

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
SUGAR CITY COUNCIL  
THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2012

Presiding: Mayor Glenn W. Dalling  
Meeting Convened at 6:30 p.m.  
Prayer: Lamont Merrill  
Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mayor Dalling; Sharon L. Bell, Clerk; Marcie A. Smith, Treasurer; Councilmembers Bruce King, Lamont Merrill, Vaun Waddell and Burch Drake; Steve Hawkes, Planning & Zoning Commission; Stan Clark and Bryce Contor, Upper Snake Mitigation Solutions; Glen Douglas MacKay; and Bryce Holman.

The Mayor asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 14, 2012. Each councilmember had a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. It was moved by Councilmember Merrill and seconded by Councilmember Waddell to accept said minutes; motion carried.

**BUDGET ANNOUNCEMENT:** Marcie said that on July 2 she would start working on the budget. She will have a rough draft by the next city council meeting on July 12. She asked the council to submit to her any budget items over \$2,000 to put in the budget notes. It would be helpful so she does not have to reopen the budget. On July 26 the council will review the proposed budget; August 9, adopt tentative budget; August 23, 6:30 p.m., budget hearing and adopt 2013 budget; and September 13, adopt appropriations ordinance.

**EAST PARKWAY CORRIDOR – REPORT ON TAPE ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD JUNE 7, 2012:** Mayor Dalling said it is not our intent to discuss the East Parkway Corridor at length or make any decisions until after our July 9 meeting with the county commissioners. Councilmember Vaun Waddell and P&Z Chairman Steve Hawkes presented a report on their tape analysis of the public meeting held on June 7, 2012. (See attachment 1.)

**MEETING WITH THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS JULY 9, 2012, AT 11:30 A.M.:** The mayor asked that the council and as many of the Planning and Zoning Commissioners as possible attend the meeting with the county commissioners on July 9 at 11:30 a.m.

**LEASING OF CITY PROPERTY TO BRAD ORME:** The council was presented with a copy of the mayor's memo to Brad Orme dated June 19, 2012, and a copy of Brad's existing lease dated February 1, 2002. Discussion was had on combining the two leases into one. Brad would need to pay the legal cost of preparing the new lease. Marcie reported that she could not find any record of lease payments being made by Mr. Orme in the last nine years on the existing lease.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Councilmember Waddell and seconded by Councilmember

Drake to proceed with a lease agreement of the city property to Brad Orme and to authorize the mayor to negotiate the details of the agreement; motion carried.

**DEQ WATER STUDY GRANT:** Councilmember Merrill said that two meetings ago the city found out from Dyer & Associates that we had been allowed a \$25,000 DEQ grant to do a water study. Our city engineer, Dick Dyer, had applied for this grant in behalf of the city. This grant would also require a \$25,000 match from the city. This study would include determining the conditions of the existing water system, including pipes, pumps, controls and the possibility of future maintenance and demands. This study could have a positive effect on obtaining additional water rights for future demands and growth. The last study of this kind was done 22 years ago.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Councilmember Merrill that the city approve the \$25,000 expenditure for the water study over a two-year period. **THE MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.**

**DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO CITY CLEANUP:** Councilmember King discussed proposed changes to city cleanup. According to the handout presented last meeting by Doug MacKay, the city could save up to \$5,000 per year by setting out large dumpsters for residents to fill in lieu of our present semiannual citywide cleanup. (See attachment 2.) In lieu of this suggestion Bruce recommended that we continue the semiannual cleanup days because citizens are pleased with the service. He suggested giving Public Works Director Zane Baler the authority to decline pickup of certain items or to pick them up for a fee. It was decided to have Zane attend the next city council meeting. No further action was taken, and Sharon was asked to put it on the next agenda.

**PIONEER COMMUNITY BREAKFAST:** Councilmember Waddell said that the annual breakfast would be held July 28 from 7 to 10 a.m. at Heritage Park. He anticipates approximately 700 people will attend. Jason Grover, Stone's Town and Country Motors, will contribute \$1,000. They will display cars and give away some T-shirts.

**UPDATE ON OBTAINING WATER RIGHT:** Stan Clark and Bryce Contor made a proposal to the city to install a measuring device for the city-owned surface and storage water that would be run into the gravel pit north and west of town and measure the water that would be sinking in the ground in an effort to determine the recharge quantity of city-owned water into the aquifer. The measuring device would cost approximately \$500 and the reading, recording and supervision of the measuring device would be approximately another \$500. They feel confident that they have made headway with the Idaho Department of Water Resources in the process of getting credit for recharging the aquifer. Stan Clark requested that the city support the Eastern Idaho Water Rights Coalition with a donation of \$250.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Councilmember Merrill and seconded by Councilmember Drake that we fund \$500 to Upper Snake Mitigation Solutions for the measuring device, and up to \$500 for the reading, recording and supervision of the measuring device; also a \$250 donation to the Eastern Idaho Water Rights Coalition; motion carried.

**SIGN CODE REVIEW AND DISCUSSION:** Councilmember King said he and Councilmember Waddell reviewed P&Z's latest draft of the sign code and tweaked it a little. He thinks the document is good. A discussion was had on who does the approval and disapproval of a sign permit. Sharon pointed out that Planning and Zoning is responsible to approve both fence

and sign permits. Vaun would like this approving authority added to the sign code. No action was taken on this tonight. The city attorney will be asked to review it after the next meeting.

**WEST ENTRANCE SIGN:** Councilmember Drake said he would like to see the council give final approval to the west entrance welcome sign, including the descriptive phrase, "A Model City." (See attachment 3.)

**MOTION:** It was moved by Councilmember Drake and seconded by Councilmember Merrill to move forward with the installation of the west entrance sign, including the descriptive phrase, "A Model City," and the approval of financing in this year's budget if money is available or if money is not available, in next year's budget; Councilmembers King and Waddell voted nay; deciding vote: Mayor Dalling voted aye; motion carried. This motion reversed a decision of the council September 22, 2011, to omit the phrase, "A Model City," from the proposed welcome sign.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**COUNCILMEMBER KING:** No report.

**COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL:**

**LEPC report:** Lamont reported that there were no LEPC meetings in June and will not be any in July either.

**COUNCILMEMBER WADDELL:**

**Status of audio/visual equipment:** Vaun said that Gary Abbott, a technician at BYU-Idaho, plans to do the installation tomorrow. If he doesn't finish it tomorrow, he will finish on Saturday.

**COUNCILMEMBER DRAKE:**

**Bid opening on street repairs (Digger Drive project) July 2 at 4 p.m. at city hall:** Forsgren Associates advised the city that project plans have been completed and picked up by three contractors. The bid opening will be on July 2 at 4 p.m. at city hall.

**MAYOR'S BUSINESS:**

**Sign on the front of city hall:** The mayor recommended that we have a sign in front of city hall similar to the park signs. The sign will say, "City Hall Offices and Information." He said he would pursue getting a cost for it. This sign would have to go through the Planning and Zoning Commission.

He also said that the Tree and Beautification Committee would like to see improvement on the front of the city hall building.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Glenn W. Dalling, Mayor

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sharon L. Bell, Clerk

## East Parkway Corridor, Notes from Public Meeting on 7 June 2012

Steve Hawkes and Vaun Waddell reviewed the audiotape of the meeting and compiled these notes.

<u>Comments made and questions asked</u>	<u>Approximate frequency</u>
How will a corridor east of Sugar City eliminate traffic on 2 <sup>nd</sup> East in Rexburg? What is Rexburg doing to mitigate traffic on 2 <sup>nd</sup> East? It's their problem. Why not build a road running north from Rexburg west of Highway 20? Current growth in Rexburg is to the west. Why even talk about an east corridor?	15
Why not add northern access to the Highway 20 interchange at Sugar City? This would solve the 2 <sup>nd</sup> East traffic problem and cost less than the parkway. Why not bring the new road into Sugar City at its southwest corner? Why not use the Moody road?	8
Use existing roads. Everyone at the 2010 meeting agreed to use existing roads. What is the problem going past the high school? (for example, Hillcrest H.S.) But – Digger Drive has problems: canal, substation, high school.	10
We were assured in the 2010 meeting that east of Sugar City is not being considered. None of what's on the map shows anything of what we all agreed to in 2010. I do not understand why we are even doing this? If this area grows in future years, where is the traffic going to go? I don't think we need a five-lane road. I want business in Sugar City, not a highway blocking access into town.	15
Any of the routes east of Sugar City will interfere with property rights and values. Cut up fields, interfere with irrigation, increase taxes, impact wildlife. Canals and houses next to each other do not work. I think landowners want to develop, but I do not want the road near me.	16
Timing and need: How much longer until a final answer to the question? Does this discussion just continue on and on? Are you listening? do you hear us? do you know how we feel? When will we know when the road will be built? Allocation of funds, other priorities.	9

### Solutions suggested

Grant Hawkes at the meeting

*7th North*

Bring the corridor north to the Moody Road, then turn west and connect with Highway 33 and on to the north Rexburg interchange.

Brian Hawkes by email on 14 June 2012

I think there are three reasons to have this East Parkway:

1. To reduce traffic on 2nd East in Rexburg.
2. To facilitate access to various parts of Rexburg without going through downtown.
3. To facilitate access to Rexburg by citizens of Sugar City and surrounding areas.

The parkway needs the following to meet these requirements:

1. Completion of a ring road around Rexburg including a segment at or near Rexburg 7th North.
2. Easy access for traffic from Salem and St. Anthony. Majority of commuter traffic on 2nd East in Rexburg is from Salem and other communities north of Rexburg.
3. Access to the Parkway from Sugar City, perhaps from Sugar City 7th West or Teton Avenue.

I don't see that connecting to Highway 33 (northeast of Sugar City) will meet any of these needs. Perhaps in the distant future it will make more of a difference.

In addition, I would like to see the Sugar-Salem school district have access to the Ball land east of the current high school for a campus without Digger Drive being turned into a major connector with heavy traffic. Also, if the East Parkway road connects to Highway 33, that the route avoid the anticipated campus area east of the high school.

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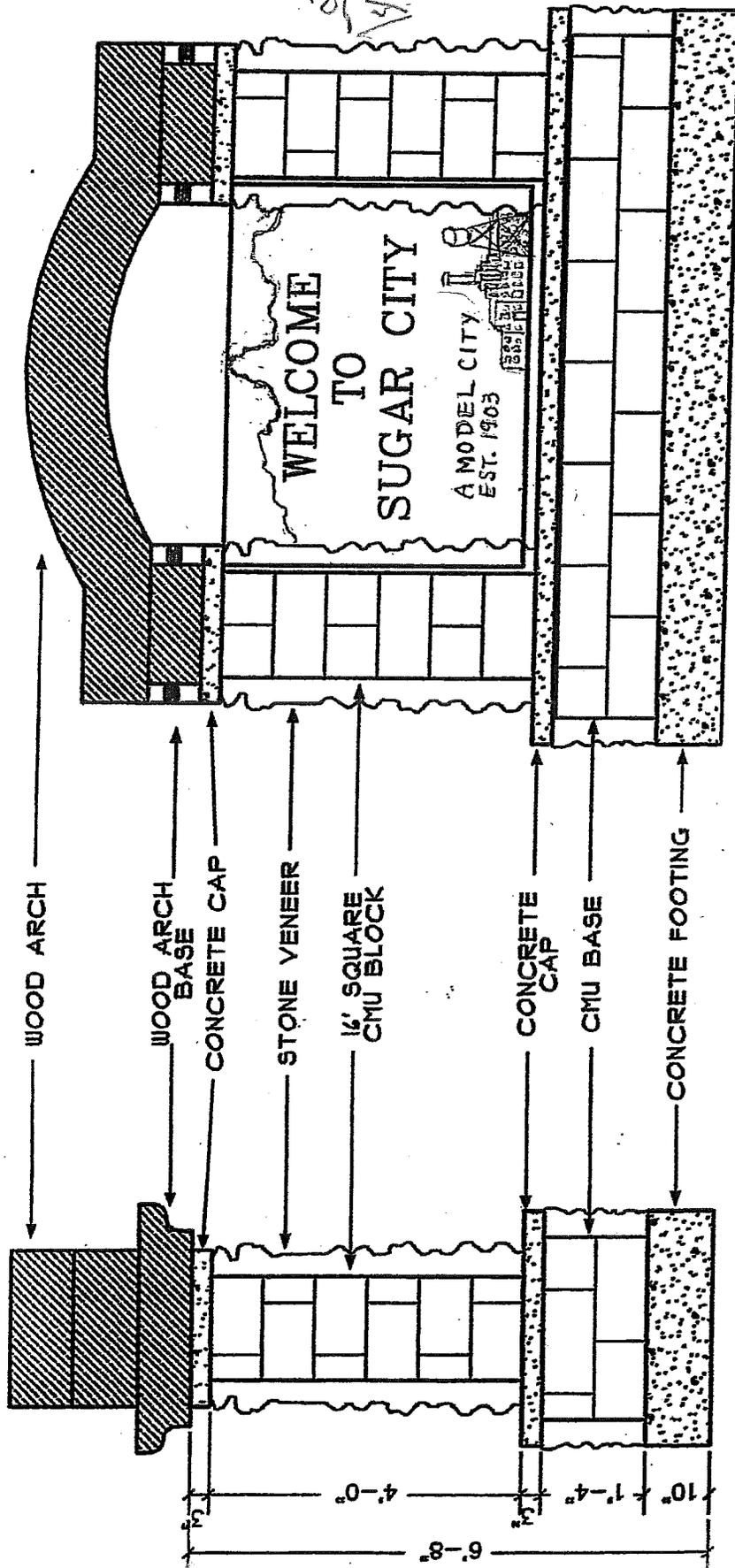
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