

MINUTES OF THE MIDWAY CITY COUNCIL

(Meeting Regarding the Town Square)

Thursday, 30 March 2023, 6:00 p.m.
Midway City Office Building, Upstairs Conference Room
75 North 100 West, 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 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

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. She indicated that Council Member Drury and Council Member Payne would not be able to attend.

Members Present:

Celeste Johnson, Mayor
Steve Dougherty, Council Member
Lisa Orme, Council Member (Participated Electronically)
JC Simonsen, Council Member

Members Excused:

Jeff Drury, Council Member
Kevin Payne, Council Member

Others Present:

Colleen Bonner
Ken Mickelsen, Midway City Parks, Trails, and Trees Committee
Launa Nelson
Sherri Omans
Chris Piper, Midway Farmers' Market
Sheila Siggard
Todd Beagley, Swiss Days Committee Chair
Brad Winegar (Participated Electronically)

Staff Present:

Brad Wilson, Recorder

2. Town Square Improvements / Phasing (Mayor Johnson – Approximately 2 hours) – Discuss and possibly recommend to the City Council the phasing for improvements to the Midway Town Square located at 150 West Main Street.

Council Member Simonsen reviewed improvements to the Town Square proposed by IBI. He wanted to address concerns and a compromise proposal.

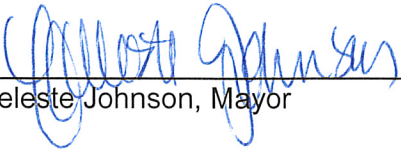
The Council, staff, and meeting attendees discussed the following items:


- There should be a realistic plan that could be done in two to three years.
- The walking paths should be able to support large trucks for events.

- The water feature should be replaced by a wind feature.
- Areas built by other cities for food trucks.
- There should be more flowers and landscaping.
- There could be additional parking in front of the City Office Building. This would be a good location for handicapped parking.
- Parking should be on the south side of the Office Building rather than in front.
- Parking in the center of the east side would allow better accessibility to all of the Town Square. This would cause customers to line up on the asphalt for most of the Swiss Days food booths.
- The northeast corner, where IBI proposed parking, was dead space. It also accessed two streets.
- Parking could be beautified with trees and a surface made of pavers.
- Existing problems should be addressed before new improvements.
- The promenade was not needed for access from Main Street to 100 North because of the existing trail on 200 West.
- The focus should be on green open space rather than parking.
- The pavilion should not be moved but renovated. It could include a second story or a basement. The attached restrooms should also be renovated. A separate meeting should be held, including representatives of Swiss Days and the ice rink, to discuss the renovation.
- When the tennis court deteriorated it could be replaced with landscaping.
- The new barbeque pit should remain in its current location.
- The Community Center should not be razed.
- It would be too expensive to move the ice rink to another park.
- Businesses liked the ice rink at the Town Square.
- The tubes under the ice rink slab needed to be replaced because some of them leaked.
- A mural could be painted on the ice rink chiller building.
- Resurfacing the ice rink would only add a half inch of height.
- The rink could be used in the summer for many activities, including roller skating or a splash pad. Splash pads were popular but had to be monitored and needed a filtration system. Liability would have to be considered.
- Ice ribbons were nice but expensive.
- Any construction around the large pine trees could damage them.
- An addition to the back of the Community Center could be used for taking tickets, a warming area, and storage for the ice rink. It could also include a vented kitchen and additional restrooms for events. Should the addition be done when the existing ice rink trailers were no longer usable? Access could be created for some of the existing indoor restrooms.
- The ice rink should be fixed and then the gateway section of the promenade built.
- The sculpture in front of the Community Center should be moved further away from the building. The kiosk and the pine tree should be removed.
- The lilac trees on the west side of the Town Square needed to be replaced.
- Flower boxes rather than flower beds should be used.
- More detail was needed on the promenade, especially the entryway from Main Street.

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.


Celeste Johnson, Mayor


Brad Wilson, Recorder