

NORTH OGDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2016

The North Ogden City Council convened in an open meeting on January 12, 2016 at 6:05 p.m. at the North Ogden City Office at 505 East 2600 North. Notice of time, place, and agenda of the meeting was delivered to each member of the City Council, posted on the bulletin board at the municipal office and posted to the Utah State Website on January 8, 2015. Notice of the annual meeting schedule was published in the Standard-Examiner on January 2, 2016.

PRESENT:	Brent R. Taylor	Mayor	
	Lynn Satterthwaite	Council Member	
	Cheryl Stoker	Council Member	
	Phillip Swanson	Council Member	
	Carl Turner	Council Member	
	James Urry	Council Member	
STAFF PRESENT:	Bryan Steele	City Administrator/Finance Director	
	Annette Spendlove	City Recorder/HR Director	
	Jon Call	City Attorney	
	Rob Scott	City Planning Director	
VISITORS:	Peter Farley	Thelma K. Farley	Margaret Brutto
	Robert L. Kay	Ron Russell	Frank Hare Jr.
	Ron Paakanen	Cathy Paakanen	Tammy Palmer
	Mark Palmer	Donald Waite	Sally Waite
	S. Duane Bingham	Julie Anderson	Susan Clements
	Dale H. Boam	Joan Vargas	Fred Vargas

Mayor Taylor welcomed those in attendance. Council Member Turner offered an invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discussion and/or action to consider December 15, 2015 City Council minutes

Council Member Swanson motioned to approve the December 15, 2015 City Council minutes. Council Member Satterthwaite seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite **aye**
Council Member Stoker **aye**
Council Member Swanson **aye**
Council Member Turner **aye**
Council Member Urry **aye**

The motion passed unanimously.

ACTIVE AGENDA

1. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Council Member Stoker motioned to move items four and five on the agenda ahead of item two. Council Member Satterthwaite seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

4. Discussion and/or action to consider Ramp Grants for 2016

A staff memo from Mayor Taylor explained City Administration is still working on plans with the Barker Park Committee, and will not have a proposal back to the City Council in time to apply for RAMP grants. Therefore, staff proposes only asking for a small RAMP grant this year, in order to be able to apply for a major RAMP grant next year, once a plan and budget has been approved by the City Council for Barker Park. North Ogden has never received a "major" RAMP grant and staff believes the chances for a major grant to help build Barker Park are good. At this time, staff proposes applying for a RAMP grant to build a "high adventure" playground at North Ogden Park. Because this park is shared with the school, City Administration has approached North Ogden Elementary about donating \$15,000 towards the playground, and they agreed; therefore, the City and the school will jointly apply for and offer the expected \$35,000 match, and will ask RAMP for approximately \$35,000 as well.

Mayor Taylor reviewed the staff memo and asked Parks and Recreation Director Staheli to provide the Council with additional information about the proposed high adventure playground. Ms. Staheli compared the proposed playground to an existing playground in Ogden near the River Parkway; the total cost for the playground is \$70,656 and the \$35,000 to be applied for would cover half of the cost of the project.

Council Member Urry asked if the City's matching funds would come out of the next Fiscal Year (FY) budget. Ms. Staheli noted the grant could be awarded as soon as April 2016 and could be spent immediately upon receipt, but the City's matching could come from the next FY budget. Council Member Urry asked if the match would come from the Parks and Recreation Fund. Mayor Taylor stated there may be some park impact fee revenues available, but it is likely the matching funds will come from the City's General Fund. Council Member Urry stated he would like a clear understanding of where the funding will come from. Mayor Taylor stated City

Administration has not begun formulation of the next FY budget, but he expects to have increased revenues in the parks impact fee fund and there should be money there to cover the majority of the City's match. He added he is grateful that the school was willing to participate in the project as well.

Council Member Turner asked if the City's match is coming in the form of money and not in-kind labor. Ms. Staheli answered yes. Council Member Turner stated the bid included in the packet appeared to be for installation of the equipment and he wondered if there is a cost associated with preparing the footprint of the park and if that is covered in the bid. Ms. Staheli stated the preparation of the site is covered in the cost and the equipment will be installed by certified technicians. Mayor Taylor added the old playground at the site was moved last year because of disrepair and the park has not had a playground feature since then. He inquired as to the timeline of the installation of the project. Ms. Staheli stated that she believes the equipment will be installed before the start of the next school year.

Council Member Satterthwaite asked if City Administration has any ideas about the amount of money they may request in grant funding for the future Barker Park project. Ms. Staheli stated that she feels the possible range for a major RAMP grant is between \$250,000 and \$350,000. Mayor Taylor stated the City would need to offer a match for such a grant and that money will likely need to come from park impact fees as well. It will be necessary to show some restraint in the use of park impact fees over the next couple of years in order to save enough to make a substantial investment in the construction of Barker Park.

Council Member Urry motioned to approve City Administration's Ramp Grant application for 2016. Council Member Swanson seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite	aye
Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye
Council Member Urry	aye

The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Swanson then motioned to move to item three on the agenda, which will be followed by discussion of item two if necessary. Council Member Satterthwaite seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite **aye**
Council Member Stoker **aye**
Council Member Swanson **aye**
Council Member Turner **aye**
Council Member Urry **aye**

The motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussion and/or action to consider an Ordinance amending the Scottsdale PRUD zone from R-2 to R-2(A)

A staff memo from City Planner Scott explained when the City Council is acting as the land use authority, it is acting in a legislative capacity and has wide discretion. Examples of legislative actions are general plan, zoning map, and land use text amendments. Legislative actions require that the Planning Commission give a recommendation to the City Council. Typically the criteria for making a decision, related to a legislative matter, require compatibility with the general plan and existing codes.

On November 24, 2015 the City Council held two related public hearings on this matter. The City ZMA 2015-05 Scottsdale R-2(A) Amendment Page 2 of 3 Council requested Staff to research if the 50% open space requirement was in place at the time when the Scottsdale PRUD was approved (October, 1994). Staff has researched this information and found that the 50% open space requirement was not in place in 1994. The first time it clearly shows in City ordinances is 2002.

On the agenda is an additional item considering the establishment of the R-2 (A) Zone. The City Council should consider whether or not to apply this zone to the property.

The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on this application on October 7, 2015. The details of the items discussed are contained in the R-2 (A) zone staff report. There were many neighbors who attended the hearing with some supporting the request and others objecting to it.

The General Plan identified this area to be within the Southtown neighborhood. The General Plan map shows this area in the single family low density classification.

The applicable Zoning and Land Use Policies are as follows:

General Guidelines:

- Zoning should reflect the existing use of property to the greatest extent possible, unless the area is in transition or is in conflict with the General Plan. Staff comment: This development is not under transition. The project has been in existence since 1994. The policy question before the City Council is, Should a standard be adopted to allow a new RV pad consistent with previous RV pads?

Residential Guidelines:

- Require excellence in design. Staff comment: The policy question in this instance is whether or not allowing a reduction in open space will harm this neighborhood?

The memo offered the following summary of potential City Council considerations:

- Is the Residential Zone R-2 (A) zone amendment consistent with the General Plan?
- Is the proposed Residential Zone R-2 (A) amendment zone appropriate?

The memo concluded the Planning Commission recommends denial of rezoning the Scottsdale PRUD to R-2 (A) based upon the desires of subdivision residents. If the City Council decides not to apply the R-2 (A) zone to this property, then the Planning Commission recommends not adopting the R-2 (A) zone.

Mr. Scott reviewed his staff memo.

Council Member Swanson asked if the general consensus of the residents that attended the Planning Commission public hearing was that they were not supportive of the new zoning designation. Mr. Scott stated there were a number of people on both sides of the issue; a preponderance of people indicated they did not want the zoning designation and the Planning Commission supported those wishes.

Council Member Turner asked if the people living in the Scottsdale Subdivision who have RV pads violating the 50% open space requirement will be required to remove those pads if the zoning of the subdivision is not changed. Mr. Scott answered no and indicated that the properties could be classified as non-conforming permitted since the pads were installed before 2002 when the City's ordinance changed to require 50% open space. Council Member Turner asked if residents would be prohibited from installing additional RV pads that would violate the 50% open space requirement. Mr. Scott answered no and stated the reason for this discussion is that a resident requested the ability to install a RV pad and they were not allowed to move forward; they subsequently petitioned the City for this zoning change.

Planning Commission Chairman Waite provided the Council with additional information regarding the discussion that took place during the Planning Commission public hearing.

Council Member Satterthwaite stated he does not see a compelling reason to change the zoning designation of the subdivision and it is his opinion that the 50% open space requirement was implemented for a reason and he is concerned that allowing an increase in hard surface in the subdivision will negatively impact the City's storm drain system. He stated he is inclined to support the Planning Commission's recommendation. Council Members Stoker and Swanson agreed.

Council Member Urry inquired as to the reasoning behind the change in City ordinances in 2002 requiring 50% open space. Mr. Scott stated that the only information he can provide is that the standard was implemented in all zones in the City and the Scottsdale Subdivision was not singled out. He did not find anything in the record that provides a clear reason for the ordinance change,

but he noted that most cities have a vegetative open space requirement. He added there were extensive ordinance amendments in 2002 and many sections of the City's Code were edited. Council Member Swanson asked if the Code included a vegetative open space requirement prior to 2002, to which Mr. Scott answered no; there were ordinances requiring certain setbacks and the placement of buildings on building lots.

Mayor Taylor inquired as to the lot sizes in the Scottsdale Subdivision. Mr. Scott noted the property was initially zoned R4 and it was eventually changed to R2; the lots are generally smaller in the Subdivision than in most residential zones in the City. City Attorney Call added that the R2 zone permits a minimum lot size of 8,000 square feet. Mr. Scott added that the roads in the subdivision are private and the total lot area goes to the middle of the road.

Council Member Urry stated he is philosophically opposed to standards that try to make all properties look the same; he feels such standards remove the freedoms of property owners. Council Member Stoker stated she agrees with that sentiment, but people who purchase property in a PRUD should have an understanding of the rules of the development. Council Member Urry stated the rules changed. He stated he would be interested to know if those people who desire to install an RV pad purchased their property before or after the rules changed. Ron Russell and Dwayne Bingham indicated that of the four homeowners impacted by this issue, three of them purchased their property prior to 2002 and the fourth purchased after. Mr. Russell stated he is the only property owner who currently does not have an RV pad, but he would like to build one; he purchased his property three years ago. Council Member Urry stated he is not as sympathetic to someone who purchased their property after 2002 because they purchased knowing the rules governing the subdivision.

Council Member Swanson motioned to deny an amendment to the Scottsdale PRUD zone from R-2 to R-2(A). Council Member Satterthwaite seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite	aye
Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye
Council Member Urry	nay

The motion passed on a four to one vote.

2. Discussion and/or action to consider an Ordinance adding the R-2(A) residential zone

Council Member Swanson motioned to deny the addition of the R-2(A) residential zone. Council Member Satterthwaite seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite	aye
Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye
Council Member Urry	aye

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and/or action on Economic Development Grants

Mayor Taylor provided the Council with a report of the recent actions of the Economic Development Committee (EDC) with a focus on the economic development projects they are recommending. He discussed the beautification project that would place decorative planters, garbage cans, and benches throughout the commercial areas of the City; the items will include the City's logo as well as the logo of any business that sponsors placement of an item.

Council Member Turner inquired as to the cost of the benches, to which Mayor Taylor answered \$800 each; they are solid concrete and will be very durable. Council Member Turner stated that the Parks and Recreation Committee was working to install benches along the City's trail system and throughout parks and they were nearly as expensive, but not as nice.

Council Member Urry asked who will be responsible to water the plants in the planters. Mayor Taylor stated that is yet to be determined; he is hopeful that businesses will assume responsibility for the planters or it may be possible to enlist volunteers to handle maintenance. Council Member Urry stated there are other cities with planters and they provide equipment and employees to handle watering needs. Mayor Taylor stated it may be necessary for the City to hire an employee to provide the service, but many businesses have already offered their support for the program and have indicated they are willing to water the flowers.

Mayor Taylor then provided information on the EDCs recommendation to place vinyl wraps on utility boxes at major intersections throughout the City; the wraps would contain artwork that will beautify the areas and they will be interesting and unique to the area. He added the Council has approved a budget for public art that will cover the production of the wraps; each wrap will cost up to \$600 and will last five years. The Council had a brief discussion regarding the use of photographs that may include residents, with Council Member Swanson suggesting that the City make its best effort to contact residents to get their consent for using the photograph. Mayor Taylor stated the City will do that; he then reviewed additional samples of artwork and images that may be used on the utility boxes. Council Member Stoker stated she likes all of the images except the Cherry Days images. Council Member Swanson added that he would like to use local artists to provide images for the wraps. Council Member Urry agreed and stated it would be good to list the artist's name on the images so that people could contact them to purchase artwork.

Mayor Taylor then provided the Council with information about the plans to paint a mural on a building in the North Ogden Plaza that is easily visible for motorists on Washington Boulevard. The Weber High School AP Arts class has been enlisted to work on the project and they will provide a proposal to the EDC at their next meeting. He then stated that he is recommending that the City pursue some additional Economic Development opportunities this year, such as creating marketing materials for the City, and he has found two possible grant sources that can help the City accomplish this. He reviewed the grant opportunities, one of which is through edcUTAH and it may be wise for the City to pay for a membership with the entity in order to increase the likelihood of receiving the grant.

Council Member Turner stated he likes the idea of applying for grants, but he wondered what edcUTAH could do for the City in return for the membership. Council Member Swanson stated he would like for a representative of edcUTAH to attend a City Council meeting to inform the body of the services the City would receive for the \$4,500 membership before making a decision. Mayor Taylor stated he would support that idea. Discussion then centered on the role that edcUTAH plays in economic development in other cities in Utah.

Council Member Swanson stated he would like to understand the costs of producing marketing materials; it may be less to pay for the materials in house than to pay for a membership with edcUTAH to improve the likelihood of receiving a grant. Mayor Taylor stated he will investigate costs and noted that it may be possible to enlist volunteers or students to help with the development of a marketing packet. He stated he will report back at a future meeting.

6. Public Hearing to receive comments on an application to rezone land located at approximately 2700 N 900 E from Residential Zone RE-20 to Residential Zone R-1-10

A staff memo City Planner Scott explained when the City Council is acting as the land use authority, it is acting in a legislative capacity and has wide discretion. Examples of legislative actions are general plan, zoning map, and land use text amendments. Legislative actions require that the Planning Commission give a recommendation to the City Council. Typically the criteria for making a decision, related to a legislative matter, require compatibility with the general plan and existing codes.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on December 16, 2015 to consider the rezone of the property as described below.

The City Council on March 10, 2015 adopted a rezone map amendment for the Chatelain property along with a development agreement from RE-20 to R-1-10. The applicant has submitted a subdivision application for this property that includes the acquisition of 5,143 square feet from the David and Dennise Dixon property located at 2720 North 850 East. The remaining parcel has 20,000 square feet leaving it compliant with the RE-20 zone.

The original rezone included 7,556 square feet, which is the back half of the property of Kim and Dale Chatelain located at 975 East 2750 North. This was to be included in the Rice Creek Cove subdivision, however, the Chatelain's have decided to retain that property for themselves. This rezone includes returning this property from R-1-10 to RE-20. This rezone does not change the original development agreement; it is still in effect.

The General Plan map shows this area as Residential Low Density. The request is consistent with that designation. This property is located in the Coldwater neighborhood.

The General Plan Zoning and Land Use Policy has the following applicable guidelines:

Zoning and Land-Use Policy

The following policy consists of general statements to be used as guidelines. Such guidelines may on occasion conflict, when several are compared. In such cases, the Planning Commission will prioritize the guidelines as they pertain to the specific parameters of the issue which is pending. All zoning requests should first be evaluated for their compliance with the General Plan.

General Guidelines:

- A definite edge should be established between the types of uses to protect the integrity of each use, except where the mixing of uses is recommended in the General Plan. Staff comment: The rezone is consistent with the existing development agreement leaving the existing Dixon parcel at 20,000 square feet and the Chatelain property will be over an acre.
- Zoning should reflect the existing use of property to the greatest extent possible, unless the area is in transition or is in conflict with the General Plan. Staff comment: This area is in transition from agricultural to urban uses; primarily single family subdivisions.
- Where possible, properties which face each other, across a local street, should be the same or a similar zone. Collector and arterial roads may be sufficient buffers to warrant different zones. Staff comment: The zoning will allow for lots facing each other to have the same zone.
- Zoning boundaries should not cut across individual lots or developments (i.e., placing the lot in two separate zones). Illogical boundaries should be redrawn to follow property or established geographical lines. Staff comment: The Dixon property will have one zone. Without this rezone for the Chatelain property, it would be in two zones.

Residential Guidelines:

- Avoid isolating neighborhoods. Staff comment: The preliminary subdivision design provides for appropriate connectivity.
- Require excellence in design. Staff comment: The final subdivision approval will ensure an effective design.
- Consider development agreements to assure higher quality development. Staff comment: This property addition is subject to the March 10, 2015 development agreement.

The memo offered the following summary of potential City Council considerations:

- Is the proposal consistent with the General Plan?

- Does the proposal meet the North Ogden Zoning ordinance standards?
- How does the proposal relate to the Zoning and Land Use Policy guidelines?
- Are the R-1-10 and RE-20 requests consistent with the March 10, 2015 development agreement?

The memo concluded the Planning Commission found that the proposed rezone is consistent with the General Plan and the March 10, 2015 development agreement and recommends adoption by the City Council.

Mr. Scott reviewed his staff memo as well as an aerial photograph to identify the location of the subject property.

Council Member Turner inquired as to the zoning of the property located directly east of the subject property, to which Mr. Scott answered R-1-8.

Council Member Satterthwaite indicated he reviewed past meeting minutes regarding this issue and noted that one of the desires of the City Council was to provide for adequate sized lots to abut the existing residential lots on 2750 North; the Council called for the lots to be at least 12,000 square feet in size. He asked for assurance that staff will work to ensure the development's compliance with the development agreement and the stipulations made by the City Council. Mayor Taylor stated that the ordinance indicates that the development is subject to the development agreement adopted March 10, 2015 and staff will ensure the developer will adhere to the agreement.

Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing at 7:43 p.m.

Julie Anderson, 940 E. 2600 N., thanked the Council for working to ensure that the development will follow the development agreement that was approved last year. She added that the Dixon property is actually owned by Lewis Barker and J.R. Fisher is engaged in discussions with another family relative with a property transaction for their property on 2750 North as well.

Council Member Turner stated it seems to him that the plat included some lots that are smaller than the 12,000 square foot requirement. Ms. Anderson stated that is correct and she has an updated map from J.R. Fisher; she is aware they are trying to resolve the issue with the flag lot that was originally included on the plat. She again thanked the Council for ensuring the subdivision follows the small changes that have been made.

Council Member Turner asked that the plat be corrected to include correct property ownership information before it is recorded. Mr. Call stated that will be done by staff. Mr. Scott added that a property's legal description remains the same irrespective of property ownership.

Council Member Swanson motioned to close the public hearing. Council Member Satterthwaite seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite aye
Council Member Stoker aye
Council Member Swanson aye
Council Member Turner aye
Council Member Urry aye

The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed at 7:46 p.m.

7. Discussion and/or action to consider an Ordinance rezoning land located at approximately 2700 N 900 E from Residential Zone RE-20 to Residential Zone R-1-10

Council Member Satterthwaite motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-01 rezoning land located at approximately 2700 N. 900 E. from Residential Zone RE-20 to Residential Zone R-1-10. Council Member Swanson seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite aye
Council Member Stoker aye
Council Member Swanson aye
Council Member Turner aye
Council Member Urry aye

The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Turner noted this property is located directly behind his home and he appreciates all the work the Council did on this project before he began his term as a City Council Member.

8. Discussion and/or action to consider an Ordinance related to Duplexes in the Residential City Center (RCC) zone, placing a six-month moratorium on duplexes in the Residential City Center (RCC) zone

A staff memo from City Attorney Call explained the City has had significant concerns raised by citizens and City officials about the application for duplexes and twin homes in our RCC zone. He has written a “Temporary Land Use Regulation” which under Utah Code 10-9a-504 is allowed when there is a “compelling, countervailing public interest” found by the City Council. The proposed language in the Temporary Regulation will impose a moratorium on the creation of additional duplexes in the RCC zone during at least the next six months or until the City adopts a new ordinance related to duplexes in the RCC zone. It will not make any existing duplexes illegal which followed all the appropriate rules in being established as a legal use,

including application for building permit and all necessary fees. The memo concluded Mr. Call recommends the Council adopt the Temporary Land Use Regulation which will allow for the City to take up to six months to review and adopt a new ordinance related to duplexes in the RCC zone.

Mr. Call reviewed his staff memo, after which the Council had a brief discussion to understand the difference between duplexes and twin homes.

Council Member Satterthwaite stated he feels it would be appropriate for the Council to give the Planning Commission some direction regarding how this issue should be addressed. Mayor Taylor stated his recommendation is that duplexes and twin homes not be allowed in the RCC zone. He stated he feels the land use would detract from the value of properties in the RCC zone, which is essentially the commercial center of the City. He then reviewed a plat to identify the boundaries of the RCC zone.

Council Member Satterthwaite inquired as to which zones in the City duplexes are currently allowed, to which Mr. Scott answered R2, R3, and R4 as well as the RCC zone. Mayor Taylor stated the R2, R3, and R4 zones are multi-family zones and duplexes are not allowed in any single-family zone in the City. He stated the RCC zone encompasses many older properties and those are prime targets for investors to purchase and convert to a duplex to maximize their rental or resale value. Council Member Satterthwaite stated he would like to understand how other cities address this issue. Council Member Swanson stated that Ogden City has seen many issues due to older homes being converted to duplexes and they are now expending a great amount of effort to correct those issues.

Council Member Turner stated he would like to see a better drawing illustrating the boundaries of the RCC zone as well as an illustration of the lots that could be converted to duplexes or twin homes.

Council Member Swanson motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-02 related to duplexes in the Residential City Center (RCC) zone, placing a six-month moratorium on duplexes in the Residential City Center (RCC) zone. Council Member Satterthwaite seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite	aye
Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye
Council Member Urry	nay

The motion passed on a four to one vote.

9. Discussion and/or action to consider Brandon Mason and Don Waite's appointments to the Planning Commission for a term of 5 years each

Mayor Taylor explained Commissioners Mason and Waite were both appointed to the Planning Commission to fill mid-term vacancies as a result of resignations of other members. He would like for both of them to be reappointed for five year terms; they have both done a great job and are willing to continue with their service.

Council Member Turner motioned to approve Brandon Mason and Don Waite's appointments to the Planning Commission for a term of 5 years each. Council Member Stoker seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite	aye
Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye
Council Member Urry	aye

The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Satterthwaite expressed his gratitude for the amount of time and effort the Planning Commission expends on the City's behalf. Mayor Taylor echoed Council Member Satterthwaite's comments.

10. Public Comments

Frank Hare, 1785 N. 225 W., addressed the previous discussion regarding the placement of beautification items, such as flower planters. He stated that if he were a business owner in the City he would not want the plants to die so he would water them to keep them from dying as he feels that would reflect badly on the business.

Sally Waite, 866 E. 2800 N., stated she has an idea for artwork for one of the utility box wraps; she stated a photograph of the old North Ogden Elementary School would be a great image to include. Mayor Taylor stated he will forward that recommendation to the person in charge of gathering images for the project.

11. Council/Mayor/Staff Comments

Mr. Call encouraged the Council to make any comments about the reason for their votes after all votes have been taken.

Mayor Taylor provided the Council with some information regarding the process of developing the next Fiscal Year (FY) budget; staff is currently working on the budgets for their respective departments and he will begin working with the Council to schedule needed budget meetings. He also encouraged the Council to provide him with any budget priority they may have in mind.

Council Member Swanson stated he understands snow sledding is prohibited in the dog park, but when users have contacted the Police Department they are being told that the Police cannot do anything because the park is a public park and residents can sled where they want to. He asked for direction on how to address this complaint. Mayor Taylor stated that the placard of rules for the dog park prohibits sledding, but there is no ordinance prohibiting the activity. Mr. Call recommended the Council adopt an ordinance that indicates it is a violation of municipal ordinance to violate any of the posted rules at any City park. Mayor Taylor stated this will allow the Police Department to enforce the ordinance. Council Member Swanson asked that such an ordinance be brought before the City Council.

Council Member Urry reported on junk and debris that has been dumped on the newly extended 1700 North. He then asked what has been done to address the pile of wood shavings at the top of 1700 North. Mayor Taylor stated the violator has been contacted and if he does not comply within a certain amount of time he will be cited and the City can abate the nuisance. Council Member Urry then addressed a recent suggestion by the Mayor to spotlight a local business each month and he recommended that the new indoor soccer facility in the North Ogden Plaza be recognized for the amount of traffic they are bringing to the area; the other businesses in the Plaza are likely very pleased because the increased traffic will benefit them as well. Mayor Taylor agreed; he noted that the Economic Development Committee has created a list of businesses to be recognized and he will add that business to the list. Council Member Urry then stated he does not see a problem created by people sledding in the dog park. Council Member Swanson stated the problem is that some dogs may chase after someone on a sled or a sledder may hit a dog and injure it and he wondered who would be liable for that injury.

Council Member Satterthwaite stated that he is supportive of considering an ordinance that requires compliance with posted rules at City parks, but he asked that staff carefully consider the penalties for violation of the ordinance. He then stated that he is supportive of Mayor Taylor's request to create a marketing package for the City as he feels it will go a long way in attracting quality economic development to the City. He then noted that as the Council considers the next FY budget he would like to have detailed information regarding the City's method for accounting for impact fee revenues. He then concluded that he has been working with the Public Works Director to eliminate 'surprises' in the budget process; they have been working to create a City inventory in order to have meaningful data when considering budgetary needs for potential future repair or replacement of assets.

Council Member Urry also addressed the budget process and stated that relative to potential pay increases for City employees, he does not want those increases based on tenure only and, rather, he would like to understand an employee's duties and responsibilities. Mayor Taylor stated he will work on developing that information.

Council Member Stoker asked for an update on the potential purchase of the old Campbell barn. She then reported the Parks and Trails Committee will be considering the creation of a schedule of monthly activities at different City parks to attract residents to the parks and help them become familiar with the facilities located at the parks. Mayor Taylor stated that is a great idea. He also reported on the Economic Development Committee's work to produce a Chalk Art Festival in North Ogden Plaza; artists would be invited to participate in the festival and draw a picture according to a theme chosen for the event. He then addressed Council Member Stoker's question about the Campbell barn and noted the Barker Park Committee would like to incorporate the structure in Barker Park as a historical feature. The barn is located on 2600 North where Monroe Boulevard will go through and the City would like to purchase the property and the barn and relocate it to Barker Park. He then provided the Council with a brief update on the transaction to sell the old Smith's building. He also stated that there will be an item on the next Council agenda for the Council to select a Mayor Pro Temp to act in his absence. He then reported the Local Officials Day at the Legislature will be held January 27 and the Council is invited to attend; the Youth City Council will also participate in the event. He then noted that he is looking for recommendations on residents to be appointed as the Cherry Day's chair people. He asked that the Council email him any suggestions they have. He concluded that the City is proceeding with the development of a form based code for the City; the work will be done with a \$25,000 matching grant and a consultant has been hired to begin the project. It is a very significant project, similar to the rewrite of the General Plan and he would like to create a steering committee for the project. He asked that the Council identify two Council Members to participate on the committee and offer suggestions for residents that would be appropriate for appointment to the committee. He encouraged the Council to email their suggestions to him.

Mayor Taylor then provided Council Member Satterthwaite with a plaque from the Weber County Mosquito Abatement District recognizing him for his two year term of service. He stated that Council Member Turner has been appointed to replace him. Council Member Satterthwaite stated he enjoyed his time with the District and he thanked him for the recognition.

12. Adjournment

Council Member Turner motioned to adjourn. Council Member Swanson seconded the motion.

Voting on the motion:

Council Member Satterthwaite	aye
Council Member Stoker	aye
Council Member Swanson	aye
Council Member Turner	aye
Council Member Urry	aye

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Brent R. Taylor, Mayor

S. Annette Spendlove, MMC
City Recorder

Date Approved