

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
Tuesday, August 27, 2019 6:00 p.m.
Community Recreation Center
10640 N Clubhouse Drive, Cedar Hills, Utah

Present: Jenney Rees, Mayor, Presiding
Councilmembers: Denise Andersen, Mike Geddes, Ben Bailey (6:15 p.m.), Ben Ellsworth (6:29 p.m.)
Absent/Excused: Brian Miller
Chandler Goodwin, City Manager
Jeff Maag, Public Works Director
Kevin Anderson, Assistant Public Works Director
Greg Gordon, Recreation Director
Charl Louw, Finance Director
Colleen Mulvey, City Recorder
Others: Lt. Gregg Ludlow, Sgt. Josh Christensen

This work session meeting of the City Council of the City of Cedar Hills, having been properly noticed, was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Mayor Rees.

1. Utah Transit Authority (UTA) Presentation

Kent Millington, representative of UTA for Utah County, explained that the board comprised of three board member trustees. Carlton Christensen and Beth Holbrook were the other two members. Their responsibility was to ensure the UTA met its requirements and considered the growth patterns. They represented six counties and three million residents.

Mr. Millington explained that the County was anticipated to grow exponentially in the next few years. Their goal was to plan for the transit capabilities to handle the new growth. UTA was concerned about moving residents from one side of the County to another quickly. He noted the UTA did not currently service Cedar Hills. One of the possible options was to have the Utah Valley Express (UVX) service Cedar Hills. This carried residents to the Frontrunner Station.

The UVX currently operated around UVU, BYU, and Provo. Mr. Millington explained that they were able to track the rider data because many of the users had University Identification. Their efforts to provide these services improved traffic and parking around these universities.

Mr. Millington continued by explaining they provided a circulating bus to the Frontrunner Station in Thanksgiving Point. They hoped this would encourage people who worked there to take the bus and reduce the traffic.

Mr. Millington said there was a study to expand the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT). They hoped to help residents to move around the County effectively. The State established the Point of the Mountain Commission to determine what to do with the current prison site. They hoped to expand TRAX and Frontrunner through this area which would help significantly reduce traffic. They also wanted to raise funds to double the Frontrunner tracks. This would increase the

amount of trains. Mr. Millington concluded by stating he wanted the City to rely on him to resolve their transit problems as the County grew.

Mayor Rees asked if the Commission had discussed traffic coming out of American Fork Canyon. Mr. Millington responded in the affirmative. He said they were involved in studies about Little and Big Cottonwood Canyons and were aware of the traffic.

C. Geddes commented that he was impressed with UVX. Mr. Millington said more rode when school was in session. He noted it would be free for the next two years. Mayor Rees commented the funding for the free fare came from a Federal grant.

C. Geddes suggested UVX would be affective between Cedar Hills, Alpine, and Highland. Mr. Millington said it would work well for SR92. They were working on the best possibilities to improve traffic throughout the County. Mayor Rees thanked Mr. Millington for his presentation.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m. on a motion by C. Ellsworth, seconded by C. Andersen, and unanimously approved.

Approved by Council:
October 1, 2019

/s/ Colleen A. Mulvey, MMC
City Recorder