



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, April 8, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Court Room/Council Chambers (2nd floor) and Online

MINUTES

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilors present included Councilors Adcock, Hathaway, Mecham, Montoya and Siddoway.

Others Present:

City Manager Reeves, Assistant Manager Beagley, Operations Manager Marker, Community Development Director Bond, Finance Director Hoffman, Legal Counsel Brett Rich and various city staff and members of the public.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Councilor Montoya.

An Invocation was offered by Operations Manager Marker

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CITY MANAGER POSITION

Mayor Dan Olson addressed the future voluntary departure of City Manager Ben Reeves. The mayor requested the City Manager Job Description be reviewed more deeply by council and city staff.

City Manager Reeves offered his insights and gratitude in being the City Manager these last 12 years. Manager Reeves expressed his pride in city staff and the projects completed in his time at the city.

Operations Manager Dennis Marker voiced his admiration of Ben and cautioned the council to take the opportunity to look for characteristics in a candidate that can continue to move the City of Santaquin into the future.

Assistant City Manager Norm Beagley encouraged the council to continue to look out for city staff and thanked Ben for his leadership.

Community Development Director Jason Bond echoed the feelings of Assistant Manager Beagley and Operations Manager Marker in the role that Ben played in the city manager position. Director Bond encouraged the council to provide direction and guidance to city staff in Ben's absence.

Finance Director Shannon Hoffman asked the council not to focus on a job description but rather focus on characteristics for whom could fill the role and then support that individual one hundred percent.

Mayor Olson asked that an interim city manager be named to allow for business to continue and aid in the transition from Manager Reeves to the new city manager.

No members of the public requested to speak in a public forum.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilor Mecham moved to enter into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of personnel. Councilor Siddoway seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in favor. Executive session entered at 7:43 p.m. Executive session adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECONVENED

The Special City Council Meeting Reconvened at 8:41 p.m.

Mayor Olson indicated that the City Council is ready to move forward in the process of updating the City Manager Job Description and the possibility of bringing on an MPA to assist in the future vetting process.

Councilor Montoya and Councilor Adcock expressed their gratitude to the Reeves family and wished them well.

Council Mecham requested that staff provide guidance whether to keep Penny Reeves' position as an independent contract or to make it a staffed position within the city.

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Mecham moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:00 p.m. Councilor Hathaway seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Daniel M. Olson, Mayor

Amalie R. Ottley, City Recorder