

# **CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING**

Tuesday, April 06, 2021, at 5:30 PM Court Room/Council Chambers (2nd Floor) and Online

## **Minutes**

## ROLL CALL

PRESENT Mayor Kirk Hunsaker Council Member Nick Miller Council Member Betsy Montoya Council Member David Hathaway Council Member Jennifer Bowman

ABSENT Council Member Lynn Mecham

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Council Member Montoya.

## INVOCATION/INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

Offered by Jen Wagner.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Continued Discussion - Conceptual Designs of the West Wing of the New City Hall

City Manager Reeves discussed the opportunity of building a library in the new city hall and the efforts made by Jen Wagner, Santaquin City Librarian, and her counterparts in other cities in researching what would and wouldn't work for a new library conceptual design. Reeves stated that seeking out a conceptual design ensures that the design is done correctly up front instead of a change order down the road during construction. The initial \$25,000 estimates for a concept design has been reduced to \$7,000. After considering that the outside doesn't need to be designed, the cost was reduced significantly to \$12,000 and CRSA, the premier architectural firm in Utah and who has designed many libraries throughout the state, reduced their price for a conceptual design to \$7,000.

Librarian Jen Wagner shared some of her research insights with photos from other libraries in the state and the different functional aspects and layouts that could be incorporated into a potential library space in city hall. Wagner also shared that Santaquin's library is always within the top 10 in the state for number of annual check-outs showing that it is not only the highest used public amenity in the city but one of the highest used libraries in the state of Utah.

A discussion was had between the Council and staff on whether or not the city should move forward in a conceptual design.

2. Discussion - Meeting Publication Changes from State Legislature

City Recorder Aaron Shirley outlined changes in state code under the passage of State Bill 201 that changes the requirement for newspaper public noticing to the Utah Public Notice website. This is great for a couple of reasons, first the city is very young with the median age of Santaquin around 24.7 years old according to a 2019 Census Bureau so this change makes sense with the demographics of the city. Second, the city will save about \$4,000 annually on newspaper publication fees. The recommendation from Shirley is to make updates to 7 portions of city code that specifically require the use of newspaper to instead say Utah Public Notice Website.

3. Discussion - Upcoming Regular Meeting Agenda Items

City Manager Reeves gave a summary of the upcoming regular meeting agenda.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Kirk Hunsaker, Mayor

ATTEST:

K. Aaron Shirley, City Recorder