



# Hildale / Colorado City Utility Board

Thursday, July 28, 2022 at 6:00 PM

320 East Newel Avenue, Hildale City, Utah 84784

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## Minutes

**Roll Call of Board Attendees:** Utility Administrative Deputy Director LaCorti

Staff present: City Manager Eric Duthie, City Manager Vance Barlow, Weston Barlow, Jerry Postema, Mariah La Corti, Ralph Johnson Jr.

Court Monitor: Roger Carter

**Welcome, Introduction and Preliminary Matters:** Board Chair Black

Arvin Black welcomed new board members and expressed appreciation for City Managers.

Arvin Black offered a prayer.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** By Invitation of Board Chair Black

The Crowd joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Conflict of Interest Disclosures:** Board Members

None.

**Public Comments:** (3 minutes each - Discretion of Board Chair Black)

None.

**Reports:** Staff

1. Revised Intergovernmental Agreement review and update, to include purpose, procedures, and authorities. (20 minutes, TM Barlow and CM Duthie )

Vance Barlow presented. All of the IGA's between the two cities were updated this year. What the responsibility of the Utility Advisory Board is was looked at and clarified. He pointed out a few key elements:

- The Utility Board is an advisory Board vs. a Governing Board.
- Utility Board was reduced from 9 members to 5 members.
- IGA defined that Utility Board members cannot be elected officials.
- Utility Board members shall reside within the City that they represent with the exception of the joint appointee- who can reside within either city.
- Meetings will be held quarterly.
- Defined where Utilities office would be and who the employer of record would be.
- Clarified that purchasing is done under Hildale policies (fiduciary responsibility).
- Defined that Utility Director reports directly to both City Managers.
- Staff develops regulations to be taken before the Utility Board for recommendations to the City Councils, and Operation and Maintenance, including billings are primarily the responsibility of Utility Management staff.

Eric Duthie pointed out that the IGA is complete, both City Councils have approved the document, pending legal and Court Monitor reviews. If something substantively needs to be changed, it will be added and taken before the councils once again.

Jesse Barlow asked about preparation of the annual budget. Vance clarified that the staff prepares such and takes it before the advisory for review and approval of recommendation to the councils.

Eric Duthie pointed out that the IGA discusses commodities produced/sold. The cost of producing the commodities shall be shared proportionally and shall not be sold without approval of the both cities. Commodities shall also not be sold without sharing the income proportionally between both cities.

Eric Duthie asked the Board Members to understand that the Board is representing both sides of the state lines, regardless of where the meeting is held. He reminded the Board to direct any possible Conflict of Interest to the City Manager/attorney of the appropriate City.

He informed the Board Members of the usual format of the agenda that is not included in the introductory packet tonight, including reports from Administrative staff, financials, etc. The Board was in consensus that they would like to see these items before them in future agendas, in addition to the minutes, to help them make qualified recommendations.

Eric further pointed out the Administrative leadership amongst staff that the IGA clarified. Lastly, he expressed appreciation for Chairman Black for his involvement and care during the time of the restructuring of the Board.

Chairman Black expressed appreciation for the clarification/direction that the new IGA gave.

**Unfinished Board Business:** Board Chair Black

None.

**New Board Business:** Board Chair Black

1. Consideration, discussion, and possible recommendation to the Hildale City and Colorado City Councils of the 2022 Culinary Water Master Plan. (30 minutes Utility Director Weston Barlow / Consultant Jerry Postema).

Jerry Postema presented. Updating the Water Master Plan for 2022 was necessary for grant funding for the developments and upcoming projects that were not accounted for in the previous plan. Jerry walked the Board through the comparisons between 2021 & 2022 plans in detail.

Discussion opened to Board Members for questions and answers.

Jerry presented a slideshow of the updated Master Plan to the Board. He described in particular the 0-5 year improvement projects that are upcoming.

Board Member Barlow asked for a brief rundown of the projects further in the future. Weston provided the information.

Jerry further pointed out that by updating the Water Master Plan it will allow for creation of a road map. This will also lead into discussion of development impact fees and funding for such.

Updates to the plan from discussion will be made for the final draft to be put before the councils.

Motion made to recommend approval of the 2022 Culinary Water Master Plan Update, as amended, and with Court Monitor review, to the City Councils for adoption.

Motion made by Board Member Barlow, Seconded by Board Member White.

Voting Yea: Chair Black, Board Member Jessop, Jr., Board Member White, Board Member Barlow

**Board Comments:** (10 minutes total Board Chair Black)

Opened to Board Members for discussion.

Chairman Black expressed appreciation for the dedication and achievements for the previous 9 member Board and gave his respect to Mayor Allred for his involvement in the processes. He would like to make sure that the new Board is efficient and productive in fulfilling the needs of both cities.

Rick White and Sterling Jessop expressed their appreciation for Weston and his knowledge of the system and what he continues to bring to the community.

Jesse Barlow spoke about the legacy of the men of this community that brought us to the point that we are at today. He is honored be a part of continuing this.

**Executive Session:** As needed

Not needed.

**Adjournment:** Board Chair Black

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for September 15, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39PM.

Minutes were approved at the Utility Board Meeting on \_\_\_\_\_.

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Athena Cawley, City Recorder

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Rosie White, Town Clerk