

MINUTES OF THE MIDWAY CITY COUNCIL

(Work Meeting)

Tuesday, 21 March 2023, 5:00 p.m.
Midway Community Center, Council Chambers
160 West Main Street, Midway, Utah

Note: Notices/agendas were posted at 7-Eleven, Ridley's Express, the United States Post Office, the Midway City Office Building, and the Midway Community Center. Notices/agendas were provided to the City Council, City Engineer, City Attorney, Planning Director, and The Wasatch Wave. The public notice/agenda was published on the Utah State Public Notice Website and the City's website. A copy of the public notice/agenda is contained in the supplemental file.

1. Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance; Prayer and/or Inspirational Message

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

Members Present:

Celeste Johnson, Mayor
Steve Dougherty, Council Member
Jeff Drury, Council Member (Participated electronically)
Lisa Orme, Council Member
Kevin Payne, Council Member
JC Simonsen, Council Member

Staff Present:

Michael Henke, Planning Director
Wes Johnson, Engineer
McKay Murdock, Attorney's Office
Brad Wilson, Recorder

Note: A copy of the meeting roll is contained in the supplemental file.

2. Midway Town Hall / Office Space (Mayor Johnson) – Review and discuss use of vacant space in the Town Hall.

Council Member Orme reported that three proposals had been received for use of the old Daughters of the Utah Pioneers' space on the west side of the Town Hall.

The Council, staff, and meeting attendees discussed the following items:

- The Souvenir Shop should not be moved into the west side space because of all the work put into its current location.
- Should the bidders use the current Souvenir Shop space? This space had limited storage.
- Some of the proposals included holding classes.
- The Souvenir Shop was originally supposed to direct customers to local businesses. It would need more employees if it was also a visitors' bureau.

- The Historic Preservation Committee would like to display items in the west side room.
- The current space for the Souvenir Shop was too small.
- The proposers would be told that the Council was still considering their proposals. They should also be offered the space currently used by the Souvenir Shop.

3. General Plan / Update (City Planner – Approximately 60 minutes) – Review and discuss the update to the Midway City General Plan.

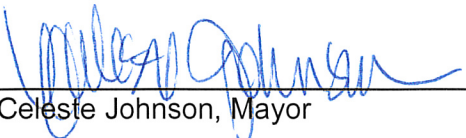
Main Street

The Council, staff, and meeting attendees discussed the following items:

- Should fenestration be required on Main Street developments? Could this prevent someone from doing business in Midway?
- Wanted to work with UDOT to create more crosswalks.
- Mixed-use projects should not dominate the commercial areas.
- Should affordable housing be allowed on Main Street? It might work on the long lots.
- Some communities encourage parking in the middle of their blocks.
- Commercial buildings required visibility.
- Not all of Main Street included commercial development.
- A small-town feel should be maintained.
- Main Street from 200 West to 400 East was a more walkable area with buildings closer together. The rest of the road had more space between buildings and greater setbacks.
- The Granary and Olde Swiss Square were not rural.
- Keeping the older structures should be encouraged and even incentivized.
- Outdoor dining was nice in front of a restaurant.
- There should be some variation along Main Street.
- Property owners should have flexibility.
- Voters wanted more open space and a rural feel in Midway.
- Main Street should be eclectic.
- Side setbacks would allow people to see into back yards and see old trailers, junk, etc.
- Swiss towns had businesses closer to the road with parking in the rear.
- Commerce needed closeness to thrive.
- A phony feeling should be avoided.
- The City should not discourage businesses.
- Some old structures were not practical enough to save.
- Residents did not want Walmart and other big box stores in Midway.

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.


 Celeste Johnson, Mayor


 Brad Wilson, Recorder