

**SANTA CLARA CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020
MINUTES**

THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH, met for a Work Meeting on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 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. **The Meeting is available to view Live Stream on the Santa Clara City website at sccity.org or go directly to the YouTube link: <https://youtu.be/8QLgdRGw-sg>.**

Present: Mayor Rick Rosenberg
Council Members: Jarett Waite, Wendell Gubler, Ben Shakespeare, Denny Drake and Leina Mathis
City Manager: Brock Jacobsen
City Recorder: Chris Shelley

Others Present: Brad Hays, Parks & Trails Director; Corey Bundy, Building Official; Bob Nicholson, City Planner; Randy Hancey, Fire Chief; Bob Flowers, Police Chief; Scott Bannon; Kristelle Hill; Preben Jensen; Clint Merrell; Bobby Rouser; Ila Rouser; Daniel Growler; Laine Freij; Brooke Ence

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Rosenberg called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. He welcomed everyone and introduced the Council. Councilman Waite attended the meeting via Zoom. All other Council members were present.

2. **Working Agenda:**

A. General Business:

3. Discussion on a proposed code amendment to the Santa Clara City Code, Title 13, Chapter 13.24, Storm Water (Low-Impact Development Standards) & Discussion on adoption of Dixie Storm Water Coalition Low-Impact Development Application Guidance for Santa Clara City.

- Scott Bannon, City Code Enforcement Officer, stated that we just need to adopt this. This came down from the State. In 2010 the EPA started making some regulations with low-impact development standards. They devised a plan and pushed it out to the States. It was adopted in 2018 and then pushed out to the local municipalities with the MS4's. As of July 1, 2020 it was supposed to be implemented within our City Code and adopted with the L-I D Manual. The Dixie Storm Water Coalition got together and decided as a group that with our soils and other things being different because the State pushed this out as a State-wide mandate not taking into consideration the different soils and things that can affect this low-impact design in Southern Utah. He

said they did a study with Bowen and Collins doing the research with the Coalition and put together a manual with five examples of low-impact development that is becoming the standard for the State that the developers have to at least research and take a look at and adopt any within the development of a subdivision. There must be a justification why LI D's will work. He said there had to be changes to our ordinances 13.24 and put the LI D manual in there. He said that the LI D manual was sent out to the City Council for the City Council to review.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that this is an EPA mandate, a mandate that originates with the EPA that was put on the States several years ago. The State is now enforcing it on the cities if they are of a certain size. Since we are part of the MPO we are getting pushed into adopting this type of a manual. In order to facilitate some of the language in the manual we need to change our Storm Water regulations. He said what he would really like Clint to explain in layman's terms is the impact it is going to have on the individual property owners and how it impacts building permits, development approvals and some of the additional steps you are going to have to go through and if we have an idea of the additional costs.

- Clint Merrell, Bowen & Collins, explained what low-impact development means. It essentially means you are trying to facilitate and encourage storm water to stay on the original site where it fell rather than the traditional approach to take the rain and put it in a storm drain, a curb and gutter or a pipe and take it out to the river. He said that low impact is kind of a trend in the industry and the State has now mandated it. They have always required to manage our storm water runoff during the construction time period and to try and keep dirt and pollutants on the site and try and filter the storm water. Several years ago, they put in a requirement to retain on site, but no one was really doing it because there was no specific number tied to it. Then the State came out and tied a number to it and stated that for this specific amount of rain you must keep all that rain on your site from now during construction in perpetuity. That is one of the major changes. The other change is you must give contractors at least five options for LI D. They call it Best Management Practices and the City or whatever governing body is in charge of viewing their plans has to give them those options. It is not just because Santa Clara is in the MPO, it is because the City maintains a storm drain system and the City is discharged to a surface water in the United States that you fall under this. He said as far as the impact this is going to have there is a threshold on the requirement and it is any site that is larger than 1-acre size. An individual homeowner that is less than an acre they are not going to have to meet these new requirements. It is really geared toward new development or any redevelopment larger than 1-acre. The requirements are a little bit different for redevelopment verses new development. Redevelopments are only responsible for new impervious areas that they are adding that would add more runoff. New development that is larger than 1-acre are going to have to retain .44 inches of rainfall. That is the 80% storm event which means 80% of all storms or less than or equal to .44 inches in total depth. He said they are now looking at drainage studies that are submitted with new developments and making sure they are at least addressing this retention requirement. New development will have to show that they are either providing retention using one of the selected criteria in this manual or if they are not able to do that that they are documenting the reason why.

- Mayor Rosenberg asked if the BMP's are in the manual.

- Clint Merrell said they are. The State came out with a list of a lot of other BMP's

that they wanted us to use that is why the Storm Water Coalition was formed so they could take care of that. He said they have chosen to highlight five of the BMP's.

- Denny Drake asked how you can have a roof disconnect or a roof connected.

- Clint Merrell said the connection is not necessarily a physical. He said the question is, where does the rain go from the roof. Does it go on to a parking lot, which then goes to a curb and gutter and then to an inlet and then to a storm drain and to the river.

That would be connected because there is a path of flow from the rooftop to the river. It is impervious the whole way. It can't get into the ground water. If it is

disconnected, you are putting space between the impervious roof and the parking lot and the downstream receiving water. The idea is you are doing it on the site that is putting in the new impervious area, the new rooftops and the new parking lots.

Developers don't have to just use these options that are in the manual. They can

propose others. They just have to be reviewed and approved by the reviewing body.

Roof disconnected in the State's view is the preferred method of doing things and that is the most water quality friendly way to do it, but it can't be done in all cases.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that certain cases require different BMP's.

- Clint Merrell said hopefully they are providing some flexibility and even the State in their own language says that they are not dictating the method that has to be used but are saying that you have to somehow to the maximum extent practical, so to do your best or somehow document it. You must have a good reason. It is the State auditors that decide what the good reason is. He said they must try and enforce what they think the State is going to enforce on us.

- Ben Shakespeare said, this falls on the developer. They put a master plan for their development and how to catch it, but does it ultimately fall on the homeowner? Are we enforcing single-family residences one-acre and less on how they discharge their rain gutter now?

- Clint Merrell said not on existing lots but on new lots. With existing mechanisms in place what they would do is during the review of the preliminary plat and the drainage study for the development they would say that based on the lot sizes and the type of development going in the engineer that is doing the drainage study is going to have to make assumptions of the impervious area and how much would have to be retained on site. He said a note would be added to the preliminary plat that has been recorded against that subdivision that says that development would have to have disconnected rooftop drains or the developer when he grades it would grade in some sort of retention facility or they could put in some other BMP. They can propose what they want or at a minimum there needs to be some documentation that says the developer at least tried.

- Ben Shakespeare said that is his concern, is that now we are going to see a small detention basin on every single home out front at the curb. How does that get monitored and who pays for that?

- Clint Merrell said that on a review basis they are going to look at the overall development. He said their hope is they are not going to be putting this on the individual homeowners, but the developer can just take care of this. It might be as simple as a park strip with an inverted section in it.

- Leina Mathis asked if these park strips would have to be per site.

- Clint Merrell said that if the inverted park strip has the right amount of volume for the entire area then it wouldn't have to be per site. He said they have to come to an agreement and the actual has to be based on some sound engineering judgment.

- Leina Mathis asked if Bowen & Collins is going to review every site plan.
- Clint Merrell said they review every site plan already.
- Leina Mathis asked if someone was actually going to go out and check it and make sure that they are done.
- Clint Merrell said yes and they check now. In the course of their review they have minimum things they have to do and so the City is inspecting and making sure they are doing it. The City will have to decide whether or not they are going to own these retention facilities. The City owns two now but the rest are privately owned. They are usually put on the HOA to maintain them. We have to have a program in place for inspecting these periodically and we get audited by the State every five or so years.
- Scott Bannon said it is required by the City to do an inspection every five years but the property owner has to do it every year and we have to maintain those records somehow which we have developed a written agreement now and have to go out and look at those privately owned ones and make sure they are getting cleaned.
- Clint Merrell said it is not unusual to have an agreement with the HOA so the City has an agreement that they are going to sign that would cover that.
- Denny Drake said the City has a storm water system in place and we charge our individual homeowners a particular fee for that storm water system. How does that impact what Clint is talking about?
- Clint Merrell said it doesn't really change that because it doesn't change the criteria that is used to size the facilities. That impact fee is focused on building the infrastructure to make sure we have flood control facilities that we can get the water from the development to the river without inundating properties and maintaining that system. There has not been an impact fee analysis associated with implementing this retention requirement.
- Mayor Rosenberg said we may have to visit our drainage fee, our monthly user fee, based on the cost once we see what the cost are coming in to do the additional maintenance and additional record keeping.
- Scott Bannon said if there isn't an HOA who is going to take responsibility for that development when it is built out. Is it going to fall back on the City and are we going to have to implement some type of cost for those homeowners for us going in and maintaining it? That is one of the big questions. We haven't been able to get an answer from the State.
- Ben Shakespeare said that we have blue clay. Why can't we just say we don't want to keep the water on our sites and let it saturate into our soils and that we want to let it flow to the river. There is a big cost that goes along with all of this. It becomes additional Staff and increased impact fees. He said his recommendation would be that we find under what has been mandated the legal minimum as a City and with the collapsible soil that we have we've got the perfect reason to do it because we don't want to catch water.
- Mayor Rosenberg said the exceptions are there; they just have to, as part of their approval process, document the exception and have the evidence so when they go under an audit, it's there. The geotech report would show the presence of the collapsible, expandable soils. That would be the evidence as to why they would be the exception.
- Clint Merrell said that other cities have tried and failed to say they wanted to blanket the whole city because they have bad soils. He said this was a good effort by the

Storm Water Coalition to get together and say that if there can't be a blanket to an entire city then what can be done to make it easier on developers to document this. One of the aspects of this is that there is general area maps that will help developers. They will help provide documentation that will go in a file and when the State comes, they will have them documented on the maps.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that we require a geotechnical report anyway. So that is not an additional cost on the development. That detailed information is there on the site as they come in for development review. It is easy for the engineer to look at that geotechnical report and determine whether or not it is going to qualify for an exception. A lot of Santa Clara will, but there is quite a bit that won't. The valley and some of the areas up in the Heights won't qualify. We should probably look at some areas for new retention areas. The ability to add others is there. We will have to work through this as we go through development reviews. This may affect the Black Desert reviews and all the newer projects that are coming in now that are larger than an acre. We will have to go through this review process and we'll have to find a way.

- Ben Shakespeare said that ultimately it falls on the developer but ultimately it is the end user that pays for it because all those costs get passed on to them. It is all-important to protect our waterways but there are a lot of mandates coming down that as a City if we can look at things with end user in mind as well, that is how we need to look at it.

- Leina Mathis asked about the preliminary plats that have already been approved.

- Mayor Rosenberg said it is being applied to projects that are currently being reviewed. He thanked Clint and said it will be an action item on the Aug. 26th City Council Meeting agenda.

1. Mural discussion located at 3204 Santa Clara Drive. Presented by Corey Bundy, Building & Zoning Official and Daniel Growler, Painter.

- Corey Bundy stated that Jonathan Cowen, the property owner at 3204 Santa Clara Drive, was approved by the Heritage Commission and City Council to have a Native American artwork installed on a retaining wall on this property. Jonathan Cowen will return from COVID-19 service in late November. He is back east in Norfolk, Virginia performing that service and at that time will try to get a plaque installed and maybe a dedication ceremony. At this meeting Daniel Growler, the artist, would like to speak on the artistic design that was put on there.

- Daniel Growler, Artist, Cedar City, Utah, stated that he is a Southern Paiute Indian. He talked about how Jonathan got the okay from the City for this mural. The mural is dedicated to the Shivwits Indian Tribe. He said they wanted him to recognize the culture of the Native American people that live here. The mural is a story of the different colors of life that would live in the world we have today. The circle of the earth. He explained the colors. The red color is for the rocks and the ground. The blue color is for the water and the sky. The yellow color is for the sun. The white color is for the clouds and the daylight. There are 13 of them on the wall and each one tells a story of the Native American Indian people. He was happy to do this for the City to have them recognize the Indian culture as well. It took him two weeks to do the mural. He said he is an Indian graphic designer. He designs colors, lights and lines and really precise designs. The artwork is very unique. He does this all in his brain

and his body. He did this all on his own. He had a gift for the Mayor and for Corey Bundy. He gave out his watercolors to the City Council. He brought colleagues from Cedar City. He said he sealed the mural so that it will last forever. He will be doing another one for Cedar City. He will have done 12 in all. He thanked the City for letting him do this mural for the City so the citizens will have something to look at and appreciate every day. He said that there were two little trees in the way of the mural and asked if they can be replaced with some roses.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that is something the City can look at doing but the trees have been trimmed.

- Daniel Growler said he wanted to thank all the people that came by and supported him and brought him water. He said everyone seemed excited to see the mural. When the City has Swiss Days he could be there to sign autographs.

- Mayor Rosenberg said we could do some other recognition as well. With COVID we are not sure how Swiss Days is going to go this year. He would love to be able to recognize Daniel.

- Daniel Growler said he is thankful for what he has done and it is something that will last forever and be appreciated by a lot of people in the community. He thanked the City for letting him have the opportunity. He said that each one has a little story and he gave it to Corey Bundy.

- Corey Bundy said that Daniel submitted wording to tell on each circle what each color and what each graphic detail was.

- Mayor Rosenberg thanked Daniel for the work that he did.

- Bobby Rouser, Cedar Band of Paiutes, thanked the City for having Daniel do his mural. He said he does good work and he is one of us and we are proud of him.

- Brock Jacobsen, City Manager, said that the response we have had on social media has been really amazing.

- Mayor Rosenberg told Daniel that he appreciates his gift to the City and that we would reach out to him once we figure out what we are doing for Swiss Days and have Daniel come back.

4. Swiss Days discussion.

- Brock Jacobsen said that Brooke Ence and Lainee Frei are in attendance at the meeting. He said they have met for a discussion on Swiss Days and have tried to put together something that might work during the current conditions of COVID-19 and the guidelines that have been given. Brooke and Lainee are going to share what has been discussed and get the Council's feedback.

- Lainee Frei said that the guidelines that the State has given for events are really hard to implement for Swiss Days. It would be hard to track who comes and who isn't there and have a one way in and one way out. With the yellow phase there is a lot of rules and with our location it is really hard. She said they didn't solicit businesses. They are going to host all the businesses that sponsored last year. We will still hang all those banners and put the cows out. She said they don't have the funds they usually have because they didn't raise the money.

- Brooke Ence said that they would have to have a name and contact information for every person that attends Swiss Days. There are supposed to be Senior Citizen hours and special hours for those who are high risk. There should be an in only and an out

only entrance/exit. The shuttle was a problem because they would have to sanitize between every group that gets on and with every stop that is not feasible. They had a meeting with Brock and Ditzie and came up with some ideas. There is a possibility of doing some type of reverse parade and decorating the new bridge. Also, about having the Swiss Day flags and cows and some lighting on the bridge and have Council handing out something. That would be on a Thursday and the last home game for Snow Canyon High School is the Friday of Swiss Days so there will be a lot of people from the town there. She suggested bringing back the fireworks show after the football game.

- Laine Frei said the people would already be at the football game and be social distanced.

- Brooke Ence said that we wouldn't have to worry about how to get the people there and what they are doing, they are already there, and we wouldn't have to track anyone to do that. We could play some Swiss music while the fireworks were going. We could have some Swiss music down at the bridge if we decide to do that.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that Swiss Days is the celebration of the heritage and a celebration of those who have gone before us and it is everything that the COVID regulations say we can't do. He said he is personally uncomfortable exposing the treasures of the City to that right now. Even the parade. He said that might not include the 5K. He has read the marathon and Iron Man regulations and it can be set up to where you can still do that. It is outside and you can social-distance and it can be managed so we can probably do the 5K. He is worried about a parade. He is worried about people going to the effort they are accustomed to going through for Swiss Days and not getting the fulfillment that they are accustomed to seeing back from Swiss Days. We have put off dedicating the bridge and also the new Heritage Park thinking that we may be able to do those events sometime in the Fall and maybe as part of Swiss Days. We could probably do that. He doesn't know that they are going to be well attended. This gives us something we could have during that window of time to celebrate as a community.

- Brooke Ence said they had talked about still trying to have the 5K but is concerned about the congregating at the finish line.

- Wendell Gubler said that in the last meeting the Council talked about doing one event on just one day and maybe have it in conjunction with the football game. Maybe have a light parade after the football game and maybe fireworks after that and have it all done the same day. Is that a possibility?

- Ben Shakespeare said he thinks the fireworks show would be great but if the game spectators are limited.

- Brooke Ence said we could tell people they can view the fireworks from Canyon View Park and people could stay in their cars. She likes that the people will already be there at the game and we don't have to worry about getting them in and out in the proper way or monitoring them. They will already be there at the stadium.

- Mayor Rosenberg said that the start and finish areas for the 5K could be changed to a large parking area. They could run and then disperse.

- Ben Shakespeare said he likes the idea of the 5K and they could sign a waiver so they would know they needed to disperse and not gather.

- Laine Frei said it could just be a fun run this year and it would be cheaper. They would still get a tee shirt.

- Brooke Ence said it is an \$8 entry fee. They price is cut in half so people can afford to do it. We can change the ending. This would make it a Friday night and Saturday morning Swiss Days event.
- Ben Shakespeare suggested decking out Santa Clara Drive with the flags and cows and let the residents know they could drive through there and have a great fireworks show on Friday night and do the fun run.
- Mayor Rosenberg said we can do the dedications, or we can put that off. He said he would love to have a dance on the bridge. But if the event restrictions postpone that then we postpone it.
- Brooke Ence said that we would have to be in green phase for that.
- Mayor Rosenberg said that school is going to start and two weeks later everyone is going to be watching to see how many cases of COVID there are for the first month after that which is right before Swiss Days, it is going to be up in the air. If the State School Board regulations are implemented and enforced and they have to quarantine kids who are exposed for two weeks that could take a lot of people out of this.
- Brooke Ence said that is why they have planned things that don't cost a ton of money. If things go back to orange, we don't want to have to spent tons of money and then have to cancel. The fireworks will have to be paid for ahead of time.
- Mayor Rosenberg said that the fireworks are something we wouldn't have to cancel.
- Ben Shakespeare said we can do a firework's show and a fun run.
- Mayor Rosenberg agreed and said to have the flags and cows up and asked if they are going to display them for the full month.
- Laine Frei said they will do that like normal. They sent the businesses a letter and told them they appreciated their support in the past and told them they would like to put their banners up this year, and we got lots of feedback. They liked that.
- Mayor Rosenberg asked what we should do about the volunteer of the year and the grand marshal.
- Brooke Ence said they talked about that and thought that should be put off until next year. It doesn't feel fair to not have an event to recognize them.
- Mayor Rosenberg said he thinks it should be put off until next year also.
- Denny Drake asked about the fun run. It has always been a family event and that won't happen as much this year and the gathering after the foot race was almost as important as the race itself and if we aren't going to gather, he doesn't see the race as being successful. He said the fireworks doesn't impact anyone and is a tremendous success.
- Brooke Ence said the fun run does present some risk. People will be together and we'll have to make sure they are aware of the guidelines and rules and be willing to adhere to them and we'll have to have their contact information in case there is any type of outbreak. We'll have that in their fun run application. She thinks we can make the run fall within the guidelines. We can make it work. We won't put out a lot of cost in advance of the fun run. Is Council thinking fireworks and the fun run?
- Mayor Rosenberg said and include all of the decorations.
- Laine Frei said that once they put the sponsor banners up the cows come out.
- Brooke Ence said we can put that in the newsletter and once we know what we are doing, we will put it out there and encourage people to put up their flags and put out their cows and show that it is Swiss Days in Santa Clara even though it is downsized.
- Mayor Rosenberg said that the word that is put out will be very important.

- Laine Frey said that Canyon Media will do radio ads for us. We'll advertise through social media.
- Leina Mathis asked about doing the fun run a little bit later in the day.
- Brooke Ence said we will really have to make sure they are all aware of the time change. Sometimes to change the time for one year might cause confusion.
- Ben Shakespeare asked what the residents are saying. What are they wanting for Swiss Days.
- Laine Frey said that they want to have the run. Once people see the guidelines, they will understand why we can't have the full Swiss Days celebration. Everyone wants normal. But we are not normal right now.
- Wendell Gubler asked about the bridge. Do we want to light it up for Swiss Days?
- Mayor Rosenberg said he thinks the Friday evening, Saturday morning works. Let's look at a different day for the dance.
- Jarett Waite said he agrees with what has been said so far. He does really like the idea of a reverse parade. It could just be candy. He talked about the activities that Staheli Farm has done. He suggested calling them to ask how they are going about things.
- Brooke Ence talked about the Washington County parade. They had signage. There were about 50 entries.
- Mayor Rosenberg said we could decorate the bridge for a daylight event and have a reverse parade and go across the bridge.
- Brooke Ence said she did mention it to some people but didn't get great feedback on that.
- Mayor Rosenberg said he would rather wait a little while and have a dance. That could be really fun.
- Ben Shakespeare said we could load up the fire engines and do a reverse parade and drive through the Heights and the Valley and other designated roads and throw candy out.
- Leina Mathis suggested doing that after the fun run. That way the people would be dispersed and gone so they could enjoy the reverse parade.
- Jarett Waite said that Santa Clara Elementary did a reverse parade at the end of the year and it worked really well, and the kids loved it. We could talk to them about how they got the word out and how they did it.

2. Recognize Jason Lindsey for 10 years of service on the Planning Commission.

- Jason Lindsey did not attend the meeting so this item was tabled.

3. Staff Reports:

Police Chief Bob Flowers

- They had a training recently. They also sent Nick Holman to a Federal Drone School and the department bought a drone. The drone will help immensely with crime scenes, lost children, school dangers and fires. The drone was about \$7,000 and was paid for from donations and a grant. The department got a new computerized speed trailer. He said there is a lot of things going on Nationally with the police, but the department already has everything in place. We have the cameras, the quick reporting, we turn in our numbers,

we review all of our use of force and report those. He said that he is not going to do a civilian review board. It is highly complicated, and we maybe do two reviews a year. We have had no lawsuits and no complaints. We have used force, but they are all in compliance. We review those and generally report those back to the City Managers. The officers have a duty to intercede if they view anything that is inappropriate or wrong. That is common sense. He said they would like the City at some point help get some cameras that we can move around the City and put in the parks and on some of the streets. They have had a problem recently with some kids doing vehicle break-ins. They were able to catch them and able to return a stolen firearm. They have some active cases still and they are working on those very hard. We are doing well as a department. Officers are appreciative of the support they get. Our citizens have been great. He said they are training right now with St. George and the County. We are working on a quick response team. We have received some emails about our statues and our instructions to our officers are to take aggressive action right away and be within the law. He said the response times are good. We are okay staff-wise right now. He said they bought two new bikes. Cameras are all updated, and we got all new radios for our patrol cars and we got money for some cameras on a grant. They are thankful for the support from the City and the community.

Fire Chief Randy Hancey

- July was a busy month. There were 16 brush fires that we responded to. Our wild land crew went to five different fires during the month of July. Some of those were extended time fires. Our crew has been working on the bike trail from Swiss Memorial Park doing some cutting there and cleaning that up. They spent several days there. Nobody has been sick. He said they responded to several homes that were COVID positive but none of the crew have been positive. He said they are taking the proper precautions and doing everything to protect themselves and the people they respond to. We are not out of the woods yet as far as fire season goes. We have red flag warnings still ahead of us.

Brad Hays

- We have several tournaments scheduled. They all have COVID plans and are meeting the Governor's requirements. A senior tournament will be starting a week from this weekend. It will be at Gubler Park on three of the fields. He is highly confident that they will do a good job. They have a good plan together. They want to bring another Senior tournament in, in September and it is about the size of the Huntsman Senior Tournaments. This is a precursor to see how they do. We have a Baseball Forever tournament scheduled for Labor Day weekend. They are working on their COVID plan. We haven't accepted them yet until we get their plan and have a chance to review it. They want to use seven ball fields. They are out of California. We are being extremely careful and making sure that they follow the plan and if they don't, we won't allow them to come back.

- He said that we have been working on banners for the streetscape. We had some additional Rap money for that so we will have them up for Swiss Days. He'll bring the designs to Council so they can look them over and pick the ones they want. We have a lot of poles to put banners on.

- He talked with Drake Howell and asked him when they are going to do the Bonelli Drive landscape along the trail. He said he contracted it out and they will get started fairly quickly.

- Lava Flow Trail is complete except for a cattle guard crossing on Red Mountain Drive and we also have to put some stripes across Rachel Drive. He got the notice for completion to send into the State so we can get our grant money for that. He billed St. George City for the irrigation line. We are hoping that check comes in quickly.
- He said there has been an awful problem with the grass at Swiss Pioneer Memorial Park. He had the Water District come out and do a water audit to make sure the water system was performing correctly. He had the landscape architect come out and review the installation. He took a soil sample and Brad sent it to Utah State to find out if there is a problem with the soil. That is the problem. They used a turkey mulch in the grass and put a lot of it in and tilled it in really well but the salinity content was really high and so was the potassium, so it caused it to burn during the heat of the summer. Because of the excessive amount of water that was put on the grass because it looked like it was dying it caused it to get a fungus on it so between those two things the grass looks like the way it does. He gave them a deadline of Sept. 15 and they are going to come in and redo the sod and they will follow the recommendations of Utah State. A lot of the trees and things around it died because they were putting so much water on the grass. All that water percolated under the ground and overwatered a lot of the plants, so we lost a lot of trees. They have a lot of work to do. He held a good sum of money back and haven't paid them until the landscape is corrected. We will be ready for whatever we decide to do on Swiss Days. We are still waiting on tables and on garbage cans. The manufacturer is closed because of COVID. They have a Friday deadline to ship or we are going to go somewhere else. The playground is in and the chip is complete, and it is open for business.
- Ben Shakespeare said the playground is awesome and turned out nice.
- Brad Hays said he would like to give special thanks to Turboscape and Steve and Matt Condie. They donated all the chip for the playground. They had a church group haul all the chip because they weren't able to get it in with their truck so they dumped it in the street and the group hauled it all in.
- He is working on the pavement grant for the BMX track and the Little League and should have it done by Friday. There is no money this year, but they will put us in the queue so as soon as there is money then they will look at our project.

Corey Bundy

- We had five homes built last month. He issued a couple more permits at Bella Sol. We have seven in plan review. And there are various other permits between July and now. There are currently 193 active building permits. Between July 1-31 we did 273 building and storm water inspections. We did a preconstruction meeting for Little Lava, a six-lot subdivision on Pioneer and Lava Cove Drive. They will soon start earthwork on that. We also did a preconstruction meeting for Dollar Tree and they will be dropping off some equipment. It is a contractor out of Las Vegas. He said he has heard some speculation that either an O'Rileys or a drink shop will be going on the other parcel. He hasn't seen any paperwork on it. In Planning Commission, we have Buck's Ace Hardware coming back for a site plan approval. We have the amended final plat for Ocotillo Springs Phase 1. They had a sixplex that they want to change to a fiveplex. The Sycamores have six lots along Sycamore Lane. They have installed the improvements to lot 7 with gutter, power and water. They don't have sidewalks along that lot. They are going to amend the plat for a single lot. We are going to bring the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance back.

Those are the things on the Planning Commission docket. Scott has opened and closed twenty work orders last month pertaining to City Code violations and miscellaneous repairs to the City Office. Staff is healthy and working on required training.

- Leina Mathis asked if there is any word on when the Kohler project is supposed to be done.

- Corey Bundy said he met with the contractor last week and they are sheet rocking the inside. He has an inspection for power tomorrow. He is having difficulty getting people to work because it is a unique building. It is a slow process, but they are moving forward.

- Leina Mathis talked about the cars that are parked on both sides of the road from the project.

- Corey Bundy said it has been bad the last couple of days because they are putting the interior conduit to all those buildings for power so they had to dig trenches. He will be over there tomorrow morning to approve those and then they will get them buried and then they will be able to park inside the lot again. He will let the contractor know again to keep the cars off the road.

Brock Jacobsen

- Court is staying relatively busy in the way they can through phone calls. They will begin doing Webex meetings. There anticipated date to do in court sessions is December.

- We are working on updating the City facilities with electronic meetings and making sure we have those capabilities in other parts of the building. We can move to streaming instead of doing Zoom meetings.

- The amplifier went out this morning. It was the original that was put in in 2008. We got that fixed by 4:15pm. today.

- The new accounting software got installed. We are learning to function with it.

- The annual audit comes up at the end of the month. We are preparing for that.

- We are responding to some citizen's complaints.

- UAMPS is not happening except maybe virtually.

- League of Cities and Towns may be down to a one-day event.

- Mayor Rosenberg said they are soliciting feedback to see if people would come if they only did a one-day event. Brock should have an email about that. It would depend on the day and the group size and what they are planning.

- Brock Jacobsen said the League had a meeting on Monday concerning the transportation utility fee with the 12 municipalities that have a fee. We talked about what the 12 municipalities want to do and came up with five different options. They are going to send out some talking points. One of the real concerns is they are not sure what the Legislature is going to do. They are going to contact Legislators and find out their feelings about it.

2. Working Agenda:

A. General Business:

5. Isaac Steed property visit.

- Council left for the property visit.

4. Adjournment:

Meeting Adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Chris Shelley – City Recorder

Date Approved: _____