MINUTES ENOCH CITY COUNCIL

November 4, 2020 at 6:00pm City Council Chambers City Offices, 900 E. Midvalley Road

Members present:

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut-Zoom Council Member David Harris Council Member Jolene Lee Council Member West Harris Council Member Katherine Ross-Zoom

Council Member Ramerine Ross-Zooi

Council Member Shawn Stoor

Staff present:

Julie Watson, Recorder-Zoom Ashley Horton, Treas.-Zoom JustinWayment, CityAtty-Zoom Hayden White, PW Dir.-Zoom Robert Dotson, City Mgr.-Zoom Jackson Ames, PD Chief-Zoom

Public present: None present in person or on Zoom.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING-By Mayor Chesnut at 6:08 pm.
 - **a. Pledge of Allegiance-**Led by Council Member West Harris
 - **b. Invocation-**Audience invited to participate-Given by Council Member David Harris
 - **c. Inspirational thought-**Given by Council Member Lee
 - d. Approval of Agenda for November 4, 2020-Council Member David Harris made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Council Member Stoor and all voted in favor by roll call vote.
 - e. Approval of Minutes for October 21, 2020-Council Member David Harris made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Council Member Stoor and all voted in favor by roll call vote.
 - f. Ratification of Expenditures- Council Member David Harris made a motion to ratify the expenditures. Motion was seconded by Council Member West Harris and all voted in favor.
 - g. Conflict of Interest Declaration for this agenda-none stated

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS-none

3. ENOCH EAST BENCH WATERSHED EA CONSULTANT-City Manager Dotson-The Council will consider awarding the environmental assessment (EA) to a consultant

City Manager Dotson said we received RFP's from seven firms who all had excellent qualifications. He recapped saying we have talked about this project for several months now. It is funded by a grant for the Environmental Assessment (EA) required before the work can be done on the drainage ponds and levees on the other side of I-15. After review by the committee, consisting of Council Members David Harris, Shawn Stoor, Katherine Ross and City Engineer Tim Watson, a rating sheet to assign points for various things was put together to select the best firm for the job. City Manager Dotson showed the rating sheet. There were certain requirements which all complied with. The committee rated them based on a few main items; ability to accomplish the scope of the job, familiarity with the Southern Utah area, familiarity with Enoch City and their ability to work well with us and work with the BLM. Because all were qualified, we narrowed it down to using a local firm as one important criterion. As the points were added up Sunrise Engineering came out on top. City Manager Dotson said he talked to Lance Smith of

NRCS who will work directly with the firm chosen. He gave his opinion saying he liked them all and could work with anyone. Mayor Chesnut asked if there was anything to add. Council Member David Harris said the points list is the order he evaluated them in. They were all well qualified. The things that gave an edge to Sunrise Engineering over the others was their local presence, familiarity with things in Iron County and the work they have done for Enoch City in the past. He checked references and they all were given great recommendations. He feels comfortable with Sunrise Engineering. Council Member Stoor agreed with Council Member David Harris adding Sunrise has done well for us in the past and is familiar with our situations in Enoch.

Council Member David Harris made a motion to approve Sunrise Engineering as the consultant to do the East Bench Watershed EA project. The motion was seconded by Council Member Stoor and all voted in favor by roll call vote.

4. ORDINANCE NO. 2020-11-04 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ENOCH CITY WATER RATES AS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE ANN. SEC. 10-8-22-The Council will consider codifying Enoch water rates.

Mayor Chesnut asked City Manager Dotson to update the City Council on this. He said he would defer to City Attorney Wayment because he wrote the ordinance. City Attorney Wayment said we are required to pass an ordinance that codifies our water rates under the new State Code 10-8-22. He tried to find out today if we have to list all rates or just culinary rates. He met with DEQ and they could not answer the question. Long story short, we listed everything and will pass the ordinance as written. If they don't like it we will readjust it as needed since no one knows how they want us to comply with this law. Mayor Chesnut asked City Attorney Wayment to tell them the Council more about this new requirement from the Legislature. City Attorney Wayment said we have to have a designated map and are required to give notice to all property owners who we furnish water to whether inside or outside of City boundaries. They want an ordinance so there is more notice to the public for what we charge for water rates. You can't charge more outside of the City boundaries than inside the boundaries. This ordinance has to be passed now and then done again if we change the rates. There was some discussion of the ballot issue that did pass in the election yesterday. This gives the City more ways to move water around to benefit the City. Before if the City bought a water right, even if it was a bad one we could never get rid of it. Now that has changed with the constitutional amendment. The passing of the State Constitutional Amendment does not affect what we are doing here. We are ahead of the requirement by getting this ordinance on the books now.

Council Member David Harris made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2020-11-04, an ordinance establishing Enoch City Water Rates as required pursuant to Utah Code Ann. Sec. 10-8-22. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and a roll call vote was held as follows:

Council Member David Harris-Yes
Council Member Ross-Yes
Council Member Lee-Yes

Council Member Stoor-Yes
Council Member West Harris-Yes
Motion passed unanimously

5. COUNCIL/STAFF REPORT

<u>Hayden White</u> reported the water line from the Little Eden well to the street is ready to go for our irrigation project to the school and church. We have our engineer working on that. Secondary water is getting turned off next week for those that have irrigation meters. We had some trouble areas from rain yesterday and will fix that. It was on 600 N. and 5200 N. where the ditches had gotten weedy and clogged.

<u>Chief Ames</u> reported that things went well with the election and there were no issues. All five new vehicles for the PD are in SLC getting outfitted for use. Some may have heard we had a fatal

accident at Midvalley Road and Minersville Highway. A lady ran the stop sign going east and was broadsided by a big truck. She passed away at the scene. We are anxious for our new roundabout project in hopes it will mitigate that.

<u>Ashley Horton</u> reported we did receive the third tranche of the Cares Act funding. It was less than the first two by \$25,000. They reallocated more funding to resort areas that were more impacted. <u>City Attorney Wayment</u> asked if we supply citizens with 10 yard dumpsters. He was told we have large dumpsters at the City Maintenance Yard for residents to dump extra trash.

<u>City Manager Dotson</u> reported Council Member Stoor will be reporting on Arbor Day news and the trip yesterday. He deferred to Mayor Chesnut on the ICCC meeting today. He said the Christmas party is usually planned for the second meeting in December. Based on the status with Covid we are not sure what the City Council wants to do. As staff we will plan something separate for our employees. He asked what the City Council wants to do? He noted there would be a lot of people in one room if we held the usual party. Mayor Chesnut and City Manager Dotson said they would talk about it later.

Mayor Chesnut reported he attended ICCC meeting via Zoom. There is a lot going on with road projects besides ours on SR-130. He gave some details about the other projects being worked on. He said they talked about the Cares Act grant project saying it helped a lot of businesses in the community by giving out about \$14,000. People were very grateful for the help. We have water projects going on including the Water Treatment Plant reuse of the treated water for irrigation and aquifer recharge. Commissioner Cozzens is now an ally on that. We have had good partnerships with the County and things are moving in a good way now.

Council Member West Harris reported City Manager Dotson, County Commissioner Mike Bleak, Chief Phillips, Cedar Council Members Scott Phillips, Terry Hartley and himself toured the Coral Canyon Fire Station with Fire Chief Pete Kuhlmann, the Fire Chief for Hurricane City. He gave good information and explained how they made it come together to build the new station. They went through the west fire station in Cedar by the airport and they talked a lot about how a fire station should be built and the money required for that. The County Commissioners and Cedar City Council Members are much more open to discussion about building a North Fire Station by the bowling alley area now. Mayor Chesnut added this is important to have more people on board with this project. He thanked them for their hard work on that. A Letter of Intent went out for Cedar City to read at their meeting tonight.

<u>Council Member David Harris</u> had nothing from our Water Board. He said he attended a CDBG meeting last week. He will attend a policy summit next week. Mayor Chesnut thanked him for doing that. He reported the Cares Act business aid is done with applications now and will finalize any awards tomorrow. The City will get some money back that was not allocated for businesses. Dan Jessen reported at ICCC meeting today and it was positive and helped local businesses.

<u>Council Member Lee</u> reported on the roundabout meeting. City Manager Dotson said we could talk more about it later to show what is being planned in more detail adding the Committee is doing a great job.

<u>Council Member Stoor</u> reported he and City Manager Dotson met to fill out the Tree City USA application. The committee has not met and needs to talk about plans for the spring.

<u>Council Member Ross</u> added they need donations for wreaths. Mayor Chesnut will do a Facebook video for it.

8. ADJOURN-Motion to adjourn by Council Member David Harris. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ross and all voted in favor by roll call vote. The meeting ended at 6:55 pm.

Julie Watson, Recorder Date