Minutes for
Work Session
April 20, 2010
6:30 p.m.

Those present: Mayor Kenneth Romney, George Biada, John Baza, James Bruhn, Mark Preece, Craig Howe, Heidi Voordecker, Randy Lloyd.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Romney at 6:42 p.m.

1. Approval of Budget Calendar

The calendar was reviewed for conflicts. John Baza will not be able to attend on May 13th, but he will prepare comments in advance. The calendar is posted on the website and budget meetings are open to the public.

2. Rap Tax Fund

In the packets were copies of the Utah Code in which 59-12-1402, third paragraph was highlighted, outlining what RAP tax can be used for. Also in the packets were copies of the engineer’s estimate for extending the D&RG Trail to connect with the Legacy Trail and other park improvements.

Heidi mentioned they had not included any money to donate to the Davis Arts Council; they usually donate $1,000. This could come out of the RAP tax. Money was budgeted for West Bountiful’s Arts Council but Heidi wants further ideas from the council for funding.

Heidi wants to pull money from the RAP tax to fund at least 50% of park expenses so they would not have to pull from the rainy day fund. This is for the 2010 budget ending in June. The overall total was $50,000 for maintenance, as well as $4,000 to the arts council. At the end of the fiscal year, there will be $250,000 to $255,000 in RAP tax funds, which Heidi would like to use to cover expenses for this time only. Mayor Romney asked the council members individually what they thought, keeping in mind this should be for one time only. Mark said this is a unique time, so it is a good way to go. James asked if there was any information from GSPS regarding the computer interactive park proposals. Craig said the company would be producing a new chart in two weeks. James asked if they had heard from UDOT regarding the remnant parcels. Craig said they are talking with UDOT and the sewer district about the parcels. James said he had no problem with using that money to help this year’s budget. John asked if the RAP tax had been planned for anything specific in the beginning. Craig said it was initially planned for parks and trails and to possibly purchase property to enhance them. John stated since this is a “rainy day” situation, he agrees with using the money, but feels there needs to be more of a strategy for the RAP tax. George said as long as the RAP is used for parks, he is in favor of using the surplus for expenses. He also commented if GSPS does not deliver a product soon, they should look for another engineering company.

3. Capital Improvement Plan

Ben White reviewed what has been done and what is planned. They did the 1000 North water line and rebuilt the road. The drilling of the test well is complete and they rehabilitated the old well. They built the Prospector trail and did a short section of the street on 1100 West. They also did the 500 South water line and the Porter Lane water line. Five of the seven projects were water-related. To drill a well 850 feet deep and 12 inches in diameter will cost approximately $500,000. Fire hydrants have not been replaced timely, and there are
beginning to be safety issues with them. The connection between 800 West and Legacy Trail will not be constructed until next year. Any grant awards will not be announced until September, so they hold off the budget until October. There have been some drain issues at Pony Haven, but Ben is working on a plan to bring to council which will involve working with residents to help the drain situation.

4. Other Budget-Related Discussion
George does not see any reason for promotions in market adjustments, as nothing was done to deserve even 1%.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.