

**SANTA CLARA CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2015
MINUTES**

THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH, met for a Work Meeting on Wednesday, December 2, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Town Hall at 2603 Santa Clara Drive, Santa Clara, Utah.

Notice of the time, place and agenda of the meeting was provided to the Spectrum and to each member of the governing body by emailing a copy of the Notice and Agenda to the Spectrum and also, along with any packet information, to the mayor and each council member, at least two days before the meeting.

Present: Mayor Rick Rosenberg
Council Members: David Whitehead, Jerry Amundsen, Ken Sizemore and Mary Jo (Tode) Hafen
Recorder: Chris Shelley

Others Present: Brock Jacobsen, Assistant City Manager; Jack Taylor, Public Works Director; Corey Bundy, Building Official; Brad Hays, Parks Director; Bob Flowers, Police Chief; Matt Ence, City Attorney; Jarett Waite; Susan Nelson.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Rosenberg called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

- Ed Dickie, City Manager, was excused because he is at a FEMA Training in Salt Lake City.
- Councilman Herb Basso was excused due to illness.

2. Working Agenda:

A. General Business:

1. Discussion regarding the intersection of Lava Flow Drive and Arrowhead Trail.

- Mayor Rosenberg asked for the discussion to be delayed until Chief Flowers arrived.

2. Days of 47 Dixie 2016 Discussion.

- Mayor Rosenberg said he forwarded an email from Rick Nielson to the Council members. Rick Nielson is working with the Osmond's to plan a Days of 47 Dixie for the 24th of July holiday. They are trying to get some major events going. They are seeking some financial and kind support from all of the cities. There are some proposed budgets. They have asked the communities if they would look at it and see if there was something that they might be interested in providing to be able to make the celebration take place.
- Tode Hafen asked if it was one event.
- Mayor Rosenberg said that it is a series of events that will happen. There will be a

show with a lot of youth involved, an Osmond style production. They are talking about doing some other events scattered around the area as well.

- Tode Hafen asked where the main event would be.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that they are talking about Hansen Stadium. They are just trying to find out if there is enough community support to even proceed. This would be similar to the production in Provo. He said that they can support in kind with the Fire Department helping out or the Police Officers to help with security. Some of the public works employees could help with the set up. The City could supply tables or supplies. Or the City could provide money. He wanted to know Council's thoughts, if supporting this type of event would be good for the City, for the residents. If the Council wasn't interested, the Mayor can let them know.

- Tode Hafen asked what the OOHF on the second column means.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that he thinks it means the Osmond Foundation. He said that Washington City is excited about it. He said the City would get its share of the sales tax. He said that they would use a lot of the local talent. He asked if this is something they should consider.

- Tode Hafen stated that her feeling is she would like to be supportive if they do it. She sees very little benefit for the City. Her concern is the temperature that time of year. She said she probably wouldn't initiate this but there is a little bit of being a good partner in the community. She said the City needs to be careful and maybe select some contribution in kind or a small donation. It is a benefit to the community at large.

- Jerry Amundsen said that he has seen one of the original productions and it was a really good show. He said the heat can bring some concern but Tuachan runs all summer long in the evening and they bring people in. He said that if it is an evening production he would support it.

- David Whitehead said he is on line with Tode and Jerry. He said if it is going to happen, it is okay to support. He said if the City supports it financially that it shouldn't be more than what the City's percentage of residents. No more than \$3,500.

- Ken Sizemore said that he thinks that is an awfully steep price tag for that kind of an event. He thinks Mayor Rosenberg should go back to the Mayor's Committee and get a feel for what the rest of the communities are feeling. He said that if Washington City and St. George City are saying aye and the rest of the cities are saying nay he doesn't think that Santa Clara should pursue it. He said that if there is a significant number of mayors saying to pursue this then he thinks the City can be a partner for a limited contribution.

- Mayor Rosenberg asked that if the Mayors are all in favor is the Council okay with him making a commitment of \$3,500 in kind or in cash.

- Tode Hafen said yes but preferably in kind. She said she hates to make a financial obligation.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that the County will be in on this as well. Tourism dollars from the County would be a good source or even some RAP tax. It would be next year's budget. It could be worked in the budget.

- Brock Jacobsen said it is up to the Council. If they want it in the budget, they will work to get it in the budget. It comes down to the priorities.

- Mayor Rosenberg said he will go back to the Mayor's Committee and see where the big players are coming in. He will see what the County is willing to do. He will get some information on what the economic return will be.

1. Discussion regarding the intersection of Lava Flow Drive and Arrowhead Trail.
 - Chief Flowers, Police Chief, said that he got a phone call from Councilwoman Hafen about some citizens who have complained. He stated that he called them on the phone and asked them to send a letter and some endorsements of some of the neighbors. He said that when they got that from them, some of the officers went down and watched the intersection for a week and they were surprised by the amount and the speed of the traffic. He said that he met with Jack Taylor and they had a discussion. Jack and his crew went out and made some contacts and cleaned up some things. He said they are coordinating some enforcement there for the rest of the week. He said something had to be done and they have put their heads together and he and Jack think this is the best solution for the problem.
 - Jack Taylor, Public Works Director, said that what they have done is installed a 4-way stop. The signs are up and the crew is working on some of the trees so there won't be obstructions. Tomorrow they are working on the east side of the road on the trees and bushes. There are flashers on top of the stop signs so they will be visible at night. There are warning signs a couple of hundred feet back that say to "Stop Ahead". There are big red barricade signs up and crossbars painted on the street. There will be police officers there in the morning from about 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. watching the 4-way stop. The 4-way stop is on Lava Flow and Arrowhead.
 - Mayor Rosenberg said that this was a safety issue, a hazard and let's get it taken care of. He said the paint cones should be removed by now. He said that this isn't going to come without some protests. He said that Councilman Basso has already expressed a protest via email and phone. He said they are taking the appropriate action for this location.
 - Chief Flowers said that they put the speed trailer out and they are going to enforce it. He appreciates Jack's crew getting right on it. He said it was a serious issue. He feels good about what they did. He said if someone has a complaint, to send them to him and he will explain why they did what they did.
 - Tode Hafen said that she has had a similar complaint about Malaga Road concerning the speed and not stopping. She will forward the name of that person to Chief Flowers.
 - Chief Flowers said he would be happy to call them.

3. Discussion regarding Watering on the Heights.

- Mayor Rosenberg said he is looking for some input. He mentioned the letter that the Council got from Mike Eger concerning the water coming from the hillside behind his home. He voiced these concerns at a City Council meeting last month. There are some problems with overwatering on the Heights and it is causing some stability problems as well. He asked how they could possibly consider implementing a plan to help reduce the outdoor watering on the Heights at least for portions of the Heights that are impacting the slope. He said they do have a goal with the Water District. They are trying to conserve water and reduce outdoor water use. This is more than just the hillside stability issue. But the stability issue is probably more important. He said there is water appearing on the slope that hasn't been a problem in the past. He said this needs to be addressed. What are the Council's suggestions or ideas? Where should they go from here?

- Jack Taylor said that he thinks what they ought to do is start with the new construction. Also a reduction of impact fees if they put in a different type of landscaping. And there needs to be something done on the older areas of the Heights like taking out grass that there could be some type of a credit. There are a lot of ordinances out there. The County could be a great help. The City needs to put some things together and make it work.
- Jerry Amundsen said that he sees daily watering going on all year long even now in the middle of winter. He said that people set their clock and forget it. He said there needs to be some kind of education. He doesn't want to start someone going around citing people because they are watering every day. Maybe a letter or something like that. He believes there is excessive use of water.
- Jack Taylor said another thing they can use is the Parlant system. The message could be sent out to all the residents now that it is winter time to make sure they cut back on watering and turn off the sprinkler clocks, only water once or twice a month and other similar messages that can be sent out on Parlant. He also stated that the City is getting water from Ivins. He said that maybe the City could unite with Ivins and see what they could do.
- Tode Hafen asked why the water is coming from Ivins.
- Jack Taylor said the water comes down and hits the clay layers and doesn't penetrate and it has to go somewhere. It's an issue.
- Mayor Rosenberg said that drains are a hard way to take care of this. He said it is a problem that will get worse. He said that the City needs to start the process to see what can be done to reduce the impact. He likes the idea of the committee getting Ivins involved. Maybe there can be an irrigation audit done.
- Brad Hayes, Parks Director, said that he sits on the Water District Conservation Board and he said one of the major things people can do for their lawns is to change the type of nozzles they have. Most of the nozzles that people have are 40-50% efficient. The new nozzles that are out are relatively inexpensive and they cut the water in half on the lawn and reduces the runoff. He said that he would be happy to write something for the newsletter in the spring to talk about watering, when to water, nozzle options and different things they can have to try to help reduce water usage.
- David Whitehead wonders if they are oversaturating the ground. He said there should be a credit for water reduction.
- Mayor Rosenberg asked Brad to prepare something for the newsletter. He said not to wait to far into the spring maybe even in January. There could maybe be some public outreach meetings.
- Ken Sizemore said they had talked about doing an open house or a work meeting next month. He said that is an excellent portion of the presentation they could have at that meeting in January with some posters from the Water Conservancy District and one of their conservation people at the open house to talk about that.
- Mayor Rosenberg asked if there is a location and everything set up for that.
- Brock Jacobsen said they talked about doing that at the fire station on Rachel Drive. He said that one thing that needs to be done at the January Work Meeting is to start off at the City Offices and swear in the new Council Member and then move to the fire station.
- Mayor Rosenberg said that the swearing in could be done earlier. But he said that if the public wants to be there then the Work Meeting shouldn't be started earlier than

- 6:00. The meeting could be started at the Offices at 5:00 and take care of the business end of it and have the Work Meeting at the Fire Station at 6:00. He asked how they were going to let the public know.
- Ken Sizemore said that he volunteered to write an article for the newsletter. He said he will get it in before the 15th.
 - Mayor Rosenberg asked Brad to take on the assignment to get someone from the Water District to come to the Work Meeting in January. He said for him to get some literature. He asked Brock to do a Parlant message.
 - Ken Sizemore said that there are several topics that they have talked about over the year that they could have it the open house. One is Harmons and the month before the opening and showing the neighbors what is going on. There should be a Harmons representative there.
 - Mayor Rosenberg asked Corey Bundy to arrange that.
 - Ken Sizemore said that one of the issues that generated this idea to begin with were the complaints about Gubler Park and the lights and noise and access. It will be an opportunity for the neighbors to come in and see the future plans. The City is doing a lot of new things and they will be able to find out how this will impact the flows of traffic and what the City is doing to keep traffic off of the other entrance.
 - Mayor Rosenberg asked that since there have placed the major strips, if they have still had complaints.
 - Ken Sizemore said that they are hearing rumblings about the liquor licensing in the community. This open house will give people an opportunity to come and talk to the City Council informally about these issues.
 - Mayor Rosenberg said that they will have this meeting and in the meantime he will talk to Mayor Hart about a joint committee that can look at long range plans to try and reduce some of the watering in Ivins.
 - Tode Hafen said that she suggest to Jack Taylor to do a Parlant to remind people to turn their water off.
 - Mayor Rosenberg said that could happen right now and it would be Brock that would do it.
 - Brock Jacobsen said there is a bug in the Parlant system and they are working to get it fixed. It should be done in the next week.
 - David Whitehead stated when we have heavy rains, it stores up and comes down years later.
 - Matt Ence, City Attorney, said that he isn't hearing from the Council about them doing anything really extreme on the watering and that Mike Eger would be standing there saying to cut it off to save the hillside. The issues with watering, he recommends that whatever is done whether through the City Council or a joint committee with Ivins there really needs to be some kind of professional study or studies done on some of these issues before any extreme implementation goes into place. He said whatever it is that the Council does will affect a lot of people on the Heights. We have to be able to show that it wasn't an arbitrary thing and there are so many variables involved. He asked the Council to keep that in mind. He thinks that they ought to invest a little bit into a study before things are implemented. He said he's thinking long term.
 - Mayor Rosenberg stated that the FEMA grant that the City submitted the application for and been shortlisted for. One component of that scope of work is about a \$100,000 study on the stability and looking at ground water at the face and some of the

recommendations to take care of that. He said they are hopeful that they will be hearing more on that grant in the next few months. Ed Dickie, City Manager, is with FEMA right now. He's getting some FEMA training to be able to administer the RFI documents and administer the grant should the City be selected. He said the City is shortlisted on the most recent application and so that may be an opportunity to do something along that line.

- Matt Ence said that speaking frankly, the City may be forced into looking at it more closely even before that if Mike or other citizens with landslide issues decide to make an issue of it.

- David Whitehead said that the water could take even 100's of years to work through the sandstone.

- Mayor Rosenberg said they should have more information over the holidays on the grant. He said they will wait until that open house in January.

- Ken Sizemore said he will send a draft about the open house to the City Council.

- Susan Nelson said that she has been a resident of Santa Clara for 8 years. She is a cultural and historic activist. She has an idea to do a cultural and historic program in Santa Clara. She is requesting help financially through the RAP tax. She applied with the RAP tax. She did it through the Historical Society. She said she couldn't get their tax free number. She said because of that they wouldn't put her application through even though they liked it. She is hoping that this next year the City would help her do four lecture workshops in Santa Clara at the offices that would highlight the cultural and historic aspects of Santa Clara. She has also applied to the Washington County Historical Society. She is asking them to help so that Santa Clara doesn't have total responsibility on it. She wants to bring Paul Taylor, an expert on petroglyphs in. He has given a program at the library in St. George. She wants to bring in the Laughing Cactus Puppet Guild. They came to Swiss Days. She would also like to bring in Lee Hughes a botanist. She would like to do a Santa Clara arboretum day. She would like to bring in Randall McGee a professional paper cutter to teach a history of Swiss paper cutting in a workshop. The total budget for this is \$2,000 and she is asking for \$1,000 from the Washington County Historical Society and she is asking for \$1,000 from Santa Clara City. She said that this is just an introduction.

- Mayor Rosenberg asked her when she would hear from Washington County and if approved when the series would start.

- Susan Nelson said she will hear from them in March. She said it would start in April or May and in the fall.

- Mayor Rosenberg told the Council that they need to talk about on the RAP tax that they have tentively discussed 80% of the RAP tax is going into the recreation projects, parks. The other 20% would go to the arts and cultural type of things. Of that 20%, \$5,000 a year goes to Tuachan. He said based on the current levels there will be another \$5,000 a year.

- Brock Jacobsen said that this year they budgeted \$50,000 in RAP tax and right now the City's on schedule to receive that much.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that today they put together a formal application for that money and they will publish a day when those will be due and Susan Nelson will submit one of those. He said they will get applications submitted the 1st of March and then have the ability guide at the end of the month to make that award. He said that he

likes her projects. He said they will get some input and make a selection. He appreciated her coming.

1. Staff Reports:

Police Chief Bob Flowers

- There have been some burglaries. Arrests have been made on all of them. Sergeant Studly and Detective Shafer did some great work there.
- Over the holidays they are going to go into all the schools and train with the teachers on entries by people that shouldn't be in the schools. They will be doing that while the kids are out of school. There will be signs out.
- Roamers are going through neighborhoods looking for unlocked cars. They will send out some information about being aware of that. He has talked to Ed Dickie about that.
- There is one dog in the animal shelter and very few cats. It's going well.
- David Whitehead mentioned that there has been a squatter out at Paradise Village and he has noticed more people roaming around than usual. Chief Flowers said that people need to report to them about that. He said that there has been roamers and people going through garbage. He said that they try to get aid to people who are in need. He said there is only so much the police can do.

Brad Hays

- The Pickle Ball Courts are being completed at Gubler Park. They should be done within the month. The pavilion and building have been ordered. The lights are here for the pickle ball courts. Everything is lined up. The building won't be done before Harmons opens but the rest of the park should be done. They are working on Canyon View Drive with the tree design. There will be 50 plus trees along there. It will be done by the middle of January.
- Ken Sizemore asked Brad about the timing of when the Canyon View Park restrooms restorations will happen. Brad Hayes said they are trying to get a CDGB grant to help fund all or part of the construction.

Jack Taylor

- The main sewer lines for Hwy 91 will be done by the end of next week. They asked for a bid on the two storm drains that need to be done for the project on the east and west side of Swiss Village. They were given a price of \$15 a foot. An engineer at Rosenberg said that was a fair price. It will be a little over \$5,000 to install both lines. They had a pre-bid meeting on Monday at 10 a.m. with all the contractors. There were 6 or 7 contractors there to bid on the project. The bids are due December 15th.
- Jack and the Mayor will be going to the CIB Board on December 10th to see about getting a grant and some funding. They did get the TAP funding that will give them about \$160,000 for the project.
- He got the solar study back. The residential came back at 6.1 cents and the commercial at 6.7 cents. He said they sent out an email to all the people concerned. They are invited to a work meeting on December 9 at 4 p.m. Mark, the person who put the study together, will be at the meeting to explain the study.

- The wiring at Harmons is ready to connect to the store. Work there is moving along.
- Jerry Amundsen asked about the fog coating on Canyon View. Jack said it was planned. It is under the chip sealing warranty.

Corey Bundy

- There are 3 items going to Planning Commission this next month. The first one is the General Plan Amendment for the property along Lava Cove Drive. They want to change from main street commercial to mixed use residential. The next item is a zone change for Paradise Village at Zion Phase 6. The last item is Bella Sol phase 5 final plat. These items will be forwarded on to January City Council Meeting.
- Harmons is coming along. They are on schedule for the interior. The store will open at the end of February. They need temporary occupancy for financing. He and the Fire Chief will do a walk through. They issued a permit for fuel tanks. The solar systems are still up with the engineer for review.
- The home on Quail Street will be torn down in the next few months.
- They are looking at striping Rachel Drive. Curb and gutter will be put in.
- Tode Hafen said that she had a resident call her about a medium density thing and that she got a letter about a zone change. Corey said that it has to do with the first item, the General Plan Amendment.
- Ken Sizemore said that the realty specialist at the BLM office asked him what the City Council is doing about the zoo at Rosenbrooks. Mayor Rosenberg explained that the Rosenbrooks are wanting to do a small zoo. It's in the County and not in Santa Clara.
- Ken Sizemore said that the new field office manager at BLM Brian Triddel told him that he would love to have an opportunity to visit with the City Council at a Work Meeting about South Hills and how the Council wants to proceed. He could see the urban air issues that the City is confronting. Ken told him the door is always open.
- Mayor Rosenberg said he talked to Zack about the shooting range. The County has closed the longer high powered rifle ranges because of safety issues. Only the shotgun and archery are open. An expert is going to do evaluations on the shooting ranges including the one proposed in Santa Clara. There needs to be about 800 yards in range for high powered guns. Someone in the Council needs to be assigned to take in the position of watching over the Shooting Site.

Matt Ence

- Mayor Rosenberg asked Matt to prepare a letter to send to Mike Eager responding to his email. His last letter was from November 18.

Brock Jacobsen

- He said they will be bringing the budget schedule to City Council to be approved and make any changes that need to be made for the next fiscal year.
- He asked about the appraisal for the Rosenlofts.
- He said that he talked to Ed about closing for half a day on Fridays. He said they have tracked the traffic they have had since being open on Fridays and they are

averaging about 10 people. Most are for Court related items. The Court hours would be until 1 p.m. They get a few phone calls regarding utilities. He said that this would make it easier for staff. Instead of 10 hour days and the person working Fridays not working on Mondays the staff would all be in the office every day. Ken Sizemore said he has strong feelings about that. He said they are supposed to be open to the public and have regular business hours. So he feels that they need to have a presence there on Friday afternoons. David Whitehead said his concern would be for someone who needs to come in and have their utilities turned on. Can that be done online? He feels that they are there to serve the public. Tode Hafen asked if they can rotate staff to work on Fridays. Brock said that is what they are doing now. Mayor Rosenberg said that it sounds like they better plan on being open all day. He said that if there are any problems they can bring it up at the budget discussion. Mayor said that they did get the appraisal back on Rosenlofts but he would like to wait and do that discussion in an Executive Session next week. He said to make sure it is on the agenda.

4. Adjournment:

Meeting Adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Chris Shelley – City Recorder

Date Approved: _____