

RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 16, 2021

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, November 16, 2021. The meeting began at 6:30 P.M.; Mayor Jeffrey Young was in the chair. The opening remarks were made by Kelly Crafts.

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

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

VISITORS: Amber Ervin, Paul Erickson, Jared Mitchell, Mike Harris, Max Humphries

APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 19, 2021

A motion to approve the city council meeting minutes from the October 19, 2021 City Council meeting was made by Terrie, seconded by Lyle, and the vote was unanimous.

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

No Vote: None

DEPUTY'S REPORT

DEPUTY JAKE LEONARD: I am the new Star Deputy for the city.

MAYOR: Our winter parking ordinance will be in effect soon. I know each deputy handles it differently. Maybe you could consider writing warnings to start off the winter season as opposed to tickets. I would hope you won't be heavy handed to start with.

DEPUTY LEONARD: Are there specific areas to target?

MAYOR: Typically, subdivisions are the worst areas. It is problematic to clear the roads in those areas if vehicles are parked on the roads. We don't want the plow trucks weaving in and out. We also need to make sure Main Street and State Street are always clear.

TERRIE: I have noticed in the morning when people are taking their kids to White Pine Elementary, they are not observing stop signs in that area of town. The most noticeable times are when school is getting in and out.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE REQUEST BY LEE'S MARKETPLACE FOR A CONDITIONAL-USE PERMIT AND BUSINESS LICENSE TO OPERATE A GROCERY STORE AT APPROXIMATELY 150 NORTH 200 WEST.

JARED MITCHELL: Jonathan Badger could not be here tonight, so I am here in his place. I appreciate your time to review our request. This area is special for Lee's Marketplace. There is a lot of growth in the company right now. The Badger's are residents of the valley. They are local long time business owners. They are excited to come to Richmond. The new building will be approximately 33,000 square feet. It will be a full-service grocery store. They are happy to be part of the growth of the city.

CHERYL: Will there be a bank in the store?

JARED: I am not aware of bank being in the new store. We are starting to see banks leave grocery stores. This has especially been the case since COVID-19 came about. Banks have less demand for brick-and-mortar stores. It is being seen industry wide. I work with Associated Foods who works with Lee's. As of right now, there will not be a bank.

TUCKER: The request was reviewed by the planning commission last week. The site plan was reviewed. Jonathan talked to the planning commission that night. The planning commission recommended approval of the request.

MAYOR: They are continuing to grow and want to start the project next year.

JARED: We are looking at starting mid to late March of next year. The target date to open would be Halloween. We are hoping we can meet that schedule.

TUCKER: Will the individual lots and pads be built on as demand dictates?

JARED: Yes. Buildings on those lots will be built as needed.

MAYOR: What is your plan to maintain those lots which are not currently being built on?

JARED: The land will be grubbed out as part of the grocery store project. We will maintain the weeds as needed and keep the area clean and safe until it is developed.

A motion to approve the conditional-use permit and business license for Lee's Marketplace to operate a grocery store at approximately 150 North 200 West was made by Tucker, seconded by Terrie, and the vote was unanimous.

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

No Vote: None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON ORDINANCE 2021-18, AN ORDINANCE REZONING PARCEL NUMBER 09-067-0009 FROM MLI (MANUFACTURING LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) TO RLD (RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY, MINIMUM 14,500 SQUARE FEET). APPROXIMATELY 2.65 ACRES OF THE PARCEL IS ZONED MLI WITH THE REMAINING 3.03 ACRES ALREADY ZONED RLD. THE PARCEL IS LOCATED NORTH OF 450 WEST MAIN.

TUCKER: The request was reviewed by the planning commission last week. It is a pretty straightforward rezone request. The zoning on the parcel is currently two different zones. The request is to have all of the parcel zoned RLD (Residential Low Density). The neighboring parcels are already zoned this. Over half of the parcel is already zoned that way. The planning commission recommended to approve the request. They did not have any major concerns. All of the existing barns and outbuildings would be removed and the area cleaned up.

MIKE HARRIS: Yes, everything will be cleaned up. The plan is to build new homes on the property. The area will have to be cleaned up first.

MAYOR: The request is consistent with surrounding parcels.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-18, an Ordinance rezoning Parcel Number 09-067-0009 from MLI (Manufacturing Light Industrial) and RLD (Residential Low Density) to RLD (Residential Low Density) was made by Terrie, seconded by Lyle, and the vote was unanimous.

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

No Vote: None

CANVASS THE ELECTION RESULTS OF THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 GENERAL ELECTION.

JUSTIN: The final results for the Tuesday, November 2nd General Election are as follows:

Mayor – 4 Year Term

Paul J. Erickson***	493	64.28%
Terrie L. Wierenga	274	35.72%

City Council – 4 Year Term

Amber Ervin***	406	27.49%
Lyle R. Bair***	501	33.92%
Vern Fielding	300	20.31%
Reese Hulbert	270	18.28%

***Elected

Total Registered Voters	1,554
Total Ballots Counted	775

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Voting Percentage 49.87%

JUSTIN: Paul Erickson has been elected as mayor. Amber Ervin and Lyle Bair have been elected as council members. They will all serve four-year terms starting in January. I was very pleased that voter turnout was almost 50%. This was entirely a vote by mail election because of changes the legislature has made. There was no in-person voting on election day. Voter turnout in the past has been less than 25%, typically. I would like to thank Jess Bradfield and his staff at the county. They did a great job helping us with the election. We don't have the equipment to do this. They were very professional and great to work with. There were nine ballots which were rejected. Five were mailed to late and had a postmark of November 2nd or after. Three were rejected because of signature issues. Two had signatures which could not be verified and one ballot was not signed.

MAYOR: Presidential elections will have a higher turnout. Other local cities were around 30%. There has been a debate about mail-in voting. I have heard a lot of positive from people. They receive the ballot, can research and learn about the candidates, contact the candidates if they choose to, and then vote. I think it is more effective than just showing up on election day and voting. More people voted because they could research the candidates and topics, then make an appropriate vote. I hope Utah continues to be an example of how mail-in voting works. It is secure. Justin, please explain the process.

JUSTIN: The voter mails the ballot and it goes to the county. The tab is removed from the back of the envelope exposing the signature. The signature is then verified by a machine. Less than 1% of signatures are rejected. Those ballots which are rejected then have the person who submitted attempted to be contacted to verify. The ballot then goes in a machine where the top is cut to open the envelope. The envelope then has air shot into it to expose the ballot. The ballot is then removed. Ballots are then put in a machine and scanned so they can be counted. Any ballot which cannot be read by the machine is then reviewed by hand. I know there have been concerns about fraud on the federal level. I am not aware of any locally or with our election. I feel good about what was done with the election.

CHERYL: What is an example of fraud in an election?

JUSTIN: Typically, the biggest issue is when a wife signs a husband's ballot or vice versa.

A motion to certify the results of the November 2, 2021 General Election was made by Lyle, seconded by Cheryl, and the vote was unanimous.

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

No Vote: None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON RESCINDING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN RICHMOND CITY AND DEER FLATS ESTATES LLC AND THE CHERRY CREEK HEIGHTS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE IRRIGATION WATER SHARES TO THE CITY AS PART OF EACH PHASE OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT AND REQUIRING THEM OR A BUYER TO FOLLOW THE CURRENT MUNICIPAL CODE OF RICHMOND CITY ON WATER DEDICATION.

MAYOR: The Cherry Creek Heights PUD and Deer Flats Estates development were approved in 1999. Agreements were put in place at that time regarding irrigation water shares, parks, and other items. Now the remainder of the undeveloped land has been purchased, the agreements from the past are still in effect for the new buyer. There was an agreement that a certain number of irrigation water shares would be turned over to the city. No irrigation shares were sold to the buyer of this property. He does not own any irrigation shares. He is not in a position to honor the old agreement. There are two options for him: purchase irrigation shares which are hard to come by or, if allowed, he could pay the water dedication payment. The current agreement states it will be irrigation water shares only.

CHERYL: How many shares were we supposed to get?

MAYOR: We were supposed to get 60 total and have received 30 so far.

JUSTIN: It was supposed to be approximately 10 shares per phase. Phases one through three were completed, and 30 shares were transferred over to the city at that time.

MAYOR: The last few years, we have looked at ways to protect our water. The city recently passed a water dedication ordinance. A developer can bring in water shares to the city or pay the city and we can purchase water shares in the future. In this particular case, the developer has two options: give us 30 shares of irrigation water or pay the water dedication fee. I discussed this with a couple of you, and we feel the best option is for the developer to follow the current municipal code of the city. The idea would be to rescind the old agreement. Our current ordinance is better than our previous agreement. I think this would be the best option for the city.

TERRIE: The PUD (Planned Unit Development) approved in 1999 is no longer being built. I think those agreements are gone now the land has been sold. I think those agreements should be done away with. I know they are legally still in place, but I think they need to be rescinded. I want the developer to follow the current municipal code of the city.

MAYOR: I think it is good to see our previous agreements are still binding and can be enforced if we still want to keep them in place.

TERRIE: They could honor the previous agreement, but the new code gives them more options.

MAYOR: I am glad the past carries forward to the future. Nobody thought an approved development from 1999 would not be done at this time. There will be other agreements to review on that property at future council meetings.

TUCKER: This agreement includes the land which was recently rezoned as well as some of the undeveloped land still located within the PUD which will have multi-family housing on it. It does not matter who the property owner is at the time of development. Whoever owns the land and does the development needs to comply with current city code.

LYLE: The issue at hand tonight is water shares only and not land for a future park.

MAYOR: Correct. Each agreement is separate. There is a separate agreement for the park. We learned the land the developer gives to the city does not have to be contiguous. The council will review that agreement down the road. The council can tell the developer to honor that agreement or it can be rescinded or modified.

A motion to rescind the agreement between Richmond City and Deer Flats Estates LLC and the Cherry Creek Heights Planned Unit Development to provide irrigation water shares to the city as part of each phase of their development and requiring them or a buyer to follow the current municipal code of Richmond City on water dedication was made by Terrie, seconded by Tucker, 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: The December city council meeting has been rescheduled from December 21st to December 14th. The annual employee Christmas party will be held this Friday, November 19th, at the Birch Creek Golf Course at 6:00 P.M. We will be adjusting the budget at the December city council meeting. The planning commission and some council members have been asking about the possibility of updating the General Plan. The last update was in 2013. We have been looking for grant funding to help pay for the update since the cost is typically over \$100,000. UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation) has a grant we can apply for. It is a 93/7 grant meaning UDOT would pay 93%, and we would pay 7%. The deadline to apply is December 9th. J-U-B Engineers is going to help us apply. We also need to do a Transportation Master Plan. We are going to apply for a CIB (Community Impact Board) grant which is a 50/50 grant. We have to get on their list to apply, so we are hopeful to get some funding from them in Fiscal Year 2023. UDOT will review the grant applications in the spring. If awarded, we could start the project soon after.

MAYOR: How was the last General Plan paid for?

TUCKER: It was through the CIB, and it was a 50/50 matching grant.

TERRIE: The last General Plan update started in 2011 and was adopted in 2013.

JUSTIN: The audit was completed last month. It has been paid for, and all of the documents filed. The very early snowstorm where leaves were still on the trees really did damage to city trees. We paid \$6,400 to a local tree trimmer to help with city issues. This does not include the time spent by the staff dealing with the issue. We spent more on one storm than we typically spend in an entire year. So far, this fiscal year, we have collected \$15,000 in Water Dedication payments and \$96,013 in Water Impact Fees. We have collected \$41,439 in Sewer Impact Fees. Most of these are coming from the Traveller Lane Subdivision. If I understood correctly, seven or eight of the fifteen building lots have already been sold. The city is growing, as we all know.

MAYOR: One area of concern from the Fiscal Year 2020 audit was the sewer fund. It was a red flag we needed to deal with. It took us a year to review it and make corrections. We were heading the wrong way financially. It was nice to see we have corrected that issue and financially we are improving in that fund. We had to address it, and we raised the monthly rate to correct the issue. We have consistently tried to tackle these items and not push them off. I want to give a shoutout to the community for their help with the early snowstorm. It was not just a cleanup for one day but took a couple of weeks. Many loads were taken to the Logan City dump site. Many members of the

community helped out. I was called into an emergency meeting regarding limbs, branches, and debris from that storm. We are working towards having a northern dump site for emergency situations in the future. Many communities were in attendance at that meeting. Not one person said their community members did not go above and beyond what they needed to do. From Hyrum to Cornish everyone stepped up and helped.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

TERRIE: CVTD (Cache Valley Transit District) is moving ahead with preparing their new budget for next year. As a board, we have been looking at construction ideas, materials, and concept plans for the new building. CVTD received \$18,500,000 in federal grant funding for this project. With what has been saved for capital improvements, an increase of almost 30% in sales tax revenue, and the grant, we have about \$40,000,000 for the project. Which is about \$5,000,000 more than the project should cost. No tax increase will be needed to fund this project. Good on CVTD for making this happen without raising taxes. That is a huge amount of money to have to pay for a new facility and not have to get a bond for the project.

MAYOR: It is good to see the cement being put in for the new waiting areas/stations on the east side of State Street.

TERRIE: I was shocked to see it started so soon. I approached them about our problem but was unsure when the project would be completed. Three days later, I was informed the project was going to get started.

CHERYL: Melissa Larsen is a new member of the library board.

MAYOR'S REPORT

MAYOR: Snow season is upon us. We will be working to clear sidewalks and roads. Typically, our first priority is the main roads, then side roads, and finally subdivisions which usually require the smaller equipment. Those areas are always done later in a major storm. Sidewalks in front of municipal buildings and the safe sidewalks to school are our sidewalk priorities. UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation) snowplows cover our sidewalk on the highway, and then we have to plow them again. If the snow freezes, we cannot clear it.

JEREMY: The trucks are ready to go. We have salt on hand. Yumi Collins won't be working 40 hours per week this winter, as she is working a second job. We will be doing what we can to help her.

CHERYL: Does she have set hours at her new job?

JEREMY: Yes. She will get off between 6:00 and 6:30 A.M. It will be hard to have the sidewalks cleared before school starts. We will work on it. We have a plan in place to get through.

TUCKER: Will she be working around 20 hours per week?

JEREMY: Around 30, so she can keep her benefits. Her main concern is how to deal with snow removal. We will work with her to balance her needs and our needs.

MAYOR: Our new employee has his CDL (Commercial Driver's License) and has plowed snow before. We have one new plow truck and one old plow truck. We plow the snow off the road into people yards, and they turn around and plow the snow onto the road. When that happens and it freezes, it becomes problematic for our plow trucks. Residents get very personal about having snow pushed into their driveways.

JEREMY: It is typically dark when the guys are plowing. There are many blind spots in those trucks. They have to run the sander, plow, shift the truck, and watch for issues all at the same time. It is not simply just driving a truck.

MAYOR: Jeremy has done a fantastic job getting involved and setting hours. It is hard to balance hours of pushing snow and keeping our employees safe. We are always talking about the condition of the roads, when to plow, when to sand, and when to wait. It is a constant battle. The council has seen some emails regarding people living in recreational vehicles in town. This is happening more and more. Our current code does not allow this for more than 30 days.

TERRIE: In a calendar year.

MAYOR: Max Humphries has asked us some questions. There are other camp trailers in town. I asked Max to come in this evening. I want the council to have a discussion about where we sit on this issue and how we want to deal with it. Do we want people to abide by the code, or should we consider making a change? I talked to legal counsel. The city can make the camp trailers get removed, but it is harder in the winter. We would follow state statute in this regard where we don't have something specific in our code.

TERRIE: My understanding is they are in violation of the code, and the council does not have the ability to waive this or allow it to happen.

MAYOR: Should we make people abide by our code, or should we change it? I asked Max to attend tonight to tell us what is going on in his particular situation.

MAX HUMPHRIES: I need to apologize, as I didn't know about the city code. I did not educate myself on it. I have a couple of friends who need a place to park their camp trailer. They like living in a small space and needed a place to go. They helped me to renovate my place. I returned the favor by allowing them to park their trailer on my property. We talked to the RV parks in the valley. Nobody is leaving now it is winter. There is no place for them to go. About their only option is to go from yard to yard. They are hoping to buy a house. The economy makes it hard to buy a house. Offers on homes are high. They don't want to sign a lease where they put their trailer in case they find a house they can buy. There is nowhere to live in this valley. There is nowhere for them to go. They own the RV, so it works for them. The rent I received is not something I was benefitting from financially. They gave me \$200 a month to help cover utility costs. My electrical bill last month was over \$300, so I am not making money. There is no place for them to go. I need some time for them to relocate. I am not asking for my yard to become an RV park. I am asking for time.

MAYOR: This is the reason I asked him to attend. It is not in me to remove people. I don't recall us using a legal remedy in the past. It can be done and can be pursued, but we haven't done it in the past. We have worked something out. Jeremy how many of these are we dealing with right now?

JEREMY: There are four that we are aware of. One has been moved, and the other three are aware they don't comply with the code and have been asked to resolve the problem.

MAYOR: This is a matter for the council. The code says they cannot be there more than 30 days, and they have been there longer than that. It is going into winter. The council can approve telling them they have to move by spring. If we legally have to remove them, it will take months.

TERRIE: How is this fair to everyone else who is living in a single-family zone? This is not something new. This needs to be dealt with. Where do we draw the line? What about the other trailers in non-compliance? What timeline are they dealing with? This is something very similar to the unauthorized apartment on 200 North 100 East. There are potential safety issues. What about fire or emergency response? What about water and sewer lines freezing? It is a zoning violation as well. This ordinance is something we adopted only a couple of years ago. I understand their request, but it goes against the code.

CHERYL: Two years ago, we did not have the home crisis we have now. My kids are experiencing the same thing. I want my children to be allowed to live on my property.

TERRIE: People living in a single-family zone are expecting only one living unit per lot. I don't want to see multiple units on one lot. Once we approve this just because it is almost winter will mean we have opened it for everyone all the time.

MAYOR: This is why we are discussing this. We worked with the rental home to resolve their issue. This is a moral dilemma. The code is what we follow. We need to review if we want to allow exceptions to the code.

TERRIE: There is nothing to argue about. The code says 30 days maximum.

MAYOR: We are talking about do we enforce the code.

TERRIE: The council asks the mayor to enforce the existing code. You are choosing not to enforce it.

MAYOR: I won't evict someone while we are working with them.

TUCKER: The apartment issue was different because there was an end in sight. We were in the process of changing the code. We cannot change the code to accommodate this request.

MAX: You say they need to leave. They don't have somewhere to go. It is not right to make them go. With winter coming, there is no place for them to go. People in RV parks are not moving now. I need time for them. They are looking for places to move to. Maybe this issue is resolved next week because they find a place. I like them, but I don't want them living on my property forever. It is a hard market to buy a home. They are students and working full-time. There is no hate or discontent being created. I am just asking for time. I am not asking for the code to be rewritten.

KELLY: Can they move into your home?

MAX: Yes.

LYLE: You could possibly add an accessory dwelling unit in your home.

TERRIE: Living in the RV is the issue with the code. We cannot approve this in a single-family zone. They could live in the same house.

MAX: There would not be an issue with that.

MAYOR: I need direction from the council of how to proceed.

TERRIE: I am glad Max is here this evening. There have been numerous emails on this issue. Ignorance of the law is no excuse. I know that sounds harsh. You need to know what the rules are of the community you live in. You need to find out what is allowed with your property.

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MAX: I think this law is ridiculous, but I am not asking for it to be changed. I know of others living in RV's in other cities.

CHERYL: That doesn't mean they are in compliance or non-compliance.

MAX: I should have checked the law. I never thought it would be a law or issue. It never occurred to me this would be an issue.

MAYOR: The city has to balance the code and the law. The council gives the direction of how to proceed, and I can deal with that. I can work with it. I am torn on this. Thirty days doesn't matter if they don't have anywhere to move to. This won't be the only issue like this we deal with. We need to be consistent about how we apply this across the board. Right now, the code says 30 days. We don't know how many others are living like this in the city. We only deal with this when people have turned them in and complained about it. The four we are dealing with right now are because complaints were filed. Does the council want to enforce the 30-day limit? There is also the issue of dealing with winter.

TERRIE: Based on a definition in the code, they would be allowed to live in the house. They cannot live in the RV in a single-family zone.

MAX: It is possible to do that, but the RV would still be parked on the property. If that is what you say, then that is what we will deal with.

MAYOR: There are others in this situation, so we need to apply this consistently.

CHERYL: What does living in mean? What about how you use your RV?

MAYOR: I office out of my RV during the day. I don't live in it technically. This could be considered a petty issue.

CHERYL: Not to Max or those living in the trailer.

MAYOR: This is a problematic issue we need to deal with. I won't fight the council on what they want to do. I need their guidance of how to proceed.

TERRIE: I am not willing to change our ordinance at this time.

TUCKER: The rule is rigid. We need to protect the other 800 plus homeowners in the city. It is solid and rigid and not negotiable.

CHERYL: I want my kids to be able to live in my yard if they want to be there, but the code doesn't allow it.

KELLY: I am torn. I think the ordinance should be followed as written. Today's situation is different than the past.

LYLE: Out of respect to the other homeowners in the city, we should not change the ordinance. They could live in the same house without issues.

TERRIE: BRAG (Bear River Association of Governments) could be contacted to see if they have assistance in this regard.

MAYOR: I am on their board. There is not anywhere for people to go. We will honor our current ordinance. We need to figure out how we can work with them. Max, thank you for coming in. The intent was never to have an RV park. There is a housing issue everywhere. It is not just Richmond or Cache Valley. It is everywhere. How do we balance the traditional way of life with what is happening now? People cannot afford to pay \$120,000 or more for a building lot and then build a home on it. The council needs to consider how we help the housing situation. Logan is typically dealing with this type of issue and then the other larger cities in the valley. I am asking the council to be mindful of what is happening. Growth is happening. Be mindful of young people and work with them. This is a moral dilemma. We can keep with tradition and leave our current code in place. By doing so, we are isolating people and keeping them out. The time will come when change is needed. I know this is not normally a city council item to discuss about breaking the code. I allowed this to be brought in and talked about. This is the beginning of an issue we will have to keep talking about.

TERRIE: This is why I have asked for our General Plan to be updated. I would like to see zones and sections added for housing like this. A knee jerk reaction to allow this is not a good way of doing business. We need to respect our residents and helping two while ignoring the rest cannot happen. The good of many outweighs the good of one. Public hearings were held. We listen to the residents and approve, modify, and amend our code. Nothing happens quickly. I am fine reviewing this down the road. As of right now, we must abide by our current city code. It is hard in the winter, but it is hard to find a place to move to anytime. We cannot pick and choose which rules to follow and not follow. A lot of work was put into our city code. We must abide by it. We don't have any other current option. Changes can be made in a new General Plan. Maybe something better and more flexible can be added. Let's hope the housing market eases by 2025 like is being predicted.

MAX: The law is ridiculous. Nobody knows when a hardship will come. You don't know when a financial disaster might come and you have no place to live but an RV. The code won't always work.

MAYOR: When the new General Plan is worked on, that is the time to discuss it.

MAX: House values are too high right now for people to be able to buy homes.

CHERYL: A house by my house is for sale for \$100,000 more than the owner paid for it in March of this year.

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MAYOR: When the General Plan is updated, be involved. We need young people involved. I knew Terrie would say to enforce the code as written. I also knew she would look at options for the future as well. Jeremy, let anyone with this issue know they only have 30 days and must abide by the code. We won't pick and choose what to enforce. There are good people in the city. I would ask you to be part of the process. Be involved in making the city a better place to be. A new mayor and council will take over in January. Maybe, they have a different thought process. Good people are stepping forward to make things better. This discussion was far more than just about Max and an RV.

MAX: They will move into my house to be in compliance. We will find a way to get them in my home. We will only use the RV for storage purposes. Thank you for listening to me this evening.

MAYOR: Thank you for listening to our concerns. I am okay having hard conversations. It is why I like Richmond. I don't like it because we can do whatever we want. I like it because I am around people who care.

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

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

No Vote: None

Adjournment at 8:00 P.M.

RICHMOND CITY CORPORATION

Jeffrey D. Young, Mayor

ATTEST:

Justin B. Lewis, City Recorder