

Murray City Municipal Council Chambers

Murray City, Utah

Tuesday, July 5, 2022

The Murray City Municipal Council met on Tuesday, July 5th, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. (or as soon as possible thereafter) for a meeting held in the Murray City Council Chambers, 5025 South State Street, Murray, Utah.

The public was able to view the meeting via the live stream at www.murraycitylive.com or <https://www.facebook.com/Murraycityutah/>. A recording of the City Council meeting can be viewed [HERE](#).

Council in Attendance:

Kat Martinez	District #1- Conducting
Pamela Cotter	District #2
Rosalba Dominguez	District #3
Diane Turner	District #4
Garry Hrechkosy	District #5
Jennifer Kennedy	Council Director
Patti Johnson	Council Office Administrator III

Administrative Staff in Attendance:

Brett Hales	Mayor
Doug Hill	Chief Administrative Officer
Tammy Kikuchi	Chief Communication Officer
GL Critchfield	City Attorney
Brooke Smith	City Recorder
Craig Burnett	Police Chief
Joey Mittelman	Fire Chief
Jared Hall	Community and Economic Development Director
Danny Astill	Public Works Director
Kim Sorensen	Parks & Recreation Director
Kim Fong	Library Director
Bruce Turner	Power Operations Manager
Rob White	IT Director

Others in Attendance:

Charles Turner	Cindy Hales	Daren Rasmussen	Joelle Rasmussen
Loran Pasalich	Judy Erickson	Glenda Caldwell	Darin Bird
Karen Astill	Teddy Wardle	Dave Carr	Pam Sanders
Roy Bartee	Anthony Fletcher		

Opening Ceremonies

Call to Order – Councilmember Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Daren Rasmussen.

Approval of Minutes

None scheduled.

Special Recognition

- 1. Consider a Joint Resolution of the Mayor and Murray City Municipal Council in appreciation for Danny Astill.**

Presenting: Mayor Hales

Joint Resolution #R22-32

Mayor Hales read into the record Joint Resolution R22-32. Danny Astill, Public Works Director has worked for Murray City for over 27 years and will be retiring on July 15, 2022.

MOTION:

Councilmember Hrechkosy moved to approve the joint resolution. The motion was SECONDED by Councilmember Turner.

Council roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Cotter, Councilmember Dominguez, Councilmember Turner, Councilmember Hrechkosy, Councilmember Martinez.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion passed 5-0

Danny Astill thanked the Mayor and Councilmembers for the recognition. He has enjoyed

the career and the opportunities he had as he served the community. He is leaving with good people who will continue to do great work and build the operation.

Councilmembers and the Mayor thanked Danny Astill for his years of service, and they appreciate him being a part of Murray City's history.

2. Consider a Joint Resolution of the Mayor and City Council encouraging increased water conservation due to drought conditions.

Presenting: Mayor Hales

Joint Resolution #R22-33

Mayor Hales read into the record Joint Resolution R22-33. Mayor Hales encourages all residents to increase their efforts to conserve water due to state-wide drought conditions.

Councilmember Hrechkosy mentioned that there is a state reimbursement program for irrigation controllers and recommended visiting the Conservation Garden Park (<https://conservationgardenpark.org/>) by the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District to learn tips on how to be water-wise.

Councilmember Dominguez recommended planting native plants and perennials.

MOTION:

Councilmember Turner moved to approve the joint resolution. The motion was SECONDED by Councilmember Cotter.

Council roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Cotter, Councilmember Dominguez, Councilmember Turner, Councilmember Hrechkosy, Councilmember Martinez.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion passed 5-0

Councilmember Turner said in her development they water twice a week.

Citizen Comments

The meeting was open for public comment.

No comments were given, and the open public comment period was closed.

Consent Agenda

1. Consider confirmation of the Mayor's re-appointment of Darin Bird to the Shade Tree and Beautification Commission for a term beginning June 30, 2021, to expire June 30, 2023.
2. Consider confirmation of the Mayor's re-appointment of Janice Evans to the Shade Tree and Beautification Commission for a term beginning June 30, 2022, to expire June 30, 2025.
3. Consider confirmation of the Mayor's re-appointment of General Nelson to the Shade Tree and Beautification Commission for a term beginning June 30, 2021, to expire June 30, 2024.
4. Consider confirmation of the Mayor's re-appointment of Judith Payne to the Shade Tree and Beautification Commission for a term beginning June 30, 2021, to expire June 30, 2024.

Presenting: Mayor Hales

Mayor Hales requested the council approve the re-appointments of the following individuals:

- Darin Bird - Shade Tree and Beautification Commission – Re-appointment
- Janice Evans - Shade Tree and Beautification Commission – Re-appointment
- General Nelson - ShadeTree and Beautification Commission – Re-appointment
- Judith Payne - Shade Tree and Beautification Commission – Re-appointment

Mayor Hales and the council expressed appreciation for the continued service of the individuals who are serving another term and with the Shade Tree and Beautification Commission.

MOTION:

Councilmember Hrechkosy moved to approve the re-appointment recommendations made on the Consent Agenda. The motion was SECONDED by Councilmember Dominguez.

Council roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Cotter, Councilmember Dominguez, Councilmember Turner, Councilmember Hrechkosy, Councilmember Martinez.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion passed 5-0

5. Consider confirmation of the Mayor's appointment of Joelle Rasmussen to the Library Board for a term beginning July 2022 to expire June 2025.

Presenting: Mayor Hales

Mayor Hales introduced Joelle Rasmussen to the council and requested the council approve the appointment of Joelle Rasmussen to the Library Board.

MOTION:

Councilmember Cotter moved to approve the appointment of Joelle Rasmussen. The motion was SECONDED by Councilmember Hrechkosy.

Council roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Cotter, Councilmember Dominguez, Councilmember Turner, Councilmember Hrechkosy, Councilmember Martinez.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion passed 5-0

Councilmembers thanked all the appointees for their willingness to serve.

Public Hearings

1. Consider an ordinance permanently closing and vacating an unused Public Utility Easement at 447 West 4800 South, Murray City, Salt Lake County, State of Utah.

Presenting: Bruce Turner

Slide: Alta NSPS Survey by Johanson Surveying, Project No. S-21-168, Date 1/10/2022, Drawn by Nathan Bseiso and overseen by Shane R. Johanson (Copyright Protected)

Bruce Turner presented the purpose of the Public Hearing is to request an ordinance permanently closing and vacating an unused Public Utility Easement at 447 West 4800 South, Murray, Utah.

Murray City Power has a large blanket easement covering most of the property at 447 W. 4800 S. This easement is no longer needed as changes in overhead and underground power will require a new Public Utility Easement (PUE) for the 4800 Lofts development.

Citizen Comments

The meeting was open for public comment.

No comments were given, and the open public comment period was closed.

Councilmember Hrechkosy noted some address inconsistencies in the notice and requested the correct address be used moving forward.

MOTION:

Councilmember Cotter moved to approve the proposed ordinance. The motion was SECONDED by Councilmember Dominguez.

Council roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Cotter, Councilmember Dominguez, Councilmember Turner, Councilmember Hrechkosy, Councilmember Martinez.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion passed 5-0

Business Item

1. Consider adoption of the proposed revisions to the Rules of the Murray City Municipal Council.

Presenting: Kat Martinez, Councilmember chair

Committee of the Whole discussion: June 21, 2022

Proposed redline changes can be found [HERE](#) on pages 98 to 108.

Councilmember Martinez shared that the purpose of the proposal is to revise the Rules of the Murray City Municipal Council to match current practice.

Councilmember Hrechkosy requested the meeting place mentioned in section 3b1 be updated to “Council Chambers”.

Councilmember Martinez mentioned that with the pending new city hall, they wanted flexibility in the location and future agendas will list the exact location of meetings.

MOTION:

Councilmember Cotter moves to adopt the proposed revisions. The motion was SECONDED by Councilmember Turner.

Council roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Cotter, Councilmember Dominguez, Councilmember Turner, Councilmember Hrechkosy, Councilmember Martinez.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion passed 5-0

2. Consider adoption of the proposed revisions to the Murray City Council Travel Policy.

Presenting: Kat Martinez, Councilmember chair

Committee of the Whole discussion: June 21, 2022

Proposed redline changes can be found [HERE](#) on pages 124 to 126.

Councilmember Martinez shared that the purpose of the proposal is to revise the Murray City Council Travel Policy.

MOTION

Councilmember Cotter moves to adopt the proposed revisions. The motion was SECONDED by Councilmember Hrechkosy.

Council roll call vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Cotter, Councilmember Dominguez, Councilmember Turner, Councilmember Hrechkosy, Councilmember Martinez.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion passed 5-0

Mayor's Report and Questions

Mayor Hales thanked the council for their hard work and shared the following information:

- Brooke Smith received the SUU State certification for Municipal Clerks and the Master Municipal Clerk designation from IIMC.
- Russ Kakala has been appointed as the new Public Works Director and will be sworn in on

Tuesday, July 19 City Council meeting.

Councilmember Turner received positive feedback from the citizens about the Vine Street project. She thanked the city staff for all their hard work.

Councilmember Hrechkosy wondered if there is a way to determine the attendance from the Fun Day's Fourth of July events.

Mayor Hales said there is no official number available. However, compared to last year there was noticeably more attendance.

Mayor and Council thanked all the employees who worked hard during yesterday's Fun Day Fourth of July events.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Brooke Smith, City Recorder

