PROVIDENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2017 6:00 PM
Providence City Office Building
164 N. Gateway Dr., Providence UT

Call to Order:	Mayor Calderwood
In Attendance:	Kirk Allen, Jeff Baldwin, John Drew, Dennis Giles, Roy Sneddon
Absent:	
Excused:	Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

Porter Theurer, Scout Troup 19, lead the pledge of allegiance.

Pastor Robert Jackson provided an opening prayer and blessing for the new city council room and building.

Approval of the minutes

Item No. 1. The Providence City Council will consider approval of the minutes of January 10, 2017 City Council meeting.

Motion to approve minutes of January 10, 2017 City Council Meeting – K Allen, seconded- J Baldwin
Vote

Yea:	**K Allen, J Baldwin, J Drew, D Giles, R Sneddon**
Nay:	**None**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Revisions
Pg. 2, line 1 – remove "is" after the word dear heads.
Pg. 2, line 2- change timeframes to "time frames".
Pg. 2, line 6 & 7 -change Chad to "Jensen".
Pg. 2, line 15- remove "a" after the word have.

Public Comments: Citizens may appear before the City Council to express their views on issues within the City's jurisdiction. Comments will be addressed to the Council. Remarks are limited to 3 minutes per person. The total time allotted to public comment is 15 minutes The City Council may act on an item, if it arose subsequent to the posting of this agenda and the City Council determines that an emergency exists.

Comments:

- Sharell Eames had questions regarding Item No. 3, Resolution 002-2017, Fee in Lieu of Water Dedication and asked whether it changed the ordinance or was it specific to this issue only.
- S Bankhead explained that this resolution sets the fee in this instance and it does not permanently change the ordinance.
- Andrew Stromness, Providence, wanted to share his experience regarding noise disturbances from the construction work for the new CCID Charter School. He and his wife including several other residents in the area were woken up on Friday, February 17 at 3 a.m. from the noise of large diesel trucks coming and going at the construction site. Other residents on the east side of the construction site were woken up by spotlights shining in their bedroom windows. He contacted the Cache County Sheriff Department only to be informed that the company had a

work permit. It was later discovered that this was not true. The company is now requesting a special permit. In protest, he is submitting a petition signed by 26 residents in the neighborhood who are against granting a special permit to Sahara Construction to allow an exception to the City Noise Ordinances. They feel that allowing this construction to go on before 6 a.m. or after 10 p.m. is a nuisance to in the neighborhood and destructive to the lives of the residents living there. He appreciates the efforts of the City to help resolve this and although he understands the pressure a contractor is under to complete a job, it should not negate or override consideration due to residents in the neighborhood.

- Patricia Rollins, Providence, commented on the issues she experienced from the construction site and how her family and neighbors, especially those with children and newborns, were affected. Trucks running up and down the street created a very unsafe situation that did not improve until complaints were filed. Where the school is located is also a concern to her because of the wildlife in that area. She hoped that this was an area that could be protected and preserved for migrating birds and animals that come in seasonally. She asked how the main parcel was subdivided without anyone being informed and wanted to know if the City had considered purchasing the land with the pond and making it a natural reserve.
- S Bankhead explained that the property had not been subdivided. Those are the original parcels. The boundary line between Providence and River Heights runs across the parcel resulting in half of the land and the pond located in River Heights and half in Providence. The parcel is an agricultural zone and construction of a school is a permitted use in an agricultural zone.
- Mayor Calderwood added that City Council did in fact consider acquiring the property but decided against it after thorough and extensive review.
- Patricia Rollins, Providence, also expressed concern about the dirt piling up from the construction site.
- Jim Hyde, a representative for Sahara Construction, addressed concerns about the construction in process on the CCID Charter School. He explained that the 400 truckloads of dirt would be moved as soon as the ground dries out enough to allow it. Due to weather conditions, the dirt was too wet and muddy to move and had to be stock piled in that location until conditions improved. He also addressed the noise complaints explaining why the cement pours were necessary that early in the morning. In order to achieve a high quality finish, the concrete has to be poured and cured enough so it can be finished in the light. They submitted a request for a variance to the noise ordinance to allow two additional pours that still need to be completed. They anticipate starting at 5 a.m. on Monday or a week from today to pour another 150 yards. The second pour should be in about four weeks and that will be another 175 to 180 yards. There should be only two more days of disruption. The first pour on February 17 was the largest job. They had 195 yards and 20 truckloads of cement to place. This was going to be a challenge and this is why the work for that pour had to start at 3 a.m. They were not aware that a special noise permit was required.
- K Allen stated that this puts everyone in a difficult position and it will be a difficult decision. The rights of our citizens to not be disturbed must be considered and taken into account and weighted in making this decision.
- Jim Hyde stated that he understands and they are making additional accommodations to reduce the noise and disruption. They changed the route of the cement and pump trucks so they do not have to back up. This will significantly reduce the beeping noise from the safety warnings that go off when the trucks back up.
- R Sneddon asked if they used accelerators in the concrete to shorten up the curing timeframe.
- Jim Hide responded that they did do this and removed the ash in the concrete mix.
- J Drew asked if there was a way they could notify the neighbors ahead of time to help mitigate

the situation rather than wake people at 3:00 a.m.

- K Allen stressed that so far the residents have clearly expressed that they were not treated well. If you are going to do something like this, you will need to work with and be considerate of residents in the area. Provide notices ahead of time to inform residents of what is happening and when.
- R Sneddon commented that this is a public relations problem now.
- Jim Hyde responded that this is a point well taken. They can and will do better. At the end of the project, we hope and the objective is to leave the community with a great asset, a school, and a beautifully finished product. We are trying to get a great finish on the concrete without too much upheaval.
- J Baldwin commented that what Councilman Drew said goes a long way in regard to informing the citizens of what you need to do. People who do not work in concrete do not understand what the challenges are and that it takes a certain amount of time to achieve a good quality pour. You have thousands of dollars invested in that concrete and a specific amount of time to pour that mud, get it finished and get the cure on it otherwise you get the jackhammer and you replace it because it fails to meet specifications. We have construction going on behind us with a new development and he agrees that when they start early in the morning, it is not pleasant. In the case of pouring cement, and I am not saying disturbing the residents is all right but certain jobs require it. We are taking about three occurrences here. On large projects the contractor has physical requirements, like curing concrete, that take a certain amount of time. Certain size projects require a certain amount of time and unfortunately, in this case it disturbed the citizens because they were not aware of it. Improving communication would help people work around the situation.
- Andrew Stomness responded by asking if he should tell his boss that he cannot finish his seven million dollar project because he was unable to get any sleep. The point is, they are not the only ones with priorities.
- J Drew commented that if he were sitting in the audience and he was from that neighborhood knowing this construction will be going on until the school is built and finished, he too would have concerns. In the back of their minds, they are thinking that today it is about the concrete, but this construction will be going on for a while until the school is completed in August. What else will be happening that might wake them up at 3 a.m.? He recommends that the issue be addressed immediately to provide residents with a reasonable comfort level.
- Jim Hyde agreed and responded that the school will be completed by August 1. He does not anticipate work being completed after 10 p.m. and the majority type of work being completed will not be noisy concrete pours. The rest of the work will be completed within normal hours and much of it will be indoors as we move forward with this.
- J Baldwin added it is not that this is against the work; the complaints are against the noise.
- Richard Eames, Providence, commented that he wondered if people understand that reverse beeps on the trucks is a safety feature that cannot be turned on or off.
- Travis Thurston, Providence, commented on how he and his family were affected by the construction noise. It was not just the beeping from the trucks backing up; it was the trucks driving up and down Spring Creek through the night. He contacted Richard Steel who apologized for the noise but then stated that the construction company did have a permit. As it turned out, the construction company did not have the special permit needed to work outside the normal hours of 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Crystal Howe, Providence resident and member of the Ridgeline Community Council commented on Item #6, Resolution 005-2017-Ridgeline Community Council Request to move a 45 mph speed limit sight 100 meters north of the traffic light. This is one of the first complaints brought forth to our council this year. Kids walking in that area are at risk. To get this request

approved through the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), we will need support from Millville, Nibley and Providence per UDOT to create a resolution. This is why we are here asking for assistance from the Providence City Council.

- K Allen confirmed that a traffic concern does exist in the area where the signs are currently located.
- J Drew commented on the numerous discussions Council has had regarding traffic speed and public safety. He agreed that a 45 mph speed limit is appropriate in that location.
- Andrea Diamond, Providence, advocates putting up speed limit signs and even flashing lights to help in that area because "a life is worth a sign" particularly when it helps to protect and ensure the safety of our children.
- Public comments closed.

Public Hearing(s):

6:15 PM Item No. 1. Consider the disposition of a parcel of "significant real property". The purpose of the public hearing is to provide an opportunity for anyone interested to comment on the proposed disposal of a "significant parcel of real property" located at 15 South Main, Providence UT before action is taken.

Comments

- J Baldwin asked about grants that might be available for that area and asked if the City could look into any type of funding that could significantly improve the area.
- S Bankhead responded that there are various redevelopment grants and programs available. It would not necessarily need to be a city project; a private developer can also apply for these types of grants but she will look into it.
- Andrew Stromness, Providence, commented that the library is very popular and perhaps that would be a way of expanding the library.
- Mayor Calderwood responded that the City did look into this and asked the County if they would be interested in the old building but there was no interest at that time. The library is part of the county.
- Bill Bagley, former City Council Member, commented that it was about two years ago this month in March when Skarlet, the Mayor and I sat down with the owner of this property to start this. He commends all those who worked to make this a reality and although it took a long time, congratulations, we are finally here. There were hurdles to get through and plenty of public and private meetings but this is what led to the results of what has transpired and why we are sitting here this evening. He knows this is a great asset for the city and asked if a recent appraisal had been completed on the old city building yet.
- Mayor responded that two real estate evaluations were completed over a year ago. The City will need to have a new evaluation completed at this point.
- Howard Christianson, President of the Historical Preservation Commission, commented on the work he is doing in that area and the relation this has to selling the old city building. The Historic Preservation Commission is applying for a grant. An intensive survey of the area will be completed. This is a historic part of town and there are several historic buildings on that block. It would be a shame to see them torn down indiscriminately. He asked for Council's support and careful consideration of what happens in that area.
- J Baldwin commented that he is interested in looking at pictures to see what the area originally looked like.
- Public Hearing closed 7:15 p.m.

Business Items:

Item No. 1. Resolution 001-2017. Resolution 001-2017 Disposition of a parcel of "significant real

property" located at 15 South Main, Providence UT. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution deciding if a "significant parcel of real property" located at 15 South Main, Providence UT should be disposed; and if so, establishing the manner in which a "significant parcel of real property" located at 15 South Main, Providence UT shall be disposed.

Motion to approve Resolution 001-2017 for disposal of real property at 15 South Main – J Baldwin, seconded- J Drew.

Vote	**None**
Yea:	**None**
Nay:	**None**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

- S Bankhead reviewed the Utah State Code and the processes defined in accordance to both state and city code pertaining to the dispose of significant real property. She identified that in a reasonable notice (14 days in advance or more) has been published both on the City's website and in the newspaper to provide an opportunity for public comment. After holding the public hearing, should Council choose to continue with the disposition of this property, the manner in which it will be dispose would need to be determined such as for examples: sealed bids, listing with a broker, auction or through private negotiation. Two comparative market analysis were completed over a year ago that determined the valuation range of the building to be between $225,000 to $290,000. A new analysis or appraisal is required at this point.
- Council reviewed and discussed various options and methods available to sell the building and acknowledged the need for a new comparative market analysis prior to making a determination.
- S Bankhead, in response, commented that Council could approve the resolution to sell the building and continue the discussion to further evaluate which method to use.

Motion made to approve selling "significant real property" located at 15 South Main, Providence, UT – J Baldwin, Seconded by J Drew.

Vote	
Yea:	**K Allen, J Baldwin, J Drew, D Giles, R Sneddon**
Nay:	**None**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Motion to amend and continue in order to complete an updated market evaluation to determine best method of how to sell the building.– J Baldwin, seconded- J Drew.

Vote	
Yea:	**J Baldwin, J Drew, D Giles**
Nay:	**K Allen, R Sneddon**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Item No. 2. Resolution 004-2017 General Plan Contract. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution approving the contract between Providence City and CRSA for CRSA to act as the 2016 General Plan Update consultant.

Motion to approve Resolution 004-2017. – J Drew, seconded- D Giles.

- **No Vote**

Motion amended to approve Resolution 004-2017 General Plan Contract with exception to strike all reference to traffic study. – J Drew, seconded- D Giles.

Vote

Yea:	**K Allen, J Baldwin, J Drew, D Giles**
Nay:	**R Sneddon**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Discussion

- S Bankhead reviewed Resolution 004-2017 identifying that a determination needs to be made on whether or not to add the transportation study and which consultant to use if this is to be added to the general plan contract. The components of what the transportation study included was reviewed. The Planning Commission recommended adding this as part of the contract. The study can be completed either by Cache Landmark at a cost of $9,500 or CRS Engineers at a cost of $9,798. The cost quoted for a general plan only is $27,788.
- K Allen commented that transportation study should be an option, but was not a necessary component that needed to be included in the contract and asked what additional information could be provided by it that was not included in the general plan update.
- S Bankhead commented that the general plan would address general layout of roads. The transportation study would provide details and specifics for future transportation needs, list priorities for future development and reviews/revises budgeting needs for capital improvement. It also provides five traffic analysis studies in specified areas.
- R Sneddon commented that there are key areas in the city that do need to be addressed specifically and completing this now rather than later would be a beneficial advantage. He supported including the comprehensive transportation study and traffic analysis in the contract.
- K Allen commented that the transportation plan included with general plan update would cover the basic components needed.
- J Baldwin commented that the general plan should be updated first and the traffic study could be added as part of phase II of the update. He would advise moving forward with the general plan and holding on the traffic analysis for now.

Item No. 3. Resolution 002-2017 – Fee in Lieu of Water Dedication: The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution establishing a fee in lieu as allowed by Providence City Code Title 8 Chapter 1 Section 21:D.2.b. which allows the city to accept cash or other property equivalent in value to the market value of the water rights and/or shares the dedication of which would otherwise be required as part of development.

Motion to approve Resolution 002-2017 and establish a fee in lieu in accordance to Providence City Code .– K Allen, seconded- J Drew.

Vote

Yea:	**K Allen, J Baldwin, J Drew, D Giles, R Sneddon**
Nay:	**None**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Discussion

- S Bankhead reviewed determination of fee amount. Jeffery R. Gittins of Smith Hartvigsen, PLLC, a law firm in Salt Lake City that has extensive experience with water rights, looked at transactions in Cache Valley and determined that a standard market price for water rights in this area is currently $3,000 per acre-

foot. Rob Stapley also reviewed the findings, agrees with it. Note: market valuations can and do change, therefore a review should be done periodically.

- J Baldwin confirmed that this was not a permanent change in ordinance. The City will have an option to accept a fee in lieu or choose to retain water rights if conditions change in the future.

Item No. 4. Ordinance 2017-002 Rezone: The Providence City Council will consider for adoption an ordinance changing the zone from Agricultural (AGR) to Single-Family Traditional (SFT) for Parcel No. 02-113-0011; a 5.11 acre (+/-) parcel of property located generally at 685 South 300 East, Providence UT.

Motion that Ordinance 2017-002 for a rezone be approved made by R Sneddon, Seconded- D Giles.

Vote

Yea:	**K Allen, J Baldwin, J Drew, D Giles, R Sneddon**
Nay:	**None**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Discussion

- Trevor Booth of Providence is the applicant for the rezone. He identified that this is his father's property, John Booth. He is requesting a rezone on the area from AGR to SFT in accordance to the General Master Plan.
- J Baldwin asked if he was dividing the property in half.
- Trevor Booth responded that the property will not be divided; it will only be rezoned to allow another home to be built on it. He will be using one acre of the property for his home.

Item No. 5. Information: 2017 CLG Grant. The Providence Historic Preservation Commission will review the projects for the 2017 Certified Local Government (CLG) grant.

Review and update of CLG Grant

- Howard Christiansen provided an update of the CLG Grant and reviewed status to date. The consultant previously working on the grant application was not able to complete the process so the Commission had to update the information and reapply for this grant. The grant will be used to complete an intensive level survey on the corner of Main and Center Street where the old city office building is to determine the historical value of the buildings in that area and have them designated as historical landmarks if possible. This will include buildings like the old Providence Coop, the Service Station and the old Post Office/Library building.
- S Bankhead reviewed additional aspects of what the grant covered. Council approved application for the grant in 2015 with an 18-month timeline for completion but the consultant working on this was unable to complete the process. At this point a new consultant is needed and the Historical Preservation Commission must re-submit the grant request. A budget adjustment will required because it is in the 2017 budget.
- J Baldwin asked if there was any way to save money.
- Howard Christensen commented that a licensed consultant is required for this type of work.
- S Bankhead reviewed what an intensive level survey involves. There are three separate tasks: research on the property and its owners, documentation of the property's physical appearance and completion of the historic site form in accordance to the Utah Department of State History guidelines and standard operating procedures.

Item No. 6. Resolution 005-2017 Ridgeline Community Council Request. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution supporting the Ridgeline Community Council request to the Utah

Department of Transportation (UDOT) that the 45 mph speed sign be moved 100 meters further north.

Motion to approve Resolution 005-2017 Ridgeline Community Council Request.– J Drew, seconded- J Baldwin.
Vote

Yea:	**K Allen, J Baldwin, J Drew, D Giles, R Sneddon**
Nay:	**None**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Discussion

- Mayor Calderwood identified that comments and discussion were already made already in the public comment section.
- J Baldwin asked if it was the speed limit sign just north of the light, not south.
- Crystal Howe confirmed that it was the one north of the light.
- K Allen asked if any additional actions needed to be completed by the City.
- S Bankhead responded that if Council approves the resolution, she will make a copy and email it to Crystal Howe at the Ridgeline Community Council.

Item No. 7. Resolution 006-2017 Request for a Special Permit for relief from the noise level designated in Providence City Code Title 4 Chapter 9 Noise. The Providence City Council will consider for adoption a resolution approving a Special Permit for relief from the noise level designated in Providence City Code Title 4 Chapter 9 Noise, requested by Steve Santella, Sahara LLC Project Superintendent, charter school project located at approximately 385 North 100 West, Providence UT.

Motion to approve Resolution 006-2017 Request for Special Permit. – J Baldwin, seconded- R Sneddon.

Motion to amend Resolution 006-2017 Request for Special Permit to allow two days to make two additional pours, work can start at 4 a.m., no noisy equipment such as cement trucks or pump trucks until 5 a.m. and provide 2-day prior notice to residents .– J Baldwin, seconded- D Giles .
Vote

Yea:	**K Allen, J Baldwin, D Giles**
Nay:	**J Drew, R Sneddon**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Discussion

- S Bankhead commented that this is not a blanket permit. This is a very specific permit being amended to allow two pours on the days identified and neither pour before 5 a.m. There are conditions. The equipment traffic flow will be designed to minimize the use of backup warning signals and the applicant will notify the residents of the time, date and nature of the noise disturbance prior to occurrence. The City can post this information on their website and social media sites.
- R Sneddon commented that there is significant staging before a pour begins. Are we including that the staging before the pour begins also must being at 5 a.m.
- Allen Hyde explained that cement trucks will arrive at 5 a.m. Crew will arrive two hours before to remove insulation blankets and so forth.
- J Baldwin commented and discussed making a motion to amend this to allow two additional pours, the date is really not important because they have to shoot for a good weather day. Amending it from 3 a.m. to 4 a.m. for any work to be done, no noisy equipment like cement trucks or pump trucks earlier than 5 a.m., and they must provide notice to the residents two days prior to the pour that this is going to occur so if any residents need to make preparations they are fully aware of it.
- S Bankhead asked if Council still wants to keep the equipment traffic flow designed to minimize the use of

backup warnings.

- J Baldwin replied yes, and what he said just adds to it. This is just for the two cement pours; otherwise, the rest of the building will have to be constructed under the ordinance as it stands.
- R Sneddon asked if Councilman Baldwin would accept a friendlier amendment in that there is no noise at the sight until 5 a.m. and what about floodlights.
- J Baldwin responded that he did not think the daylight hours right now would allow for it and the ordinance is addressing noise not floodlights. They will need to use floodlights to setup. This allows only two incidents for a significant construction project. They do not have the right to violate the noise ordinance throughout rest of the project site.
- Mayor Calderwood repeated the motion to ensure clarity. The amendment will include that there will be two additional pours, we are not going to say which date, to 4 a.m. no noise until 5 a.m. and two days prior notice to residents so they know what they are going to do.
- Prior to vote, K Allen asked residents at the meeting how they felt about this.
- Andrew Stromness, Providence, responded. His view on it is concrete takes several days to cure and it was not necessary to cut the concrete the same day. He also felt that if the company had been upfront about what they were doing in the first place, he would be more comfortable with the decision.
- Allen Hyde responded that he would have to disagree. With this much volume level, the concrete starts drying and shrinking especially with the additives in it.
- Andrew Stromness, Providence, asked Council if they would still be approving this if it were 30 feet from their backdoor.
- J Baldwin responded that his answer to this would be yes because he has been involved in similar jobs that poised the similar challenges.
- K Allen asked if someone from public works could monitor the two pours to ensure compliance of the conditional work permit.
- S Bankhead responded that that they would send someone out to check on it.

Staff Reports: Items presented by Providence City Staff will be presented as information only.

- S Bankhead reported that Rob Stapley is attending the Rural Water Association Conference in St. George this week to complete continuing educational units that are a part of his certification requirements as a water operator. He submitted his staff report and this was included in the package. Are there any questions or concerns that need to be addressed on the report?
- J Baldwin inquired about testing water because of the water flow and high water tables occurring.
- S Bankhead responded that Bear River Health Department tests the water regularly. She believes it is tested monthly.
- J Baldwin commented on budgeting for a plow truck and we need to address this in the budget. He suggested that a truck like a center pivot cat might help avoid some of the problems experienced with the current plow truck.
- S Bankhead provided a general overview of some of the items in the budget for capital equipment and provided the justification for these items that will be addressed in detail when the budget is completed and a public hearing notice announcement has been made.
- R Sneddon requested additional information on how much fuel would need to be stored for the diesel generator for emergency backups systems.
- S Bankhead responded that Rob Stapley is talking to vendors regarding this and will report on it at the next session.
- J Drew requested more detail on what makes up the $280,000 total on the budget.
- S Bankhead responded $45,000 was already in the budget for a bucket truck and that is $10,000 short of what the actual cost will be so the breakdown is $150,000 currently budgeted plus an additional $10,000 for the bucket truck, $40,000 for the service truck and $80,000 for the 1-ton

truck. In addition to this is the backhoe that is $90,000 and $75,000 for additional salt storage. These are funds in excess that have accumulated over the years that, as our recent audit identified, need to be applied at this point.

- S Bankhead also reported on third party video recording of City Council Meetings identifying that various aspects need to be addressed such as the expense and cost of doing this, choosing the right vendor, archiving requirements per state code and new changes in state code. Additional information is required before the City can move forward with this. At this point, the City is not required to video tape the meetings for public viewing but this may change. She is working with Jeff Young to complete estimates for the audiovisual system. The economic plan grant was approved and funds need to be allocated for that as well. This is a large budget and we will review the items in detail next week. Included in the packet is the invoice register for January, the financial statements for ending December 2016 and the financial statements for January 2017. There was additional discussion on what the storage sheds were used for.
- J Baldwin asked if the awning had been started at the new sheds.
- S Bankhead replied that they had received the cement and the fabrication kit has been started.

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- J Baldwin commented on investing in backup pumps. In a worst-case scenario, a pump can be replaced within 48 hours. They did not recommend buying a pump with only a 1-year warranty. Parts are readily available and they can be up and running in 24 to 48 hours or at the most four days.
- J Drew attended the Wastewater Rate Setting Committee Meeting in Logan. During the discussion on rate changes and increases, the City of Logan's mayor deferred and stated that other cities should decide on how to accommodate for the rate increase. City of Logan expects to complete the Wastewater Treatment Project in 2023. As he discussed in the last Council Meeting, what the City of Logan intends to do begin setting aside the funds now so they do not have to go out to the bond market in order to fund the project. Approximately 11 million in additional funds are needed for this project. Various options were discussed that involved either an incremental rate increase or a one-time rate increase. The recommended method is a gradual rate increase. Currently all cities are paying $1.85 per 1,000 gallons to treat wastewater. In July 2017, the rate will increase to $2.05 then 10% after that over a five-year period. The alternative to a gradual increase in rates would be a one-time rate increase of 35%. Issa Hamud, the Environmental Services Director in Logan, will send a revised resolution for our City Council to adopt. The other issue to address was flooding and the infiltration that occurred. The Environmental Department agreed to adjust the February billing for the cities for the three days that the flood water went into the wastewater system
- R Sneddon asked if this was on a uniform rate based on volume or if there was a factor in the cost for BOD level.
- J Drew responded that the rate was based on volume only. During the last council meeting as I mentioned the solids and the BOD were not going to be taken into consideration. Logan does have special rates for commercial users. As part of that discussion, we also talked about infiltration. The meter for Providence that is located and monitored in Logan City was pegged as far as it would go. He prepared a chart and sent it to the Mayor for review. Providence seems to have an infiltration problem. Randy Eck talked about this in the past. He talked to Justin Bond, in Nibley. North Logan knows they have a problem. Hyde Park has a problem. And what I talked about with infiltration is people have sump pumps and they put the discharge into the sewer

line. Hyde Park has an ordinance that charges a $100 a day fine and that is how they deal with the infiltration problem. From the analysis, I compared Providence to Nibley and there is a big gap. The average citizen generates about 20,000 gallons of wastewater per year in Smithfield and Nibley. In Providence, it is about 35,000, which is approximately 15,000 gallons more per resident. This is a 75 % difference. If you do the math, we pay $2.24 per 1,000 gallons per year that we are paying Logan. If we can solve this problem and reduce that to the same range as Nibley and Smithfield, it would be a significant savings.

- S Bankhead commented that there is another component to this. It is necessary to look at actual production levels. How much those cities are producing verses how much they are sending out. Providence, historically, has people who want to keep their ground green and use a lot of water. If our production level and output level are within the standard, it maybe that we are truly sending a lot of water to Logan because we are producing large quantity of water. She is not sure what people are doing with it but Providence does produce a large quantity of water. We can run some numbers and make comparisons but the first step is to look at what we are producing. Our ordinance also identifies that you cannot pump into the sewer system. Another question is how do other cities track down violators.
- J Drew responded that this was a good question, but he did not go into detail about it with Justin Bond. Smithfield is an older city. He has not talked to Nibley about it. Issa Hamud, in Logan, mentioned that they drop a meter down every manhole to find out where they might have a problem. Pipes that leak can also cause an infiltration problem. Jeff Jorgensen said we have a serious problem. Culinary water that is used to water the grass does not end up in the sewer system.
- R Sneddon commented that he expressed his concerns already. The emphasis is on having enough information to guide development relative to where the collector street should be not just the general location but something with more specificity and that requires planning and this is what he is looking for.
- K Allen expressed his appreciation to Pastor Jackson for coming today and commented that the new council meeting room is much better, healthier and less crowded.
- S Bankhead added they are moving forward on the projects occurring at the parks. The crow's nest has been outfitted with a new window, and we are moving forward on our RAPZ projects. Improvement are in process with new 4th South and Main Park,
- Richard Eames asked if the City is looking at the flood potential from the deer fence down to Von's Park. He has seen homes in Bear River that are facing mudslides.
- Mayor Calderwood responded that the situation there is being monitored very carefully. The Mayor added that an open house will be held this spring.

Executive Session Notice:

The Providence City Council may enter into a closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation as allowed by Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(c).

The Providence City Council may enter into a closed session to discuss professional competence or other factors allowed by Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a).

The Providence City Council may enter into a closed session to discuss land acquisition or the sale of real property Utah Code 52-4-205(1) (d) and (e).

Agenda posted the 24 day of February 2017.

Motion made to adjourn City Council Meeting of February 28, 2017 - J Baldwin, seconded by D Giles.

Vote

Yea:	**J Baldwin, J Drew, Dennis Giles, R Sneddon**
Nay:	**None**
Abstained:	**None**
Excused:	**None**

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Minutes recorded and prepared by K. Merrill.

Don W. Calderwood, Mayor

Skarlet Bankhead, City Recorder