

MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL WORK UDOT MEETING  
FRUIT HEIGHTS CITY  
910 South Mountain Road  
January 3, 2017

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1. WELCOME

The Special Work Meeting began at 6:02 pm.

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

The City Council met with officials from the Utah Division of Transportation and Horrocks Engineering regarding the upcoming Nicholls road project. Amalia Andrews from public information, Larry Reasch from Horrocks Engineering and Mike Romero from UDOT were the presenters. Mr. Romero presented the overview of the Nicholls Park section of US 89 project. He mentioned a few of the challenges that UDOT and Horrocks are facing as they plan for this stretch of road. He mentioned the grading needed to get over Nicholls Road, the trail system at Baer Creek and the structure over Nicholls Road. He outlined the schedule for public involvement, the public hearing, the design schedule and the beginning and end of construction. He outlined the challenge of trying to keep Highway 89 open during construction and the challenge of the 6F property near the baseball diamond.

Mr. Larry Reasch from Horrocks Engineering detailed that the new Highway will eventually be 6 lanes, 3 in both directions. The design for the bridge over Nicholls is currently slated to be grey concrete. They discussed that they had already started to go through the process of dealing with the 6F property issue. They are currently waiting for a letter from the National Park Service. He spoke regarding a petroleum line that is so deep that they haven't been able to locate it yet and in order to build the bridge they will need drive the piles 100 feet into the ground. Noise walls were discussed and it was explained that this project does not qualify for noise reduction walls.

Ms. Amalia Andrews led a discussion regarding the public hearing that will be held at Burton Elementary on January 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be legal notices in the papers and postcards sent to the surrounding areas. Flyers will go home with elementary students and flyers will also be delivered door to door to residents bordering this project. The City Council and Mayor suggested adding Morgan Elementary to the flyer distribution list and adding the Davis County Cilpper to the list of newspapers where notices will appear. City Engineer Brandon Jones suggested being more specific on the flyer about the area that will be included in this project so that residents will not think this public hearing is for the entire stretch of Highway 89. Ms. Andrews asked the City Council to please forward on any names to her that would like to be contacted personally regarding this project.

The City Council, Mayor, City Staff, UDOT and Horrocks Engineering representatives discussed the EIS study. They discussed the impact of this project on traffic routes. They discussed problem areas such as Cherry Hills, Nicholls Road, 400 North and Lloyd Road. Concerns at Laurelwood and Main Street were also discussed. Mr. Romero mentioned that having the City send City Manager Brandon Green to the meetings has been very beneficial. Mayor Don Carroll mentioned that since the barriers have gone up it has impacted traffic but safety has been dramatically improved. There have not been any major injuries or traffic fatalities on the stretch of road since the barrier has been installed.

The City Council discussed that Fruit Heights residents have enjoyed the small town feeling of getting on Highway 89 wherever they would like and that it is going to take a while for residents to adjust their routes.

The meeting ended at 6:54 pm.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true, accurate and complete record of the Fruit Heights City Council Work meeting held January 3, 2017.

*Not approved until signed*



Kelli Rollins, Fruit Heights Recording Secretary

Date approved by City Council: January 17, 2017