



## MINUTES – CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, July 18, 2023

City of Saratoga Springs

City of Saratoga Springs City Offices

1307 North Commerce Drive, Suite 200, Saratoga Springs, Utah 84045

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### City Council Policy Meeting

**Call to Order:** Mayor Jim Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### **Roll Call:**

Pursuant to the COVID-19 Federal Guidelines, this Meeting will be conducted with some members participating electronically.

**Present** Mayor Jim Miller, Council Members Christopher Carn (electronically), Stephen Willden, Chris Porter, and Ryan Poduska

**Absent** Council Member Michael McOmber

**Staff Present** City Manager Mark Christensen, Community Development Director Ken Young, Assistant City Manager Owen Jackson, City Attorney Kevin Thurman, Planning Director Sarah Carroll, Police Chief Andy Burton, City Recorder Cindy LoPiccolo, Deputy City Recorder Nicolette Fike, and Deputy City Recorder Kayla Moss

**Invocation:** Council Member Porter

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Council Member Poduska

**Presentation:** Utah Municipal Clerks Association/Southern Utah University Institute Certificate to Nicolette Fike.—City Recorder Cindy LoPiccolo presented Nicolette Fike with the UMCA state certification for municipal clerks.

#### **Public Input: None**

**Reports:** Council Member Poduska mentioned the fire department held babysitting training. It was posted online and was filled within two hours of that posting. His daughter attended and it was a great success.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. FIF Utah, LLC, dba Utah Broadband, Franchise Agreement; Resolution R23-34 (7-18-23).
2. Code Amendment: Title 6.06 Municipal Transient Room Tax, Adoption of an Ordinance Imposing 1% Municipal Transient Room Tax for Short-Term Rental Lodging in the City (Less Than 30 Consecutive Days) and Related Code Amendments, City-Initiated, City-Wide; Ordinance 23-24-23).
3. 2023 EMS Fee Schedule Amendment; Resolution R23-35 (7-18-23).
4. City Council Meeting Minutes: June 20, 2023.

Council Member Willden mentioned that he was the one that participated electronically at the last meeting and asked for that to be updated.

Motion by Council Member Porter to approve Consent Items with any staff findings and conditions including minutes changes from Council Member Willden seconded by Council Member Willden.

Vote:

<u>Council Member Chris Carn</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Chris Porter</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Ryan Poduska</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Stephen Willden</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Michael McOmber</u>	<u>Absent</u>

Motion carried 4-0.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

1. **Code Amendment: Title 19.02, 19.04, 19.08, and 19.20 Home Occupation and Short Term and Long Term Rental, City-Initiated, City-Wide; Ordinance 23-25 (7-18-23).** Planning Director Sarah Carroll presented these code amendments to the City Council. They are suggesting short term rentals be allowed in the zones that are a mix of commercial and residential.

Council Member Poduska asked about the planning commission minutes on this item.

Director Carroll mentioned someone asked about adding a definition about hotels in this section but it is addressed elsewhere so it is not needed here.

Motion by Council Member Poduska to approve Code Amendment: Title 19.02, 19.04, 19.08, and 19.20 Home Occupation and Short Term and Long Term Rental, City-Initiated, City-Wide; Ordinance 23-25 (7-18-23) including any staff findings and conditions and changing “deals” to “meals” in section 19.02.02 seconded by Council Member Porter.

Vote:

<u>Council Member Chris Carn</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Chris Porter</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Ryan Poduska</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Stephen Willden</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Michael McOmber</u>	<u>Absent</u>

Motion carried 4-0.

2. **Saratoga Springs Commercial, Plat F – Lake Drive Connection, ~Exchange Drive and Crossroads Boulevard.** Director Carroll presented this item to the City Council. The two parties involved have been negotiating on how they would like to be interconnected. The developer would like to connect through a parking lot rather than a private drive. Deseret Industries is not interested in participating.

City Attorney Kevin Thurman advised code amendments are being worked on but it currently says that interconnectivity should be logical. It is broad and is up to the developer’s discretion. As long as they are providing a connection it should be allowed.

Council Member Porter thinks that Lake Drive doesn’t make any sense if they are going to connect through the parking lots. He thinks Lake Drive should be done away with if that is the case.

City Manager Christensen advised that DI has concerns with people dumping “donations” after hours if that much access is available to patrons.

Council Member McOmber joined the meeting electronically and was present for this item. His vote was recorded accordingly.

Motion by Council Member Porter to approve Saratoga Springs Commercial, Plat F – Lake Drive Connection, City-Initiated, ~Exchange Drive and Crossroads Boulevard option 3 adding language that the size is sufficient to fit two vehicles seconded by Council Member Willden.

Vote:

<u>Council Member Chris Carn</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Chris Porter</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Ryan Poduska</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Stephen Willden</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Michael McOmber</u>	<u>Yes</u>

Motion carried 5-0.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Motion by Council Member Willden to enter into closed session for the purchase, exchange, or lease of property, discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems; pending or reasonably imminent litigation, the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual, was seconded by Council Member Porter.

Vote:

<u>Council Member Chris Carn</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Chris Porter</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Ryan Poduska</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Stephen Willden</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Council Member Michael McOmber</u>	<u>Yes</u>

Motion carried 4-0.


The meeting moved to closed session at 6:35 p.m.

Present: Mayor Miller, Council Members Porter, Carn, Willden, Poduska, McOmber City Manager Mark Christensen, City Attorney Kevin Thurman, and Deputy City Recorder Kayla Moss.


Closed Session adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Mayor Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

  
Jim Miller, Mayor

Attest:

  
Cindy LoPiccolo, City Recorder  
Approved: 8-1-23

