

## MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 18, 2007, ROY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. Approval of December 4, 2007, minutes
2. Presentation of awards for the Christmas 2007 lighting contest
3. Update on Environmental Impact Study on SR-108 (2000 West/Midland Drive corridor) by Dave Kilmurray, Project Manager, from HDR Engineers
4. Public comments
5. City Manager's Report
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7. Adjourn

Minutes of the Roy City Council Meeting held December 18, 2007, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Room of the Roy City Municipal Building.

The meeting was a regularly scheduled meeting designated by resolution. Notice of the meeting was provided to the *Standard Examiner* at least 24 hours in advance. A copy of the agenda was posted.

The following were in attendance:

Mayor Joe H. Ritchie  
Councilwoman Marge Becraft  
Councilman Larry Peterson  
Councilman Tommy Smith  
Councilman Michael Stokes  
Councilman Dave Tafoya

City Manager Chris Davis  
City Attorney Andy Blackburn  
Secretary Michelle Drago

Also present were: Willard Cragun; Dave Kilmurray; Galen Wiedmeier; Bert Visser; James Gross; Tim Doyle; Liz Doyle; Robert Morgan; Kevin Val Miltenburg; Jackie Ryrie; Heather Stevenson; Pat Babbeau; Earl Downing; and Rachel Foster.

Moment of Silence: Councilman Michael Stokes

Pledge of Allegiance: Councilman Michael Stokes

1. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 4, 2007, MINUTES

**Councilman Tafoya moved to approve the minutes of December 4, 2007, as written. Councilman Stokes seconded the motion. Council members Becraft, Peterson, Smith, Stokes, and Tafoya voted “aye.” The motion carried.**

2. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS FOR THE CHRISTMAS 2007 LIGHTING CONTEST

Councilwoman Becraft presented the awards for the Christmas 2007 Lighting Contest. Cash awards were given to:

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Galen Wiedmeier Bert Visser	2398 West 4600 South 4833 South 2500 West
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	James Gross	2175 West 3950 South
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Tim Doyle	2360 West 5300 South
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Robert Morgan	4490 South 2450 West

Gift certificates were given to:

5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Kevin Van Miltenburg	3459 West 5700 South
6 <sup>th</sup> Place	Dean & Kaylynn Smith	3781 West 5800 South
7 <sup>th</sup> Place	Jackie Ryrrie Heather Stevenson	4852 South 2500 West 2115 West 5600 South
8 <sup>th</sup> Place	Pat Babbeau	3750 South Midland Dr # 146

3. UPDATE ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY ON SR-108 (2000 WEST/MIDLAND DRIVE CORRIDOR) BY DAVE KILMURRAY, PROJECT MANAGER, FROM HDR ENGINEERS

Dave Kilmurray, HDR Engineers, stated that he was representing UDOT. The SR-108 (2000 West/Midland Drive corridor) Project was initiated in May 2006. The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) identified the project's purpose and need; UDOT's preferred alternative; and the impact of the alternative on the community and natural environment. The segment of SR-108 that was evaluated was known as Midland Drive and 3500 West in Weber County and 2000 West and Two-Mile Road in Davis County. The EIS determined the improvements were needed because existing SR-108 was congested. As the area grew, congestion would increase. SR-108 was the primary road that provided local and regional mobility. The existing roadway lacked turn lanes; lacked or had substandard shoulders; lacked or had substandard sidewalk and bike lanes; and lacked bus pull-outs. The EIS analyzed alternatives, such as no action; use of alternate travel modes like transit or bicycles; access control and transportation demand management; and widening the road to five lanes, or the appropriate number of lanes to address travel demand needs.

Two alternatives were carried through for detailed study - widening to five lanes to the west and widening to five lanes at various locations to avoid historic properties (4f). The 4(f) alternative was identified as UDOT's preferred alternative. Proposed improvements included: Widening the roadway to five lanes; center turn lanes; raised medians adjacent to schools and intersections; widened and/or new shoulders; sidewalks and dedicated at-grade pedestrian crossings; bike lanes; and intersection improvements. The potential impacts of UDOT's preferred alternative were: Sixty relocations (55 residential/5 business); 41 potential relocations (34 residential/7 business); 234 strip takes (acquiring a strip of land for right-of-way); potential for installation of four noise walls on the northern end of the corridor (near Karol's and Country Meadows Mobile Home Parks); about 20 acres of lost farmland; and no impact to threatened or endangered species.

Mr. Kilmurray stated that since the last Council update over a year ago, a Focus Group Meeting and public workshop was held in February 2007. During the workshop people

were given the opportunity to review and give input on maps. Neighborhood meetings had been held. They had also met one-on-one with residents and property owners. The Draft EIS was released by the Federal Highway Administration on November 16, 2007. A Focus Group Meeting was held on November 27<sup>th</sup>, and a public hearing open house was held on December 5<sup>th</sup>. The 45-day public comment period would continue through January 7, 2008. All comments received by January 7, 2008, would be made part of the project record and would be considered in the Final EIS. The Federal Highway Administration would issue their Record of Decision in the summer of 2008. After the EIS process, UDOT would identify funding. Once the funding was identified, UDOT would develop a final design, purchase right-of-way, and coordinate with utilities and businesses. Construction would begin on the southern section of the corridor. The earliest time frame was the summer of 2010.

Mayor Ritchie asked who people could write to. Mr. Kilmurray said there was an address listed on the front cover of the website.

Chris Davis asked when it would be appropriate to talk about the alignment. Dave Kilmurray said they had presented UDOT's preferred alternative to the City staff in June. Mr. Davis said the staff was concerned about the impact of businesses on 3500 West. The Public Works Director and City Engineer were concerned about the intersection of northbound 3500 West with Midland Drive. They both felt it should be a "T" intersection. At one time, the preferred alignment took about half of American Car Care Center and Bruce Crouch's facilities. Mr. Kilmurray said modifications had been made to the 3500 West/Midland Drive intersection as a result of their meeting with the City staff.

Dave Kilmurray said two copies of the EIS were sent to the City; one to the Mayor and one to the City Planner.

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Earl Downing, 3490 West 5700 South, stated that his property was adjacent to the right-of-way the City sold to Home Depot. He felt the turn into the right-of-way would be difficult for large trucks to negotiate. He still didn't know how much of his property UDOT would take when it widened SR-108. If the City eliminated sidewalk on 3500 West between 5700 South and 5800 South because of safety reasons, he would have a better chance of saving his home. No sidewalk would give him an additional eight feet.

#### 5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Chris Davis stated that the City Council was invited to attend a luncheon to honor Tommy Smith on December 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. at the Public Works Shops.

Chris Davis stated that the recently elected Council members would be sworn in on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

Chris Davis updated the City Council on the Municipal Building remodel. The podium in the City Council/Court Chambers had been raised.

Chris Davis stated that he and the Mayor had attended the first legislative issue meeting. He was still coordinating a meeting for the Council with State legislators.

## 6. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Ritchie said the City Council had received a Christmas card from Carl and Liz Stegen.

Mayor Ritchie stated that the annual Roy Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society would be held on January 10<sup>th</sup>. The open house would be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Roy High School. The City Council was invited to attend. He had assured them of the City's participation.

Councilman Smith thanked everyone he had worked with over 18 years. As he was leaving, he made a couple of recommendations. He felt the City needed to study reimbursements on utility bills for seniors over 65 years and restricting bills to cost of actual water used. The reimbursement would depend on the budget situation. Twenty percent (20%) to thirty percent (30%) of the population was seniors. All the fee increases this year had affected them. Mayor Ritchie said that would be included on the February workshop agenda. Councilman Smith also recommended that the City continue to look at marketing strategies for 1900 West.

## 7. ADJOURN

Councilwoman Becraft moved to adjourn at 6:34 p.m.

Attest:

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Joe H. Ritchie  
Mayor

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Michelle Drago  
Secretary

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