

MINUTES
ENOCH CITY COUNCIL
May 1, 2024 at 6:00pm
City Council Chambers
City Offices, 900 E. Midvalley Road

Members present:

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut
Council Member Katherine Ross
Council Member David Harris
Council Member Shawn Stoor
Council Member Bob Tingey
Council Member Debra Ley

Staff present:

Robert Dotson, City Manager
Ashley Horton, Treasurer
Justin Wayment, City Attorney
Hayden White, Public Works Director
Lindsay Hildebrand, City Recorder
Jackson Ames, PD Chief

Public Present: Carrie Austin, Alan & D. Anne Robinson, Delaine Finlay, Megan Stead, and Valerie & Alan Wade

1. **CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING** –Led by Mayor Chesnut
 - a. **Pledge of Allegiance-** Led by Council Member Tingey
 - b. **Invocation (2 min.)-Audience invited to participate-** Given by Council Member Stoor
 - c. **Inspirational thought-** None. Council Member Ross was assigned the next thought.
 - d. **Approval of Agenda for May 1, 2024 – Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Stoor seconded and all voted in favor.**
 - e. **Approval of Minutes for April 17, 2024- Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.**
 - f. **Ratification of Expenditures-** Council Member Harris made a motion to ratify the expenditures for the month. Council Member Stoor seconded and all voted in favor.
 - g. **Conflict of Interest Declaration for this agenda-** There were none.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – There were no public comments.

3. **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY ALAN ROBINSON AND D. ANNE ROBINSON, PARCEL #D-0658-0001-0000**

Council Member Harris made a motion to close the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting and open a public hearing regarding the annexation of property owned by Alan and D. Anne Robinson. Council Member Tingey seconded and all voted in favor.

There were no public comments.

Council Member Harris made a motion to close the public hearing and reconvene the regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Council Member Stoor seconded and all voted in favor.

4. CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05-01-A AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING PROPERTY OWNED BY ALAN ROBINSON AND D. ANNE ROBINSON, PARCEL #D-0658-0001-0000 INTO THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF ENOCH CITY

Council Member Ross asked City Manager Dotson to show the location of the property on the screen. City Manager Dotson showed where the property was located. Sewer and water are available at the end of Driftwood.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024-05 01-A, an ordinance annexing property owned by Alan Robinson and D. Anne Robinson, parcel #D-0658-0001-0000 into the corporate boundaries of Enoch City. Council Member Stoor seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:

**Council Member Ross: Yea Council Member Harris: Yea
Council Member Stoor: Yea Council Member Tingey: Yea
Council Member Ley: Yea**

5. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2024-05-01-A A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT

City Manager Dotson noted all of the entities that are involved. We will put them on our list of entities to hire in case we can't get to the inspection within three days. There are no fees that would be charged by those entities. We also get to choose which one we hire. Cedar City decided that they didn't want to contract with Garfield or Beaver County because of distance. We could remove them or keep them. This is rarely, if ever, going to happen but it is required by state code. Mayor Chesnut said we would have to come up with a separate agreement with Garfield and Beaver if the Council decides because they are not included in the agreement Cedar wanted. Council Member Harris asked if Garfield and Beaver were to ask Lynn to help with inspections, would we prioritize our own first? City Manager Dotson said yes, we are not required to go if we don't have the time. Council Member Harris agreed with it. Council Member Ross said she hoped to include Garfield and Beaver Counties.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-05-01-A, a resolution authorizing A Multi-Jurisdictional Building Inspection Services Agreement, excluding Garfield County and Beaver County. Council Member Ross seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:

**Council Member Ross: Yea Council Member Harris: Yea
Council Member Stoor: Yea Council Member Tingey: Yea
Council Member Ley: Yea**

6. CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2024-05-01-B A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR S.1514 AND H.R. 3170 HOMES FOR EVERY LOCAL PROTECTOR, EDUCATOR, AND RESPONDER (HELPER) ACT

City Manager Dotson said this came to the city from our federal delegation. They have requested that we send a letter of support for this act which provides assistance to those industries for first-time homebuyers. Council Member Harris said there are some programs that already exist, and wasn't sure how this is different. Council Member Tingey said his basic principles don't like singling out specific groups for things like this. This says the government will pay for mortgage insurance payments in a time around a housing bubble. The interest rate was 7.25% for a 30 yr. fixed. It is setting people up for failure. He thought something like this should benefit everyone without unintended consequences. Council Member Ley said she agreed. It means that you have to

have four years in the workforce and one year afterward. The Conventional 100 doesn't have any strings attached. These same individuals can apply for the Conventional 100. This is pulling at our heartstrings. Council Member Harris said it's not his preferred method of addressing affordable housing. If we need to help our first responders and teachers afford housing, let's pay them more money rather than create a government department for this. The intent is good. However, the method causes concern.

There was no action taken.

7. CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2024-05-01-B AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND 13.200.229 BITING ANIMAL QUARANTINED FOR OBSERVATION

Chief Ames said our current ordinance doesn't provide a provision to allow for a home quarantine at the animal's residence if the police felt that was appropriate. This was a practice that they had engaged in for years. He stated that if they felt like the dog owner was capable and responsible for quarantine, they required a form to be signed that they would abide by all requirements. Council Member Harris asked if the animals were tested or just quarantined. Chief Ames said if they show signs of rabies or if they die in that 10-day period, they are required to cut off the head and send it up north for testing. He has only had to cut off the head of a dog three or four times in the last 19 years. None of those have ever had rabies. Council Member Ley asked if the individual bitten would need to go to the hospital. Chief said typically no, they will wait that 10-day period. Council Tingey asked if there was a provision about a really vicious attack maybe even killing a child. Chief said if it kills a child they would quarantine at our shelter. They are looking at criminal charges potentially. There are things they can do. He noted this was anything that breaks the skin. Council Member Harris asked how many times homeowners have violated the requirements of the signed form. Chief said the officers vet them and if they aren't responsible and have a history, then they don't allow it. They look at their yard and home to make sure they can be isolated. They go into it knowing how successful it will be. It's not common for the animals to get out of quarantine.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024-05-01-B, an ordinance to amend 13.200.229 Biting Animal Quarantined for Observation. Council Member Tingey seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:

**Council Member Ross: Yea Council Member Harris: Yea
Council Member Stoor: Yea Council Member Tingey: Yea
Council Member Ley: Yea**

8. CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2024-05-01-C A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AMENDED ENOCH CITY ENGINEERING STANDARD DETAILS

City Manager Dotson said there was a question about the foot-and-a-half-park strip between a sidewalk and the curb. He discussed this with engineers and they created new road widths. They have to make a bunch of changes for the difference of the roadway in the ordinances. They are very minimal. He listed what exactly was changed in detail. We have new details on storm drain pump lift stations. It's similar to the small sewer lift station. Council Member Ley asked if this was state-mandated. City Manager Dotson said we don't want someone coming in with four different kinds of fire hydrants, for example. The road widths were from the state. Mayor Chesnut said this is to get uniformity for the engineer's best practices.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-05-01-C, a resolution to adopt amended Enoch City Engineering Standard Details. Council Member Stoor seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:

**Council Member Ross: Yea Council Member Harris: Yea
Council Member Stoor: Yea Council Member Tingey: Yea**

Council Member Ley: Yea

9. CONSIDER AND SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2024-2025 FINAL BUDGET

City Manager Dotson noted that the Council had two options, which were May 15th or June 5th. He also mentioned that the state code changed. We are required to have a separate public hearing if there are any increases to compensation for executive officers for the city. The public hearing can be done at the same meeting. Executive officers include the city manager, police chief, public works director, and city attorney.

Council Member Harris made a motion to set a public hearing regarding the 2024-2025 Final Budget for May 15, 2024. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.

Council Member Harris made a motion to set a public hearing for the executive compensation regarding the budget for May 15, 2024. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.

10. CONSIDER FINAL AGREEMENTS WITH STEAD & CALZADA FAMILIES

Council Member Harris made a motion to close the regular meeting and go into a closed meeting for the purpose of the buy sell or trade of real property, imminent litigation, or matters of character. Council Member Stoor seconded and a roll call vote was held as follows:

**Council Member Ross: Yea Council Member Harris: Yea
Council Member Stoor: Yea Council Member Tingey: Yea
Council Member Ley: Yea**

-ACTION FROM CLOSED MEETING-

Mayor Chesnut resumed the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting at 7:40pm.

Council Member Harris made a motion to direct the council and staff to extend the offer and agreements to the Stead and Calzada families as outlined in the closed meeting. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.

11. COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT

Council Member Stoor

- Arbor Day on Saturday, April 27th was rained out. It was too muddy, so they moved the tree planting to May 11th 9:00 am. They got a plaque for the Tree City USA.

Chief Ames

- He wanted to clarify something at the last City Council meeting in budget discussions. They talked about the Cops Grant. The direction they gave was to apply for the grant and if they get it, then the Council agreed to pull the difference out of savings. The amount was estimated at \$40,000 per year and based on an entry-level officer's wage, the difference would be roughly \$70,000 that we would have to make up each year for 3 years. We have to fully fund the officer for one year per the stipulation. Council Member Harris said he would like to take advantage of the grant and is hopeful to balance the budget. He doesn't want to pull from savings every year. Ashley asked if they could pull from savings this year. Council Member Tingey said we have value in that police officer. We are coming up with 60% of salary so it's a net benefit.
- The CJC fun run is on June 22nd. The starting and ending point will be the CJC. They have a Facebook page with a link to register.

Lynn Nelson

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- He noted that he, more than likely, won't go to Garfield or Beaver County to help. However, it gives them more municipalities that they can use.
- There is a house that will probably be filed in the Valley Gate Subdivision. We have done 73 new homes in the fiscal year. Last year was 54. We had 10 new home permits this last month. Council Member Ross asked, in the last two months how many times have you been called out? It gives him an opportunity to grow and learn different aspects of inspections.

Ashley Horton

- She has been busy with quarterly reports and tax returns.

City Manager Dotson

- He sent an email about an economic issue regarding a contract with Adam Long, who is an attorney who deals with the Community Development Renewal Agencies or such that give tax increment financing for development. We do have a CDRA. Mr. Long does all of those types of things for Cedar City and the County. City Manager Dotson had called him to see if they can update our CDRA documents to make sure they comply with state codes in preparation for Associated Foods. He gave City Manager Dotson a quote for using his services.
- He met the day before yesterday with the Utah Trails Network. It is a Division of the Department of Natural Resources. They have ranked our trail connection project between Enoch and Cedar as #4 in the state. The state will do a Feasibility Study to look into connecting Enoch along Highway 91 to Cole Creek and underneath I-15 and up to 300 West with a trail. This is a major trail about 10-20 feet wide for pedestrians and bikes.
- He sent an email with an invitation to the Nelson Farm Planned Unit Development. The developers put their plan together and met with an engineer. These are in the low \$300,000 with tree-lined streets, etc.

Linday Hildebrand

- She worked on business license renewals for the month. There were about 38 for the month.
- She worked on the Newsletter.

Council Member Ross

- She went to a meeting with HUD and the State Department of housing and Human Services. Enoch City staff and Chairman Correa were also there. They talked about housing requirements regarding rentals.

Council Member Harris

- The Water Festival will be on June 29th from 10-2 and wondered if we should have a booth. City Manager Dotson said we haven't registered yet. What do we put in the booth? Council Member Harris said he liked the model that Brad did last time.

Council Member Tingey


- He attended a 3 hours discussion about the Cedar City High School mascot. They ended up voting 4 to 3 to leave the name the way it is.
- Culture and historical preservation. He mentioned the questionnaire and still needed 6 from the Council and staff.
- City Manager Dotson sent the council a packet on Community Engagement. He felt it was important issues was to educate the public on what they do and the decisions they make. He encouraged everyone to take the time to read it. There is a big section on social media that he doesn't like. He wanted to talk about it as an agenda item. City Manager Dotson noted that it was never adopted.

Council Member Ley

- She mentioned the railroad regarding the support of a waiver and wasn't sure if the letter was sent. City Manager Dotson said yes, it was sent.

14. ADJOURN

Council Member Harris made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Ross seconded and all voted in favor.

	5/16/2024
Lindsay Hildebrand, Recorder	Date