

**HEBER CITY CORPORATION
75 North Main Street
Heber City, UT 84032
Heber City Council Meeting
August 15, 2023**

APPROVED 9.5.2023

**4:00 p.m. Work Meeting
6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting**

I. WORK MEETING - 4:00 P.M.

Mayor Franco called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

City Council Present:

Mayor Heidi Franco
Council Member Yvonne Barney - arrived 4:05 p.m.
Council Member Mike Johnston
Council Member Rachel Kahler - arrived 4:16 p.m.
Council Member Scott Phillips
Council Member Ryan Stack

Staff Present:

City Manager Matt Brower
Community Development Director Tony Kohler
Planning Manager Jamie Baron
City Planner Jacob Roberts
Finance Manager Sara Nagel
Assistant City Manager Mark Smedley
Engineering Director Russ Funk
City Engineer Gordon Minor
City Attorney Jeremy Cook
Officer Heath Harvey
Officer Branden Russell
Public Works Director Matthew Kennard
Public Works Foreman Jacob Anderson
City Recorder Trina Cooke

Staff Participating Remotely: IT Specialist Anthon Beales, Human Resources Manager Cherie Ashe, Engineering Technician Desiree Muheim, Engineering Department Director Russ Funk, Assistant City Manager Mark Smedley, and Public Works Director Matthew Kennard.

Also Present: Dallin Koecher, Jessica Broadhead, Christen Thompson, Roger Brooks, Linda Middleton, Tori Broughton, Eric Carlson, Rob Winder, and others who did not sign in or whose names were illegible.

Also Attending Remotely: (Names are shown as signed in online) Shorty, The Wave, Parker Sever, Kelli, JD, Gardnerm, Danny Hill, cf, Aaron Cheatwood, and John Janson.

1. Presentation of Main Street Success Recommendation (Roger Brooks) - 60 minutes

Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce Dallin Koecher introduced Community Planner Roger Brooks. Mr. Brooks explained that for the first time in the country, people were moving to where the amenities were located and creating jobs or working from home. He provided a presentation of possible downtown amenities, including a plaza. He felt a plaza created a community living room. Mr. Brooks shared examples of other cities that had revitalized their downtown, to create successful downtowns that were a draw to the community and tourism alike. He noted that 250 days of downtown activity was necessary to sustain the desired retail. He shared activity suggestions such as splash pads that could convert to ice-skating rinks in the winter, movie nights once a week, providing chess boards and other games, as well as live music. Mr. Brooks displayed images of a revitalized Main Street Park with the road located at 200 South between Main Street and 100 West closed to motorized traffic in order to create a walking plaza. The plan was to encourage people to visit and spend time downtown eating, shopping, and playing. He noted it was imperative to offer downtown lodging. Council expressed general support for the revitalization proposals and provided their suggestions and feedback. Discussion continued.

2. Ordinance 2023-26, Update to the Engineering Standard Specifications and Drawings and the Storm Water Manual (Gordon Miner, Engineer) - 60 minutes

City Engineer Gordon Miner and Engineering Department Director Russ Funk shared the presentation as included in the attached Staff Report. They provided explanations for the proposed updates to the existing Standard Specifications and Drawings and Storm Water Manual. The Planning Commission had forwarded a positive recommendation with the suggestion to include additional street lights. The Engineering staff had collaborated with the Public Works department for many of the proposed updates. Council Member Johnston was against the high back curb requirement for new subdivisions. He noted the high-back curbs required driveway cut-outs, which instantly added approximately a thousand dollars to the price of a home. Public Works Director Matthew Kennard felt, from a maintenance perspective, high-back curbs were preferred.

II. REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Franco called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance (Mike Johnston, Council Member)

Council Member Johnston led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Prayer/Thought by Invitation (Rachel Kahler, Council Member)

Council Member Kahler shared a prayer.

III. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE:

No conflicts of interest were disclosed.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. July 18, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes and August 1, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes (Trina Cooke, City Recorder)
2. Resolution 2023-12 amending the Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Bylaws (Jeremy Cook, City Attorney) -
3. Formal approval of and authorization for Staff to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Maddox Construction for an amount consistent with Maddox's bid response to the City, for the Bell Tower Renovation, and negotiate a contract amendment with FFKR to include its services as the Project Manager for said renovation. (J. Mark Smedley, Asst. City Manager)

Motion: Council Member Stack moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Second: Council Member Phillips made the second. **Voting Yes:** Council Members Johnston, Barney, Stack, and Phillips. **Voting No:** none. Council Member Kahler abstained as she had not been present at the August 1, 2023, Council meeting to vote on the meeting minutes. The **Motion Passed 4-0.**

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (3 min per person/20 min max)

Chief of Police Dave Booth was present to submit his letter of retirement to Council. His last day would be September 30, 2023. He expressed gratitude for his time with the City, the Police Department, and the Community. Chief Booth added that he would be remaining in the community and asked the City feel free to call on him if needed. He intended to stay involved. There would be a retirement open-house celebration on Thursday, September 28, 2023.

VI. ACTION ITEMS: (Council can discuss; table; continue; or approve items)

1. Ordinance 2023-26, Update to the Engineering Standard Specifications and Drawings and the Storm Water Manual (Gordon Miner, Engineer) - 15 minutes

Engineer Gordon Miner and Engineering Department Director Russ Funk continued the presentation that had begun in the Work Meeting regarding the updates to the Standard Specification and Drawings and the Storm Water Manual. Council continued discussion regarding utility easements, traffic-calming measures, and dark-sky-compliant street lighting.

Council majority supported more street lighting with dark-sky-compliant lights. Council wished to continue the discussion at a future meeting. The agenda item would return on the September 5, 2023, City Council Meeting agenda.

2. Ordinance 2023-22 adopting the Envision Central Heber Vision (Tony Kohler, Community Development Director) - 45 minutes

City Planning Consultant John Janson described the inclusion of the community by hosting several public workshops during the development of the Envision Central Heber Vision plan. Public input had been integrated in the plan. Mr. Janson provided an overview of the most recent updates made based upon Council's previous feedback. Council proceeded to provide additional suggestions and feedback. The discussion would resume at the September 5, 2023, City Council Meeting.

VII. COMMUNICATION:

Mr. Brower reminded Council of the luncheon the following day, August 16, 2023, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the Avon Theatre, hosted by the Community Alliance for Main Street (CAMS), where Roger Brooks would once again be presenting.

Mayor Franco reminded the Council and public that there would be a meet and greet hosted by the City for the final candidates for the Chief of Police position. The meet and greet was scheduled to take place at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22, at the Heber Valley Elementary School. There was also a Special City Council Meeting scheduled for August 23, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Member Johnston shared that at the Regional Planning Meeting held that morning they had been informed of an additional grant for environmental storm-water drainage that he felt the City should seek. He indicated he would provide additional information discussed at the meeting to the Council via email.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT - 6:55 P.M.

Motion: Council Member Stack made the motion to adjourn. **Second:** Council Member Kahler made the second. The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.




Trina Cooke, City Recorder