

Minutes of the Centerville **City Council Work Session** held Tuesday, February 18, 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
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
Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
Dave Walker, Deputy Public Works Director
Allen Ackerson, Centerville Police Chief
Marc Marchant, Streets Supervisor
Louisa McDonald, Administrative Assistant

VISITORS

Chris Hupp, Psomas
Interested citizens

GENERAL PLAN UPDATE DISCUSSION AND REVIEW

Chris Hupp from Psomas presented an update on the General Plan process and public engagement results, summarizing key themes from the 4th of July event and subsequent surveys. Residents prioritized preserving Centerville's character, enhancing open space, beautifying Main Street and Parrish Lane, and planning development west of I-15. Other concerns included hillside preservation, street connectivity, housing options, entertainment, environmental issues, and potential bus rapid transit on Main Street. Approximately 700-800 responses were collected across all outreach efforts, representing around 5% of the population, which Mr. Hupp stated was a typical level of engagement for general plan processes.

Council members raised concerns about survey methodology and whether responses accurately reflected Centerville residents. They discussed the possibility of sending a postcard with a link to the survey to all households to improve participation and ensure residents feel heard. Mayor Wilkinson directed staff to explore costs and options for the mailing, while Mr. Hupp agreed to work with the council on refining survey questions. The council acknowledged that while sending a postcard might not alter overall results, it would promote transparency and broader community input.

SCHOOL CROSSING PROGRAMMABLE LIGHTS

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1 City Manager Brant Hanson and Streets Supervisor Marc Marchant provided an update
2 on issues with recently installed programmable school crossing lights, which experienced
3 connectivity problems and failed to sync properly. Upon review, staff found that the Manual on
4 Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) requires manual operation when a crossing guard is
5 present, leading the city to revert the lights to manual key switch operation. Staff is pursuing a
6 partial refund of approximately \$10,000 from the \$21,000 spent on the programmable
7 components.

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9 The Council expressed frustration with the situation, noting the relatively new age of the
10 previous lights and questioning the refund amount. Chief Ackerson explained that the original goal
11 was to enhance crossing guard safety after incidents involving falls on icy surfaces. Staff
12 recommended following MUTCD standards, though Councilmember Mecham urged continued
13 exploration of compliant remote solutions. Mayor Wilkinson directed staff to prioritize safety and
14 liability concerns while researching remote options that meet code requirements, with manual
15 switches to be used in the meantime.

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17 **ADJOURNMENT**
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19 At 7:01 pm, Councilmember Summerhays **moved** to adjourn the work session.
20 Councilmember Hayman seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).
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24 Jennifer Robison
25 Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

3/5/2025 | 4:30 PM MST

Date Approved

