

1 **PROVIDENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

2 **Wednesday, July 15, 2020 6:00 PM**

3 **Providence City Office Building, 164 North Gateway Drive, Providence UT**

4 **Members of the Council may be attending this meeting electronically.**

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

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7 **Opening Ceremony:**

8 Call to Order: Mayor Drew
9 Roll Call of City Council Members: Mayor Drew
10 Attendance: John Drew, Carrie Kirk, Josh Paulsen, Jeanell Sealy, Brent Speth
11 Excused: Kristina Eck
12 Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Drew
13 Opening Remarks – Prayer: Carrie Kirk
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15 **Staff Reports:** Items presented by Providence City Staff (including but not limited to: Public Works Director,
16 Administrative Services Director, and City Manager will be presented as information only.
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18 Rob Stapley, Public Works Director:

- 19 • Street maintenance will begin. This includes HA5 and chip and seal treatments. There will be some 24-
20 hour closures. Both Spring Creek crossings have begun. The water system SCADA upgrade is complete.
- 21 • Traffic flow and signage on Spring Creek Parkway was discussed.
- 22 • Chip and seal treatment was discussed, including the new chips we will be using. Possible rebuilds on a
23 few streets were discussed.
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25 Skarlet Bankhead, Administrative Services Director

- 26 • We have many applications coming in for land use. Pickle ball classes have begun. The new budget year
27 has begun, including market and cost of living adjustments for staff.
- 28 • Code enforcement was discussed. The City Celebration was discussed. C Kirk felt that we should discuss as
29 a Council whether we are still comfortable holding the celebration [due to COVID 19].
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31 Ryan Snow, City Manager

- 32 • We are researching playground equipment. We sent out a survey about it. We are preparing the RFQ for
33 the Sewer Master Plan. Our audit RFQ is currently out.
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35 **Approval of the minutes**

36 **Item No. 1.** The Providence City Council will consider approval of the minutes of June 17, 2020

37 **Motion to approve the minutes of June 17, 2020: — J Sealy, second — J Paulsen**

38 **Vote:**

39 **Yea: C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy, B Speth**

40 **Nay:**

41 **Abstained:**

42 **Excused: K Eck**

43 **Corrections:**

- 44 • None
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46 **Public Comments:** Citizens may express their views to the City Council on issues within the City's jurisdiction.

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

- 50 • No public comments.
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52 **Public Hearing(s):**

53 **PERSONS WISHING TO COMMENT ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS MAY EMAIL THEIR COMMENTS TO**

54 providencacityutah@gmail.com OR TEXT COMMENTS TO 435-752-9441.
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56 **Item No. 1. Consider application for 2020 COG road funds:** Prior to submitting an application for 2020 COG road
57 funding for design and engineering services for street improvements for 100 South between 200 West and 400
58 West, the City Council is holding a public hearing. The purpose of the public hearing is to provide an opportunity
59 for anyone interested to comment on the proposed application before action is taken.

- 60 • No public comments.

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62 **Administrative Business Item(s):**

63 **Item No. 1. Application for 2020 COG road funds.** The Providence City Council will consider the public hearing
64 comments regarding the application for 2020 COG road funds and may make a decision to proceed with the
65 application.

- 66 • Max Pierce, City Engineer, gave a presentation about the proposed improvements to 100 South.
- 67 • The Council discussed the best way to share the plans with the residents of 100 South.

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69 **Item No. 2. Discussion – Green Waste:** The Providence City Council will discuss a recommendation given to the
70 Cache County Council by the Solid Waste Advisory Board for green waste.

- 71 • Mayor Drew explained the background of the proposal given by Issa Hamud, Logan City Environmental
72 Director, to the County Council. The three options from I Hamud’s presentation were discussed. J Paulsen
73 was in favor of option #3 because he felt that this is what the residents want. C Kirk and J Sealy were also
74 in favor of option #3 because of resident feedback.
- 75 • R Stapley discussed the options from a public works standpoint. R Stapley hoped that option #3 would
76 include more frequent pickups by Logan City.
- 77 • The \$1.50 per household per month fee for option #3 was discussed, as well as the abuse by commercial
78 landscaping companies.
- 79 • B Speth is in favor of option #2. He felt that we are close enough to the Logan land fill for people to drive
80 and that our drop site becomes a mess because people don’t respect it when it is full.

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82 **Item No. 3. Resolution 025-2020 – Approval of RFP.** The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a
83 resolution accepting a proposal for a comprehensive strategic municipal parks and recreation continuous
84 improvement master plan.

85 **Motion to approve Resolution 025-2020, awarding the proposal to MHTN Architects: — J Paulsen, second — J**

86 **Sealy**

87 **Vote:**

88 **Yea: C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy, B Speth**

89 **Nay:**

90 **Abstained:**

91 **Excused: K Eck**

92 **Discussion:**

- 93 • R Snow explained the process of scoring the proposals and making a recommendation. The committee is
94 recommending MHTN.

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96 **Item No. 4. Resolution 026-2020 – Fiber.** The Providence City Council will discuss the possibility of creating a fiber
97 utility, and may adopt a resolution declaring their intent to proceed with the installation of fiber throughout the
98 City.

- 99 • The subscriber option (where only those who subscribe pay) and the utility option (where all residents
100 pay at least a base fee) were discussed. The subscriber option would give residents a choice and therefore
101 might avoid some backlash, but the utility option would most likely provide a better service at a better
102 cost even for those who only use basic internet. The different debt risk levels to the city were also
103 discussed. The subscriber model puts the city at risk if there are not enough subscribers.
- 104 • S Bankhead explained that a motion tonight will not award any contract. There are still several steps in
105 the process that we would need to go through. This motion tells the staff that the Council is interested in
106 a model similar to the STRATA model and that we should proceed accordingly.

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- R Snow explained that the next step would be to ask STRATA for a design of the system, which would be the same regardless of which model was chosen. The Council discussed bidding out the design work for a fiber optic system. The situation of residents who want to remain with their current cable TV providers was discussed, as well as the difficulties that the city would incur if it decided to maintain the system itself rather than contracting it out.

112 **Motion to move forward with the intent to proceed with the installation of fiber by getting an RFP for design and sending it out:** — C Kirk, second — B Speth

114 **Vote:**

115 **Yea:** C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy, B Speth

116 **Nay:**

117 **Abstained:**

118 **Excused:** K Eck

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- The idea of surveying the citizens to ask them about the utility model was discussed. The Council felt like we should wait until we can give specific price and data rate numbers.
 - R Snow asked the Council if we can get started on the loan process, which was then discussed.

122 **Motion to get started on the loan process:** — C Kirk, second — B Speth

123 **Vote:**

124 **Yea:** C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy, B Speth

125 **Nay:**

126 **Abstained:**

127 **Excused:** K Eck

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129 **Item No. 5. Resolution 027-2020 – Planning Commission Appointment:** The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution appointing Robert Perry to a second term on the planning commission

131 **Motion to approve Item No 5 Resolution 027-2020 reappointing Robert Perry to a second term on the planning commission:** — J Paulsen, second — B Speth

133 **Vote:**

134 **Yea:** C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy, B Speth

135 **Nay:**

136 **Abstained:**

137 **Excused:** K Eck

138 **Discussion:**

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- None

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141 **Item No. 6. Parcel 02-115-0034 – letter of intent:** The Providence City Council will discuss and may make a decision to proceed with a letter of intent to purchase Parcel 02-115-0034, a 9.49 acre parcel located in the general area of 1000 S 300 East.

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- R Snow explained the background and the current state of the offers between the parties. J Paulsen felt that we should accept the offer from the Thompsons and avoid getting into a bidding war with a developer.

147 **Motion to accept the offer and to proceed with the letter of intent for Item No. 6 Parcel 02-115-0034:** — J Paulsen, second — C Kirk

149 **Vote:**

150 **Yea:** C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy, B Speth

151 **Nay:**

152 **Abstained:**

153 **Excused:**

154 **Discussion:**

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- The Spendlove property across the street was discussed. Changing the budget to accommodate the purchase of the Thompson property was discussed.

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159 **Legislative Business Item(s):** None

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

- The public is being asked to wear masks. Schools will also be wearing masks.

168 Carrie Kirk:

- The city celebration was discussed. J Paulsen would be fine cancelling it this year due to COVID-19 and reinstating the same committees next year. B Speth felt that we are running a risk planning this and putting it together. It would be better to not do it this year and go stronger next year. J Sealy said that if we do this celebration, we would need to have a reasonable plan B. C Kirk asked about the option of keeping the outdoor movie, concerts and car show, but not having vendors or food. Food at the event was discussed. The City Council float was discussed.

176 Jeanell Sealy

- The library is back open.

179 Mayor Drew:

- Mayor Drew discussed fiber optic conduits that will be installed in Millville. It is possible that if we create a fiber optic system, nearby cities might be interested [in participating].

183 Josh Paulsen

- J Paulsen brought up the issue of underage, unattended ATV drivers which was then discussed. Speeding in the canyon was discussed
- J Paulsen brought up the issue of very large sheds which are larger than the primary structures but have much smaller setbacks. This might be something for the Planning Commission to consider. C Kirk agreed that this should be looked at.

190 **Executive Session Notice:**

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

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

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

- No executive session

199 **Motion to close the meeting: — C Kirk, second — J Sealy**

200 **Vote:**

201 **Yea: C Kirk, J Paulsen, J Sealy, B Speth**

202 **Nay:**

203 **Abstained:**

204 **Excused: K Eck**

205 Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:08 PM

206 Minutes prepared by Jesse Bardsley
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John Drew, Mayor

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Skarlet Bankhead, City Recorder

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