

SOUTH WEBER CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: 16 August 2016

TIME COMMENCED: 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: MAYOR:

Tammy Long

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Scott Casas
Kent Hyer (via electronically)
Marlene Poore
Merv Taylor
Jo Sjoblom

CITY ENGINEER:

Brandon Jones

CITY RECORDER:

Elyse Greiner

CITY MANAGER:

Tom Smith

Transcriber: Minutes transcribed by Michelle Clark

VISITORS: Curtis Brown

Agenda: Mayor asked if she could amend the agenda to include some amendments to City codes. All were in agreement.

APPROVALS:

Motion to approve the purchase of a Stairmaster Stepmill: Tom explained that Curtis Brown, Recreation Director, has received three bids. They are as follows:

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| 1. Pex Fitness | \$4,995.00 |
| 2. Utah Home Fitness | \$5,495.00 |
| 3. Pro Elite | \$5,745.00 |

Curtis explained that the old one is twelve years old and the panel isn't working on it. Tom said this item is in the budget.

Council Member Sjoblom moved to approve the purchase of a stairmaster stepmill to Pex Fitness. Council Member Hyer seconded the motion. Council Members Casas, Hyer, Poore, Sjoblom, and Taylor voted yes. The motion carried.

Motion to approve the purchase of (2) 40' cube Conex containers: Council Member Casas said the City is currently paying approximately \$2,000 a year to store the Country Fair Days equipment at South Weber Storage. He researched and found (2) 40' cube conex containers at \$2,000 per container. He said it will cost approximately \$300 per container to deliver. He said

these are used containers that will be inspected prior to purchase. He said the Public Works Department has put a gravel road base down to put them on. Council Member Hyer asked about the size of the storage units that are currently used. Tom estimated they are 10 ft. x 20 ft. It was stated the Conex containers are air tight, fire proof, easy to lock etc. It was stated this item will come out of the Country Fair Days budget. Tom said if the Public Works Department ends up using them, the budget will be split. Council Member Hyer suggested purchasing one and see if a second purchase is needed later.

Council Member Casas moved to approve the purchase of (2) 40' cube Conex containers at the cost of \$2,000 per container with shipping of \$300 per container. Council Member Poore seconded the motion. Council Members Casas, Hyer, Poore, Sjoblom, and Taylor voted yes. The motion carried.

DISCUSSION:

Prospective Outlook of the South Weber City Fire Department: Tom said as he has met with the Council in the last six months the Fire Department continually comes up. He said there are other options. He said before he contacts other departments, he feels it would be prudent to meet with Fire Chief Graydon. Council Member Poore feels it is important to look at cutting cost. Council Member Taylor said from the fire station in Layton to South Weber City it is approximately five minutes driving the speed limit. Tom said North Davis is a district and it would be a tax increase for the residents. He said last year the budget for the Fire Department is \$160,000 and this year it is \$121,000. Tom said there is still a bond payment on the fire station. Council Member Poore said the station could be used as a City office. She said it can also be used as a court facility. Council Member Taylor suggested moving forward with a cost comparison. Tom said this item will take some time. Council Member Hyer would be interested to see the break out in term of what services we are really providing. He would like to know if the police or Layton City is getting there before South Weber Fire Department.

Council Member Casas moved to direct staff to do a cost comparison with nearby fire organizations. Council Member Taylor seconded the motion. Council Members Casas, Hyer, Poore, Sjoblom, and Taylor voted yes. The motion carried.

Residential Parkway Tree Planting Policy: Tom said last year this was discussed and a policy was devised by Mark Larsen. Council Member Casas said Mark developed a tree grant program, which reads as follows:

The city is currently under staffed and lacks the resources to properly take care of a potentially significant increase in man-hours for trees to be planted around the City. One possible solution that would assist the Public Works Department in addressing this concern would be to establish a tree grant program. As part of the program the city could make an arrangement to only pay for a portion part of the expense to purchase the trees, In turn, the land owner would perform the required maintenance. In addition, this program would afford the city discretionary authority to pick the type of trees that are to be planted in their respective locations. An arrangement of this kind would promote positive public relations.

CITY TREE GRANT

South Weber City would like to promote the planting of trees throughout the city. The City would like to partner with the citizens of South Weber to make our community look more beautiful. The South Weber City Tree Grant Program declares that:

1. Residents must fill out an application and have the application approved by the City Forester.
2. A home owner in South Weber City may receive one \$50.00 (fifty dollars) reimbursement voucher, per home.
3. Trees that are eligible for reimbursement must be on the City's approved selection list.
4. Trees may be planted in a 6' or wider park strip; or
5. Trees may be planted in a front or side setback that fronts on a city street.
6. All plantings must follow the city code.
7. Trees may be purchased at any approved city vender.
8. After the purchase and planting of the tree, the City Forester will visit each residence to verify that the tree has been planted properly and that it is being cared for appropriately.

Those interested in participating in the South Weber City Tree Grant Program can: Simply fill out an application, which can be obtained at the front desk of city hall or online at www.southwebercity.com Once your application has been reviewed by the South Weber City forester a voucher will be issued for the purchase of a specifically approved of tree, which you may redeem at one of the participating nurseries for the dollar amount. The South Weber City forester will visit your home a few weeks later to make ensure the tree has been properly planted and is being cared for. If you have a particular tree species in mind you can request that on your application however, some trees are not always suitable for certain areas. The city is committed to helping people plant the right tree in the right place. The City has an interest to maintain the beauty of our urban tree canopy for many years to come.

Some of the rules and restrictions to the program are as follows:

1. Applicant must be a South Weber City resident.
2. The planting site must be at a residential location within city boundaries.
3. Recipients agree to accept all responsibilities, liabilities, transportation needs, proper planting and care of the tree. Residents may request 1 to 2 trees on their application, however no more than 2 trees will be approved in a 6 month period, and no more than 4 trees are available in a 2 year period. The program is first come first serve and vouchers are limited. Applications will be reviewed and approved in the order received.
4. Once the allocated budget for this project is exhausted the program will end.

7.01.030 Obstructions In Streets:

Height Limitations: All sidewalks shall be kept clear and unobstructed to a height of seven feet (7'). No vegetation shall be allowed to extend into the street past the curb face or the edge of the pavement where there is no curb to a height less than fourteen feet (14').

Clear View Across Corner Of Property Required: In all zones which require a front yard, no obstruction to view in excess of two feet (2') in height above the level of the curb or roadside,

where no such curb exists, shall be permitted on any corner lot within a triangle, formed by the street, property lines and line connecting the between points forty feet (40') from the intersection of the streets and property lines, except for the following:

A reasonable number of trees pruned or maintained in such a way as to provide reasonably unobstructed vision to the driver of automobiles through such area.

Adopted by Ord. 1989 Code § 11-362 on 1/1/1989

Council Member Casas said this program enhances the City with trees. He said the City Forester is Doug Austin. He said in 2014 the Planning Commission adopted the city code of 6 ft. wide park strips. He said most of these subdivisions are located in the west end of the City. Discussion took place regarding the location of the tree being within 6 ft. from the sidewalk. Council Member Sjoblom was concerned about the location being 6 ft. Council Member Hyer said if the City is spending money for trees for residents that is something he doesn't want to support. He feels this shouldn't be a priority with the City budget. Council Member Casas discussed South Weber being a Tree City USA. He said there is a cost associated with it because the City has to spend a certain amount of money per household for trees. The Council was not in favor of doing this at this time.

Christmas Lighting: Council Member Casas said other cities have Christmas lighting displays and decorations. He would like to know if there is an interest in something like that in South Weber. He said some cities have a spruce tree that is decorated every year. He suggested decorating the berm with Christmas lights. Council Member Poore discussed the history of the communication committee who was concerned about the need to beautify the City. Council Member Casas feels that cities have a responsibility to have community involvement. He feels some type of lighting enhances the feel in the community. Elyse suggested a possible temporary ice rink in Central Park. Council Member Hyer suggested just decorating City Hall. Council Member Sjoblom suggested putting happy holidays etc. on the electronic signs.

Tom discussed the playground equipment that was removed at Central Park which was found to be unsafe to play on. Council Member Hyer voiced his frustration with the equipment being taken out. Council Member Casas discussed the landscape architect that presented a plan for Central Park prior to this Council. It was decided that this item will be discussed at the first meeting in September.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

Council Member Casas:

Capital Projects: He asked about the status of a salt shed. He would like to have it for the winter. Tom recommended getting bids and then bringing it back to the Council. Council Member Hyer discussed storing the salt at the gravel pit. He feels this is worth looking into it. Mayor Long was concerned about access at 5 am. Council Member Casas said the salt needs a permanent, dry facility. He said it will not comply with the EPA if it is stored in the gravel pit. Tom said the salt does need to be covered.

Council Member Casas moved to direct City staff to pursue a salt shed and vehicle wash bay for the Public Works Department. Council Member Taylor seconded. Council Member Casas, Taylor, Sjoblom and Poore voted yes. Council Member Hyer voted no. The motion carried 4 to 1. Council Member Hyer would like to look at alternatives.

Public Work Items:

- Repair Stop Sign on 7240 South turn sideways.
- Need new Yield Sign Canyon Drive and 1600 East.
- Holes need to be repaired at the City retention pond corner of 8240 South on the northeast corner.
- Has Street Light been repaired at Posse Grounds?
- Replace Stop Sign located at intersection of Highway 89 and South Weber Drive.

475 East: Council Member Casas asked if 475 East can be asphalted this year. Tom will check with Brandon Jones.

Raymond Drive: Council Member Casas would like to see this project done before winter.

Purchase of trucks: Tom said he has met with Young Chevrolet and they will be purchasing three trucks.

Council Member Sjoblom:

Electronic Sign East Side: She said with the recent change with Dan Murray's property, she has contacted Maverik about locating the electronic sign there. She isn't in favor of putting it on the Maverik side. Council Member Sjoblom discussed locating the bigger electronic sign across from City Hall and the smaller sign at the east end.

Council Member Taylor:

South Weber property located near Uintah: Council Member Taylor asked about the South Weber property located near Uintah. He said there is currently construction taking place which may affect the City. Tom will look into it.

Council Member Casas moved to allow Council Member Sjoblom the proper location at the east end and across the street from City Hall and to stay within the \$30,000 budget. Council Member Hyer seconded the motion. Council Member Casas, Hyer, Poore, Sjoblom, and Taylor voted yes. The motion carried.

Council Member Sjoblom said that Bill Petty volunteered to head up a committee for Central Park playground. Tom said in the meeting on September 13th he will present the architects design for Central Park.

Council Member Poore:

Fire Department: Council Member Poore would like a list of pros and cons when going with another fire department. Council Member Casas would like to know if it is cost effective to have an ambulance in South Weber. Tom requested the Council entertain and consider Chief Graydon’s thoughts.

RFP’s: She would like to be cc on RFP’s that go out.

Council Member Hyer:

Request for Records: Tom said Mayor Long has requested all the records from past that the City has. Tom said to retain this records will cost the City. This could cost the City anywhere from \$200 to \$900. Council Member Hyer is frustrated because the Council and Mayor had agreed months ago to discuss items like this prior to anything moving forward like this. Council Member Casas said he gave the Mayor consent. Council Member Hyer is concerned because this is past stuff. Council Member Sjoblom shares his concern and said as much in an email. She understands the Mayor has a right to do this. Council Member Casas said these are public records that should be accessible. Tom said there is a cost to obtain the records. Council Member Poore said this request came about with the old server. Tom said there are two options: 1. stop it 2. move forward. Council Member Poore and Casas feel that this should be pursued. Council Member Sjoblom, Taylor, and Hyer requested to put it on pause and discuss in a closed meeting.

MAYOR’S ITEMS:

City Codes: Chapter 1.8.4: Define administrative authority and administrative decision. Mayor Long suggested amending inconsistencies in Chapter 1.

Council Member Hyer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. Council Member Taylor seconded the motion. Council Members Casas, Hyer, Poore, Taylor and Sjoblom voted yes. The motion carried.

APPROVED: _____ **Date**
Mayor: Tammy Long

Transcriber: Michelle Clark

Attest: _____
City Recorder: Elyse Greiner