

Minutes of the Centerville **City Council Work Session** held Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	Clark Wilkinson
Council Members	Gina Hirst William Ince George McEwan Robyn Mecham Spencer Summerhays

STAFF PRESENT

Brant Hanson, RDA Executive Director
Lisa Romney, City Attorney
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder
Dave Walker, Deputy Public Works Director
Nate Plaizier, Finance Director
Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
Bryce King, Recreation Coordinator
Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
Jacob Smith, Administrative Services Director

SPRING CLEANUP

• Annual Spring Cleanup Report

Deputy Public Works Director Dave Walker reported on the 2022 Spring Cleanup. He said he had received a lot of positive feedback from the community. Mr. Walker presented 2022 Spring Cleanup expenditures (\$10,536.84), and anticipated expenses for the 2023 Spring Cleanup (\$10,900.00). As requested previously by the Council, Mr. Walker presented estimated costs for curbside pick-up: total 2022 estimate = \$70,920.00; projected 2023 price (10% added to 2022 estimate) = \$78,010.00. Mr. Walker recommended continuing to provide a drop-off location at Community Park.

• Spring Cleanup Action Plan For 2023

Councilmember McEwan suggested a hybrid program with organizations volunteering to sweep through neighborhoods to pick up piles of cuttings to bring to Community Park for the benefit of those who did not have access to a truck or trailer. He expressed a desire to meet the needs of everyone. Mr. Walker suggested working through CERT to set up volunteers. He emphasized that the City did not have the resources to provide curbside pick-up alone.

Councilmember Mecham said she would like to see a drop-off location in the older, south part of the City, and said she suspected the majority of individuals who did not have the means to transport cuttings lived on the south end of town. Councilmember Mecham said she suspected citizens would be willing to pay \$15 per load to have cuttings picked up at their home and taken to Community Park by a volunteer group. Councilmember McEwan emphasized that the goal of the Spring Cleanup was to clean up the City. The Council and staff discussed the question of what level of City involvement would be appropriate in coordinating volunteer efforts.

Councilmember Summerhays expressed the opinion that, given the geographic size of the City, one drop-off location was not too much of an inconvenience for anyone. He suggested the location could alternate every year between Island View Park and Community Park. Mr. Walker commented that Island View Park did not provide the same transition for traffic as Community

1 Park. Councilmember Mecham said she had not seen the same cleanup efforts in the older part
2 of the City since the switch from curbside pick-up to Community Park drop-off.
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4 Councilmembers mentioned that curbside pick-up continued to be offered in neighboring
5 towns. Councilmember Mecham referred to a bid received by Farmington last year for curbside
6 pick-up that was lower than the bid received by Centerville for 2022. Mr. Walker responded that
7 the lower bid received by Farmington only included the older neighborhood in Farmington City.
8 The rest of Farmington was serviced by Farmington employees.
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10 Councilmember McEwan emphasized that tonnage numbers needed to be tracked and
11 kept next year. He said he was concerned about the level of service. City Manager Brant Hanson
12 responded that there was a cost to the curbside pick-up level of service. Councilmember McEwan
13 said he would prefer to have the community look great because the service was simple and easy
14 to use. Councilmember Summerhays said he agreed with Councilmember McEwan, and said he
15 would personally be willing to pay a little more to be able to put cuttings on the curb for pick up.
16 He added, however, that not everyone may be willing or able to pay extra for the service.
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18 City Attorney Lisa Romney pointed out that the City primarily moved away from curbside
19 pick-up because the City's Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UPDES) permit did not
20 allow material to be placed on the curb. Councilmember Mecham asked how other cities were
21 continuing to provide curbside pick-up. Mr. Walker responded that Bountiful City imposed strict
22 limits, and did not pick up a pile if the limitations were not followed. The work was done by Bountiful
23 City staff instead of a contractor. Mr. Walker said Farmington City used a hybrid, with some of the
24 work done by city employees, and some of the work contracted. He said it was his understanding
25 that the two cities understood the UPDES requirements, and were willing to assume the risk of
26 being found in violation and fined.
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28 Councilmember Summerhays suggested putting the word out to community groups and
29 religious groups and seeing how it played out in 2023. Mr. Hanson commented that the last few
30 years had involved the discussion of curbside pick-up versus drop-off location. He suggested
31 sticking with the drop-off at Community Park for 3-5 years to be able to really focus on the drop-
32 off location and collect data, with the possibility of reevaluating at the end of that period.
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34 Mr. Walker mentioned park strip restoration as an added cost to the City associated with
35 curbside pick-up. Public Works Director Mike Carlson said he had been trying to think during the
36 discussion of a street on the south end of Centerville that could be closed down for a week to
37 accommodate a drop-off location. He said he believed it would be possible to offer a second drop-
38 off location and stay under \$20,000. Mr. Carlson asked the Council for direction so the Public
39 Works Department could start working on a plan. Councilmember McEwan said he believed it
40 would be worth looking into a second drop-off location, and said he believed the goal should be
41 for a 5%-10% increase in participation and drop-off tonnage per year.
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43 The Council thanked Mr. Walker for the 2022 Spring Cleanup, and for the presentation
44 and discussion. Councilmember Ince said it was his opinion that the City had already "bitten the
45 bullet" regarding curbside pick-up, and recommended not backpedaling to a hybrid approach. He
46 said he believed there would continue to be some dissatisfaction in the community as long as
47 Bountiful and Farmington continued to offer curbside pick-up. Staff were requested to bring a
48 proposal back to the Council prior to implementation.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:00 p.m., Councilmember Summerhays **moved** to adjourn the work session. Councilmember Ince seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

Jennifer Robison
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

8-2-2022
Date Approved

