

**Sunset City Corporation
City Council Minutes
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Minutes of a regular meeting held December 15, 2009 at Sunset City Hall, 200 West 1300 North, Sunset, Utah; Mayor Gotchy presiding.

Mayor and Council Present:

Dan Gotchy	Mayor
James Bridges	Council Member
Cheyrl Budge	Council Member
Ricky Carlson	Council Member
Ray Chapman	Council Member
Ryan Furniss	Council Member

City Employees Present:

Susan R. Hale	Recorder
Ken Eborn	Police Chief
Mickey Hennessee	Public Works Director
Vicky Gold	Recreation Supervisor
Doug Garcia	Police Corporal
Jake Peterson	Fire Fighter

Excused:

Linda J. Youngdell	Treasurer/Office Manager
Neil Coker	Fire Chief

Others Present:

Heidi & John Blaylock	Citizens Corp
Jake & Jaime Meredith	Citizens Corp
Allyson Jackson	Citizens Corp
Chad Bangerter	Citizens Corp, VIPS
Brent & Susan Andrews	

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Gotchy.

Council Member Carlson led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

Approval of Minutes: Council Member Budge made a motion to approve the minutes of December 1, 2009 as written. Council Member Chapman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments: There were none.

REGULAR SESSION

1. Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2009 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report: Jeff Ambrose of Crane, Christensen & Ambrose acknowledged the office staff for their help in providing all the information he needed to complete the audit. The City was given an unqualified opinion, which is the highest that can be issued and means everything is fairly stated. Citywide total net assets are up about \$54,000 from the prior year. The equity to debt ratio this year is 3.13 to 1, which is up a little from last year and means the City has a little over \$3.00 in assets to every \$1.00 in debt. Taxes decreased about \$88,000 from the prior year, which was mostly in sales and franchise taxes. Only one department in the General

Fund was over budget and that was non-departmental due in part to the transfer of funds to the Enterprise Fund. It seems the Council and Department Heads were aware that revenues would probably be down due to the economy and took appropriate steps to work within their budgets.

Council Member Bridges made a motion to accept the FY2009 CAFR. Council Member Budge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. **Present an employee with an "Employee Recognition" award:** There was some confusion on this item, so Mayor Gotchy said it would not be addressed tonight.
3. **Citizens Corp to recognize volunteers and give a quarterly update:** Heidi Blaylock said the Sunset City Citizens Corp Council has recently revised the Sunset City Emergency Operations Plan and are just waiting for the Department Heads to give them their portion of it. The Citizens Corp has given Sunset City 1,067 hours of service in 2009. Using the value of a volunteer, \$20.25 per hour, they have given Sunset City \$21,606.75 in service. She handed out certificates to those present who helped them throughout the year.
4. **Discuss the possibility of the University of Utah conducting the Sunset City Municipal Services Study for the Good Landlord Program:** Since a cost has still not been received from the U of U, Council Member Budge made a motion to table this item. Council Member Chapman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
5. **Council Member reports and general information:** Council Member Bridges said this would be his last Council meeting and thanked each one in the City. Even though the City is small, it takes a lot of people to run it and he feels Sunset has the best staff of any City around. He appreciates all the Department Heads and employees. He thanked the Citizens Corp and all the hours the volunteers have put in. He said he has had a great time and served with a lot of great people.

Council Member Carlson thanked Council Member Bridges and Mayor Gotchy for their service these past two years. He also thanked the Public Works Department for their great snow removal and Recreation Supervisor Gold for overseeing the Senior Luncheon.

Council Member Budge thanked Recreation Supervisor Gold and all the staff who helped her with the Senior Luncheon, Recorder Hale for the job she has done on the budget and CAFR, the Fire Department for taking Santa around on the fire truck and Council Member Bridges for his years of service.

Council Member Furniss echoed what has been said and thanked Mayor Gotchy and Council Member Bridges for their service. He welcomed in Mayor-Elect Bangerter and Council Member-Elect Andrews. He also thanked the Blaylocks for their service. He mentioned he, Mayor Gotchy, Council Member Carlson, Mayor-Elect Bangerter met with Governor Herbert and his Chief of Staff, Jason Perry, and explained their needs in regards to Falcon Hill. Mr. Perry said he would like to see the State Statute changed from seven members on the MIDA Board to eight and said he would pass that on to Senator Kilpack and others.

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Council Member Chapman also thanked Mayor Gotchy and Council Member Bridges for their years of service to the community. At the last Youth City Council meeting, there were nine members so they had a quorum and could elect a Mayor and Council Members. They have taken some requests from senior citizens to clean the snow off their driveways and sidewalks.

Recorder Hale thanked Mayor Gotchy and Council Member Bridges for their service and said she has enjoyed working with them.

Public Works Director Hennessee thanked outgoing Mayor Gotchy and Council Member Bridges. He reported on a meeting he attended and UDOT has awarded the bid for the Environmental Impact Study on 1800 North and the west corridor of the Legacy Highway.

Recreation Supervisor Gold thanked Mayor Gotchy and Council Member Bridges for their time and support. During the picture taking with Santa & activities on Saturday, they had 100 kids this year where they only had 50 last year. There were 126 seniors who attended the senior luncheon this year where 152 attended last year. She thanked those who helped serve the meal. Lunch with the Mayor will be held tomorrow at 11:30. A person wants to rent the Sunset Room on New Year's Eve until midnight, but right now they only allow the room to be rented out until 10:00 p.m. She asked what the Council thought. After some discussion it was decided to allow it. There is also a lady who wants to rent the Sunset Room for a wedding, but she wants to have a few hours to set up the day before and either stay after the 10:00 p.m. deadline to clean it up or come in on Sunday to clean it. Council Member Furniss thanked Supervisor Gold for bringing these problems to them, but believes she should set up some guidelines and only bring things before the Council when they are rare. Supervisor Gold felt this is what she is doing because both of these issues have never come up before. After some discussion, it was decided not to allow the room to be tied up for three days.

Mayor Gotchy thanked all those in attendance. He said he appreciates his time in office as the City's Mayor and believes, with the Council, volunteers and staff, they have accomplished a lot. He is thankful for everyone who has helped him in the past two years.

Council Member Bridges made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Budge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

These minutes have been read and approved at the regular City Council meeting held **January 5, 2010.**

Chad Bangerter, Mayor

Susan R. Hale, Recorder