



ROY CITY
Roy City Council Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2023– 5:30 p.m.
Roy City Council
5051 S 1900 W Roy, UT 84067

Minutes of the Roy City Council Meeting held in person in the Roy City Council Chambers and streamed on YouTube on August 15, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Notice of the meeting was provided to the Utah Public Notice Website at least 24 hours in advance. A copy of the agenda was also posted on the Roy City website.

The following members were in attendance:

Mayor Dandoy	City Manager, Matt Andrews
Councilmember Jackson	City Attorney, Matt Wilson
Councilmember Joe Paul	City Recorder, Brittany Fowers
Councilmember Scadden	
Councilmember Wilson	
Councilmember Sophie Paul	

Excused:

Also present were: Assistant City Manager, Brody Flint; Police Chief, Matthew Gwynn; Deputy Fire Chief, Mike King; Public Works Director, Ross Oliver; Management Services Director, Amber Kelley; Glenda Moore, Kevin Homer,

A. Welcome & Roll Call

Mayor Dandoy welcomed those in attendance and noted Councilmembers Jackson, Wilson, Sophie Paul, Scadden, and Joe Paul were present.

B. Moment of Silence

Mayor Dandoy invited the audience to observe a moment of silence.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dandoy lead the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Consent Items

(These items are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by a single motion. If discussion is desired on any particular consent item, that item may be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.)

- 1. Approval of the March 21, 2023 Roy City Council Meeting Minutes; June 6, 2023 Roy City Council Meeting Minutes; June 20, 2023 Roy City Council Meeting Minutes; and July 18, 2023 Roy City Council Meeting Minutes; June Financial Reports, and Surplus Motorola Radios.**

Management Services Director Kelley noted that many revenues that came in late, so although they were required to submit them each month, they would actually be completed sometime in September. She clarified the numbers in the report were not all accurate yet as they were missing some information.

Councilmember Wilson motioned to approve the Consent Items with changes to minutes as noted and provided by Councilmember Wilson and Mayor Dandoy. Councilmember Sophie Paul seconded

the motion. All Councilmembers voted “aye”. The motion carried.

E. Public Comments

Mayor Dandoy opened floor for public comments.

Michelle Johnson stated her address was 4163 W. 2176 S. Roy, and spoke about the planned pickleball courts at the park. She noted she had emailed the Councilmembers as well, but had not yet heard back. She said pickleball could reach up to 70 decibels and was a popular sport that people played from early in the morning until late at night, so she wanted to ensure the courts were constructed properly. She suggested they utilize sound proof barriers and cushioning materials on the court base, and limit the hours that the courts could be used to avoid noise issues. She opined the courts be placed at least 500 feet away from any residences, and she expressed she could not handle hearing the pickleball courts all day long. Ms. Johnson discussed she had lived in her house for a long time, and would hate to be forced to move because of a noise complaint. She thought the Council could find a better location for the courts that were not so close to a residential area.

David & Carrie Mcilrath of 1765 W 5000 S Roy spoke next. Ms. Mcilrath proposed an initiative to have a four-way stop installed at 2500 West and 5175 South. Mr. Mcilrath said his family, as well as many other people, had been in multiple serious accidents at that intersection in the past, and pointed out it was at the bottom of a steep hill and there were trees which blocked the view and this made it dangerous. He thought there should be stop signs for northbound and southbound traffic, which would give drivers more time to see if anyone was coming down the road. Ms. Mcilrath spoke about her three grandchildren, who had recently been involved in a car accident at the intersection in question and had been substantially traumatized. City Attorney Wilson noted it would be much cheaper to put up stop signs than to possibly have a lawsuit filed against the City. Mayor Dandoy said they would certainly look into this, and said he would start with getting more information from the police chief.

Kevin Homer stated his address as 5398 S 4000 W Roy. He discussed that about three weeks ago, he and his wife had returned home from a trip to find a section of their roadway had exploded with a water leak, and he reported the City had taken less than an hour to respond. He said the Public Works team had worked until very late into the night to get it fixed the same day, and commended them for working so well and responding so quickly.

Jeremy Thompson indicated his address was 5879 S 3850 W Roy and asked if there had been any progress on the 3500 widening project. Mayor Dandoy reported he had spoken with Public Works and asked if they had the money to go in and fix all the infrastructure underneath the street at the moment, and Public Works had expressed they could not currently afford to fund the replacement of the infrastructure under 3500. Mayor Dandoy added when they went in to fix the street, they would likely go with concrete, rather than the asphalt they currently had. Mayor Dandoy summarized once Roy City had more funding, they could proceed with the widening project.

Susan Thurgood of 1932 W. 3975 S., Roy discussed how the police and fire department headed northbound on 1950, and then made a right-hand turn to get to 1900 West, which they often made very quickly and this could be dangerous as there was a school crosswalk there. While there had not yet been an accident, Ms. Thurgood opined there should be a driveway on the north side of the fire station so the police could access 1900 without going through the residential area.

Mayor Dandoy closed the floor for public comments.

F. Presentations

1. UDOT 5600 South

Nancy Cousins introduced herself and Brandy McDaniels as part of the 5600 Project Team, and explained they were responsible for marketing and sharing information about the project. She said they were there that evening to present a schedule overview, and commented it had been on UDOT's radar for a long time that 5600 needed improvement. She said UDOT would widen 5600 South all the way to 3500 West, and said most of the widening would happen on the south side of the road. Ms. Cousins shared an outline of the benefits from the project, and noted it was on their website as well. She reported they would add an additional signal, a pedestrian bridge, and a bike lane, which would all ensure a better flow of people and traffic in the corridor. She stated they had broken ground on the project and indicated most of the houses on the south side had already been demolished. She noted there would be a bit more demolition on the north side, and they hoped this would be completed by the start of the school year in order to make sure the schoolkids had a safe walking route home from school. Ms. Cousins discussed once they had final plans made for what the designated safe walking route would be, they would canvas and work with the School Board to make sure parents and students knew where the four designated safe places to cross 5600 were located. She urged everyone in the community to sign up for UDOT updates, and said they would post nearly every week about where and what kind of work they would be doing. She also shared a map which showed where they were currently doing prep work and displayed the contact information for everyone involved with the project.

Councilmember Jackson confirmed there would always be at least one lane open during the course of construction, and specifically asked that they would not close the bridge at any point. Ms. Cousins replied she was correct; 5600 would remain open, although they would have to shift traffic slightly to the north. She explained they would shrink the lanes, which would allow them to work on the south side of the road.

Councilmember Joe Paul asked if they had finalized their overall plans for the corridor yet, or if they were still navigating the final path. Ms. Cousins replied they were finalizing some things, and she estimated they were about 60% to 90% designed. She said they were still deliberating some infrastructure pieces. Councilmember Joe Paul asked about the houses that backed up to 3100 along the power lines, and Ms. Cousins replied those homes had been acquired by UDOT. She explained they were now UDOT surplus properties, and currently there were renters in those homes. She elaborated there would be an option for the renters to purchase the homes when UDOT was done with the work. She also noted there would be a barrier wall between the back of the homes and the road. Ms. Cousins added she did not have details about the businesses in the area, and was unsure when they would be vacated.

Ms. Cousins explained they wanted to move all pedestrian traffic to the north side of the road, and they were going to tear out the south side walk. Councilmember Scadden asked what would happen to the walking path once they went over the bridge, and Ms. Cousins replied they would keep the same configuration for the walking path for the duration of the school year. She said after the year, they would have to make some changes to the path. Councilmember Joe Paul asked if there were any plans for reforestation once the construction was completed, and noted the construction plans necessitated the removal of some mature trees. Ms. Cousins said as far as she knew, that had not been part of the conversation so far. Ms. Cousins commented the surplus properties would not have a lot of fencing.

Councilmember Jackson clarified UDOT would be in charge of putting down new sidewalks as well as the bike path, and then it would be up to the City to take care of the trees. Ms. Cousins confirmed UDOT would install sidewalks and the bike trail, and discussed the trail would be about ten feet across and made of concrete. She elaborated there would be about ten feet of trail plus a park strip and curb and gutter, so

there would be delineation between the cyclists and vehicle traffic.

Councilmember Wilson asked how often they would check in with the Council and Ms. Cousins replied she could come in as often as needed. Councilmember Wilson thought this forum was helpful, and she and the other Councilmembers expressed appreciation for Ms. Cousins and her team's communication and transparency.

2. Elections Roadshow

Ricky Hatch introduced himself as the County Clerk Auditor, and introduced Lauren Shaefer as their new Election Director and indicated she would give the presentation that evening. Mr. Hatch discussed Ms. Shaefer's background and expressed how excited he was to have her as part of their staff. Mr. Hatch also spoke about how important it was to them to keep their elections fair, and thanked Roy City for choosing them to be their elections provider. He urged the Councilmembers to ask any questions they had, and offered to give them a tour of their office as well.

Ms. Shaefer stated they had four pillars in regards to election integrity: voter registration, ballot verification and chain of custody, scanning tabulation, and voter responsibility. She said they audited all of those things. She explained how their office entered a voter's information when they registered to vote, and cross-checked that information with the DMV and a State-wide database. She explained each voter also had at least five of their signatures on file from various forms they had filled out in the past. She discussed they checked for duplicate registrations as well as deceased voters weekly, and explained how they did those things.

Ms. Shaefer explained how they protected each voter's right to a secure ballot. She said they could issue a ballot as many times as needed, although it would only be the last issued ballot which would be valid to use. She discussed how each ballot had a unique bar code on it with a control number on it, and once a new one was issued it would automatically make all the ones printed before it invalid. She explained how their envelope sorter worked, and said it checked to make sure each ballot had a valid bar code on it, and also took a picture of each signature as it sorted. Ms. Shaefer explained they also audited the mail, and a member of their staff checked the signature personally if the scanner flagged a signature as potentially fraudulent. She elaborated there was also some grace for people who accidentally filled out the ballot of someone else who lived in their household. Councilmember Wilson asked if family members could fill out a ballot for someone else in their household who was too ill or incapacitated to sign and fill out the ballot on their own, and Ms. Shaefer said they did allow for things like that as long as the family reached out to their office to tell them there would be a discrepancy with the signature.

Ms. Shaefer stated they kept ballots for 22 weeks, and they did reach out to voters to let them know if their ballot had been rejected. She said their goal that year was to actually call every voter whose ballot was rejected. She said of all the ballots which were rejected, only a small percentage of them were ever cured, so their goal for that year was to increase the percentage of cured ballots up to 80%. She noted a very small number of rejected ballots actually ended up being fraudulent; last year, only 16 out of 80,000 ballots had been investigated for fraud.

Ms. Shaefer said they had five full time employees, although during election cycles they employed a large number of seasonal employees. She then discussed their chain of custody, and said employees initialed the ballots every time they handled a document. She said all of their updates were done manually for security purposes. She added they audited at every step of the process as well.

Ms. Shaefer also spoke about voter responsibility, and explained how people could track the status of their ballot. She said people could sign up for informed delivery through USPS, which would allow them

to see when their ballot was on the way to them. She also urged people who received ballots for people who no longer lived in their household to reach out to their office to let them know so they could get that information updated. She encouraged everyone to connect with them on social media as well, so they could stay informed with any updates.

Councilmember Joe Paul asked about people who did not want to register to vote because they did not want to get signed up for jury duty, and he asked if that was accurate. Mr. Hatch explained having a driver license and having a home address was all that was needed in order to get considered for jury duty, not being registered to vote. Mr. Hatch said if people had a valid license, they might as well be registered to vote. Councilmember Jackson commented she had heard this from people as well, and she and Councilmember Joe Paul discussed this was something they mostly heard from younger generations of voters. The Councilmembers also briefly spoke about vote by mail, and how that had increased in recent years. Councilmember Jackson asked if they had security cameras in their office, and Mr. Hatch replied that they had cameras both inside the office as well as at every ballot drop-off location.

Mayor Dandoy thanked Mr. Hatch and Ms. Shaefer for their work and for keeping their elections secure. The Councilmembers discussed they would like to tour the office and Ms. Shaefer provided the contact information for them to set up a visit.

3. Cold War Medal Recognition

Larry Kerr introduced himself and said he was representing the Cold War Veterans Association, and explained they needed funding for the actual Cold War medals. He distributed copies of a letter requesting the funds, and asked if anyone in attendance were veterans. Mayor Dandoy indicated he was a veteran and it was specified the Mayor had received a medal. Mr. Kerr spoke about the significance and history of the medal. He said they had started the medals in 2017, but since that time the funding for the medals had decreased significantly, as had the publicity for them. Mr. Kerr then explained the history of their nonprofit, and spoke about some challenges they had faced in maintaining their 501(c)3 status. He also distributed an example of the medal, and highlighted some main features of the medal and commented that they were well made.

Mr. Kerr also spoke about how although the Cold War technically ended with the fall of the Berlin Wall, there were many events going on throughout the world which proved the Cold War was not really over. He invited all the Councilmembers to attend their upcoming ceremony on the following Friday, and expressed there would be no cost to veterans to attend. He emphasized they were a grassroots organization and did not have large sources of funding, so they struggled every year to hold their events. He then discussed the general format of their ceremonies, and noted they were held with utmost respect for the veterans. Mr. Kerr spoke about the importance of honoring all their veterans regardless of the war they fought in, and discussed that he knew several veterans from various wars who did not feel they got any recognition. Mr. Kerr emphasized the public was always invited to their events, and urged people to attend.

Councilmember Jackson commented her father had served in World War II and asked if he would be able to receive a medal, and Mr. Kerr said he would certainly be eligible to get a medal and talked briefly about the process. The Councilmembers expressed appreciation for the work Mr. Kerr and the Cold War Veterans Association did, and Mr. Kerr discussed how the organization had received a lot of support from both Roy and the surrounding cities in regards to compiling lists of names of veterans.

Councilmember Jackson expressed she could not think of a better use of \$1,800 than to grant it to the Cold War Veterans Association, and asked how they could move forward. She acknowledged the sacrifice veterans had made to make their country what it was today, and she thought the Association was doing

amazing work. She hoped the association would continue to work with Roy City for years to come, and Mr. Kerr commented Mayor Dandoy had been a wonderful mayor to work with. Mayor Dandoy explained while he personally felt this was a worthwhile donation, he reminded the Council and audience that donations had to be declared to the public and go through a proper process of noticing, so it would take some time for the funds to be distributed. Mayor Dandoy asked the Council if they wished to move forward with this, and the Councilmembers expressed that they wanted to begin the process of donating the money to the association.

Mr. Kerr briefly touched on the cost to produce the medals, and explained they relied heavily on donations. Mr. Kerr also said so far, only four states had ceremonies like this and distributed medals, and he thought the ceremonies were an important way for families to honor their veteran's service to the country. He voiced the opinion that ceremonies were significant, and it was better to do a full ceremony rather than just distribute medals and certificates.

Mayor Dandoy explained since the Association had the majority approval of the Council's support, they would now begin the formal process, which he noted would take some time. He thanked them for their time, and explained the Council would reach out to them once the funds were able to be distributed to them.

E. Action Items

PUBLIC HEARING – Consider approving adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2024

- a. Consideration of Resolution 23-16 Amending Roy City FY 2024 Budget.

Management Services Director Kelley explained there were some items, particularly vehicles and equipment, which they had ordered last year but had not been able to receive until the current year, so they needed to be carried forward from last year into the current year Fiscal Budget. She said they had also been awarded several grants which needed to be added to the budget, including one for a vehicle exhaust system at the Fire Station, as well as two RAMP grants for pickleball courts and the Complex. She indicated they also wanted to add a \$1,000 donation to the FAA, which she noted would have to go through a formal process. She presented the resolution to amend the previously approved General Fund budget by about \$2 Million, and recommended that public input be considered and that the resolution be approved by City Council.

Councilmember Joe Paul motioned to open the floor for Public Hearing. Councilmember Scadden seconded the motion. All members voted "Aye". The floor opened.

There were no comments.

Councilmember Wilson motioned to close the floor for Public Hearing. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. All members voted "Aye". The floor closed.

Councilmember Scadden motioned to approve Resolution 23-13 Amending Roy City FY 2023 Budget. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, all Councilmembers voted "Aye", the motion carried.

F. City Manager & Council Report

City Manager Andrews thanked the Staff for their work on Roy Days, and said they had received a lot of positive feedback from the event. He also touched on the Day of Service, and explained people could sign up for projects online and see what kind of projects were available. He added the aquatic center would be

open after the event so people who participated could utilize the facility.

Councilmember Scadden echoed City Manager Andrews' comments that Roy Days had been a success and also thanked Staff for the work they had done. Councilmember Wilson commented it was nice to have such positive feedback from the residents, and said the volunteers had brought some good ideas to their attention about how to make things more streamlined next year. She thought they had been successful in accomplishing their goals this year and had fine-tuned a lot from last year. Councilmember Jackson added that Roy Days had gone very well, especially considering that they had held it at a new venue that year. The Councilmembers specifically discussed the car show had gotten positive feedback, and highlighted the fireworks show as well.

Councilmember Jackson gave an update on the "Welcome to Roy City sign," and announced she had spoken with the contractor and reported they intended to pour the slab that week and get the sign up soon. She also noted they planned to install lights on the north end.

Mayor Dandoy directed the Councilmembers to give City Manager Andrews their specific feedback on Roy Days, so he could bring up the strengths and weaknesses of the event to his staff when they held their recap meeting. He reminded the Council in general to bring anything that they thought warranted attention in Roy City to the attention of Staff and Council, so they could add it to future agendas for discussion.

G. Adjournment

Robert Dandoy
Mayor

Attest:

Brittany Fowers
City Recorder

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