

1 **PROVIDENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

2 **Wednesday, May 20, 2020 6:00 PM**

3 **Providence City Office Building,**

4 **164 North Gateway Drive, Providence UT**

5 **Members of the Council attended this meeting electronically.**

6 **This meeting was live streamed on Providence City's YouTube Channel**

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8 **Opening Ceremony:**

9 Call to Order: Mayor Drew

10 Roll Call of City Council Members: Mayor Drew

11 Attendance: John Drew, Kristina Eck, Carrie Kirk, Josh Paulsen, Jeanell Sealy

12 Excused: Brent Speth

13 Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Drew

14 Opening Remarks – Prayer: Josh Paulsen

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16 **Staff Reports:** Items presented by Providence City Staff (including but not limited to: City Engineer, City Attorney,
17 Public Works Director, and Administrative Services Director) will be presented as information only.

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19 Rob Stapley, Public Works Director

- 20 • R Stapley explained that the 500 North Storm Water Project and the Spring Creek Crossing project will be
21 starting soon. We have been looking into the green waste issue, the dog park issue, and the decorative
22 street lights issue. We will report back when we have done some more research. The East Spring Creek
23 Crossing will also be starting soon.

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25 Skarlet Bankhead, Administrative Services Director

- 26 • Team sports are now allowed as per the governor's order. We have started sanitizing parks. Our
27 recreation baseball and softball programs will start in July.

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29 Ryan Snow, City Manager

- 30 • We will soon put out an RFP for improving 100 South and for a Parks and Trails Master Plan. We have
31 been working to get funding for a sewer master plan. We are working to get a low-interest loan for our
32 new water tank. We are also in a budget comment period and are inviting comments. We were
33 unsuccessful in our federal grant application. We have been working with our City Engineer to better
34 manage engineering costs. We are looking at possible grants through the CARES act.

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36 **Approval of the minutes**

37 **Item No. 1.** The Providence City Council will consider approval of the minutes of May 6, 2020

38 **Motion to approve the minutes from the last council meeting: — J Paulsen, second — C Kirk**

39 **Vote:**

40 **Yea: K Eck, C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy**

41 **Nay:**

42 **Abstained:**

43 **Excused: B Speth**

44 **Corrections:**

- 45 • No corrections. The length of the minutes was discussed.

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47 **Public Comments:** Citizens may express their views to the City Council on issues within the City's jurisdiction.

48 **Public comments may be sent to providencacityutah@gmail.com or text comments to 435-752-9441.** The City
49 Council may act on an item, if it arose subsequent to the posting of this agenda and the City Council determines
50 that an emergency exists.

- 51 • No public comment

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53 **Public Hearing(s):** None

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Administrative Business Item(s):

Item No. 1. Resolution 015-2020 – Disposal of Property. The Providence City Council will consider for approval a resolution declaring Parcel No. 02-025-0009, a 0.30 acre parcel located in the general area of 820 River Heights BLVD, River Heights UT, as surplus property.

Motion to approve Item No 1. Resolution 015-2020 Disposal of Property: — C Kirk, second — J Sealy

Vote:

Yea: K Eck, C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy

Nay:

Abstained:

Excused: B Speth

Comments:

- R Snow explained that the City currently doesn't have much use for this property. S Bankhead explained that the Council's action tonight would declare the property surplus. It would not complete the sale of the property. Mayor Drew explained that River Heights Mayor Todd Rasmussen is personally interested in purchasing this parcel (not acting in his role as Mayor). The history of the property and the surrounding City parcels was discussed.

Item No. 2. Resolution 016-2020 – Transportation Planning: The Providence City Council will consider for approval a resolution approving the scope of work for the Providence City transportation master plan.

Motion to approve Item No. 2: — J Paulsen, second — C Kirk

Vote:

Yea: K Eck, C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy

Nay:

Abstained:

Excused: B Speth

Comments:

- R Snow said that we have UDOT grant money for this project. There is a time limit on the grant of a few years, but we will probably have the plan done within 3-6 months.

Item No. 3. Resolution 017-2020 – Planning Commission Alternate: The Providence City Council will consider for approval a resolution appointing Brain Marble to the planning commission, starting as an alternate.

Motion to approve resolution 017-2020, with the correction that B Marble's first name is spelled "Brian" not "Brain": — J Paulsen, second — C Kirk

Vote:

Yea: K Eck, C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy

Nay:

Abstained:

Excused: B Speth

Comments:

- B Marble has lived in Providence since 1997. Both he and his wife work from home. He has run the public facing webpages for county organizations, which gave him some knowledge of land use laws in Cache County. He also has experience dealing with land use issues due to a lawsuit that he was involved in. He has spent quite a bit of time in city and state code. He has a background in property maintenance, sales, and technical support. He has time in his schedule. J Sealy felt that his experience living in the historic downtown would be useful to the commission.

Item No. 4. Resolution 018-2020 – Special Election: The Providence City Council will consider for approval a resolution establishing a special election on November 3, 2020 to consider a referendum filed in March 2019 challenging the adoption of Ordinance 2019-004.

Motion to reject the resolution: — J Paulsen, second — J Sealy

Vote:

Yea: C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy

Nay: K Eck

- 108 **Abstained:**
109 **Excused: B Speth**
110 Comments:
111 • Some members of the Council felt that there would be a higher turnout this fall; others felt that we
112 should wait until the development is done (next year) so that residents can see what it is like. Some felt
113 that the ballot this fall might be crowded. Cost was brought up. S Bankhead explained that we don't know
114 whether it will cost us more to do it as a special election or on our next municipal election ballot. It
115 depends on the County.

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117 **Legislative Business Item(s):** None
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119 **Council Reports:** Items presented by the City Council members will be presented as informational only; no formal
120 action will be taken. The City Council may act on an item, if it arose subsequent to the posting of this agenda and
121 the City Council determines that an emergency exists.

- 122 • K Eck brought up the issue of dogs in parks. The Council briefly discussed parks where dogs might be
123 allowed, the issue of dog excrement cleanup, dogs and sporting events, and City liability issues.
124 • J Paulsen said that there was a new coronavirus plan released from the Governor's office. He
125 complimented the Mayor on the recent newsletter. He felt that we may need to look into ATV
126 enforcement issues in the City.
127 • J Sealy said that the library is now open.
128 • Mayor Drew said that the Solid Waste Advisory Board will be meeting. Issa Hamud will present a proposal
129 about green waste. The CMPO and COG will also be meeting.

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131 **Executive Session Notice:**

132 The Providence City Council may enter into a closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation as
133 allowed by Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(c).

134 The Providence City Council may enter into a closed session to discuss professional competence or other factors
135 allowed by Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a).

136 The Providence City Council may enter into a closed session to discuss land acquisition or the sale of real property
137 Utah Code 52-4-205(1) (d) and (e).

- 138 • **No executive session.**
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140 **Motion to adjourn: — J Sealy, second — C Kirk**

141 **Vote:**

142 **Yea: K Eck, C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy**

143 **Nay:**

144 **Abstained:**

145 **Excused: B Speth**

146 Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:15 PM

147 Minutes prepared by Jesse Bardsley

148 Minutes approved by vote of the Council on June 17, 2020
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John Drew, Mayor

Skarlet Bankhead, City Recorder