

## SOUTH WEBER CITY CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING

**DATE OF MEETING:** 18 September 2012

**TIME COMMENCED:** 5:34 p.m.

**PRESENT:** MAYOR:

Jeff Monroe

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Joe Gertge  
Randy Hilton  
Michael Poff  
Farrell Poll  
Dave Thomas

CITY MANAGER:

Rodger Worthen

CITY RECORDER:

Erika Ahlstrom

Visitors: Steve Jones, Brandon Jones, Lenette Snouffer, Gary Girres, Rob Osborn, Tamie Call, Bo Call, Calvin Kap, Layne Kap, Tom Graydon.

Councilmember Thomas moved and Councilmember Hilton seconded motion to go into work meeting.

***WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OPTIIZATION ANALYSIS REPORT – Hansen, Allen & Luce, Inc.:*** Rodger stated that the city has had a static water model, which would take flowtestings, pressures and zones and give us a snapshot in time of the water system. This optimization model is a more dynamic model, a “video” of our water system which we can look to at any time. He explained the water system is made up of pipes. Valves, pressure relief, water tanks, size of tanks, hydrants, when people use the water, where we get the water from, etc. Hansen, Allen & Luce performed a study and provided the “video” which allows us to look for things we can do better and more efficiently and how we can save money in that delivery.

Steve Jones from Hansen, Allen & Luce presented the dynamic model. He explained that it is like a movie instead of a picture book, which can run through a day or several days. He displayed and ran the model, with a tracer on the well. Mr. Jones said once the model is run, you can change settings in the computer rather than in the system. The model shows the percent of water coming from the well, and where the water is going from the well. The program also allows you to look at specific property and see if there is a pressure issue.

Mr. Jones said overall the city’s system performs quite well. He said he found some ways the city could make the system more efficient. He said the water tanks hold a lot of water, and if they are full all the time it allows the water to get old without using it. Mr. Jones said it is good to let the water in the tanks fluctuate down and fill back up as it circulates the water and refreshes it. He said the city can fill the tanks when water is cheaper and use during high cost of energy periods. He said running the pumps on the off peak schedule and only use at night could cut the power bill in half. He stated the model shows we could do that, rely on the tanks during the peak periods. Rodger stated that puts money back in the water fund through the savings.

Mr. Jones said this is free software and the public works employees will be trained to use it. Mayor Monroe said the staff should bring findings to the council in six months and see how the model is working for us.

Councilmember Poll was excused at this time.

***CITIZEN REQUEST: Lenette Girres Snouffer, Discuss Need for Sidewalk to High Mark Charter School/Safety Issues:*** Ms. Snouffer stated her two children attend High Mark Charter School, and there are concerns with speed and the need for sidewalks. She said parents are parking on the north side of South Weber Drive. Ms. Snouffer has a petition she has been having people sign. She said she understands the UDOT owns the road. She requested that the city provide a letter of support on this safety issue, and she will keep going (toward getting sidewalks in) from there. Ms. Snouffer said that the children are worth it, and we don't want a fatality on our hands. Councilmember Thomas said he supports providing a letter, and he suggested that Ms. Snouffer contact Representative Brad Dee, who would have the most influence with UDOT.

Discussion regarding UDOT's Safe Sidewalks program was discussed. This is a 75/25 matching grant. Rodger stated that last year they only had \$160K to distribute among Region 1. Mayor Monroe addressed that if they wish to have a sidewalk from 2100 East to the Frontage Road, there may be some easement issues.

Rob Osborne said the school's position is that the board has decided they would like to get with UDOT to get a crosswalk at the school and at 2100 East. He said that crossing guards are less expensive than installing a sidewalk. He said their second choice would be to go up the hill.

Rodger will draft a letter of support. Ms. Snouffer will continue with the petition. We will also continue to try for the Region 1 grant money. Mayor thanked Ms. Snouffer for bringing this to the Council's attention.

***CITIZEN REQUEST: Bo & Tamie Call, discuss Secondary Water for Canyon meadows Detention Basin:*** Mr. Call stated that the Canyon Meadows detention basin is full of weeds. The Calls have been putting horses there to keep the weeds down for the last couple years. Mr. Call said that last year it rained and kept the area green, but there is a need to have water on the property. Mr. Call said they are willing to put secondary water in if the city would approve it. He would like the City to work with them on a longer term commitment so the Calls are not asked to leave after putting in expense to put in secondary water. Mayor Monroe said we have other detention basins that we water and maintain. Rodger stated having animals on the property keeps the vegetation down, however there are some plants the horses won't eat. He feels there is a mutual benefit in that the animals keep the vegetation down and the city isn't having to go in and cut them down. He can see how having secondary water would be a benefit. Councilmember Gertge asked if there are wetland rules we have to adhere to. Mr. Call reiterated they are willing to put the secondary water there in an effort to make the area better. Mrs. Call stated it is \$2,500 to hook up to the system. Rodger said there will also be the cost of the work to put it in. Councilmember Thomas, Councilmember Poff, and Mayor Monroe all stated they are not opposed to an agreement. It was discussed that if the Calls put forth the expense of putting it in, then the city could give them ten or fifteen years of use. Councilmember Thomas proposed directing staff to draft an agreement. Mayor Monroe agreed, stating this shall come back to the council for approval.

***DISCUSSION – EASTON VILLAGE SUBDIVISION ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY:*** Councilmember Thomas said this needs to go to the Planning Commission for a recommendation so he is wondering why it is on this agenda. Layne Kap said he wanted to find out if he is wasting his time going to Planning Commission. Rodger said the Planning Commission's recommendation will come to the City Council, which is the approving body.

The reason for the 70 foot right of way was discussed. Mayor Monroe said the city wanted a wider sidewalk for people to walk on. Rodger said this makes more sidewalk for the city to have to fix, intermixing cross sections doesn't make sense, and this is not going to be a walkable community.

***OTHER ITEMS: Fire Flows*** – Fire Chief Tom Graydon arrived at this time. He reported the new waterline increased the fireflow in the area to 2,000 gallons per minute. Rodger said when the city was looking to award the project, there was reluctance because we didn't know for sure these were the best ones to do, but now we can see the projects we selected were beneficial.

***Secondary Water:*** Mayor Monroe reported the secondary water has been turned off by Weber Basin because the users used up the allocations.

***Training with Pam Gardiol:*** Rodger will reschedule for October.

***Policy Priorities:*** Rodger did a deviation scoring from the information gathered in February. He said there are a lot of discrepancies in the viewpoints between staff and council regarding the city's goals. Rodger will send the information to the Council. He said once the council can pin down the policies, the staff can implement programs to follow the policies. He said the staff's goals can work up to the policies and the staff can provide reports quarterly to tell what they have done to help achieve the goals.

***Next Week's Meeting:*** Will be cancelled due to the number of individuals who cannot attend.

**The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.**

Minutes by \_\_\_\_\_  
Erika Ahlstrom, City Recorder