

**Tooele City Council and Tooele City
Redevelopment Agency Work Meeting Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, September 15, 2021

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Place: Tooele City Hall, Council Chambers
90 North Main Street, Tooele, Utah

City Council Members Present:

Melodi Gochis

Ed Hansen

Justin Brady

Maresa Manzione

Tony Graf, via phone

Planning Commission Members Present:

Chris Sloan

Matt Robinson

City Employees Present:

Mayor Debbie Winn

Jim Bolser, Community Development Director

Adrian Day, Police Department Chief

Darwin Cook, Parks and Recreation Director

Roger Baker, City Attorney

Shannon Wimmer, Finance Director

Jamie Grandpre, Public Works Director

Paul Hansen, Tooele Engineer

Michelle Pitt, City Recorder

Holly Potter, Deputy City Recorder

Jared Steward, Economic Development Coordinator

Kami Perkins, HR Director

Minutes prepared by Katherin Yei

1. Open City Council Meeting

Chairwoman Gochis called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Melodi Gochis, Present

Ed Hansen, Present

Justin Brady, Present

Maresa Manzione, Present

Tony Graf, Present via phone

3. Mayor's Report

Mayor Winn stated they have accepted the Certificate of Completion for the acceptance of Public Works in the Bevan Estates phase one subdivision. She stated they had put out for bid the sidewalk program with \$500,000 in the budget line item and allowing the public to participate as well. She stated she received three bids back, with it being awarded to the lowest bidder. It had fallen through. She stated they put it out to bid again, and received one bid higher than the other bids combined. She stated they will be moving forward with the project by bidding areas out individually and implementing it November first. She stated they received proposals for the design work for the electrical and instrumentation design for the two wells. She stated they do have money in the budget with SKM at the amount of \$71,920 for the Berra Well and \$46,870 for the Red DelPapa Well. She expressed her appreciation for the staff participation and First Responders at the 9-11 Memorial Event. She stated they received a donation in the amount of \$5,000 from the trust of Karyl Maynard, who was a huge supporter in the community, to use at Tooele Valley Museum at the City's discretion.

4. Council Member's Report

Council Member Hansen stated he attended the County Commission meeting, Planning Commission Meeting, and is exciting for the Art's Festival.

Council Member Brady stated he attended the RDA meeting, County Covid-19 update, and met with developers.

Council Member Manzione stated her appreciation for the 9-11 Memorial event. She stated she attended the Pre-Development meeting, Planning Commission, Pre-Development meeting, RDA meeting, and answered several emails from citizens regarding mosquitos and sidewalks.

Council Member Graf stated he attended the THS Homecoming Parade, Flag Ceremony, and responded to a few emails and phone calls.

Chairman Gochis stated she attended the THS Homecoming parade and game, Public Hearing of the Redistricting Meeting, and the 9-11 Memorial events.

5. Ordinance 2021-34 A Discussion to Amend the Tooele City Policies and Procedures Manual

Presented by Kami Perkins, Human Resources Director

Mrs. Perkins stated several of these policies were brought to discussion in January of 2020. She stated that our policies are amended by ordinances and that the procedure includes review and proposal by the policies and procedures. She stated a committee then forwards their proposed

changes to the Mayor for her approval. She stated while not required, it has been good practice to send the proposed policy changes to the workforce for comment before bringing them to the City Council. She explained that the feedback received from employees was reviewed by the P&P Committee and is included in the Council packet with the committee's responses.

Council Member Manzione stated she appreciates the surveys and the responses.

Chairwoman Gochis stated her appreciation for Mrs. Perkins for putting together the changes.

Council Member Graf stated his appreciation for the excellent work.

6. Crime Statistics

Presented by Chief Adrian Day, Police Department

Chief Day stated the information is gathered from BCI and don't have the index report for 2020 yet. The report given is from 2019. He stated the first page of the report is the index crimes which shows homicide, rape, robbery, theft, and human trafficking, etc. at a rate of one thousand people. He stated their numbers are very close to West Valley.

He stated page two shows Tooele City Police Department statistics which are currently up-to-date to the best of their ability. He stated the call per service has been going down since 2017.

Chairwoman Gochis stated it is sobering to see the statistics.

Council Member Hansen asked why Tooele City is so high.

Chief Day stated small agencies can sway a few things, but not sure why Tooele has a high crime rate.

Council Member Hansen asked if the location to Salt Lake City could play a factor.

Chief Day stated it could play into the numbers. He stated sex crimes have always been higher and fluctuate between years, but that could be because they have a better way to report those crimes.

Chairwoman Gochis state her appreciation for the programs and entities to help correct the statistics.

7. Discussion on Mosquito Abatement District

Presented by Roger Baker, City Attorney

Mr. Baker stated the City Council wanted information on the Mosquito Abatement District. He stated the Council would look at annexation of the entire City. He stated the process would begin with a resolution that would be passed and sent to the District. He stated the next step would be a public hearing with a notice being sent out to every tax payer within the City. He stated if they received any protests, there is a process they follow including going to ballot if they receive

enough protests. He stated following the public hearing, there would be another resolution for the actual annexation. He shared that Ms. Wimmer provided tax information which looked at a \$360,000 home and the tax rate of .0003, which equates to about \$60 yearly per home.

Council Member Manzione asked if it is all or nothing or if there a way to do a portion of the City.

Mr. Baker stated there are two ways they can go about it. The City can have a resolution to enter the City into the District or have the residents file a petition with the City and ask to be put into the district.

Council Member Hansen asked if they have been a member of the district before.

Mr. Baker stated he is not aware of being a part of it, but is aware of annexing property out of it.

Council Member Brady asked if there is a process or a way the City can just pay for the service instead of joining the district.

Mr. Baker stated the Council can use the general fund to provide the service.

Council Member Brady stated his concern is that this year the mosquitos are bad, but next year could be better. He stated he doesn't want to join the district if it gets better.

Mayor Winn stated Mr. Grandpre reached out to a pest control company to see what it would cost to do the reclamation facility. She stated they gave an estimated of \$600 to just treat reclamation facility twice a year. He reached back out and the company stated it is to late within the season to take care of them.

Council Member Hansen asked what it could cost if they could hire them and not join the district.

Mayor Winn stated she did reach out about hiring them and would let the Council know.

Council Member Manzione stated she likes having a notice go out to the public but does not like having to add all parts of the City into the district, if the entire city does not need it.

Chairwoman Gochis stated she did receive an email from citizens about it and asked if it is appropriate to entertain the public during this time.

Mr. Baker stated the public does not have a right to speak, but the Council can run the meeting how they choose, and that it is not inappropriate.

Council Member Graf asked if they can get a presentation by the district and if there is a benefit to get educated on the topic.

8. Closed Meeting

- Litigation, Property Acquisition, and/or Personnel

Council Member Manzione motioned to move to a closed meeting. Council Member Hansen seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Council Member Hansen, “Aye,” Council Member Graf, “Aye,” Council Member Brady, “Aye,” Chairwoman Gochis, “Aye.” The motion passed.

The meeting moved to closed session.

Council Member Manzione, Council Member Tony Graf (by phone), Chairwoman Gochis, Council Member Hansen, Council Member Brady, Mayor Winn, Jim Bolser, Michelle Pitt, Jared Stewart, Shannon Wimmer, Darwin Cook, Paul Hansen, and Roger Baker.

A motion was made by Council Member Hansen. Council Member Manzione seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Council Member Hansen, “Aye,” Council Member Graf, “Aye,” Council Member Brady, “Aye,” Chairwoman Gochis, “Aye.” The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

9. Adjourn

Chairwoman Gochis adjourned to a close meeting at 6:07 p.m.

The content of the minutes is not intended, nor are they submitted, as a verbatim transcription of the meeting. These minutes are a brief overview of what occurred at the meeting.

Approved this 6th day of October, 2021

Melodi Gochis, City Council Chairwoman