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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, May 20, 2015
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Council Members:

Council Chairman Kristie Overson
Vice-Chairman Ernest Burgess
Council Member Daniel Armstrong
Council Member Dama Barbour

City Staff:

John Taylor, City Administrator
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief
Todd Caldwell, UFA Battalion Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Ben Gustafson, Emergency Response Coordinator

Others: Cade Shiozaki, Jeffrey Sean Summerhays

Excused: Council Member Brad Christopherson, Mayor Larry Johnson

5:30 – 6:00 P.M. – LIVE SOCIAL MEDIA QUESTION AND ANSWER WITH THE CITY COUNCIL

5:31:54 PM City Council Members were available to address live questions from residents via social media.

No questions were presented to the Council.

1 **6:00 BRIEFING SESSION**

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3 6:03:47 PM Chairman Kristie Overson conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:03
4 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members
5 were present, except Council Member Brad Christopherson who was expected later. It was
6 relayed that Mayor Johnson would not be arriving until later in the regular Council Meeting and
7 a Mayor's Report will not be given.

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9 **1. Review Agenda**

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11 6:07:56 PM The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. It was noted that no Closed
12 Session will be needed tonight.

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14 6:08:04 PM Council Member Armstrong referenced the need for Council Members to sign thank
15 you letters for the donation of trees to the City.

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17 **3. Adjourn**

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19 6:08:36 PM Chair Overson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:08 p.m.
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22 **REGULAR MEETING**

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24 **Attendance:**

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26 Mayor Larry Johnson

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28 **Council Members:**

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30 Council Chairman Kristie Overson
31 Vice-Chairman Ernest Burgess
32 Council Member Daniel Armstrong
33 Council Member Dama Barbour
34 Council Member Brad Christopherson

28 **City Staff:**

30 John Taylor, City Administrator
31 Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
32 Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
33 Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief
34 Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
35 Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
36 Wayne Harper, Economic Development Director
37 Todd Caldwell, UFA Battalion Chief
38 Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
39 Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
40 Ben Gustafson, Emergency Response Coordinator
41 Rhetta McIff, Neighborhood Services Coordinator

1 Marsha Thomas, Judge
2 Kary Webb, Clerk of the Court
3 Jean Ashby, Economic Dev. Dept. Assistant
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6 **Others:** Cade Shiozaki, Jaden Muir, Janet Tran, Leiani Brown, Melanie Farronay, Miranda
7 Rankin, Zachary Eberhard, Marin McIff, Gordon Willardson, Jackie Willardson, Jeffrey Sean
8 Summerhays, Jessica Forsyth, Preston Handy, Julia Conrad, Randy Cutliffe, Curt Cochran, Lynn
9 Handy, Gordon Wolf, John Gidney, Officer Jared Cardon, Officer Nicholas Nelson, Detective
10 Librada Chacon, Detective Jaren Fowler, Keith Sorensen, Royce Larsen, Joan Thalmann
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12 **1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS**
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14 6:34:12 PM Chairman Kristie Overson called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. and welcomed
15 those in attendance. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all
16 Council Members were present.
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18 **1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge/Reverence – Youth Council Chair Overson**
19 **(Opening Ceremonies for June 3, 2015 to be arranged by Council Member**
20 **Burgess)**
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22 6:34:35 PM Youth Council Mayor Janet Tran directed the Pledge of Allegiance.
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24 6:35:20 PM Youth Council Member Zach Eberhard offered the Reverence.
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26 **1.2 Mayor's Report**
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28 It was noted that Mayor Johnson will be joining the Meeting later and no Mayor's Report was
29 given.
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31 **1.3 Citizen Comments**
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33 6:36:32 PM Chairman Kristie Overson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the
34 audience. She then called for any citizen comments.
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36 6:37:10 PM There were no citizen comments, and Chairman Overson closed the citizen comment
37 period.
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39 **2. APPOINTMENTS**
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41 There were no appointments.

1 **3. REPORTS**

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3 **3.1 UPD Quarterly Report and Recognition Awards**
4 **– Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant**

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6 6:37:23 PM Chief Wyant presented the *March 2015 Officer of the Month* Award to Officer Jared
7 Cardon. The Chief described the rescue of a young man by Officer Cardon during a house fire.
8 Chief Wyant expressed appreciation for the positive outcome to this event.

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10 6:39:54 PM Chief Wyant presented the *April 2015 Officer of the Month* Award to Officer Nick
11 Nelson. The Chief described Officer Nelson's recent response to a local burglary, wherein the
12 suspect was apprehended and merchandise valued at \$23,000 was recovered. The Chief
13 commended Officer Nelson for making this arrest.

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15 Chief Wyant presented a *Division Commander Award* to Detective Librada Chacon for her
16 successful handling of an aggravated burglary in Taylorsville and the recovery of illegal drugs
17 and weapons. The Chief commended Detective Chacon for protecting citizens in Taylorsville.

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19 6:44:32 PM Chief Wyant presented a *Division Commander Award* to Detective Jaren Fowler for
20 his work in the Taylorsville Street Crimes Unit. The Chief described the recovery of a large
21 amount of illegal narcotics, etc. He commended Detective Fowler for his incredible work to
22 make Taylorsville safer.

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24 6:47:48 PM UPD Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant reported on law enforcement activities of the
25 Taylorsville Precinct for the Third Quarter (January – March, 2015). He reviewed statistics on
26 crime trends and general offenses within each Taylorsville Council District.

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28 6:51:31 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong noted that traffic issues are increasing. Chief
29 Wyant cited efforts to incorporate a more balanced approach with traffic enforcement. He
30 referenced high traffic areas of more significant concern.

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32 6:53:32 PM Council Member Dama Barbour asked for clarification on the difference between
33 public order and public peace. Chief Wyant gave explanation on the types of calls falling within
34 these categories.

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36 6:55:44 PM Chief Wyant reviewed response time comparisons by month and discussed traffic
37 accidents in the City during the third quarter. He discussed statistics for traffic citations issued.

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39 6:58:21 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess expressed appreciation for traffic enforcement in
40 neighborhoods.

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1 The Chief outlined statistics for burglaries and burglary alarms in Taylorsville. He described
2 types of burglaries. He illustrated locations for narcotics cases. He referenced the quantity of
3 narcotics cases and impressive law enforcement efforts made by officers in that area.

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5 7:01:21 PM Chair Overson inquired about the reason for an increase in narcotics offenses. Chief
6 Wyant described an increase in the mobile distribution of narcotics. He also cited a very
7 significant increase in the use of heroin.

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9 7:03:27 PM Chief Wyant referenced summaries of cases conducted in the Violent Crimes and
10 Investigations Units.

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12 7:03:52 PM The Chief reported on callouts for the C.A.R. (Collision Analysis Reconstruction)
13 Unit and S.W.A.T. Teams.

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15 7:04:48 PM Vice-Chair Burgess cited drug education efforts being made in schools. Chief
16 Wyant suggested that an impact is being made and referenced Detective Scott Lloyd's efforts in
17 schools, along with School Resource Officers. He indicated that combatting drug use is a
18 challenge, but said progress is being seen. He noted that about 170 lbs. of narcotics were
19 received and destroyed during the precinct's recent "Take Back" event.

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21 7:07:33 PM Chair Overson cited amazing actions being taken by Taylorsville officers to help
22 keep the peace. She commended those in the precinct for doing an incredible job protecting the
23 City.

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25 7:08:37 PM Chief Wyant expressed appreciation for the support of elected officials and
26 community members.

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28 7:09:06 PM Chief Wyant relayed that Taylorsville officers were well represented at the UPD
29 Awards Banquet held yesterday, May 19, 2015. He commended the following for being
30 honored: Chief Wyant's Assistant/Officer Manager Brandy Stephens, Sergeant Brett Miller, and
31 Officer Joel Knighton. He also mentioned two local ecclesiastical leaders who were honored:
32 Pastor Scott Warren and Pastor Noah Bater.

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34 7:10:27 PM Council Member Dama Barbour relayed that Taylorsville Precinct Chief Tracy
35 Wyant also received the *Medal of Distinction* Award yesterday. Chief Wyant commented on the
36 great service rendered by Sergeant Brett Miller in conjunction with Taylorsville law
37 enforcement.

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39 7:11:48 PM Chief Wyant recognized Randy Cutliffe, a member of the Taylorsville Citizen
40 Advisory Board, in attendance.

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1 **3.2 Youth Council Seniors Recognition Awards**
2 **– Kristie Overson/Kris Heineman**

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4 7:13:08 PM Council Chair Kristie Overson recognized Youth Council Advisor Kris Heineman
5 and turned the time over to her for presentations to the graduating seniors serving on the
6 Taylorsville Youth Council and as Youth Ambassadors.

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8 7:14:46 PM Ms. Heineman described support rendered by the Taylorsville Youth Council, i.e.
9 attendance at City Council Meetings, participation in parades, Thanksgiving boxes, Sub for
10 Santa Program, assisting the Taylorsville Arts Council, helping at the Awards Banquet and the
11 Easter Egg Hunt, Earth Days event, ribbon cuttings, training at the Day at the Legislature, job
12 shadowing, attending the annual State Youth Conference, and assisting with Taylorsville Dayzz.

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14 7:16:42 PM Ms. Heineman introduced the senior students serving as Taylorsville Youth
15 Ambassadors and Youth Council Members. She presented certificates of achievement and
16 medallions for dedication and service to the following Youth Ambassadors and Youth Council
17 Members: Jaden Muir (Youth Ambassador), Janet Tran (Youth Ambassador), Leiani Brown
18 (Youth Council), Melanie Farronay (Youth Ambassador), Miranda Rankin (Youth Ambassador),
19 and Zachary Eberhard (Youth Council).

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21 7:17:38 PM Ms. Heineman shared short bios on each of the youth and cited their
22 accomplishments, including scholastic achievements and service projects.

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24 7:23:36 PM Mayor Lawrence Johnson joined the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

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26 Elected officials personally congratulated each of the award recipients and photos were taken.

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28 7:24:59 PM Ms. Heineman commended those parents present for the standards of excellence
29 exhibited by their children. Chair Overson thanked Ms. Heineman for doing a fine job mentoring
30 the Taylorsville Youth Council.

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32 **3.3 Emergency Preparedness Report – Ben Gustafson**

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34 7:25:54 PM Emergency Response Coordinator Ben Gustafson gave an update regarding
35 emergency preparedness activities in Taylorsville. He cited involvement with volunteer
36 organizations, i.e. the Certified Emergency Response Team (CERT), Red Cross and Amateur
37 Radio Community.

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39 7:26:04 PM Mr. Gustafson relayed that the entire CERT Program has been revamped over the
40 last year to bring it in line with current practices and standards related to the Incident Command
41 System and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). He cited a new response map

1 that has been created for CERT. He said the City has basically been divided into four quadrants
2 at 2700 West and 5400 South. He explained that CERT leadership has also been reorganized.
3 He said an active roster is maintained for use during emergencies. He noted that CERT personnel
4 will be participating in a multi-jurisdictional exercise in Salt Lake City.
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6 7:29:07 PM Mr. Gustafson relayed that a top of the line Amateur Radio Station is located at
7 Taylorsville City Hall. He cited audio and data capabilities available. He noted that there is also
8 an amateur radio station located at the back of the Food Pantry. He cited training exercises
9 conducted with amateur radio operators from other jurisdictions.
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11 7:30:46 PM Mr. Gustafson reported that the City is working with the American Red Cross on the
12 "Home Fire Preparedness Campaign" to reduce home structural fires and install smoke detectors
13 in homes. He said that the Public Safety Committee and the Building Department have also
14 participated in this campaign.
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16 7:31:57 PM Mr. Gustafson relayed that an Emergency Response Training Session was recently
17 conducted for City employees. He explained that, in conjunction with the Great Shakeout,
18 employees played "Emergency Management Jeopardy." He cited additional training rendered on
19 the Incident Command System to review principles of emergency management.
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21 7:32:53 PM Mr. Gustafson reported on a recent emergency that the City participated in during
22 April storms involving power outages. He explained that some Taylorsville residents were
23 without power for 24 to 48 hours and emergency housing assistance was offered for those in cold
24 homes. He clarified that a Red Cross warming shelter was opened at the Taylorsville Senior
25 Center. He noted that no one was housed overnight, but it was a great experience to practice for a
26 more serious emergency. He said that lessons in future planning were implemented.
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28 7:34:51 PM Mr. Gustafson said that the emergency preparedness website has been updated
29 through the City's website. He cited valuable information that is contained there for citizens.
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31 7:35:15 PM Mr. Gustafson said that he will be assisting the Public Safety Committee with the
32 *Night Out Against Crime* event on August 6, 2015 and also the *Emergency Preparedness Fair* on
33 September 10, 2015, which will be held at the Taylorsville Senior Center this year.
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35 7:35:50 PM Mr. Gustafson cited public education efforts made through the City website and the
36 Taylorsville Journal Newsletter.
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38 7:36:34 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess commended Mr. Gustafson for his efforts in educating
39 City personnel and citizens.
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1 **3.4 LARP Committee Report and Beautification Awards – *Keith Sorensen***

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3 7:37:15 PM LARP Committee Chair Keith Sorensen reported on activities of the LARP
4 Committee.

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6 7:37:52 PM Mr. Sorensen relayed that during the week of Earth Day, LARP Committee
7 Members and other volunteers planted three new trees at the Riverside Park where the Freedom
8 Shrine is located. He noted that LARP Vice-Chair Joan Thalmann presented information
9 regarding Earth Day at the event. He noted that the activity was not well attended, but those
10 there thought it was a valuable event. He thanked Lowe's and Sutherlands for donating the trees
11 that were planted. Mr. Sorensen read a proclamation regarding Arbor Day.

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13 7:40:33 PM Mr. Sorensen described the Ribbon Cutting event conducted by Salt Lake County
14 for the Little Confluence open space venue at Jordan River.

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16 7:40:48 PM Mr. Sorensen relayed that LARP *Beautification Recognition Award* program will
17 continue; properties are being considered and presentations will be made in the near future. He
18 thanked Public Information Officer Tiffany Janzen for advertising this program.

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20 7:41:39 PM Mr. Sorensen stated that LARP Committee Members will be part of the City booth
21 at Taylorsville Dayzz. He said information regarding water conservation will be provided at the
22 booth from the Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District and the Water Conservancy District.
23 Information on suitable gardens will also be available from landscape professionals.

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25 7:41:55 PM Mr. Sorensen cited discussion on the "Remember Me Garden." LARP Vice-Chair
26 Joan Thalmann distributed information on "Remember Me Gardens." It was noted that a large
27 amount of valuable information regarding water-conserving plants, etc. used to be on the City
28 website but has recently disappeared. Hope was expressed that this valuable tool for residents
29 can be restored to the website.

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31 7:43:39 PM Mr. Sorensen thanked PIO Tiffany Janzen, Council Coordinator Kris Heineman, and
32 Neighborhood Services Coordinator Rhetta McIff for their assistance rendered to the LARP
33 Committee.

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35 7:43:48 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong thanked Mr. Sorensen and LARP Committee
36 Members for their efforts. Chair Overson noted that the LARP Committee is very active and
37 stated her appreciation. She noted that funds have been budgeted for a "Remember Me Garden,"
38 hopefully placed at the Senior Center. Mr. Sorensen observed that the Senior Center is owned by
39 Salt Lake County and their input will be needed.

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1 [7:45:49 PM](#) Mr. Sorensen recognized LARP Committee Vice-Chair Joan Thalmann in
2 attendance and thanked committee members for their hard work.

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4 **3.5 Green Committee Report – Jeffrey Summerhays**
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6 [7:46:11 PM](#) Green Committee Chair Jeffrey Sean Summerhays reported on activities of the
7 Green Committee.
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9 [7:46:46 PM](#) Mr. Summerhays reported that the *Earth Day/Collection Event* held on April 25,
10 2015 was very successful. He distributed a report on tonnages of waste collected at the event.
11 He reviewed collections at the event and noted that an increase was seen over last year's event in
12 general recycling, with a decrease in bulk waste, green waste, and electronic waste. He also cited
13 a large increase in glass recycled. He said that sensitive document shredding remained about the
14 same. He cited data on prescription medications that were destroyed and also reported on a large
15 amount of household hazardous waste collected. He described water-conserving plants. Mr.
16 Summerhays observed that the event resulted in a major amount of materials being diverted from
17 the landfill. He shared some comments received as feedback on the Collection Event.
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19 [7:50:52 PM](#) Mr. Summerhays cited the Green Waste Bin Program and the Area Cleanup
20 Program that will begin in July.
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22 [7:52:04 PM](#) Mr. Summerhays thanked volunteers and Youth Council Members for their
23 assistance at the Collection Event, along with police officers and local businesses. He also
24 thanked the City Council for funding the event. He observed that Taylorsville residents
25 appreciated the event and a large impact was made in helping the environment.
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27 [7:53:26 PM](#) Chair Overson questioned where the most success in recycling and collection was
28 seen. Mr. Summerhays cited document shredding, household hazardous waste, and electronic
29 waste. He noted that this is the only collection event on the west side of the Salt Lake Valley.
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31 [7:55:56 PM](#) Council Member Armstrong noted that, without the collection event, household
32 hazardous waste may be inappropriately disposed of and the environment can be damaged. He
33 asked about any problems in recycling green waste. Mr. Summerhays said he is not aware of
34 problems. Council Member Armstrong commented on the value of collecting electronic waste to
35 ensure that it is properly destroyed.
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37 [7:57:58 PM](#) Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess expressed appreciation for the positive impact felt in the
38 City through the Collection Event. He thanked all those involved in its success.
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1 **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

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3 There were no matters for the Consent Agenda.

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5 **5. PLANNING MATTERS**

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7 **5.1 Discussion Concerning the Taylorsville-Murray Bus Rapid Transit Project**
8 **and Taylorsville Expressway Master Plan – *Mark McGrath***
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10 7:58:43 PM Community Development Director Mark McGrath reported on the Taylorsville-
11 Murray Bus Rapid Transit Project and the Taylorsville Expressway Master Plan. He described
12 Phase 1 of the project and illustrated area stations on an aerial map.
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14 8:03:03 PM Mr. McGrath illustrated Phase 2 of the Bus Rapid Transit Project (BRT) on an aerial
15 map and described the planned route. He observed that this is shaping up as a very good project.
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17 8:04:35 PM Mr. McGrath cited the potential to come up with a valuable plan for right-of-way
18 land along 4700 South in Taylorsville. He relayed that the City recently applied for and received
19 a \$50,000 grant from the Wasatch Front Regional Council for planning the area surrounding the
20 Bus Rapid Transit Project. He described the Taylorsville Expressway Master Plan and cited
21 three different elements of focus in the Plan: (1) Land Use; (2) Transportation; and (3) Urban
22 Design. He referenced a Steering Committee for development of the Plan, on which Chair Kristie
23 Overson and Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess served.
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25 8:06:56 PM Mr. McGrath described four very distinct and important land use areas and
26 illustrated them on an aerial photo, as follows: the Salt Lake Community College, Fore Lakes
27 Golf Course, Sorensen Research Park, and the collection of three mobile home communities. He
28 observed that 4700 South is perhaps the major east-west arterial in Salt Lake County. He noted
29 that the BRT Project will also add transit to 4700 South. He cited the large amount of right-of-
30 way available and the possibility of building off-road bike trails, as well as a pedestrian network
31 to feed the transit system. He referenced the potential of creating a “complete street” that is
32 designed for everybody.
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34 8:08:49 PM Mr. McGrath discussed the urban design component of the plan and the desire to
35 create a beautiful street, including street furnishings, signage, etc. He referenced Taylorsville’s
36 municipal branding strategy utilized over the past several years with City Hall and the Redwood
37 Road Project. He reviewed the potential to continue employing that branding theme along the
38 4700 South Expressway. He illustrated the concept for the new Taylorsville Fire Station.
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1 8:11:15 PM Mr. McGrath illustrated designs for gateway signs in the City, including a landscape
2 design. He indicated that the signs will be constructed this summer and installed on 4700 South.
3 He illustrated a sample of stone veneer.
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5 8:12:16 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong asked whether construction on the BRT is still
6 planned to commence in 2020. Mr. McGrath explained that the project is not yet fully funded,
7 but the City is hoping it will be sooner than that. He said the City will continue seeking available
8 funding and will attempt to wrap the BRT Project into the Taylorsville Expressway Master Plan.
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10 8:13:29 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson asked about opportunities with the electric
11 bus. City Administrator John Taylor commented that funding has been secured to deal with
12 design and environmental issues, but construction dollars have not yet been allocated. He noted
13 that electric buses may provide better opportunity for different funding sources. He cited a desire
14 to have a plan in place prior to implementation.
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16 8:14:20 PM Council Member Dama Barbour stated her excitement over the plans and said she
17 hopes to see the whole street complete. Mr. McGrath acknowledged that the City has been
18 working on this plan for five or six years and is way down the road with its vision. Council
19 Member Barbour commended the City for a job well done.
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21 8:14:33 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess expressed appreciation for Taylorsville being ahead of
22 the curve with planning and in creating a vision.
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24 **5.2 Discussion Concerning Open Space Design at Taylorsville City Center**
25 **- Mark McGrath**
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27 8:17:20 PM Community Development Director Mark McGrath gave a presentation on the City
28 Center Open Space. He noted that previous discussions on this topic were held a little over a
29 year ago and conversation was put on the back burner pending negotiations for the Performing
30 Arts Center (PAC). He illustrated the proposed Land Use Diagram from the Taylorsville City
31 Center Master Plan and cited the area in the center of the property on either side of Centennial
32 Way. He cited the potential to expand the open space all the way over to the freeway if a
33 suitable user is not found for that area.
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35 8:19:36 PM Mr. McGrath listed and described the following open space options, noting that they
36 can be mixed and matched:
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- 38 1. Traditional Town Square (examples were illustrated)
- 39 2. Passive Recreational Space (examples were illustrated)
- 40 3. Active Recreational Space (sports facilities)
- 41 4. Active Recreational Space (play areas)

1 8:22:33 PM Mr. McGrath showed an illustration from the Small Area Master Plan for the City
2 Center Property in order to view scale.

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4 8:24:16 PM Mr. McGrath noted that during the last discussion, the consensus of the City Council
5 was for more of a passive use.

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7 8:24:21 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson said his position has not changed and he
8 favors a passive use that would connect parks and trails. He said he envisions a place where
9 citizens would want to come and spend time, maybe with a water feature of some sort. He
10 suggested getting the City's front yard in compliance with City code.

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12 8:24:53 PM Council Member Dama Barbour stated that she still favors a passive use; however,
13 she does love the idea of a Farmer's Market. She noted that they are very popular and suggested
14 that a Farmer's Market could fit into the passive option. She asked about any kind of a water
15 feature that can be used more than one season.

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17 8:26:20 PM City Administrator John Taylor relayed that architects have recommended not
18 implementing any type of water feature in this area, due to terrible maintenance, upkeep, and
19 weather issues, etc. Mr. Taylor said that the City pushed for a water feature at the former Family
20 Center (Crossroads), but the developer would not consider it because it is too difficult to
21 maintain. He cited rumors that the development in Farmington is considering removing their
22 water feature. He referenced water conservation efforts in the valley. He said that water is a high
23 maintenance item, but it can be done.

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25 8:28:42 PM Council Member Dama Barbour observed that she has not seen any parks that do not
26 have some kind of water feature. She confirmed that her envision is for either a shallow, lazy
27 stream, or some kind of a center passive water feature.

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29 8:28:13 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong observed that whatever goes in on the east side of
30 the property, i.e. PAC, etc., will dictate what goes in to the rest of the property. He suggested
31 that it is premature to make decisions on the front of the property.

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33 8:28:30 PM Council Member Barbour said she does not want to wait on landscaping. She
34 expressed a desire for trees and green space.

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36 8:32:29 PM Mr. Taylor suggested working with a landscape architect and obtaining some ideas.
37 He stated a desire to get something in over the next fiscal year.

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39 8:29:57 PM Mayor Johnson cited the importance of not spending money to install something that
40 will just have to be torn out later. He cited ideas regarding skating rinks, fire pits, etc.

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1 8:30:31 PM Vice-Chair Ernest Burgess said his choice is still passive, i.e. trees, grass, trail
2 connections, etc. He expressed concern over later having to tear out something that goes in. He
3 cited a sprinkling system that is a real challenge on the other side of the property. He noted that
4 adaptations will have to be made there. He referenced a possible need for public restrooms down
5 the road.
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7 8:33:56 PM Council Member Barbour recommended just getting started and implementing some
8 green space that can be added to later. Additional discussion ensued regarding pinning down
9 ideas. Council Members Armstrong and Overson suggested beginning with trees along the edge.
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11 8:38:48 PM Mr. Taylor suggested that basic concepts for the middle ground be brought back for
12 consideration so that initial work can be started.
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14 8:39:53 PM Council Member Barbour asked that information regarding a water feature and more
15 specific information on installation and maintenance be obtained and brought back to the
16 Council. Mr. Taylor agreed to bring in a professional that works with installation and
17 maintenance to present information.
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19 8:40:25 PM Council Member Dama Barbour said that she has not been discussing plans for the
20 City Center property for just one year but, rather, every year for the last six years. She noted that,
21 in the meantime, there is a nest egg of \$1.2 million for the property improvements.
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23 8:40:50 PM Council Member Armstrong reverenced a recirculating water feature that could be
24 considered. Chair Overson observed that this is a good discussion and it is important to actively
25 consider options. Mr. Taylor confirmed that something the Council can feel comfortable
26 committing to will be brought forward.
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28 8:41:28 PM Mayor cited the importance of considering seasonal changes in selecting water
29 features. Council Members Overson and Barbour agreed that they want features that are
30 interactive all year.
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32 **6. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

33 **6.1 Discussion of Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Year-End Budget – Scott Harrington**

34 8:43:48 PM Chair Overson cited the City's FY 2014-2015 Year-End Budget and relayed that
35 Council Members have individually spoken to Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington about
36 such. She relayed that a public hearing must first be held and then a resolution can be adopted
37 this evening to approve the year-end amendments if desired.
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1 8:43:18 PM Mr. Harrington noted that copies of the budget have been available on the website
2 and hard copies are also available here in the room.

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4 8:44:05 PM Chair Overson asked if there are any specific questions from Council Members.
5 Council Members observed that they have had individual questions addressed by Mr. Harrington
6 previously and the year-end budget is pretty straight forward.

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8 **6.1.1 Public Hearing – To Receive Public Comment Regarding Final**
9 **Amendments to the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget**

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11 8:44:22 PM Chair Overson opened the public hearing on this matter and called for citizen
12 comments.

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14 8:44:46 PM There were no citizen comments and Chair Overson declared the public hearing
15 closed.

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17 **6.2 Budget Discussion for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 – *Scott Harrington***

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19 8:46:23 PM Chair Overson called for any discussion on the City's proposed FY 2015-2016
20 Budget.

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22 8:47:09 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson noted that Mr. Harrington spent time with
23 him and cited the changes that were made last week to increase employee compensation by 3%.
24 He noted that the increase to employee compensation was originally 1%. He suggested keeping
25 that increase at 3%, but cited a need to decide how to divide the increase between a cost of living
26 adjustment (COLA) and a merit increase. Council Member Dan Armstrong suggested that 1% be
27 allocated for a COLA and 2% for merit. All Council Members agreed with this recommendation.

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29 8:48:31 PM Discussion was held regarding a location for a "Remember Me Garden." Mr. Taylor
30 clarified that the City owns the park property and the drive-through is owned by Salt Lake
31 County. He said that an exact location at the Senior Center will be determined and then the City
32 can go to the County, if needed, to make it work. Council Member Armstrong relayed that LARP
33 Chair Keith Sorensen previously approached the County and they said no way, so there is a need
34 to clarify. Mr. Taylor reiterated the need to clarify a location and advise the LARP Committee
35 that the City has budgeted \$5,000 for the project. He said direction can be given that the LARP
36 Committee should decide how to use those funds.

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38 Mr. Harrington clarified that the \$5,000 allocation for the "Remember Me Garden" has been
39 added in the General Fund under Parks Projects, as it is not large enough to be classified as a
40 Capital Project.

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1 **6.2.1 Public Hearing – To Receive Public Comment on the Fiscal Year**
2 **2015-2016 Budget**

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4 **8:51:18 PM** Chair Overson opened the public hearing on this matter and called for citizen
5 comments.

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7 **8:51:26 PM** There were no citizen comments and Chair Overson declared the public hearing
8 closed.

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10 **8:52:04 PM** Council Member Barbour relayed that she has not heard any comments or input
11 from citizens on the proposed budget. Council Member Christopherson added that this has been
12 a very straight forward budget and he has heard no feedback.

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14 Council Member Dan Armstrong recommended holding off on adopting the budget for two
15 additional weeks to allow more time for citizen comments. Council Member Christopherson
16 noted that the budget is not legally required to be adopted until June 22, 2015. He stated that he
17 is okay with waiting if that is what Council Member Armstrong wants.

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19 **6.3 Resolution No. 15-09 – Providing for Year-End Final Amendments to the**
20 **2014-2015 Fiscal Year Budget – Scott Harrington**

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22 **8:45:13 PM** Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Resolution 15-09 –
23 Providing for Year-End Final Amendments to the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Budget. Council
24 Member Dama Barbour **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for
25 discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as
26 follows: Overson-yes, Armstrong-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All**
27 **City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

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29 **6.4 Resolution No. 15-10 – Adopting a Final Budget for the Fiscal Year**
30 **Beginning July 1, 2015 and Ending June 30, 2016 – Scott Harrington**

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32 **8:55:05 PM** It was agreed that this resolution will be considered at the June 3, 2015 City
33 Council. Mr. Harrington noted that information from the Utah State Tax Commission on the
34 certified tax rate will not be received until approximately June 14, 2015, but an independent
35 resolution can be adopted in that regard.

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37 Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to table Resolution 15-10 – Adopting a Final Budget
38 for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2015 and Ending June 30, 2016 until the June 3, 2015 City
39 Council Meeting. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman
40 Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call
41 vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Armstrong-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes,

1 and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed**
2 **unanimously.**

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4 **7. OTHER MATTERS**

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6 **7.1 Resolution No. 15-11 – Approving an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with**
7 **Murray City for Design and Construction of a Pedestrian Bridge and**
8 **Certain Sidewalk Improvements Located at Approximately 800 West**
9 **(Jordan River) 4500 South – Tracy Cowdell**

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11 **8:57:17 PM** Council Member Brad Christopherson noted that City Attorney Tracy Cowdell had
12 to be excused from the meeting early. He asked that Economic Development Director Wayne
13 Harper present the subject resolution to consider approving an interlocal agreement with Murray
14 City for design and construction of a pedestrian bridge at 4500 South and 800 West.

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16 **8:57:42 PM** Mr. Harper noted that the City has been working for over a year to get the pedestrian
17 bridge on 4500 South funded. He relayed that agreements with Salt Lake County, UDOT, and
18 UTA have been in place for a while and now a last agreement with Murray City is being
19 presented. He explained that Murray City has budgeted \$40,000 this year and will include
20 another \$40,000 into the next fiscal year's budget for a total commitment of \$80,000. Mr.
21 Harper cited conversations with the Murray Mayor wherein he indicated he was comfortable that
22 the budgeted amounts would be approved.

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24 **8:58:20 PM** Mr. Harper presented the interlocal agreement with Murray City, allocating \$80,000
25 towards the bridge. He cited expenditures for easement and legal expenses. He relayed that
26 funds should be received by August, 2015. He recommended that the Council approve the
27 interlocal agreement, especially as the bridge has already been ordered.

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29 **8:59:17 PM** Council Member Ernest Burgess inquired when the project will be completed. Mr.
30 Harper explained that the sidewalk is completed on the south side and improvements around the
31 memorial are done. He relayed that the rest of the sidewalk will be installed as soon as the
32 bridge is in place. He anticipated that the project will be done about the first of August, 2015.

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34 **9:00:13 PM** Mr. Harper gave additional clarification on work completed with the property
35 owners to get documents signed. He confirmed that the project is definitely a safety feature and
36 also a trail connection. Council Member Armstrong cited the current safety hazard in the area.

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38 **9:01:06 PM** Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 15-11 –
39 Approving an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with Murray City for Design and Construction
40 of a Pedestrian Bridge and Certain Sidewalk Improvements Located at Approximately 800 West
41 (Jordan River) 4500 South. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion.

1 Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for
2 a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Armstrong-yes, Christopherson-yes,
3 Burgess-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion**
4 **passed unanimously.**

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6 **8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)**

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8 9:02:09 PM Discussion was held regarding a ride for Council Members in the Taylorsville Dayzz
9 Parade. It was relayed that Council Coordinator Kris Heineman is working on coordinating
10 signups for Council Members and Youth Council Members to man the City booth. It was
11 clarified that everything for the City will be contained within one tent at Taylorsville Dayzz.
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13 **9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)**

14 9:03:08 PM

- 15 9.1 **City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, June 3, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.**
16 9.2 **City Council Meeting – Wednesday, June 3, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.**
17 9.3 **Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, June 9, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.**
18 9.4 **City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, June 17, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.**
19 9.5 **City Council Meeting – Wednesday, June 17, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.**
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21 **10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

22 9:03:28 PM

- 23 10.1 **“Get Into the River” Festival: Saturday, May 31, 2015 – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00**
24 **p.m. – Millrace Park (1150 West 5400 South) For More Information Visit the**
25 **City’s Website: www.taylorsvilleut.gov**
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27 10.2 **Taylorsville Dayzz: June 25-27, 2015 – For More Information Visit the City’s**
28 **Website: www.taylorsvilleut.gov**
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30 **11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)**

31 *- For the Purpose(s) Described in Statute U.C.A. 52-4-205*

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33 It was determined that a Closed Session is not needed and no Closed Session was held.
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35 **12. ADJOURNMENT**

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37 9:04:05 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adjourn the City Council
38 Meeting. Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson
39 called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote
40 was as follows: Overson-yes, Armstrong-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, and Barbour-

1 yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The
2 meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m.
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6 Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
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8 Minutes approved:
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10 *Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder*
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