Comments to South Weber City Council for 23Jan24 Meeting by Paul A. Sturm

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Agenda Item:

Resolution 24-03: Declaring City Owned Public Works Property at appx 1721 East South Weber Drive as Surplus

Background:

The City Council will hold a public hearing to receive public comments about the proposed disposition prior to considering the item.

The City Council has taken steps to relocate the public works facility, including purchasing new property, bonding for the new facility, contracting for the design-build team, and rezoning the current public works property according to the General Plan.

PaS Comments/Questions:

- 1) What considerations have been given by the City concerning the possible environmental contamination and cleanup that could be required prior to the proposed sale of the existing Public Works property?
- 2) Has the City had an environmental assessment performed on the property to see what contaminants may be present?
- 3) I believe that these grounds will be found to be contaminated with oil, antifreeze, salt, various other fuels and solvents, plus other unknown contaminants.
- 4) Questions on the SWC Plan Forward:
 - a) What is the City's plan for possible remediation of the property?
 - b) Have these costs been evaluated versus any potential sale?
 - c) Must the City remediate prior to sale?
 - d) Regarding a potential sale, what is the City's legal responsibility to disclose potential environmental contamination to a prospective buyer?