

Minutes of the Centerville **City Council Work Session** held Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 5:30 pm, with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Clark Wilkinson

Council Members Robyn Mecham
Brian Plummer
Gina Hirst
Spencer Summerhays

MEMBERS ABSENT Cheylynn Hayman

STAFF PRESENT

Brant Hanson, City Manager
Lisa Romney, City Attorney
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder
Haley Turner, Community Services Manager
Bryce King, Administrative Services Director
Mike Eggett, Community Development Director
Sydney DeWees, Planner
Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
Nate Plaizier, Finance Director
Will Barnes, Centerville Police Department

VISITORS

Representative Paul Cutler
Representative Raymond Ward
Senator Todd Weiler

DISCUSSION WITH STATE LEGISLATORS

Mayor Wilkinson welcomed the state legislators to the meeting, where they introduced themselves and provided updates on various bills and issues affecting Centerville and neighboring municipalities. Representative Paul Cutler discussed a bill to regulate cannabis growers, focusing on compliance with local ordinances such as odor control, though specifics were still being refined. He also addressed HB173, which aimed to add substances like TNMT to the controlled substances list, and proposed a bill to allow municipalities to place liens for unpaid utility bills, noting Centerville's existing ability to shut off water for non-payment. Representative Raymond Ward shared two housing affordability bills: one to permit accessory dwelling units (ADUs) on owner-occupied single-family lots and another to allow housing in commercial zones with a minimum residential lot size of 4,000 square feet. These proposals sparked an in-depth discussion among council members about balancing affordable housing needs with preserving local control, commercial land, and neighborhood character.

Other topics included election-related bills, a rumored statewide water fluoridation ban, and water conservation efforts tied to the Great Salt Lake and the Bear River Development Project. Councilmember Spencer Summerhays suggested an alternative housing approach, advocating for cities to zone for a specific number of housing units while maintaining local discretion over placement. The council emphasized the importance of data-driven decision-

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making and local input on legislative issues, particularly those impacting city planning and governance. They expressed appreciation for the legislators' engagement during the busy session, highlighting the value of collaboration between state and local leaders.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Jennifer Robison
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

2/5/2025 | 11:49 AM MST

Date Approved

