

Hildale City Council Work Session

320 East Newel Avenue, Hildale, Utah 84784

Monday, June 24, 2019

Present:

Mayor: Donia Jessop

Council Members: Lawrence Barlow, Maha Layton, Jared Nicol, JVar Dutton, Stacy Seay

City Recorder: Vincen Barlow

City Manager: Christian Kesselring

Staff: John Barlow (by phone), Kyle Layton, Mariah La Corti

Public: Harvey Dockstader Jr., Joan Barlow

#1 Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:37 pm. Roll was taken, quorum present. The crowd all joined in the pledge of allegiance.

#2. Public Comment

Harvey Dockstader Jr. addressed the council. He wanted it on the record that he does not have a criminal background, due to charges being dismissed; his motives behind his involvement with SC Festivities and UZONA Chamber of Commerce are simply to rebuild our economy, build bridges, and get the community put back together.

He also wanted to clarify that the UZONA Chamber of Commerce is a legitimate organization, he gave a few updates on the projects they are currently working on.

There is still a spot available on the Board for a City Council member.

Mayor Jessop expressed her gratitude for the work he has done to grow this community.

#3. Work Session

Councilmembers were given a chance to review the budget, this meeting was an opportunity to bring up any suggestions or concerns.

A. Discussion on Adjustments to FY2019 Budget

John Barlow presented. There was discussion on the adjustments made to reflect the actual current year wages for each Department.

B. Discussion on Tentative FY2020 Budget

John Barlow presented. He walked the council through the FY2019-2020 proposed budget.

Councilmembers specifically discussed the capital projects fund and need for asset management and a capital improvement plan in length.

Administration was asked to create a recognition program for the city volunteers.

Lawrence Barlow expressed concerns about the lack of a clear, defined general plan; it needs to be reviewed, updated, and approved within the year. He suggested that budget should be put toward hiring a professional to take on this task, rather than burning out staff. Lawrence also suggested that the city bring a professional grant writer onboard to find new revenue for the city. After lengthy discussion, Councilmembers unanimously agreed and directed staff to put line items in the budget for these things, then follow up with a proposal on the actual cost.

Kyle Layton explained to the council that the current general plan can be used as a basic foundation; the wording just needs to be updated to match Hildale's vision and future.

John Barlow closed by pointing out that the city is not in a good financial position, and the budgetary shortfall will not last through another year, so we will need to be very cautious when it comes to expending funds.

#4. Adjournment

With no other business, meeting adjourned at 10:35 pm

I verify that a copy of the notice and agenda was delivered to the Mayor and City Council members and posted at the City Hall, 320 E. Newel Avenue, Hildale, Utah and sent to the Utah State Public Meeting Notice coordinator.

Minutes were approved at the City Council Meeting on July 2, 2019.



Vincen Barlow, City Recorder

