

**RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL**

**MAY 19, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Richmond City Council was held at the Park Community Center located at 90 South 100 West, Richmond, Utah on Tuesday, May 19, 2020. The meeting began at 6:30 P.M.; Mayor Jeffrey Young conducted the meeting remotely. The opening remarks were made by Cheryl Peck.

The following Council Members were in attendance: Tucker Thatcher, Kelly Crafts, Cheryl Peck, Lyle Bair, and Terrie Wierenga.

City Engineer Darek Kimball, City Administrator Jeremy Kimpton, City Recorder Justin Lewis, and City Treasurer Christine Purser were also in attendance.

**VISITORS:** Christina Palmer, Zan Murray, Joel Merritt, Matt Phillips, Lora Smith

**APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM APRIL 21, 2020**

\*\*\*A motion to approve the April 21, 2020 city council meeting minutes was made by Lyle, seconded by Terrie, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE MINOR SUBDIVISION REQUEST BY CHRISTINA PALMER FOR A THREE (3) LOT MINOR SUBDIVISION LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 478 SOUTH 100 EAST. PARCEL NUMBER 09-081-0020. THE PARCEL IS 1.24 ACRES.**

**TUCKER:** The request was reviewed and approved by the planning commission.

**TERRIE:** Basically, a large lot is being split into three building lots. The middle lot already has a home on it. There will need to be some adjustments to the north lot for the sidewalk because of some irrigation piping, and there is a canal there. There is quite a slope on the south lot. All city standards have been or will be met. The planning commission did not have any concerns other than the sidewalk.

**CHRISTINA PALMER:** The parcel has been surveyed. Darek has reviewed the request and looked at the sidewalk issues.

**DAREK:** Sidewalk is required to be installed at the time the new home is built. We have encouraged the developer to fill in the sidewalk in front of the existing home as the project moves forward, but is it optional where it is an existing home?

**TUCKER:** There is not sidewalk in front of the existing home?

**DAREK:** Correct. There is sidewalk in front of the house south of this parcel.

\*\*\*Mayor Young joined the meeting electronically.\*\*\*

**LYLE:** What is the plan with the irrigation diversion structure and pipe in front of the north lot?

**CHRISTINA:** We got some bids to get a culvert installed. We will not touch or do anything with the existing irrigation diversion. Some trees will need to be removed to access the north lot. Nothing is structurally being changed in regards to the irrigation diversion or how it flows.

\*\*\*A motion to approve the request by Christina Palmer for a three (3) lot minor subdivision located at 478 South 100 East was made by Terrie, seconded by Tucker, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

**CONTINUED DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON RESOLUTION 2020-02, A RESOLUTION DECLARING PARCEL NUMBER 09-066-0016 AS SURPLUS PROPERTY. THE PARCEL IS 4.93 ACRES AND LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 900 WEST MAIN.**

**MAYOR:** Tucker, Terrie, and Jeremy can add their comments as needed. They have all been involved in the process to get to this point.

**TERRIE:** The request was tabled at a previous council meeting. The request is to sell 4.93 acres northeast of the MBR plant. We have met several times with the county to discuss the request. The land will be more efficiently used if this request is approved.

**MAYOR:** We had many questions and comments and were able to resolve everything to the best of my knowledge. Jeremy, Tucker, Terrie, J-U-B Engineers, and representatives from the county were all involved in the process. A lot of in-depth discussion was held on this topic. All types of scenarios, long and short term, were reviewed. I think it has been a good process and is a win win for both parties. It is good to have a long term relationship with the county.

\*\*\*A motion to adopt Resolution 2020-02, a Resolution declaring Parcel Number 09-066-0015 as surplus property was made by Terrie, seconded by Lyle, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON SELLING PARCEL NUMBER 09-066-0015.**

**MAYOR:** We are now looking at a potential approval of the sale of the land to the county. Are there any questions? Terrie can review the details of the contract if needed.

**TUCKER:** A credit was issued for the sewer impact fee if I understand correctly.

**JEREMY:** There is an access road which runs from south to north to this parcel. The county has opted to help us put a road to the MBR plant as part of this project. Lots of questions and concerns have been answered.

**TERRIE:** We need to review the portion of the contract where it discusses the sewer impact fee.

**JEREMY:** There is not an actual trade of anything going on with this.

**CHERYL:** What is the purchase price?

**TERRIE:** The purchase price is \$75,126. Section 9.1 was a major change, as it discusses the access road.

**ZAN MURRAY:** The county will pay the city for the impact fee for the sewer connection. There are impact fee rules in place, and it must be paid. There is no reference about impact fees in the contract or it being credited on the purchase. The original price was reduced by the amount of the cost of the access road from the county access road to the city MBR plant.

**CHERYL:** Where does it say we get a road?

**ZAN:** In the most recent contract, it is Section 9.1.

**CHERYL:** What is the timeframe for the purchase?

**TERRIE:** If the council approves the purchase contract authorizing the mayor to sign in behalf of the city, then the county is ready to proceed.

**CHERYL:** When will our portion of the access road be completed?

**TERRIE:** It has to be completed when the county installs the new main access road. We will lose our current access to the MBR plant at that time. Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) rules only allow one access every five hundred feet is my understanding.

**ZAN:** That is correct.

**TERRIE:** We will keep the southwest gate for emergency access. We will now have a new entrance from the east off of the access road. I walked the area with Troy (Hooley). We talked about the ability of trailers to get in and out. The mayor, Tucker, Jeremy, and I have all been involved in the purchase contract details. A fifty-five foot truck and trailer can turnaround without running into anything.

**JEREMY:** Our access will actually improve when this project is completed.

**TERRIE:** As will safety in entering the property. Right now, we have to park on the highway while we get out and unlock the gate to access the property. We will each have a separate access to our parcels, but it will be safer and off the highway.

**MAYOR:** Safety has been a topic of discussion on that access for many years, and this will help resolve that issue.

**TUCKER:** Is the drawing part of this agreement?

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**ZAN:** Yes. That is the concept drawing you are reviewing.

**TUCKER:** I wonder about the radius on the road going to the MBR plant. I wonder if we need a heavier shoulder. The county road is 28 feet wide, and our access road will be 25 feet wide.

**TERRIE:** The majority of the delivery trucks to the MBR plant are box trucks and not that long.

**JEREMY:** About 90% of our deliveries are in a box truck.

**ZAN:** We did some modeling. We can put more gravel along the shoulder of the road. It is not a big issue to do that. I think 90% of the time a tanker trailer will be on the asphalt, but on occasion the trailer might come across the gravel shoulder.

**TUCKER:** I have a concern about the city selling property. There are some advantages to this request. The new access is big for us. It is a huge advantage to the city. Even better is having a neighbor like the county. This is a partnership really. We work with them all the time. Especially on roads. The benefits outweigh the concern of selling the land. We still own along the highway. We still have room to add piping and other infrastructure if needed. We are benefiting from this. Yes, we are getting \$75,000 out of this, but this project is not all about the money. I think it is worth selling it.

**ZAN:** As the design has been finalized, we would like to ask for an additional 10 feet of right-of-way be added to the east side of the 50 feet of right-of-way listed in the contract. That way, we could add water, sewer, natural gas, and power infrastructure. The sewer is a forced main which means it will be pumped to the city line. Water in the area would be beneficial for both entities long term.

**CHERYL:** Why wouldn't we consider this?

**JEREMY:** It would be my preference to grant the request. We don't want the utilities under the road. The asphalt won't have to be cut if the utilities are on the side of the road. The less cuts in a road the better. I would encourage you to grant the request for an extra ten feet.

**LYLE:** You want the additional ten feet to the east?

**ZAN:** Yes, it is too tight on the west side.

**TUCKER:** The east is better for us as well. We need all of the land to the west.

**MAYOR:** I agree.

**JEREMY:** It is common practice for developers to put utilities under the road. We have the room in this area. It makes no sense to put the utilities under the road.

**MAYOR:** I agree.

**TERRIE:** Let's amend to a sixty foot easement/right-of-way.

**LYLE:** With the additional ten feet being added to the east side of the currently proposed easement.

**MATT PHILLIPS:** Just replace "50" with "60" in the exhibits portion of the agreement. You can note in the approval, if needed. It would be handled with the exhibits and legal description.

**TUCKER:** Do we have to do anything different with our far west access?

**TERRIE:** No.

**JEREMY:** Correct.

**TUCKER:** Is that approach paved?

**TERRIE:** It is compacted gravel.

**TUCKER:** Do we need to pave that access? Is UDOT considering this a change of use?

**DAREK:** We would have to ask them.

**TUCKER:** I know we are closing one access.

**DAREK:** I am not sure if we ever use that gate. Our current access is paved.

**TUCKER:** Our fence and gate are out of the UDOT easement?

**TERRIE:** Yes.

**DAREK:** I think there is some confusion. You are talking about the access gate to the lagoons not the MBR plant; correct?

**TUCKER:** Yes. I have never seen that gate opened.

**JEREMY:** Neither have I.

**TERRIE:** I have.

**TUCKER:** I know it is used when the sheep are brought in and out.

**TERRIE:** Our new road has plenty of turning space. There is room to drive around the MBR plant. Using the southwest entrance to the MBR plant should not be required.

**DAREK:** That particular rolling gate will still be closed.

**JEREMY:** We have to seal off the access we are abandoning. We cannot keep the existing gate there.

**ZAN:** We do have the approval permit from UDOT on this project.

**DAREK:** This is a much better option than backing semi-trucks out onto the road like we currently do.

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\*\*\*A motion to approve the sale of Parcel Number 09-066-0015 to Cache County Corporation for the amount of \$75,126 amending the right-of-way/easement to 60 feet and authorizing Mayor Young to sign the purchase agreement in behalf of the city was made by Lyle, seconded by Cheryl, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

**PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET WHICH IS THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020.**

**JUSTIN:** This is a minor adjustment to the budget this month. We will make some more detailed changes next month, as the fiscal year comes to a close. General fund revenue and expense would increase \$21,748. The biggest changes to General Fund revenue would be to increase the local road tax \$11,000, property tax \$7,424, fines \$10,000, adding a library children's book grant for \$3,000 and adding a library census grant for \$500. Reductions would be to remove Black & White Days revenue as well as rent on the tractor we are not going to purchase in this fiscal year. Changes to the Administration fund would be mainly for wages. Total proposed increase is \$12,300. We changed the hours of some employees and reallocated their wages differently. The Building fund would increase \$18,171. Main changes from Park Community Center improvements, reduction in the Relic Hall roof repair, and an addition for building maintenance. Public Safety would increase \$749, as they purchased a new computer. Streets would increase \$2,850. This includes additions to wages and gasoline and a reduction to sidewalks. The biggest overall change is reducing the Parks department budget \$47,150. This is because we are no longer going to purchase the tractor in this fiscal year, and the Black & White Days line item was reduced to the actual cost where the event was cancelled. The Fire department would be increased \$400 for maintenance and repair. The Library would increase \$16,410 which is mainly from the addition of several grants. Water Fund revenue would increase \$22,764 for impact fees, sundry which was the pioneering agreement payment from Rocky Mountain Power, and interest income. Expenses would increase \$45,100 for wages, supplies, engineering which is dealing with the lead and copper issue, as well as additional meter purchases. Sewer Fund revenue would increase because of impact fees collected as well as the monthly utility fee. Expenses would increase \$50,200 for wages, maintenance and repair, and engineering.

**CHERYL:** Peck Brothers suggested changing the wood below the roof line.

**LYLE:** The eaves and soffit?

**CHERYL:** Yes. The new roof looks really good.

**TUCKER:** I agree. It would be good to see if we can clean up and paint the eaves. That area of the building is weathering.

**JUSTIN:** Let's get a bid and see what we can do.

\*\*\*A motion to close the regular council meeting and open the public hearing was made by Tucker, seconded by Terrie, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

*The public hearing opened at 7:09 P.M.*

There were not any comments or questions.

\*\*\*A motion to close the public hearing and reopen the regular council meeting was made by Lyle, seconded by Cheryl, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

*The public hearing closed at 7:10 P.M.*

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET.**

\*\*\*A motion to approve amendments to the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget was made by Terrie, seconded by Lyle, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

**GENERAL FUND**

REVENUE \$21,748

**EXPENSES**

Administration \$12,300  
Building \$18,171  
Public Safety \$749  
Streets \$2,850  
Parks \$(47,150)  
Fire Department \$400  
Library \$16,410  
To Capital Projects \$18,018  
To Cub River Sports \$0  
Total Expenses \$21,748

**WATER ENTERPRISE FUND**

REVENUE \$22,764

EXPENSE \$45,100

**SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**

REVENUE \$56,017

EXPENSE \$50,200

**CUB RIVER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

REVENUE \$0

EXPENSE \$0

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

REVENUE \$19,018

EXPENSE \$0

**INITIAL DISCUSSION ON ORDINANCE 2020-11, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 9-000 "LICENSING, CONTROL, AND REGULATION OF BUSINESS AND CONSTRUCTION, PART 9-111 "DEFINITIONS", AND ADDING IN ITS ENTIREY PART 9-427 "SHORT TERM VACATION RENTAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS".**

**MAYOR:** This is an item a lot of communities are discussing. Short term rentals and vacation rentals are a discussion point in some places. I will ask Terrie to summarize the comments of the planning commission.

**TERRIE:** A commissioner did a lot of research. She gathered information from seven or eight communities around the state. We compiled that language into the proposed ordinance. Two weeks ago, the proposed ordinance was presented to the planning commission. There were two items the planning commission was split on. A couple of commissioners felt putting a cap on the number of permits issued based on one permit per 1,000 people was too strict. It was suggested one permit per 500 residents, and they still felt that was too strict. Two commissioners did not support any type of cap on the number of licenses issued. It was suggested that some verbiage be added that neighbors are notified when a conditional-use permit request is being made, similar to the process for a dog kennel license. There was also a concern that the currently proposed ordinance would only allow one permit per city block. Another concern, which was removed already, was that it stated a property owner would not be allowed more than one permit in the city. They felt if a person wanted to have more than one in the city, they should be allowed to.

**JUSTIN:** Just to clarify, the ownership verbiage has already been removed from the ordinance you have in front of you.

**TERRIE:** Two commissioners want the entitled Section "C. Limit On Total Number Of Short Term Rental Business Licenses" removed in its entirety.

**CHERYL:** This ordinance only applies to Airbnb's; correct?

**TERRIE:** Yes, short term rentals. There is a requirement transient room tax be collected. We would also collect some sales tax. A business license would be required. The conditional-use permit does not transfer if a property is sold. Parking regulations are included. Maintenance is included in Section G, so it is easy for people to review rather than have to search city code. People will not research the city code if it is not easy to find.

**CHERYL:** Why is hot tub and swimming pool use restricted between 10:00 P.M. and 7:00 A.M.?

**TERRIE:** There was a concern about noise. Keep in mind this is our first review and discussion on this ordinance. Nothing is being voted on tonight. We can modify any portion of this ordinance if we want to.

**CHERYL:** I agree with not having a cap in place for the number of licenses issued.

**LYLE:** I thought the same thing about the cap. I think this type of license might be a way for people on a fixed income to earn additional income.

**CHERYL:** By requiring neighbors to be notified, could one person stop a person from getting a conditional-use permit?

**TERRIE:** The council will review the requests and any concerns. The council can still approve even if a neighbor does not support the request.

**JEREMY:** Notifying the neighbors is part of the information gathering process. If the majority of the neighbors oppose, and for good reason, then the council might consider denying the request. If only person is upset, I don't see that being a detriment.

**LYLE:** I think if you are going to make restrictions, it should be based on parking not the number of licenses in the city.

**TERRIE:** What are the thoughts about one owner having more than one license?

**TUCKER:** I don't think that is needed and can be removed.

**LYLE:** I agree. Strikeout that section.

**CHERYL:** I agree.

**JUSTIN:** We will make the change of allowing pools and hot tubs to be used until midnight on Friday and Saturday night.

**LYLE:** What taxes or fees would we receive?

**TERRIE:** Regular sales tax as well as transient tax. It amounts to about \$10 to the city for every \$100 collected. We won't get rich.

**LYLE:** Do we have to do anything to put the tax in place?

**TERRIE:** It is already part of the state code.

**JUSTIN:** The Utah State Tax Commission will tell each applicant what they are required to do and what forms must be filed.

**CHERYL:** Is the sales tax revenue encumbered?

**JUSTIN:** No.

**TERRIE:** Two commissioners were against only allowing one license per city block.

**CHERYL:** I would agree with them. I don't support keeping that in the code.

**TUCKER:** Some places have an entire city block of these type of units.

**KELLY:** Let's remove that section.

**LYLE:** What about zoning? Where are they allowed?

**TERRIE:** In all residential zones. There was a concern about safety and some other issues in regards to not allowing them in multi-family units.

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**CHERYL:** My son recently made an offer on a duplex in another city. He is considering making an Airbnb on the side he doesn't live in. I am not sure how this ordinance would affect what he is trying to do if he were buying the duplex in the city.

**LYLE:** Was there a concern about just one room being rented in a multi-unit dwelling?

**TERRIE:** Yes.

**LYLE:** What if they want to rent the entire unit and not just a room?

**JUSTIN:** There was a discussion about quality of life and apartments. The concern is that if an apartment becomes an Airbnb, there will be people coming and going non-stop, and this will affect the quality of life of the other tenants in the unit. The long term renters could be affected negatively by different people coming and going nonstop. There was also a concern about the type of people which might rent these units and a concern for safety and children in the area. We felt the quality of life for the long-term residents should not be changed by this ordinance, so Airbnb's would not be allowed in a multi-family dwelling.

**LYLE:** I am fine not allowing that right now, and we can change later if needed. There are not many multi-family units in town.

**TUCKER:** The goal of this ordinance is for the city to have some control. The intent is not to limit people on what they can do but have an idea of what is happening with these units.

**MAYOR:** I talked to some people in the Bear Lake area. They told me they have not had any problems since the units have been required to be registered. They said having an ordinance in place has worked well for their community. They said when it was not regulated, they had complaints and problems. They said they put basic regulations in place, and people have complied.

**JEREMY:** If we get a complaint, it gives law enforcement a way to discuss the issue with the renter and the property owner. People can be held accountable if code is put in place.

**MAYOR:** I rented a home in Saint George, and the regulations were posted on the door when we entered. Parking was immediately addressed. There was signage in place. It worked out well because we knew what we could and could not do.

**TUCKER:** I think that is a good point. I think owners should be required to post the rules.

**LYLE:** I think so as well.

**TERRIE:** Section 1 is very basic and discusses this.

**JUSTIN:** We will learn as we go and can modify the ordinance as needed.

**TERRIE:** Renters are rated, and property owners are rated on the websites where these are units are rented. If there is a problem with a property, people won't rent it.

**LYLE:** So, now it will go back to the planning commission for formal approval. Then, back to the city council for approval as well.

**KELLY:** Where in town is the one Airbnb?

**JUSTIN:** The home owned by Earick Ward on State Street on the north end of town.

**MAYOR:** This has been a good discussion. Thanks to Terrie and everyone who reviewed it and offered input.

<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY. UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 52-4-205 (1) (D).</b>
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\*\*\*A motion to close the regular council meeting and open the executive session was made by Terrie, seconded by Lyle, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

*The executive session opened at 7:30 P.M.*

Those in attendance: Mayor Young, Tucker Thatcher, Cheryl Peck, Kelly Crafts, Lyle Bair, Terrie Wierenga, Jeremy Kimpton, Darek Kimball and Justin Lewis

\*\*\*A motion to close the executive session and reopen the regular council meeting was made by Lyle, seconded by Tucker, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

*The executive session closed at 7:38 P.M.*

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE PURCHASE OF A PORTION OF PARCEL NUMBER 09-049-0055. THE PARCEL IS LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 300 EAST 500 NORTH.**

\*\*\*A motion to approve the purchase of 6,372 square feet of Parcel Number 09-049-0055 at a cost of \$1.343 per square foot for a total cost of \$8,557.60 plus closing costs and authorizing Mayor Young to sign the purchase agreement documents was made by Terrie, seconded by Cheryl, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REVIEW WITH DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS AS NECESSARY.**

**JUSTIN:** Total property tax revenue collected so far this year is \$207,490. The amount of Local Road Tax collected year to date is \$26,606. A census grant for the library was received in the amount of \$500. A children's book grant was received in the amount of \$3,000. The current budget will be amended again in June, and the new budget will be adopted in June. Girl's State was cancelled this year, so the check for this program was voided in the amount of \$1,200. The Relic Hall roof project has been completed at a cost of \$10,170. The original bid was for \$12,675. Kudos to Peck Brothers for doing an excellent job and keeping the project under budget. One impact fee has been collected this month for a new home located at approximately 250 East 300 South.

**COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

**LYLE:** I and my family would like to thank the city for the flowers which were received for my dad's funeral. Our family appreciated it.

**MAYOR:** It is hard when someone passes on that is such a stable entity in the city. I am grateful you are carrying on his legacy.

**CHERYL:** The hours at the library have changed.

**LORA SMITH:** They will be changing again on June 1<sup>st</sup> as well. We will go back to the old hours we had in place before the pandemic. We are making a new hire. When we go back to the old hours, we are going to make a slight change moving forward and rearrange a couple of hours. We mainly need to make a change to Tuesday night, so we don't have just one person there, but we will have two. We don't want anyone to be alone. The city staff is aware of this change.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**MAYOR:** Let's send Peck Brothers a card of appreciation. They added some copper trim and did some other classy things to the Relic Hall roof repair. The Black & White Days horse pulls are still set for Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. I was involved in a couple of conference calls today: one with the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the other with Lieutenant Governor Spencer Cox. Actual numbers are starting to come in. Financially, Utah is in much better shape than the rest of the country. It is still difficult but better than elsewhere. As of now, we are better than many other areas. Cache Valley is better off as well. I was included in a conference call today with the local health department. They are working to get supplies. There are new guidelines which are in place when the governor made the change to the yellow phase. Sanitary and other equipment is needed. A lot of the supplies are being purchased by the state and federal government. We need them locally. Restaurants are having a hard time getting supplies. The local health department is working with the state to get supplies for local companies. We have talked about baseball opening up for the city. There are different levels in the yellow phase. Right now, we are in level 4.4. Eventually we will go to levels 4.5 and 4.6. The areas in the state still in the orange phase are still there because they choose to be there. The state is not keeping them there. We have an option to have local sports in the yellow phase. We need to list the guidelines of what is allowed for baseball. The coaches need to know what to do before games. We need to be responsible. Families can sit together, but they need to sit apart from non-family members. Equipment needs to be properly cleaned. The state will allow us to order essential supplies and equipment weekly. We need to be

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proactive. We also need to review what we did right and what we did wrong during the last couple of months in regards to our response to the pandemic. We need to know in case this happens again. We need to know what we can do better next time. There is a high chance the virus flares up again in the fall. The state is reviewing how to handle it without going to the extreme measures from the last two months. The green phase is the end goal which means there are no restrictions. Clarification will continue to come from the state in regards to sports. Contact sports such as football still have many questions. If you have questions, let me know. If businesses have questions, let me know. We are going to start the process of Lee's Marketplace coming to town. It is common for large businesses such as a grocery store to see if the city can help them out. As a small city, we don't have a lot of programs to help them or any available funding. We want them to come here. We will start looking to see if we can help them. Any type of discussion like this will come before the council.

**CHERYL:** Any updates on Julie's Market?

**MAYOR:** I am not aware of anything happening in that regard right now.

**CHERYL:** When is our next council meeting?

**JUSTIN:** On June 16<sup>th</sup>.

**TUCKER:** I will be out of town for that meeting but could attend remotely if needed.

\*\*\*A motion to adjourn and pay bills was made by Terrie, seconded by Lyle, and the vote was unanimous.\*\*\*

Yes Vote: Thatcher, Peck, Crafts, Bair, Wierenga

No Vote: None

Adjournment at 7:55 P.M.

**RICHMOND CITY CORPORATION**

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Jeffrey D. Young, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Justin B. Lewis, City Recorder