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CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

November 15, 2022

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7:00 PM CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Presiding: Mayor Michelle Tait
Mayor Pro Tem: Blair Christensen

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. OPENING

- a. Pledge of Allegiance [Mayor Michelle Tait]

3. CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Approval of the meeting minutes for October 11, 2022 as presented.

4. RECOGNITION/AWARD

- a. Award to the Jason W. Read Protect and Serve Foundation.
[Harrisville Police Department]

5. OATH OF OFFICE

- a. Officer Corey Clark and Officer John Millaway. [Harrisville Police Department]

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Discussion/possible action to adopt Harrisville Resolution 22-19; a resolution approving an Interlocal Agreement with Weber County for the distribution of Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds for the construction of a new Children's Justice Center. [Chief Mark Wilson]
- b. Discussion/possible action to purchase radios for the Harrisville Police Department. [Chief Mark Wilson]

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS - (3 minutes ea.)

8. MAYOR/COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP

9. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Closed Executive Session for the purposes described under UCA §52-4-205(1)(a)(d)(e); for discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual(s), strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, and strategy sessions to discuss the sale of real property.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The foregoing City Council agenda was posted and can be viewed at City Hall, on the City's website www.cityofharrisville.com, and at the Utah Public Notice Website at <http://pmn.utah.gov>. Notice of this meeting has also been duly provided as required by law.

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Posted: 11/10/2022, By: Maria Devereux, City Recorder



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**MINUTES OF
HARRISVILLE CITY COUNCIL
October 11, 2022
363 West Independence Blvd
Harrisville, UT 84404**

Minutes of a regular Harrisville City Council meeting held on October 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Harrisville City Council Chambers, 363 West Independence Blvd., Harrisville, UT.

Present: Mayor Michelle Tait, Council Member Kenny Loveland, Council Member Steve Weiss, and Council Member Jackson.

Excused: Council Member Wilhelmsen and Council Member Christensen.

Staff: Jennie Knight, City Administrator
Maria Devereux, City Recorder
Justin Shinsel, Public Works Director
Mark Wilson, Police Chief
Bryan Fife, Parks and Recreation Director

Visitors: Arnold Tait, Blaine Barrow, Dave Wade, Jeremiah Jared, Kevin Karras, Marisa Trevino, Craig Golden, Madeline Robles, Julie Anderson, John Arrington, Greg Montgomery, Carlos Aguilar, Deanna Aguilar, Ryan Barker, and I. Skippis.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michelle Tait opened the meeting and welcomed all in attendance.

2. OPENING

Council Member Loveland opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

Approval of the meeting minutes for August 16, 2022 and September 13, 2022 as presented.

MOTION: Council Member Loveland made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for August 16, 2022 and September 13, 2022 as presented, second by Council Member Weiss.

4. RECOGNITION/AWARDS

Weber CTC Coalition

Madeline Robles, WCTC Coordinator (The Weber Communities That Care Coalition) explained Communities That Care is compiled of agencies and citizens from Eden, Liberty, Harrisville, Huntsville, North Ogden, and Pleasant View cities (the Weber Cone). She invited the Council and staff to Key Leader training in Eden, the following week.

Mayor Tait expressed appreciation for their continued involvement in the community.

Community Recognition

Northview Fire District and Harrisville Police Department presented a public service award to BJ Barnett for reporting a house fire and courageously assisting his neighbor caught in the fire.

Mayor Tait expressed gratitude and praised the efforts of Mr. Barnett for his selfless actions.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

Presentation of Arguments For and Against the General Obligation Bond to acquire and construct a recreation facility in the city, in the amount not to exceed \$6MM.

Jennie Knight, City Administrator, presented an overview of the Bond process and arguments pursuant to Utah Code to be heard at the Council meeting.

Greg Montgomery, Mayor Tait, Council Member Loveland, Council Member Weiss addressed the General Obligation Bond and gave arguments both for and against, including rebuttals. View Voter Information Pamphlet attached.

Mayor Tait explained no action will be taken in regard to this agenda item. Registered voters will have an opportunity to vote on the Bond Proposition at the General Election on November 8th. By voting, residents determine the outcome of the Bond Election.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS - (3 minutes per person)

Mayor Tait reviewed the Public Comment process and explained the *Public Comment* period allows time for the public to give comments for or against an agenda item (city related item). She noted, additional questions or a request for further discussion or information may be directed to the Council, or Jennie Knight, City Administrator by email or phone.

Greg Montgomery thanked the Council and Police Department for assisting with a recent issue he had reported. He stated concern for the design and process moving forward for the Public Works building.

Kevin Karras expressed concern for the general obligation bond and stated a recreation facility is a large obligation that many residents cannot afford.

Carlos Aguilar thanked the Council for their involvement in the public process, especially in consideration of the bond election. He also expressed appreciation for the City Recorder.

Blane Barrow is concerned about the general obligation bond and the entire complex projected to be built along 750 W in Harrisville. He explained, residents will have difficulty paying for the new buildings.

Elaine Andrushko stated it is wrong to ask tax payers to pay for entertainment and 26 years is too long to have the debt.

Mayor Tait closed the public comment period at 7:44PM.

7. MAYOR/COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP

Chief Mark Wilson (Police) gave an overview of the Snap Program, officers will be able to give out cards (business and residential checks), he explained the new program though additional statistics regarding outreach will be forthcoming. CPR Classes – Chief Wilson explained that an officer, EMT certified, will be giving CPR classes for city employees free of

charge. Non-Profit Update – Chief Wilson stated the non-profit entity (Police Dept.) has been established and they are working on setting up the board now. Program update: Shop with a Hero is Dec. 3rd and invited the Council to participate beginning with breakfast at the Harrisville cabin.

Justin Shinsel, Public Works Director, gave an overview of projects to include street projects (extending the life of roads), repair of storm drains (3 projects ongoing) and explained the cost savings by using city employees instead of contracting the work. He noted the snow plow routes have been established with seven trucks and drivers instead of four, to service the community much more efficiently.

Bryan Fife, Parks and Recreation Director, gave an update on trees, and explained for every diseased tree removed, they plant two in its place. He noted the challenge in regard to the deficient cabin playground equipment and lack of replacement parts available. His department is currently working on RAMP grants.

Jennie Knight gave a report of the Fall Festival the following week and expressed thanks to the sponsors. She noted the council meeting on Nov. 8th was cancelled due the general election. The following Council meeting is to be held on November 15th. The canvass meeting for the election is scheduled for Nov. 22, 2022. Jennie Knight gave an update in regard to water conservation and noted that due to careful use, there will be limited water available for use next year. Ramp funding, she noted, would be used for the replacement of playground equipment at the main park. Moderate Income Housing reporting has become mandated, there is a need to further develop a housing plan. Mixed use developments have been a strategy the city has created, she explained Moderate Income Housing will be addressed in the new year at the Council retreat.

Mayor Tait explained the Harrisville Fall Festival has been covered by almost \$3000 in grants. The city works in partnership with Walmart, Associated Foods, Waste Management and others, as well as Pioneer Elementary School. Additionally, Mayor Tait noted the benefits of attending the Utah Leagues of Cities and Towns (ULCT) Conference last week with the City Administrator.

Council Member Loveland stated the Fall Festival begins at 5:00PM on October 18, 2022. He has invited businesses to participate in trunk or treat and has received positive feedback.

8. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Council Member Loveland motioned to close the public meeting and convene into a Closed Executive Session for the purposes described under Utah Code §52-4-205, for discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual(s), second by Council Member Weiss.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31PM.

MICHELLE TAIT

Mayor

ATTEST :

MARIA DEVEREUX

City Recorder

Approved this 15th day of November, 2022

HARRISVILLE CITY RECREATION BOND 2022



RESIDENTS (QUALIFIED REGISTERED VOTERS) ARE ABLE TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSITION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 (GENERAL ELECTION).
UTAH CODE §11-14-202

The General Election is Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022; Polling Hours: 7AM-8PM.

Additional Election Information may be found on the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website www.vote.utah.gov, www.weberelections.gov* and www.cityofharrisville.com/elections*. The Election Officer will post the location of each dropbox and polling place, early voting and election day voting centers, voter registration information, and any changes to polling locations, and/or election day voting on the website*. Need information via phone? Call (801) 782-4100 x1009.

HARRISVILLE CITY BOND PROPOSITION

Shall the City of Harrisville, Utah be authorized to issue General Obligation Bonds to acquire and construct a recreation facility in the city, in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 and to mature in no more than 26 years from the date of such bonds?

PROPERTY TAX COST OF BONDS: If the bonds are issued as planned, a property tax sufficient to pay debt service on the Bonds will be required over a period of 26 years in the estimated amount of \$105.66 per year on a \$320,000 primary residence and in the estimated amount of \$192.13 per year on a business or secondary residence having the same value. The foregoing is only an estimate and is not a limit on the amount of taxes that the governing body may be required to levy in order to pay debt service on the bonds. The governing body is obligated to levy taxes to the extent provided by law in order to pay the bonds.

___ FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS ___ AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS

Following are arguments for and against the proposition. Arguments and rebuttals are opinions of the authors (sponsors).
The proposition and voter information pamphlet are available for public review: www.cityofharrisville.com and Harrisville City Hall.

ARGUMENT FOR THE PROPOSITION

by Mayor Tait, Council Member Weiss, and Council Member Loveland

Harrisville City proposes issuing General Obligation Bonds to finance the construction of a new recreation/community center and park facilities. A vote in favor of the issuance of \$6,000,000 in recreation general obligation bonds, at the November 8th election, is a vote to build a new recreation/community center and park facilities. Without this bond, the City will not be able to afford this center and facilities for the foreseeable future.

Need - Harrisville City is a growing, vibrant community consisting substantially of multi-generational residents; a large portion of which have expressed a desire to continue to live and recreate within our community. The City currently operates a youth recreation program and desires to build a recreation/community center and additional park facilities to support existing programs and add amenities for community recreational options. As community needs continue to grow and expand, so do the programs and services offered by our Parks and Recreation Department. Currently, the City does not have a recreational facility. Both the lack of gym space and the rising cost of gym rental to practice and hold games, limit the amount of participants the City is able to accept. Recreation programs quickly reach capacity and the City has to turn away more and more families from city sponsored recreation, as well as limiting recreational options.

Solution - The bond will be used for the construction of a recreation/community facility, including but not limited to: a basketball gym, weight room, exercise/dance room, restrooms, lockers, above gym walk/run track, offices for manager/staff, storage room, outdoor pickleball courts, basketball courts, pavilion and playground features, in addition to an area for our active seniors.

Timing - If the City delays this project, there is a good chance that the price of the project and interest rates may continue to rise significantly.

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ARGUMENT AGAINST THE PROPOSITION

by Greg Montgomery

I have no argument about the need for additional winter recreation facilities that house basketball and volleyball. The larger question is can the approximate 2,000 households carry the minimum additional tax obligation of a general obligation bond for up to 26 years while existing current city facilities are decreasing in usefulness and desirability because of tight budgets? The recent tax hike was to help keep the city's quality personnel, but little has been directed to improve existing recreation facilities to bring them up to par with other communities. Will the same hold true for a new facility once it ages and demands additional costs for maintenance before the 26 year payment is complete? The answer to the question needs to be addressed for voters to have a comfort level about further obligations they are being asked to carry.

The 2019 General plan talks about a future municipal recreation facility. In many people's mind a recreation facility is more than just a gym. To my understanding, there has not been a survey of what the real recreation needs are of the community and then understanding the construction and ongoing maintenance and replacement costs for such a facility. Have there been concept drawings of what the facility would actually have for a \$6,000,000 price tag so the public knows what they are giving approval for?

Partnerships are an important means to stretch dollars to meet common goals. Over time Harrisville has missed some opportunities for those partnerships to meet the common goals. We see communities around us develop facilities and we see them be a community and area attraction. Are there opportunities to work with others to create a proper recreation complex that would benefit the entire northern Weber County communities before looking at an individual Harrisville gym? This should be explored. There is a benefit in having more participation in funding and maintaining a facility by a recreational special district that reaches out to a wider group.

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ARGUMENT FOR THE PROPOSITION - Continued

If the recreation general obligation bond were to pass, the City plans to begin the design of the recreation/community center and park facilities as soon as possible, with construction of these facilities starting shortly thereafter. This will allow current and future residents to have a new facility to enjoy with their families.

Summary - The City recognizes this is an important project to many residents; however, in order for the City to fund the project it must issue a bond, secured by a property tax levy. The anticipated property tax increase on a \$320,000 primary residential home is estimated to be \$8.81 monthly increase or \$105.66 annually. The bond is scheduled to last for a maximum of 26 years. The City will evaluate payment options after 10 years and attempt to minimize the actual duration of the property tax collections. Voting in favor of the issuance of bonds, by majority vote of our residents, will allow for a recreation/community center and park facilities within the City that provide a myriad of possibilities and endless opportunities to engage our community for the present and future.

----- **REBUTTAL ARGUMENT** -----
by Greg Montgomery

There are two ways of responsibly accomplishing what you plan for. The first is to establish a plan based on needs and future projections, define the cost, include increases in management and anticipated inflation costs, and then set aside the necessary funds in a planned savings to ultimately reach that goal. The second approach is to borrow the money based on the determined costs to meet the goal and include means to maintain the new acquisition. Maintenance is an ongoing cost beyond the life of the loan.

The proposed general obligation bond asks for 6 million dollars to go to a variety of possible desires that could fit into a 17,000 to 20,000 square foot facility. The explained reason for the facility is the need for a basketball court for youth recreation purposes. This could be placed in a 9,700 square foot building. General obligation bonds cannot be used for maintenance or personnel costs to operate such a facility. The City has had a hard time to maintain the facilities that currently exist. Many are frustrated with ball fields and playground equipment removed because they cannot be maintained under the present budgets. If the city cannot maintain existing facilities, has no specific plan of what 6 million dollars would be used for, a budget to operate and maintain the facility and how existing assets will be restored for the whole community it is premature to ask the citizens to fund the loan.

----- **END OF ARGUMENTS**-----

ARGUMENT AGAINST THE PROPOSITION - Continued

Many citizens go to other communities in southern Weber County or Davis County to use their recreation facilities. The language in the city master plan seemed to indicate a full recreation facility that is more than a gym is the future direction of the city. Bringing this broader scope plan into play should be explored.

The proposal seems to be premature as additional information is needed so the voters can make an informed decision about what has been considered and discussed. The facility should be a long term benefit to the community but presently are too many unanswered questions.

----- **REBUTTAL ARGUMENT** -----

by Mayor Tait, Council Member Weiss, and Council Member Loveland

Harrisville City the "City" is working with their engineers to understand the capital needs of the City over the next 5 years. As part of our master plan the City understands that a recreation center may not be essential or affordable due to other more pressing projects. To plan efficiently we believe that the General Obligation Bond Election will help us understand what the residents of Harrisville City want and give them an opportunity to vote and decide. Giving the residents the opportunity to vote on this recreation center is the fairest way to understand the desire of all our residents.

To save money the City has decided not to sink valuable City funds into project designs or architect renderings until we know the will of the residents. If residents decide not to vote for the bonds, this decision could save the residents hundreds of thousands of dollars in costs.

If the bonds pass, the City will be able to move forward with their budgeted \$6MM dollars of authorization. The authorization for the bonds is good for up to 10 years, and the City believes they will have adequate time to plan and coordinate with residents on a recreation center before issuing any bonds.

The City will not be able to afford the recreation center unless the residents pass the GO bonds. A successful election will indicate that the residents want the City to move forward with this recreation project.

----- **END OF ARGUMENTS**-----

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

- Tues. Oct. 11, 2022 7PM
Presentation of Arguments
- Tues. Nov. 22, 2022 7PM
Election Canvass



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Parking Lot
through 11/8/2022 8PM



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Staff Report

Harrisville Resolution #22-19
CJC ARPA Funding Interlocal Agreement
November 10, 2022

To: Harrisville City Council
From: Jennie Knight, City Administrator
RE: Resolution #22-19; CJC ARPA Funding Interlocal Agreement
Requestor: Children's Justice Center (CJC)

A. Summary.

The Children's Justice Center (CJC) is requesting a contribution of \$39,116 of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) for the building of a new Children's Justice Center.

B. Background.

On February 8, 2022, Rod Layton, from the (CJC), presented overview of the services provided by the CJC and the need for a new Children's Justice Center to accommodate the growth and continued needs this center provides. He requested a contribution of approximately \$39,000 from Harrisville City's SLFRF funds. On August 16, 2022, Resolution #22-29; CJC ARPA Funding Interlocal Agreement was tabled for staff to solicit more information about the \$39,116.

In the subsequent months, the city has become aware that other surrounding cities have approved a contribution of either SLFRF funds or other city funds in response to similar CJC requests.

C. Recommendation.

Staff recommends approving a contribution in response to the CJC request in an amount to be determined by Council, not to exceed \$39,116.

**HARRISVILLE CITY
RESOLUTION 22-19**

**A RESOLUTION OF HARRISVILLE CITY, UTAH, ENTERING AN
INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WEBER
COUNTY AND HARRISVILLE CITY FOR DISTRIBUTION OF
CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW CHILDREN’S JUSTICE CENTER.**

WHEREAS, the Utah Interlocal Cooperation Act, Title 11, Chapter 3, Utah Code Annotated, 1953 as amended, permits governmental units to enter into agreements with one another for the purpose of exercising on a joint and cooperative basis powers and privileges that will benefit their citizens and make the most efficient use of their resources;

WHEREAS, Title 11, Chapter 13, Section 5 of the Utah Code Annotated, 1953 as amended, provides that governing bodies of governmental units adopt resolutions approving an interlocal agreement before such agreements may become effective;

WHEREAS, Harrisville City (hereafter “City”) and Weber County (hereafter “County”) have mutually agreed to the distribution of Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds for the Construction of a New Children’s Justice Center;

WHEREAS, the County proposes a new Interlocal Cooperation Agreement (hereafter “Agreement”) for said distribution attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein by this reference;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Harrisville City that the Agreement for the distribution of said funds with Weber County attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein by this reference is approved and adopted. The City Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute the Agreement and any documents relating thereto for and on behalf of the City.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Harrisville City Council this 15th day of November, 2022.

MICHELLE TAIT, Mayor
Harrisville City

ATTEST:

MARIA DEVEREUX, City Recorder

Roll Call Vote Tally	Yes	No
Council Member Wilhelmsen	___	___
Council Member Weiss	___	___
Council Member Christensen	___	___
Council Member Jackson	___	___
Council Member Loveland	___	___