



TUESDAY JUNE 2ND, 2020
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

The work meeting was called to order by Mayor Kirk Hunsaker at 5:00 p.m.

Council Members Attending: Mayor Kirk Hunsaker, Council Member Nicholas Miller, Council Member Betsy Montoya, Council Member Lynn Mecham, Council Member David Hathaway

Other's Attending: City Manager Benjamin Reeves, Assistant City Manager Norm Beagley, Community Development Director Jason Bond, City Attorney Brett Rich, Summit Creek Irrigation Board

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion Regarding Orchard Days – COVID-19

Community Services Event's Coordinator Amy Johnson explained that they are making preparations for what Orchard Days would look like with the State of Utah in phase yellow and green. Even within a phase green Utah may make modifications to their restrictions as they've done in phase yellow.

Johnson then said that the biggest concern is the rodeo as that would be the largest gathering that gathers consistently 1,500 people on the first day and 3,000 in the second day and getting a county mass gathering permit is questionable even if the rodeo is scaled down by half.

Council Member Hathaway said he thought that Utah would be in phase green by August for Orchard Days but that there are still questions on what the restrictions would look like for green. Amy Johnson said that she thought she would plan for Orchard Days for both green and yellow and if it needed to be canceled then that would be easier than last minute trying to organize such a huge event.

Community Services Director John Bradley asked what the Council thought about a modified drive-by parade in case of a phase yellow or restricted phase green. Council Member Montoya said that she would be in favor of that if restrictions were still in place.

Council Member Hathaway recommended that perhaps for the rodeo the bleachers could be taken out and circles could be painted on the rodeo grounds six feet apart and those could fill in. Amy Johnson and John Bradley said that was a good idea that could be implemented.

Bradley asked if it was okay to move forward with preparations for Orchard Days for the next two weeks and then check back in with the Council and the Council agreed that was the best option.

Discussion Regarding a Review of the Current General Plan

Community Development Director Jason Bond said that after the Council has gone through the current General Plan and marked up their opinions, it sounds like the current plan isn't that far off from what works for the Council.

Council Member Montoya asked that an annexation policy be put into the General Plan so that any annexation application over a certain impact threshold - to be defined - should require the applicant to pay for, at least a portion of, the infrastructure studies and plan updates for the city.

Council Member Miller said that there is good substance in the current General Plan but that it needs to be more concise and better focused. Council Member Hathaway agreed as he showed a page of the General Plan and said that it lacked the focus and specificity that Miller referenced.

Council Member Miller said that he hoped the contractor for the General Plan could 1) pitch some ideas of what they've thought would work for Santaquin, as they've worked with cities of similar sizes and situations, 2) have the Council determine what they like from the contractor's proposals and 3) go and get community input.

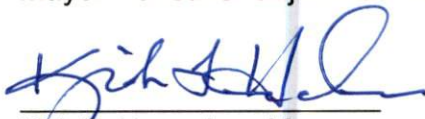
City Manager Reeves asked what the Council expected in terms of community involvement for the scope of work. Council Member Bowman said she thought town hall meetings would be the best way to go.

The Council debated whether they should do a Request for Proposal process which is price focused or a Request for Qualifications process which is qualification focused but might attract firms that are out of the city's budget.

Other

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hunsaker adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.


Kirk F. Hunsaker, Mayor


K. Aaron Shirley, City Recorder