **ACTION ITEMS WITH PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Note: Item 9A was discussed after Section 10.

- A) **CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016 BUDGET AMENDMENTS. THE PLEASANT GROVE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BUDGET IS INCLUDED IN THE FINAL BUDGET. CITY WIDE. A copy of the proposed budget amendment is available at the Records Office, 70 South 100 East, the Library, 30 East Center, and Community Development, 86 East 100 South. Presenter: Director Roy *Continued from the December 8, 2015 Meeting.**

Finance Director, Denise Roy, mentioned that the items were discussed in detail at the last meeting, eight of which having been grant reimbursements. Many items were from the budget adopted in 2015 that will be brought forward to 2016 and will be used to complete projects. Council Member Andersen asked about the Murdock canal lights. Director Roy explained that it was on the original project list from the previous year, which can be either be brought forward or moved to another project. Council Member Andersen asked why the lights hadn't been installed in 2015. Engineer Lewis stated that he held off on the project because the trail was supposed to close at dusk and he wasn't sure the City would want to light up the crossings when the trail should not be in use. Engineer Lewis mentioned that this was not discussed with the Council, but rather with Director Giles.

Council Member Stanley wanted additional information on Item 24, regarding Garden Drive. Public Works Director, Marty Beaumont, explained that part of 900 South was done last year. They are currently working from 1000 South. Part of the budget was used and they are asking for the remainder to roll over so reconstruction can be finished to coordinate with a sewer project.

Mayor Daniels opened the public hearing.

Blaine Thatcher gave his address as 120 North 1400 East and understood the far right column as showing fund balance transfers carried over from the prior year. Director Roy explained that there are a few items that are new, such as the copier purchase using Fiscal Year 2016. Items 28 and 29 were using \$11,000 of the General Fund balance with Item 28 having an increased budget based on increase revenue.

There were no further public comments. Mayor Daniels closed the public hearing.

10) ACTION ITEMS WITH READY FOR VOTE

- A) CONTINUED ITEM: TO CONSIDER FOR ADOPTION A RESOLUTION (2015-041) ADJUSTING AND AMENDING THE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE 2015/2016 FISCAL YEAR. THE PLEASANT GROVE CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (RDA) BUDGET IS INCLUDED IN THE FINAL BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Presenter: Director Roy *Continued from the December 8, 2015 Meeting.***

ACTION: Council Member Andersen moved that the Council adopt a Resolution (2015-041) adjusting and amending the Revenues and Expenditures of the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year. The Pleasant Grove City Redevelopment Agency (RDA) budget is included in the final budget; and providing for an effective date. Council Member LeMone seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken, with Council Members Stanley, LeMone, Jensen, Boyd and Andersen voting "Aye". The motion carried unanimously.

- B) TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDING THE PLEASANT GROVE CITY GENERAL PLAN, AMENDING CHAPTER 7, "PARKS AND RECREATION", REGARDING AND ADOPTING THE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN AS APPENDIX G, AND REGARDING AND ADOPTING THE BICYCLE**

AND PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN AS APPENDIX H, AND REMOVING TEXT REGARDING CULTURAL PROGRAMS; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 9, "PUBLIC SERVICES", ADDING TEXT REGARDING CULTURAL PROGRAMS.

Presenter: Director Young.

City Administrator, Scott Darrington, explained that Items 10B through 10E would be combined into one presentation, with Director Young addressing Items 10B, C, and D and Parks and Recreation Director, Deon Giles, presenting Item 10E.

C) TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE PLEASANT GROVE CITY PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN, AMENDING TEXT AND GOALS REGARDING WADE SPRINGS PARK AND THE MULTI-USE TRAILS SYSTEM. *Presenter: Director Young.*

D) TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE PLEASANT GROVE CITY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN, ADDING APPENDIX B, "MULTI-USE TRAILS SYSTEM MAP". *Presenter: Director Young.*

E) TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A SITE PLAN FOR THE PLEASANT GROVE MULTI-USE TRAILS SYSTEM ON APPROXIMATELY 28.8 ACRES LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 1450 NORTH MURDOCK DRIVE IN THE R1-20 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) ZONE, AS WELL AS ON APPROXIMATELY 100 ADDITIONAL ACRES LOCATED OUTSIDE AND EAST OF THE PLEASANT GROVE CITY BOUNDARIES IN THE FOOTHILL AREAS. *Presenter: Director Giles.*

Community Development Director, Ken Young, presented three housekeeping items to pave the way for approval of the site plan for the trails system. In Chapter 7, "Parks and Recreation" of the General Plan, there is updated verbiage on pages 84 through 85 in regard to the Master Plan, and as such would be appendices G and H. There is a correction of an address on the old recreation center on page 87, and on page 91, removing Section 7.6 Cultural Programs and moving the goals to Chapter 9, "Public Services".

In Chapter 9, cultural programs goals are being inserted as Section 9.6. In Section 9.2, there is updated verbiage in regard to City facilities. Director Young explained that there are other sections in the chapter that need updated verbiage; however, this will be done at another time. Notice was given to the Fire Department, Police Department, Public Works, and the Library to review the verbiage, so they need not worry about outdated information at this time.

Director Young mentioned that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan was adopted a few years earlier and a multi-use trail system was anticipated. There was a concept for a bike park, but currently it is only bike trails. Director Young recommended that an appendix be added with a larger map and a focused map of detail. He explained that the Parks and Recreation Master Plan speaks of Wade Springs Park as being a future bike park. The date on the cover has been amended

and specific verbiage identifies a multi-use trail to reflect the current goals with what is being proposed for the site plan.

Director Giles explained that August 13 was the first Planning Commission Meeting held on the Bike Park. Since then there have been quite a few changes due to recommendations made by citizens. One of the recommendations was to not tie the City to any event. As a result, the association with NICA has been removed. The Planning Commission recommended completing the site plan, which included hiring J-U-B Engineering. Another recommendation was to phase the trail. He presented a map showing the overall trail system from Grove Creek to Cedar Hills, as well as a detail of Phase 1. He explained that they had phased the trails due to the proximity to the trailheads, with Pleasant Grove City owning 28 acres at Wade Springs.

An Open House was held November 19, where 40 residents were in attendance. They were able to address concerns and found it helpful to residents. One of the concerns raised at the first Planning Commission Meeting was how the City can put trails on property outside its limits. Director Giles explained that it requires a Zone Compliance Permit, which is currently in process. It has been approved by Public Works, but they are waiting to hear from the County Health Department for approval. This permit is the mechanism for the City to build a trail outside City limits. Metro is the other major landowner with which they hold regular meetings. Director Giles explained that Metro has had a good experience with Draper City and they like the trails on their property as it decreases vandalism.

Another item of concern was drainage addressed by Mr. Rowe. The Planning Commission needs to address this issue because it has been a problem historically. They have met with J-U-B Engineering and will meet with City Engineer, Degen Lewis, and Public Works Director, Marty Beaumont next week. Additionally, Director Giles mentioned a firebreak and recommended cutting back vegetation instead of a traditional firebreak. He explained that there are two sensitive land areas with wetland vegetation and the plan has stayed away from these areas. One of the recommendations was to install culverts to manage drainage in runoff areas. The trails are designed and constructed to be sustainable and to not encourage erosion. Unlike older trail systems and illegal trails on forest service property, the trails are designed to handle water.

Director Giles presented detailed drawings and gave examples of mitigated off-road vehicle use. There will be an equestrian trail section, which will be cut wider and taller. The bike/hike/walk trail will be two to three feet wide maximum. There are resident concerns about restricted access that were identified on site plan. In the neighborhoods, Director Giles suggested starting with signage. If access becomes a problem, entrance into the park will be restricted. At 850 East and at North Murdock there are currently vehicular gates, but motorcycles and some vehicles are gaining access. He believes parking will not be a major issue especially with no commitment to sponsor races. In regard to the noise curfew, Director Giles spoke to Forest Service Ranger, John Stansfield. The City was given permission to sign areas to the specific City codes dealing with noise and curfew and install security lights on the trailhead.

Council Member Andersen asked what the security lights will look like. Director Giles explained that they are similar to a parking lot light, and no more than two will be installed. Other concerns are that of shooting and four-wheeler usage. Director Giles indicated that this could be quickly

mitigated by involving the Police Department. He also noted that there is very little littering that takes place on the trail.

Director Giles mentioned that in moving forward upon approval, they will continue to research grants and utilize impact fees as funding mechanisms. Volunteers will be utilized for the majority of maintenance and some construction, including Eagle Scout projects. He noted that there are always businesses and churches that volunteer for projects and staff will do repairs specific to the trail.

An aerial map of the proposed trail system was reviewed. Director Giles explained that the upper section is a loop system designed for practicing a race-type course. As the trail moves toward Cedar Hills, it will become more technical. Mayor Daniels inquired if the long section shown is the Bonneville Lake shore trail. Director Giles noted that the section in question has been designated as a future Bonneville Lake shore trail that will tie into the Murdock Canal.

Mayor Daniels asked about the proximity issues of the various trails. Director Giles explained that those with concerns voiced tonight are west of 850 East and a vacant lot. Mayor Daniels confirmed with Mr. Ririe that he is working on acquiring more property as a buffer. The landscape space was briefly discussed. Mayor Daniels asked if the residents' landscaping is within their own property lines or encroaches on City property. Director Giles confirmed that a couple have encroached onto City property. Mayor Daniels asked if that encroachment was to mitigate erosion and if there was an agreement between the City and residents to allow that. City Attorney, Tina Petersen, stated that there is not an agreement currently in place. Mayor Daniels inquired about what the true distance to property lines should be without the encroachments. Director Giles reported that it is 50 feet.

Mayor Daniels asked about buffering with trees or brush. Director Giles made mention of some Eagle projects that have been started. There is a recommended list of native plants from the Forest Service to be planted during restoration. A brush/tree buffer is not mentioned on the site plan, however, City Engineer Lewis recommended a swell and a berm with native plants on top. No type of fencing would be installed except for the post-rail fence for access control. Mayor Daniels expressed that as residents have encroached with landscaping onto City property, he did not see a proximity problem for the City. Mayor Daniels inquired about access points. Director Giles identified access points at the Wade Springs and Grove Creek trailheads, neighborhood access through 850 East, and the Murdock trailhead. The neighborhood access is there now and will be restricted to only allow bikers and hikers. Mayor Daniels expressed concern with non-residents impeding on the parking of private residences and asked what preventative measures are planned. Director Giles explained that the streets are City property and most accesses from cul-de-sacs are abutted by homes.

Council Member Jensen asked about reverse grading. Mr. Cowley explained that the trails' grade was measured and a reverse grade takes the incline of the trail and reverses the grade to direct water drainage and not contribute to erosion. Director Giles mentioned that reverse grade is not on the whole trail system but where it is needed for drainage. This has been included on the site plan but there are other amendments from Metro's recommendations and the area behind the homes on 850 East that need to be addressed.

Mayor Daniels asked about Appendices G and H being available to the public. Director Giles explained that they are part of the General Master and Park and Recreation Plans and were recently made available online. Mayor Daniels clarified that the main concern raised was that the information was not available prior to the Planning Commission Meeting.

Director Young explained that the agenda was posted as legally required. Attorney Petersen added that the agenda was posted in three public places. The Public Hearing notice was published in *The Daily Herald* on November 29 and on the State and Pleasant Grove City website on November 30. She could not certify what other information was posted. Council Member Andersen asked to address the event permit process and stated that when someone hosts an event they must register with the Community Development Department. Director Giles added that most departments have to sign off on events and depending on the size, they may go to Council for final approval. There was continued deliberation on previously discussed items.

Council Member Stanley complimented Mr. Cowley on the public outreach work that has been done. He explained that the clear majority of the public like the trail system, but still have some concerns about the process. The notice on Public Hearing issues is legally insufficient. Section 10-9-a204 states that the notice should be posted 10 days prior to meetings and mailed to affected entities. He questioned whether action is premature given the legal requirements that all agreements with landowners have been signed. Council Member LeMone asked if the site plan has to be approved to move forward. Director Giles explained that landowners want to see an approved site plan before they sign any agreement. Administrator Darrington explained that Metro will not sign an agreement without an approved site plan. He also understands that proper legal notice has been given. Attorney Petersen clarified that the standard practices were followed on this item.

Council Member Jensen asked for clarification on whether or not events will be held. Mr. Cowley stated that this is at the discretion of the City. With regards to parking, local bikers will bike to the trails. Those outside the area will look for designated parking online. Director Beaumont mentioned that Public Works will be clearing out shrubs in the area and is not associated with the trails project.

Attorney Petersen further clarified that the requirements for Public Hearings in Section 10-9-a204 have been complied with on this item. Council Member LeMone asked if there would be a public hearing on amendments made to a site plan. Attorney Petersen explained that there will not be a public hearing on site plan amendments, but a public hearing will be conducted on changes to the General Plan. Staff and the Council further deliberated on whether legal procedures have been followed in the public noticing of this item.

ACTION: Council Member Andersen moved that the Council approve amending the Pleasant Grove City General Plan, amending Chapter 7, "Parks and Recreation", regarding adopting the Parks and Recreation Master Plan as Appendix G, and regarding adopting the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan as Appendix H, and removing text regarding Cultural Programs; and amending Chapter 9, "Public Services", adding text regarding Cultural Programs. Council Member Jensen seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with Council Members Andersen,

Boyd, Jensen and LeMone voting "Aye" and Council Member Stanley voting "Nay". The motion passed 4-to-1.

ACTION: Council Member Andersen moved that the Council approve the proposed amendment to the Pleasant Grove City Parks and Recreation Master Plan, amending text and goals regarding Wade Springs Park and the Multi-Use Trails System. Council Member Boyd seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with Council Members Andersen, Boyd, Jensen and LeMone voting "Aye" and Council Member Stanley voting "Nay". The motion passed 4-to-1.

ACTION: Council Member Boyd moved that the Council approve a proposed amendment to the Pleasant Grove City Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, adding Appendix B, "Multi-Use Trails System Map". Council Member LeMone seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with Council Members Andersen, Boyd, Jensen and LeMone voting "Aye", and Council Member Stanley voting "Nay". The motion passed 4-to-1.

ACTION: Council Member LeMone moved that the Council approve a site plan for the Pleasant Grove Multi-Use Trails System on approximately 28.8 acres located at approximately 1450 North Murdock Drive in the R1-20 (Single Family Residential) Zone, as well as on approximately 100 additional acres located outside and east of the Pleasant Grove City boundaries in the foothill areas. Council Member Jensen seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with Council Members Andersen, Boyd, Jensen and LeMone voting "Aye" and Council Member Stanley voting "Nay". The motion passed 4-to-1.

11) ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

There were no additional discussion items.

12) DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR THE JANUARY 5, 2016 MEETING

Mayor Daniels mentioned that there will be a farewell for Council Member Boyd.

13) NEIGHBORHOOD AND STAFF BUSINESS

Library and Arts Director, Sheri Britsch, reported that they received the funding necessary to install an elevator at the library, thereby making it ADA compliant.

14) MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS

Council Member Jensen commented that he attended a dinner and Nutcracker performance and was impressed with the talent and the performance.

Council Member LeMone commented that she recently attended "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", presented by the Pleasant Grove Players.

Mayor Daniels mentioned on a personal note that he opened their 5th theater in Evanston and their first showing will be “Star Wars”. He announced a gathering that will be held Tuesday, December 22, at the Darrington’s’ home.

15) SIGNING OF PLATS

The following plats were signed: Creekside at Aspen Grove Plat C, Palisades Plat E, and Loader Estates Plat A.

16) REVIEW CALENDAR

There were no additional calendar items to review.

17) EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING OR REASONABLY IMMINENT LITIGATION (UCA 52-4-205 1 (C))

ACTION: At 8:49 p.m. Council Member Stanley moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation (UCA 52-4-205 (C)). Council Member LeMone seconded the motion. The motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Council.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Michael W. Daniels

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

Staff Present: Scott Darrington, City Administrator
Tina Petersen, City Attorney
Kathy Kresser, City Recorder

ACTION: At 9:08 p.m. Council Member Stanley moved to come out of executive session and go back into regular session. Council Member Jensen seconded. The motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Council.

Council Member Jensen moved to direct Attorney Petersen to move forward with Option #2 as discussed in the executive session. Council Member Stanley seconded. Mayor Daniels clarified that Attorney Petersen will respond to the letter from the Utah Atheists by letting them know that it was a personal message to the City employees and that the Mayor is going to reimburse the City for any real costs associated with that message. The motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Council.

18) ADJOURN

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

The City Council Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Minutes of December 15, 2015 were approved by the City Council on January 19, 2016

Kathy T. Kresser, City Recorder, MMC

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