

Naples City Council

February 23, 2023

Minutes

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Naples City Council was held February 23, 2023, 7:30 p.m., at the Naples City Office, 1420 East 2850 South, Naples, Uintah County, Utah.

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF MEETING

Council members attending were Dean Baker, Robert Hall Gordon Kitchen, Ross Morton, and Dan Olsen. Kenneth Reynolds was absent.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ATTENDING

Others attending were Carson Young, Cindy & Denny Birchell, Jill Sheffield, Brooks Jones, Scott Decker, Tevanda Clement, Nathan Simper, Micheal Davis and Nikki Kay.

OTHERS ATTENDING

Mayor Dean Baker welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Baker opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and Gordon Kitchen offered the invocation.

OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Baker presented the agenda for approval. Micheal Davis said he had one thing under other matters. Dan Olsen **moved** to approve the agenda. Robert Hall **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting aye.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The minutes of the regular city council meeting of February 9, 2023 were presented for approval. Gordon Kitchen **moved** to approve the minutes. Ross Morton **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all in attendance voting in the affirmative.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mayor Baker asked if anyone had anything they wanted to follow up on from the previous meeting. Micheal Davis stated he received an Engineer's estimate for moving the fences back on 2000 East and the estimate was \$146,000. Micheal said this was simply an estimate for the fences with no engineer's cost, except for staking the fences. Councilman Kitchen said he is still unclear on what is being bid. A discussion was held on whether or not they wanted to proceed, if the City wanted to obtain bids from fence companies, where the funds would come from, and if irrigation valves and lines need to be a concern. Chief Simper stated it is a safety concern as to how close the edge of the

FOLLOW UP ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

road will be to some of the fences. The matter was not on the agenda for discussion and Council agreed to bring it back to the next meeting to see if they wanted to approve the cost to move the fences back to the right-of-way. Mayor Baker said they need to try and make sure this issue doesn't come up again.

Nikki Kay presented the bills for payment in the amount of \$28,579.54. Dan Olsen **moved** to approve the bills as presented. Gordon Kitchen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Robert Hall	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Absent
Gordon Kitchen	Aye

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

A business license application was presented for **Enerstar Rentals & Solutions** located at 1365 E 2000 S. Council members received a recommendation from Dale Peterson to approve this business license permit. Gordon Kitchen **moved** to approve the license for Enerstar Rentals & Solutions. Robert Hall **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with all voting in the affirmative.

BUSINESS LICENSE APPROVALS

Nikki Kay explained that Scott Decker with Decker Scientific approached the City about purchasing a home but wanted to know if the attached shop could be used for a business. Mr. Decker introduced himself and explained what type of business he does and what he wanted to use the shop for. He explained he is working on new technology for oilfield and would use the shop for water and soil sample testing, to store and shelter some equipment, and he has a couple of prototypes he is working on. Mr. Decker stated they would not be doing business there and would not have signs or a lot of people coming and going. Councilman Hall asked him about company vehicles and Mr. Decker said there would be no more than one or two. He said he has his own personal stuff that would take more room than company equipment. Mr. Decker stated they would like to build a shop at another location but that wouldn't happen for at least a year. He stated he wanted to be up front about what he was doing because it would be a lot of money to spend for the house and he didn't want any surprises. Councilman Kitchen wanted to know if they could issue a business license on a

DISCUSSION FOR A CONDITIONAL USE HOME OCCUPATION BUSINESS LICENSE

property not owned by him. Nikki said this was a discussion to see if the City would consider the conditional license before Mr. Decker sees about purchasing the property. Councilman Hall stated that he would be favorable with a conditional use permit as has been discussed ie: keeping equipment inside the shop, limit equipment and vehicles in parking lot, length of time for permit, etc. Mr. Decker said he just wanted to be comfortable to use the space for his projects and there wouldn't be a problem. Mayor Baker asked if he was comfortable with what was discussed. Mr. Decker said he was and that he appreciated the Council's time.

Dinosaur Roundup Rodeo. Carson Young came before the Council and asked to excuse Mike Karren, who was sorry he couldn't be there. Mr. Young stated he wanted to sincerely thank the Council and administration for all they do each year to help promote the rodeo. He said the rodeo will be July 6th, 7th, and 8th this year. Mr. Young shared some highlights from the 2022 rodeo and gave information about what people could look forward to in 2023. He said this rodeo is part of the playoff series and will be broadcast. Mr. Young stated the Vernal rodeo is about in the middle in terms of payout to contestants and so they are evaluating a change of date to try and get out of the competition for contestants they are currently in. Mr. Young wanted to know if there were any questions and he was coming before Council this night to request the City's continued sponsorship of the rodeo. Councilman Hall said the City is glad to do it. Gordon Kitchen **moved** to approve to help sponsor the rodeo with \$2,000. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

***R E Q U E S T F O R
SPONSORSHIP***

Robert Hall	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Absent
Gordon Kitchen	Aye

Grad Night Activities. Jill Sheffield came before the Council to ask for help with the activities for the graduates this year. Ms. Sheffield stated she is one of the parents on the Grad night committee. She stated they have been working for the last several years to provide a safe place for graduates to come and celebrate. Ms. Sheffield says they average about 400 graduates that either stay here and work after graduation or look for opportunities to further their

education. She stated the community's generosity has allowed them to do this each year. Ms. Sheffield said they use the funds to provide food, entertainment, activities and a safe place for kids to celebrate. She was asking the Council for their continued support. Robert Hall **moved** to approve \$300. Ross Morton **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Robert Hall	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Absent
Gordon Kitchen	Aye

Uintah Basin Jr. Livestock Show. Cindy Birchell came to the meeting representing the Uintah Basin Jr. Livestock Show. Ms. Birchell said the Livestock show will be the first week in June and it is an open livestock show for youth in Utah that are in 4-H and FFA. She said it is a way for youth to bring their projects and show them and they are judged on their presentation and on how well they have raised their animals. Ms. Birchell said they also have other contests within the show where the kids practice being the judges. Ms. Birchell highlighted the local Uintah County 4-H Junior Judges group that recently won the State Competition and was able to go on to participate in the National competition. Mr. Birchell was asking for the Council's support again this year to help with buying prizes for the show. She stated many of the out-of-town participants stay in local motels and shop at IFA while they are here. Mayor Baker said he has attended the show in the past and has been impressed with what it teaches the youth. Robert Hall **moved** to approve the budgeted amount of \$300 for the show. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Gordon Kitchen	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Absent
Ross Morton	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Robert Hall	Aye

Nikki Kay stated there was some confusion with the discussion at the last meeting about appointing a deputy recorder. The Council felt the number for the Resolution was incorrect because it was 22-345 and they thought it should begin with 23. Nikki reminded the Council they already adopted Resolution 22-345, giving them the authority to

***APPOINT DEPUTY
RECORDER***

appoint a deputy recorder, they just didn't appoint one. Mayor Baker asked Micheal what his recommendation was. Micheal said it would be to appoint Gwen Harrison as a deputy recorder in order to have someone in the office when Nikki is gone. Ross Morton **moved** to appoint Gwen Harrison as a deputy recorder. Dan Olsen **seconded** the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Robert Hall	Aye
Dan Olsen	Aye
Ross Morton	Aye
Kenneth Reynolds	Absent
Gordon Kitchen	Aye

Fire District - Councilman Hall reported that mineral lease money is coming in and that is a really good thing. He said the Fire District project right now is the Tridell Fire Station. Councilman Hall stated that Naples City is on the list for a ladder truck.

***DEPARTMENT & SPECIAL
SERVICE DISTRICT
UPDATES***

Health Services District - Councilman Hall said the biggest issue right now with the Care Center is staffing. He didn't have anything else to report with Health Services.

Animal Shelter SSD - Councilman Olsen said the Animal Control District is doing okay, he said the shelter is full which seems to always be the case.

SSD #1 - Mayor Baker said there is a lot going on with combining the Recreation District and the Transportation District and there are rumors that they might separate them out because so much is going on. Councilman Kitchen said he hopes they do because it is needed. Councilman Morton asked if they have hired an Assistant Director. Mayor Baker said he didn't think anything had taken place with that.

Police Department - Chief Simper gave Council members an update on officer involved shooting protocol training their department just attended. He said it was a good way to try and help officers know what to expect if they ever are faced with that situation. Chief Simper said statistics show that officer involved shootings have increased by 20%. Chief Simper also wanted to update them on a grant they will be trying to get in order to purchase a fingerprint machine. He said they cost anywhere from \$8000 to \$18000. He said a fingerprint machine would allow them to get more accurate fingerprints, with a quicker response on prints they have to

run. Chief Simper said the region will be applying for license plate readers on the grant. He said there would be eight of the LPR's placed throughout the County which would flag plates associated with child abductions, endangered juveniles, stolen vehicles, and wanted persons. Chief Simper said he wanted to keep the Council updated on what they are trying to do for the betterment of the community as a whole in the use of the grant funds they receive. Chief Simper also wanted them to know they will be helping Naples Elementary deliver food donations to the food pantry from the students recent food drive.

Micheal Davis handed out a paper showing the recent grants applied for and received. The handout showed the different grants, the money received and the City's portion for each of the grants. The first grant was the 2000 East UDOT grant with a match of \$642,000. The second listed was the Hwy Sidewalk Safety Grant with a match of \$6,500. Micheal explained that Strata has cleared off some of the boxes and hopefully they can start this one in the Spring. The third grant listed was one applied for by Joshua Bake through the Trails Committee and that one just came through with a match of \$151,200. Micheal stated he wanted to meet with Aaron at Sunrise Engineering and discuss this one so they can make sure they are all on the same page with the design and connection of the trails. The fourth grant listed was the CIB storm drain on 2500 South, which he hoped was getting closer to being ready to bid on. The fifth grant was another trails grant that he said he hoped they could use to connect the 1500 South trail to the Naples Park. He said this would be a \$135,000 match. The last grant listed was the second phase of 2000 East and that wouldn't be funded until 2026. Micheal stated they have capital project money to use for the matching funds and they will also be budgeting funds as they go along for the future projects.

***OTHER MATTERS OR
FUTURE COUNCIL
MATTERS***

With no other business before the Council, Robert Hall **moved** to adjourn the meeting at 9:00. Ross Morton **seconded** the motion. The meeting was adjourned by all voting in favor of the motion.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

APPROVED BY COUNCIL ON THE 9th DAY OF MARCH 2023

BY: _____

ATTEST: _____