# MINUTES OF THE MIDWAY CITY COUNCIL

(Work Meeting)

Tuesday, 19 March 2024, 5:00 p.m. Midway Community Center, Council Chambers 160 West Main Street, Midway, Utah

**Note:** Notices/agendas were posted at 7-Eleven, The Market 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

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

### **Members Present:**

Celeste Johnson, Mayor
Jeff Drury, Council Member
Lisa Orme, Council Member
Kevin Payne, Council Member (Participate
electronically)
Craig Simons, Council Member
JC Simonsen, Council Member

# **Staff Present:**

McKay Murdock, Attorney's Office Michael Henke, Planning Director Katie Villani, Planner Brad Wilson, Recorder

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

## 2. Additional Law Enforcement (Approximately 60 minutes)

Council Member Simonsen explained that the meeting was to review options for the City and for the Council to ask questions.

**2a. Wasatch County Sheriff's Department** – Receive and discuss a presentation from the Wasatch County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Jared Rigby was scheduled to give a presentation but was unable to attend the meeting because of an emergency.

**2b. Heber City Police Department** – Receive and discuss a presentation from the Heber City Police Department

Heber City Police Chief Parker Sever gave a presentation regarding his agency providing additional law enforcement to Midway City. He specifically reviewed the following items:

- His career in law enforcement.
- Organization of the Heber City Police Department
- Expectations
- Services Provided
- Goals
- Coordination with the Wasatch County Sheriff's Department

Chief Sever also made the following comments:

- Wanted to provide what was best for Midway.
- The Sheriff's Department would continue to provide the resource officers for Midway Elementary School.
- Officers for special events would be in addition to the regular hours provided. They
  would be paid overtime or special event pay. He wanted a representative at the
  meetings for an event.
- Events that served alcohol were more problematic.
- Recommended two officers for the first 100 attendees at an event then one officer for each additional 100 attendees.
- Officers preferred a set schedule, but flex time was offered.
- Wasatch County provided dispatch services for his agency and that would not change if Heber City contracted with Midway. The Sherrif's Department would bill Midway directly for dispatch services.
- All tickets and prosecutions would continue to be handled by the Wasatch County Attorney.
- The Wasatch County jail would be used.
- The law enforcement agencies in the area got along.
- Any items purchased by Midway City as part of the contract would be Midway's property.
- Ticketing would not eliminate speeding.
- Drivers slowed down when they saw a police vehicle. However, law enforcement could not be everywhere at the same time.
- Street design helped with speeding.

Note: A copy of Chief Sever's presentation is contained in the supplemental file.

#### 3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Celeste Johnson, Mayor

Brad Wilson, Recorder