

1 **MINUTES OF THE COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING**
2 **HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS CITY**
3 **COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM LOCATED AT 2277 EAST BENGAL BOULEVARD,**
4 **COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS, UTAH**
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6 **Members Present:** Mayor Mike Peterson, Council Member Mike Shelton, Council Member Scott
7 Bracken, Council Member Tali Bruce, Council Member Christine Mikell
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9 **Staff Present:** City Manager John Park, Assistant City Manager Bryce Haderlie, City
10 Attorney W. Shane Topham, Police Chief Robby Russo, Assistant Fire Chief
11 Mike Watson, Public Works Director Matt Shipp, Finance Director Van Tran,
12 Public Relations Specialist Dan Metcalf, Senior Planner Michael Johnson, City
13 Planner Andrew Hulka
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15 **1.0 WELCOME**
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17 1.1 Mayor Mike Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
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19 1.2 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Shelton.
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21 **2.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**
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23 2.1 Police Chief, Robby Russo, introduced Officer Jamie Croft and welcomed him to the
24 Cottonwood Heights Police Department. Officer Croft moved to Utah from Texas with his
25 family. Chief Russo knew just from interacting with Officer Croft that he had the experience,
26 training, and education necessary to be a good fit within the department.
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28 2.2 Officer Croft reported that he has spent the last 10 years as active duty military and began his
29 career with the Military Police. He moved into investigations and served the last four years
30 with OSI, which is the Air Force's version of NCIS. He finished a seven-month deployment
31 in Afghanistan and looked forward to more stability for his family.
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33 **3.0 CITIZEN COMMENTS**
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35 3.1 Robert Jacobs expressed his appreciation to the City Council and their hard work. He thanked
36 Council Member Bruce for allowing citizens to meet and discuss their concerns. He had
37 recently heard that the Granite Community Council was providing 1,500 parking spaces
38 somewhere within the City. He commented that the Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance
39 (ADU) was still causing confusion and he believed there was no way to preserve the character
40 of a single-family neighborhood by allowing two families.
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42 3.2 Mayor Peterson remarked that although that parking statement was made, it is just one of many
43 concepts that UDOT has been brainstorming. There is an entire process and multiple steps that
44 need to be taken.
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46 3.3 Eric Kraan thanked the Council Members who made themselves available and held open
47 meetings allowing citizens to attend. He stated that Ordinance 19.76 should be clarified and
48 believed the City should put guardrails along the six-foot retaining wall. Erosion and watershed

1 issues should also be considered as it will create a conflict between neighbors instead of the
2 City actually taking on the responsibility and conflict themselves. He asked the Council to
3 consider placing a ban on plastic bags.
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5 3.4 Anna McNamer was present representing another resident who was too sick to attend. She
6 asked the Council to delay the vote on ADUs to allow for more clarity. She asked them to
7 acquaint themselves with the Ready for 100 Initiative put on by the Sierra Club which asks
8 cities to make an attempt to be 100% energy renewable in the next 40 years. Pursuing a
9 Sustainability Director was also recommended as well as an interlocal agreement and changes
10 to make the City's planning efforts more transparent to the public. She thanked Council
11 Member Bruce for her consistency in engaging with her constituents.
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13 3.5 Arnold Grundvig stated that constructing a roundabout in front of a high school to slow down
14 traffic and taking away stop signs to stop traffic is unsafe and puts children at risk. As stated
15 in the newsletter, there have been over 31 million car trips over the last five years and only one
16 pedestrian accident. He believed there was very little that can be improved there. He was in
17 the process of investigating the cost to place signs expressing opposition to the proposed
18 roundabout and noted that of the several hundred intersections studied, he had found that it
19 slows traffic and reduces the cost of accidents but does not prevent them. Of those several
20 hundred, they chose six intersections to choose statistics to evaluate pedestrian safety.
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22 3.6 Lynne Krauss believed that reviewing each of the citizen comments following the business
23 meetings is a positive step. She commented that the City Council has a right to question where
24 public dollars are spent and expressed disappointment with what she believed to be a lack of
25 respect for the police force. She stated that morale can be affected by a budget reduction but
26 suggested the City Council take it head on and become a part of the rumor mill solution and
27 not a part of the problem. She applauded the new Council Members for bringing new ideas to
28 the table and listening to constituents.
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30 3.7 Tim Hallbeck considered this to be the perfect opportunity to take care of any UDOT issues
31 since they will be holding an Open House at the same time.
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33 3.8 Jeff Davies provided staff with information regarding Ordinance 293 and spent half the year
34 on the east coast where fence policy requires people to install fencing that looks good on both
35 sides. He believed that the fencing in Cottonwood Heights is a bit of an eye sore and suggested
36 that a similar regulation be added to the City Ordinance.
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38 3.9 Nancy Hardy asked if Cottonwood Heights has the ability to deny the PDD increase that the
39 IOC is looking to increase from 25 to 35. She asked that if the City does approve any type of
40 change for one person whether they are obligated to approve the same for all like properties.
41 She questioned who initiates the gravel pit open house and who is overseeing the process.
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43 3.10 Dirk Cowley complimented the City on the new bike lanes. As a cyclist, he stated that the
44 most dangerous places in Cottonwood Heights are in front of Brighton High School and LDS
45 churches on Sundays. The law in the State of Utah is that it is illegal to park in a bike lane,
46 with the exception of buses while loading. He stated the response received from the CHPD is
47 that they will selectively enforce the law and encouraged Council Members to review this
48 safety issue farther.

1 **4.0 STANDING MONTHLY REPORTS**

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3 **4.1 Police Report – Police Support Supervisor, Candie Terry.**

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5 4.1.1 Police Support Supervisor, Candie Terry, presented the Police Report for the month of March
6 2018 and stated 480 911 calls were received, 519 on-view calls, and 841 call-ins. There were
7 524 Priority 1 calls, 367 Priority 2 calls, and 380 Priority 3. Priority 1 response times averaged
8 4:37, Priority 2 averaged 5:50, and Priority 3 averaged 6:29. The Utah Crime Report was
9 down from the previous year and included 14 assaults, eight burglaries, and one stolen auto.
10 There were 78 adult arrests and 19 juvenile arrests. There were 42 burglaries, of which 34
11 were from vehicles. Photos of graffiti on the retaining wall along Wasatch Boulevard were
12 displayed. She stated that as a Police Department, they visited Bella Vista Elementary School
13 and read to the children as a part of Dr. Seuss’s Birthday celebration. The safety message
14 included details regarding distracted driving.

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16 **4.2 Public Works Report – Public Works Director, Matt Shipp.**

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18 4.2.1 Public Works Director, Matt Shipp, presented the Public Works Report for the month of
19 March 2018 and stated they are taking care of required maintenance and the banners that are
20 seen around the City. With regard to engineering, the La Cresta and I-215 Project will be
21 coming out for bid within the next month and the Pavement Management Study was scheduled
22 for the next week. Mr. Shipp reported that 2700 East will be constructed this summer. Staker
23 was the low bidder and the Fort Union chip seal and restriping will take place at the same
24 time. Funds for the 2300 East restriping had been received and will be going out for bid.
25 UDOT was adding a northbound lane at the High-T in order to extend the merge. He
26 confirmed that they received 14 inches of snow and used approximately 400 tons of salt.

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28 **5.0 ACTION ITEMS**

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30 **5.1 Consideration of Ordinance 293 Approving Amendments to Chapter 19.76**
31 **(Supplementary and Qualifying Rules and Regulations) of the Cottonwood Heights**
32 **Code of Ordinances.**

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34 5.1.1 Mayor Peterson reported that the above Ordinance approves amendments to Chapter 19.76
35 dealing with walls and accessory buildings.

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37 **5.1.2 MOTION:** Council Member Shelton moved to approve Ordinance 293. Council Member
38 Bracken seconded the motion.

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40 5.1.3 Council Member Mikell expressed concern with consent and the accessory buildings. She
41 commented that whenever an ordinance is implemented, she tries to understand the problem.
42 She was not convinced that this problem is so great that there is a need for change.

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44 5.1.4 Senior Planner, Mike Johnson, reviewed language changes and clarified that the ordinance
45 stipulates a home daycare is in fact a type of home occupation.
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1 **5.1.5 Vote on Motion:** Council Member Shelton–Aye, Council Member Bracken–Aye, Council
2 Member Mikell–Nay, Council Member Bruce–Nay, Mayor Peterson–Aye. The motion
3 passed 3-to-2.
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5 **5.2 Consideration of Resolution 2018-16 Approving Appointments to the Planning**
6 **Commission.**
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8 5.2.1 Mayor Peterson reported the above Resolution approves the re-appointment of Planning
9 Commissioners Jesse Allen and Allen Orr and the appointment of Douglas Rhodes to
10 District 3.
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12 5.2.2 Council Member Bruce stated that she has done research on the proposed appointments and
13 supported them all. She expressed concern with the Planning Commission being heavily
14 invested in real estate matters.
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16 **5.2.3 MOTION:** Council Member Shelton moved to approve Resolution 2018-16. Council
17 Member Bracken seconded the motion. Vote on motion: Council Member Shelton–Aye,
18 Council Member Bracken–Aye, Council Member Mikell–Aye, Council Member Bruce–Aye,
19 Mayor Peterson–Aye. The motion passed unanimously.
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21 **5.3 Consideration of Resolution 2018-19 Approving the Appointment of Van Tran as the**
22 **City’s Finance Director.**
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24 5.3.1 Mayor Peterson reported that the above Resolution approves the appointment of Van Tran as
25 the City’s Finance Director.
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27 **5.3.2 MOTION:** Council Member Bruce moved to approve Resolution 2018-19. Council Member
28 Mikell seconded the motion. Vote on motion: Council Member Shelton–Aye, Council
29 Member Bracken–Aye, Council Member Mikell–Aye, Council Member Bruce–Aye, Mayor
30 Peterson–Aye. The motion passed unanimously.
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32 **5.4 Consideration of Resolution 2018-20 Approving Entry into an Amendment to the**
33 **Interlocal Agreement with the Cottonwood Heights Community Development and**
34 **Renewal Agency for the Canyon Centre Community Development Project Area.**
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36 5.4.1 Mayor Peterson reported that the above Resolution approves the City’s entry into an
37 agreement for the Canyon Centre Community Development Project Area.
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39 **5.4.2 MOTION:** Council Member Bracken moved to approve Resolution 2018-20. Council
40 Member Shelton seconded the motion. Vote on motion: Council Member Shelton–Aye,
41 Council Member Bracken–Aye, Council Member Mikell–Nay, Council Member Bruce–Nay,
42 Mayor Peterson–Aye. The motion passed 3-to-2.
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- 1 **6.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**
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3 **6.1 Approval of the City Council Work Session Minutes of March 20, 2018.**
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5 **6.2 MOTION:** Council Member Bruce moved to approve the minutes of the City Council Work
6 Session of March 20, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shelton. The
7 motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Council.
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9 **7.0 ADJOURN BUSINESS MEETING AND RECONVENE WORK SESSION.**
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11 **7.1 MOTION:** Council Member Shelton moved to adjourn the Business Meeting. The motion
12 was seconded by Council Member Bruce. The motion passed unanimously.
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14 7.2 The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

1 *I hereby certify that the foregoing represents a true, accurate and complete record of the Cottonwood*
2 *Heights City Council Business Meeting held Tuesday, April 10, 2018.*

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10 Teri Forbes
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12 Minutes Secretary
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14 Minutes approved: June 19, 2018