

1 **Providence City Council Meeting**  
2 **Tuesday, June 13, 2006 6:00 p.m.**  
3 **Providence City Office Building**  
4 **15 South Main, Providence UT**  
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6 **The Providence City Council will begin discussing the following agenda items at 6:00 p.m.**  
7 **Anyone interested is invited to attend.**

8 **Call to Order:** Ron Liechty

9 **Roll Call of City Council Members:** Ron Liechty

10 Attendance: Mayor: Randy T. Simmons – excused  
11 Council: Kathy Baker, Stacie Gomm, Deon Johnson – arrived at 6:15, Ron  
12 Liechty – Mayor Pro Tem, Trent Rasmussen  
13 City Administrator/Recorder: Skarlet Bankhead  
14 Public Works Director: Randy Eck

15 **Pledge of Allegiance:** BSA Troup 60

16 **Opening:** Trent Rasmussen

17 **Presentations and Proclamations:**

18 **No presentations or proclamations are scheduled for tonight’s meeting.**  
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20 **Consent Calendar: All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be**  
21 **routine and all will be enacted by one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of**  
22 **these items unless members of the City Council, the public, or staff request specific items be**  
23 **removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.**  
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25 **Item No. 1. Approval of the minutes for the May 23, 2006 City Council Meeting.**

26 **Item No. 2. Approval of the minutes for the June 1, 2006 City Council public hearing.**

- 27 • Item No. 2 withdrawn by S Bankhead.

28 Motion to approve the minutes for May 23, 2006 – D Johnson, second K Baker

- 29 • Corrections: None

30 Vote: Yea: K Baker, S Gomm, D Johnson, R Liechty, T Rasmussen

31 Nay: None

32 Excused: None

33 Abstained: None

34 **Public Comments: The City Council will hear comments from the public. There will be a**  
35 **three-minute time limit per person and an overall time limit of fifteen minutes for the**  
36 **Public Comments portion of the agenda. All comments are to be directed to the City**  
37 **Council. State law prohibits the City Council from taking action on a specific item unless it**  
38 **appears on the posted Agenda.**

- 39 • R Liechty opened the meeting for public comment.
- 40 • No comment received from the public.

41 **Public Hearings:**

42 **There are no public hearings scheduled for tonight’s meeting.**  
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44 **Information only Items:**

45 **Item No. 1. Ron Liechty will present information regarding notification on zoning changes.**

- 1 • R Liechty reported this item has been withdrawn from the agenda.

2 **Unfinished Business:**

3 **Item No. 1. Resolution 06-041. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a**  
4 **resolution authorizing the out sourcing of the utility billings.**

- 5 • R Eck reported Tara Bankhead has asked for the additional information the City Council  
6 requested regarding the terms of the contract. To date she has not received a response.

7 Motion for a continuance until June 27, 2006 – S Gomm, second – T Rasmussen,

8 Vote: Yea: K Baker, S Gomm, D Johnson, R Liechty, T Rasmussen

9 Nay: None

10 Excused: None

11 Abstained: None

12 **Item No. 2. Resolution 06-042. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a**  
13 **resolution adopting the beginning budgets for all City Funds for Fiscal Year 2007.**

14 Motion to approve Resolution 06-042 – D Johnson, second – T Rasmussen,

- 15 • R Liechty reported the proposed budget was discussed during the public hearing on June 1,  
16 2006.
- 17 • S Bankhead explained as the impact fee accounts are reviewed throughout the year and the  
18 large construction projects are recommended by City Staff, they will be presented to the  
19 Council for approval and allocation of funds.
- 20 • K Baker asked what the threshold for council approval on projects was. S Bankhead  
21 explained projects estimated at over \$5,000 are bid. The Council awards bids.

22 Vote: Yea: K Baker, S Gomm, D Johnson, R Liechty, T Rasmussen

23 Nay: None

24 Excused: None

25 Abstained: None

26 **New Business:**

27 **Item No. 1. Discussion. Bruce & Jana Kidman will present information on Cache Trash, a**  
28 **garbage collection service.**

29 Bruce and Jana Kidman introduced themselves. They explained they have traveled statewide looking  
30 at garbage facilities. J Kidman reported she has a friend whose husband is in the private garbage  
31 service. After helping them with their business, the Kidmans decided to prepare a proposal for the  
32 cities in Cache County. People like having a choice for garbage services.

- 33 • J Kidman explained choice is legal. She reported she spoke with County Attorney, George  
34 Daines, and was told a private collector can come in by providing notice to the current  
35 provider.
- 36 • J Kidman explained there will be no fee increase for at least 5 years. Logan City's master  
37 plan not only includes mandatory recycling, but also will eventually require green waste.
- 38 • J Kidman explained the trash they collect will be taken to Box Elder County. She reported  
39 Box Elder is very interested in taking more into their landfill – it is in clay based soil, not  
40 wetlands like Logan City's landfill. If Cache, Weber, and Davis sent their trash to Box Elder  
41 County, the estimated life of the existing landfill is 70 years.
- 42 • J Kidman explained their price is the same as Logan City's current price. She is requesting a  
43 five (5) year contract.
- 44 • D Johnson asked how the recycle bins would work. J Kidman explained voluntary recycle  
45 bins and green waste bins will be provided at various locations. Individual cans will be

- 1 available on an individual basis.
- 2 • B Kidman explained in other areas where mandatory recycling and green waste have been
  - 3 implemented, customers often do not use the cans properly – making the program ineffective.
  - 4 • J Kidman reported they have a buyer for recycled materials. She explained there are other
  - 5 options for recycling, such as blue bags, working with the schools, scout troops, etc.
  - 6 • J Kidman explained there is the possibility for revenue to the City. They will give the City a
  - 7 1.5% rebate for the City performing the service of billing their customers.
  - 8 • J Kidman explained landfills emit methane gas, taking the trash elsewhere will help with air
  - 9 quality.
  - 10 • J Kidman felt cities should have options to do what is best for their own city.
  - 11 • J Kidman explained the metal containers will be made here in the valley providing
  - 12 employment opportunities.
  - 13 • J Kidman explained the ownership of the “black beauties” is under debate. They are hoping
  - 14 it is the homeowner who owns the cans. However, if not – they are suggesting the cities buy
  - 15 the cans; there is also the option of the property owner buying the cans.
  - 16 • K Baker thought the individual property owners had purchased the cans. S Gomm explained
  - 17 a \$5.00 fee is charged. J Kidman explained the property owner does not buy the can unless
  - 18 they have damaged their original can.
  - 19 • K Baker explained in Utah County they use a transfer station. J Kidman explained they plan
  - 20 to use a “Star System” using trailers. As the trailers are filled, they will be stationed until two
  - 21 trailers are filled (a trailer holds 400 cans), then pulled by a truck to the landfill. There will
  - 22 be one truck that remains in the valley at all times.
  - 23 • T Rasmussen asked if the trucks were fueled by natural gas. J Kidman explained the trucks
  - 24 that are currently available are not. It will take nine months to get the natural gas trucks –
  - 25 their goal is to have natural gas or biodegradable fuel.
  - 26 • J Kidman explained if someone is missed, a phone number will be provided for residents to
  - 27 call – either the Company or the driver. T Rasmussen suggested the phone numbers be
  - 28 stamped on the can.
  - 29 • S Gomm asked what would happen if Box Elder County landfill requires mandatory
  - 30 recycling. J Kidman stated it would not effect their proposal.
  - 31 • S Gomm explained in talking with Logan City employees, if the City is not contracting with
  - 32 Logan, persons cannot take trash to the Logan landfill. J Kidman explained they will provide
  - 33 trash bins at various locations.
  - 34 • S Gomm asked about regulated waste – more than hazardous waste. J Kidman explained the
  - 35 only thing she is familiar with is household residential – the two main things are batteries and
  - 36 tires. S Gomm asked about medical and infectious medical. J Kidman explained the
  - 37 infectious medical are not supposed to go in residential waste – thus they are exempt. S
  - 38 Gomm asked about the commercial customers using regulated waste. B Kidman explained
  - 39 commercial customers can contact Logan directly. J Kidman explained there are also private
  - 40 contractors. J Kidman reported Box Elder County is in the process of getting their residential
  - 41 hazardous waste facility – she will find out the date the facility will be available.
  - 42 • S Gomm felt it important that the service be affordable and convenient.
  - 43 • B Kidman explained they will use front loader trucks and roll-offs for commercial businesses.
  - 44 B Kidman explained private commercial individuals can take their waste to Logan; Logan

1 will charge as they do now.

- 2 • J Kidman explained the intention of Logan City is to make use of their landfill mandatory.  
3 Currently there is nothing in place to require this; however, she felt Logan City was looking  
4 in to the requirements to make use of their facility mandatory. She explained her information  
5 is coming from Logan City's landfill master plan. She explained Logan City not only wants  
6 to revise the residential rates, they also want to revise the commercial rates. She explained  
7 Logan City is considering a bundled fee.
- 8 • B Kidman explained the start of their business is contingent on the cities deciding to use their  
9 service. B Kidman also explained it is contingent on the Logan contract.
- 10 • J Kidman explained they are not complaining about the service Logan has provided – they  
11 just want to give people options.
- 12 • S Gomm expressed concern about the buy-in of the landfill for the long term. J Kidman  
13 explained they are working on the agreement with Box Elder County.
- 14 • The Council thanked the Kidmans for their presentation.

15 **Item No. 2. Resolution 06-043. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a**  
16 **resolution approving an agreement with the Cache County Chapter American Red Cross for**  
17 **the use of facilities as mass care shelters.**

- 18 • R Liechty explained if the City has a disaster, once the City takes care of its own – if there  
19 are facilities available the City can permit the Red Cross to use those facilities as mass care  
20 shelters.

21 Motion to approve Resolution 06-044 – T Rasmussen, second – D Johnson,

22 Vote: Yea: K Baker, S Gomm, D Johnson, R Liechty, T Rasmussen

23 Nay: None

24 Excused: None

25 Abstained: None

26 **Item No. 3. Resolution 06-044. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a**  
27 **resolution approving an Art Exhibition and Loan Agreement with the John F Astle Sr. Family**  
28 **for an Everett Thorpe oil painting on canvas titled “Providence Pioneer Settlement”.**

- 29 • R Liechty explained the Astles have acquired a picture that used to hang in one of the  
30 churches. They have approached the City about hanging it for public display.

31 Motion to approve Resolution 06-044 – D Johnson, second – T Rasmussen,

- 32 • D Johnson reported there is a very similar painting in the building where he attends church.  
33 K Baker asked how the Astles got the picture. R Liechty stated he did not know.

- 34 • S Bankhead explained there are some insurance requirements including some type of  
35 security.

36 Vote: Yea: K Baker, S Gomm, D Johnson, R Liechty, T Rasmussen

37 Nay: None

38 Excused: None

39 Abstained: None

40 **Item No. 4. Resolution 06-045. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a**  
41 **resolution selecting Peterson Allred Jackson to perform audit services. (amended 06/12/2006 9:45**  
42 **a.m.)**

- 43 • R Liechty explained this is the only firm that responded to the request for bids. However this  
44 firm has been performing the audit service for the City for many years and past councils have  
45 been very satisfied with their service.

1 Motion to approve Resolution 06-045 – T Rasmussen, second – S Gomm,

2 Vote: Yea: K Baker, S Gomm, D Johnson, R Liechty, T Rasmussen

3 Nay: None

4 Excused: None

5 Abstained: None

6 **Staff Reports: Items presented by Providence City Staff will be presented as informational**  
7 **only.**

8 **Skarlet Bankhead will report on the Administrative, Community Development, and Finance &**  
9 **Records Departments.**

10 Cemetery clean up:

- 11 • S Bankhead reported the Staff has received complaints from some residents after the  
12 Cemetery clean-up. Several cemetery users reported items taken from graves. She explained  
13 the staff worked diligently to address those concerns. The Staff investigated the complaints  
14 and found the items had not been picked up during the clean up, but taken by others early in  
15 the morning before the clean up volunteers arrived. The Staff will post signs and rules to  
16 make the cemetery experience better; however, the City cannot control dishonest people.

17 **Randy Eck will report on the Public Works, Water, and Sewer Departments.**

18 Cemetery clean up:

- 19 • R Eck reported, in response to the concerns S Bankhead discussed, he spoke with other  
20 cemeteries and they experience similar problems. To address concerns, in the future the  
21 clean-up will be published. We will also place signs in the cemetery. We will also tell  
22 people they may take what they bring and that is all. R Eck explained there is a booklet that  
23 is given to people when they buy a plot; we are going to provide that booklet at other times.  
24 R Eck reported the Sheriff's Department has increased their patrol; but there are still  
25 problems.
- 26 • S Gomm asked about items that are permanent or semi-permanent. R Eck explained the staff  
27 will be bringing some ideas to the Council. There are many issues to consider.

28 Spring Creek water level:

- 29 • R Eck explained Spring Creek has maintained its level and to date no problems have been  
30 reported. He will continue to monitor the levels; the Creek should reach its peak the latter  
31 part of June.

32 **Council Reports: Items presented by the City Council members will be presented as**  
33 **informational only; no formal action will be taken. The City Council may act on an item, if it**  
34 **arose subsequent to the posting of this agenda and the City Council determines that an**  
35 **emergency exists.**

36 Council Member Trent Rasmussen:

37 City Celebration:

- 38 • T Rasmussen reported Debbie Denton, Providence Elementary PTA, did not feel the school  
39 carnival would work with the celebration this year, but was optimistic that it could be  
40 accommodated in a future year. D Denton did not feel they could be ready to hold the  
41 carnival in early September. It will not be held the same day as the City's celebration. He  
42 reported D Denton also suggested moving the celebration to a location nearer to the  
43 Elementary School.

44 Citizen Planner Workshop:

- 45 • T Rasmussen reported the recent conference he attended was very good. He suggested the

1 City consider compensation for the Planning Commission members. K Baker reported there  
2 were quite a few cities already paying compensation to their commission members.

- 3 • S Gomm felt, if at all possible, commission members should be allowed to have ex-parte  
4 conversations.

5 Council Member Kathy Baker:

6 Citizen concern – Brookside Village ground water:

- 7 • K Baker reported she and T Rasmussen spoke with Stephanie Smith during the Thursday  
8 night open discussion. K Baker explained she looked at the recorded plat for Phase III; there  
9 are notes on the recorded plat that she felt should be given to people obtaining a building  
10 permit. K Baker read from the notes requiring a separate study if they want to build a  
11 basement. Sharell Eames asked who does the study. K Baker explained the property owner  
12 would be responsible.
- 13 • S Bankhead reported the Staff has incorporated a similar statement that is included in the  
14 building permit application packet.
- 15 • R Eck explained Ms Smith did not build her home. She purchased a home that was already  
16 built. He explained the issuance of a building permit does not guarantee against natural  
17 problems. He reported two separate attorneys have explained to the staff that the City does  
18 not have an obligation – nor should it have an obligation – against problems occurring from  
19 nature. He also reported the City has been doing what they can.
- 20 • K Baker explained Ms Smith was not argumentative with her and T Rasmussen; she was only  
21 working toward solutions for the future.
- 22 • R Eck read from the current building permit packet item no. 6. R Eck explained sometimes  
23 owners apply for the permit and sometimes builders apply for the permit. K Baker explained  
24 the notes on the plat are not included on the deed.

25 Council Member Deon Johnson:

- 26 • D Johnson reported he is very impressed with the way the Staff is working with the water.  
27 He has also received positive comments from residents on the appearance of the parks.

28 Council Member Stacie Gomm:

- 29 • S Gomm will be out of town and will not be attending the next council meeting.

30 Council Member Ron Liechty:

- 31 • R Liechty reported he has been in and out of the City and the Office working with staff. He  
32 is very impressed and pleased with the way the administration and staff are carrying out their  
33 duties.

34 Motion to adjourn – S Gomm, second – D Johnson.

35 Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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37 Minutes taken and prepared by S Bankhead.  
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Ron Liechty, Mayor Pro Tem

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Skarlet Bankhead, City Administrator/Recorder