

**City of Taylorsville**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
*Minutes*

**Wednesday, June 4, 2008**  
**Council Chambers**  
**2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140**  
**Taylorsville, Utah 84118**

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**BRIEFING SESSION**

**Attendance:**

Mayor Russ Wall

**Council Members:**

Chairman Les Matsumura  
Vice-Chairman Lynn Handy  
Council Member Morris Pratt  
Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach

**City Staff:**

John Inch Morgan, City Administrator  
John Brems, City Attorney  
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder  
Jessica Springer, Council Coordinator  
Keith Snarr, Economic Development Director

**Excused:** Council Member Bud Catlin

**BRIEFING SESSION**

**1. Review Administrative Report**

18:03:13 Chairman Les Matsumura conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:03 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present, except Council Member Catlin who was excused. The Administrative Report was then reviewed.

**2. Review Agenda**

18:03:45 The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed and discussed.

18:06:10 Council Member Rechtenbach asked that discussion be held during “Other Matters” regarding the adoption of a resolution opposing the Mountain View Corridor as a toll facility.

### **3. Closed Session: Strategy Session to Discuss the Sale and Purchase of Real Property**

18:09:19 Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach **MOVED** to adjourn the Briefing Session and convene a Closed Session to discuss the sale and purchase of real property at 6:09 p.m. Council Member Lynn Handy **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Les Matsumura called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Catlin-excused, Pratt=yes, Handy=yes Matsumura=yes, and Rechtenbach=yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Those in attendance at this Closed Session were: Mayor Russ Wall, City Administrator John Inch Morgan, City Attorney John Brems, Economic Development Director Keith Snarr, Council Members Handy, Matsumura, Pratt, and Rechtenbach, and City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle. Minutes for the Closed Session were taken and are now on file as a Protected Record.

Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach **MOVED** to adjourn the Closed Session at 7:00 p.m. and convene the regular City Council Meeting. Council Member Lynn Handy **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Les Matsumura called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Catlin-excused, Pratt=yes, Handy=yes Matsumura=yes, and Rechtenbach=yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

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#### **REGULAR MEETING**

##### **Attendance:**

Mayor Russ Wall

##### **Council Members:**

Chairman Les Matsumura  
Vice-Chairman Lynn Handy  
Council Member Morris Pratt  
Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach

##### **City Staff:**

John Inch Morgan, City Administrator  
John Brems, City Attorney  
Del Craig, Chief of Police  
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder  
Jessica Springer, Council Coordinator

Keith Snarr, Economic Development Director  
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer  
John Taylor, City Engineer  
Patrick Tomasino, Building Official

**Excused:** Council Member Bud Catlin

**Citizens:** Sara Carlock, Dan Fazzini, Howard Wilson, Jay Ziolkowski, Raili Jacquet, Bill Bradford, Scott Iverson, Jeff Bruegger, Harlan Christmas, Rachelle Snow, Brittney Slade, Colton Gardner, Natalie Noakes, Echo Ferrin, Anthony Garcia, Whitney Morgan, Kourtney Miles

## **1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

19:02:20 Chairman Les Matsumura called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present, except Council Member Bud Catlin who was excused.

### **1.1 Pledge of Allegiance – Opening Ceremonies – *Youth Council Member Hai Ho***

19:02:31 Echo Ferrin, of the Taylorsville Youth Council, directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **1.2 Reverence – *Youth Council Member Kyra Holman (Opening Ceremonies For June 18, 2008 to be arranged by Council Member Bud Catlin)***

Youth Council Member Natalie Noakes offered the Reverence.

### **1.3 Citizen Comments**

19:03:50 Chairman Les Matsumura reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. He then called for any citizen comments.

19:05:22 There were no citizen comments, and Chairman Matsumura closed the citizen comment period.

### **1.4 Mayor's Report**

19:05:32 Mayor Russ Wall had nothing to report at this time.

## 2. APPOINTMENTS

### 2.1 Erica Dahl, Economic Development Committee – *Mayor Wall*

19:05:52 Mayor Russ Wall nominated Erica Dahl to serve on the Economic Development Committee.

19:06:08 Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach **MOVED** to appoint Erica Dahl as a member of the Economic Development Committee. Council Member Lynn Handy **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Matsumura called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Catlin-excused, Pratt-yes, Handy-yes Matsumura-yes, and Rechtenbach-yes. **All City Council members present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

### 2.2 Sara Carlock, Arts Council – *Mayor Wall*

19:06:47 Mayor Russ Wall nominated Sara Carlock to serve on the Arts Council. Arts Council Vice-Chair Howard Wilson noted that Ms. Carlock had previously been in attendance, but had asked to be excused.

19:07:32 Council Member Morris Pratt **MOVED** to appoint Sara Carlock as a member of the Arts Council. Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Matsumura called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Catlin-excused, Pratt-yes, Handy-yes Matsumura-yes, and Rechtenbach-yes. **All City Council members present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

## 3. REPORTS

### 3.1 Youth Council – *Youth Council Chair Brittany Slade*

19:08:06 Youth Council Chair Brittany Slade reported on recent and upcoming activities for the Taylorsville Youth Council.

### 3.2 Valley Television – *Scott Iverson*

19:09:31 Council Member Rechtenbach recognized Salt Lake Community College Dean Jeff Bruegger, Media Operations Director Bill Bradford, and Executive Producer Scott Iverson of Valley Television and asked them to report on services provided through Salt Lake Community College's VTV Channel 17. Benefits to the City of Taylorsville were cited and objectives of the VTV/Taylorsville partnership were referenced. Dean Bruegger distributed a report from VTV and discussed how funds from the City are used. Mr. Bruegger asked that a representative from

Taylorsville be reappointed to serve on the VTV Board as soon as possible. He cited ways that other cities are using Channel 17 to highlight their communities.

19:14:25 Mr. Iverson and Mr. Bradford made clarifications on the pie chart provided and the amount of overhead specified.

19:14:06 Bill Bradford discussed programming expenses and Mr. Iverson reviewed production rates.

19:19:04 Questions from the Council regarding VTV programming and educational opportunities were addressed.

19:26:24 Mr. Bradford responded to criticisms that have been voiced to Council Member Rechtenbach regarding VTV programming. Explanation was provided regarding specific complaints.

#### **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

##### **4.1 Minutes -- CCWS 5-14-08 & RCCM 5-21-08**

19:28:44 Council Member Morris Pratt **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Matsumura called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Catlin-excused, Pratt-yes, Handy-yes Matsumura-yes, and Rechtenbach-yes. **All City Council members present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

#### **5. PLANNING MATTERS**

There were no planning matters.

#### **6. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

##### **6.1 Ordinance No. 08-17 – Approving the Appointment of an Independent Auditor – John Brems**

19:29:20 City Attorney John Brems presented the subject resolution to appoint a financial auditor for the upcoming year.

19:30:04 Council Member Morris Pratt recognized the efforts of Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington and members of the Budget Committee in selecting an auditor.

19:30:59 Questions from the Council were addressed regarding the Auditor's experience, and the deadline specified for finishing the audit. Mr. Morgan clarified that a sufficient amount has been budgeted for auditing services.

19:32:43 Council Member Morris Pratt **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance 08-17 – Approving the Appointment of an Independent Auditor. Council Member Lynn Handy **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Matsumura called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Catlin-excused, Pratt-yes, Handy-yes Matsumura-yes, and Rechtenbach-yes. **All City Council members present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**6.2     Resolution No. 08-21 – Declaring Office Chairs and Computer Equipment as Surplus Property – *John Inch Morgan***

19:34:28 City Administrator John Inch Morgan presented the subject resolution for Council consideration. He described specific chairs and computer equipment to be declared as surplus. Mr. Morgan addressed questions from the Council.

19:36:13 Council Member Lynn Handy **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 08-21 – Declaring Office Chairs and Computer Equipment as Surplus Property. Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Matsumura called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Catlin-excused, Pratt-yes, Handy-yes Matsumura-yes, and Rechtenbach-yes. **All City Council members present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**6.3     Discussion of 2008-2009 Tentative Budget – *John Inch Morgan***

19:36:55 City Administrator John Inch Morgan presented updated figures on capital projects. He cited numbers on the Baseball Park Project. Mr. Morgan noted that this project will be going out to bid the end of next week. He described options for allocations placed in the 2008-2009 budget. The possibility of utilizing a line of credit was discussed, in order to finish the baseball park project at a significant savings.

19:42:22 Discussion was held regarding potential funds from Salt Lake County. Mr. Morgan noted that if bids come in as the consultants have identified, the City will need to come up with another \$400,000 to finish the project.

19:44:51 Mr. Pratt expressed his reservations over budgeting an additional \$400,000 for this project in the upcoming budget. Mr. Handy, Mr. Matsumura and Mr. Rechtenbach stated that they would be in favor of finishing the project all at once in order to save some expense. Final

determination will be made once bids are received and Salt Lake County's contribution is confirmed.

19:49:45 It was clarified that the goal is to have bids on the Baseball Park Project in by end the end of June, with a decision made by the first of July. Mr. Morgan confirmed that the alternate work is being bid separately.

19:50:51 Chairman Matsumura cited some substantial savings on the baseball project.

19:51:14 Mr. Morgan predicted that the fields would be playable in 2010/2011.

19:52:46 Mr. Morgan noted several changes to the capital budget, i.e. removing improvements to the Taylorsville Park, deleting infrastructure improvements (except for some to City Hall), and removing funding for the Museum, Art Center, and a third fire station. He noted that funds have been added for the conceptual design of the 5400 South I-215 Ramp. City Engineer John Taylor described the upcoming project for the I-215 ramp at 5400 South.

19:55:53 Mr. Morgan noted an additional change to be made to the capital budget at Line 78 for the preliminary phase of the 5400 South I-215 interchange to reflect \$25,000 in revenue from UDOT and an expenditure in the amount of \$50,000 (the City's contribution is \$25,000 and UDOT is contributing \$25,000). Mr. Morgan anticipated that once the preliminary phase is complete, UDOT will cover the balance of engineering costs for design of the interchange.

20:00:08 Mr. Morgan stated that after all budget amendments, there is now an overage of \$36,279 available for distribution to other areas, to hold as a contingency, or to transfer into the fund balance.

20:02:00 Mr. Morgan clarified that \$100,000 was removed from the budget for intersection ADA improvements.

20:02:30 Mr. Morgan discussed the allocation for the Utah Local Governments Trust insurance and cited the adjustment made. He cited potential deductibles and premiums and called for Council input. Options for liability insurance were discussed.

20:04:02 Mr. Morgan questioned whether the City may want to consider moving into a self-insure situation over the next couple of years and dedicating some funds for that purpose.

20:05:18 Mr. Morgan cited a significant reduction in claims through recent management efforts.

20:05:47 Mr. Morgan addressed questions and comments from the Council and discussion regarding insurance options ensued.

20:06:59 Mr. Morgan recommended putting the \$36,000 in excess funds into the insurance account.

20:07:27 It was clarified that pending claims will be discussed in a closed session at next week's Council Meeting. Mr. Morgan relayed information on scenarios that will be provided by the Trust during that meeting.

20:08:55 The Council concurred that the excess \$36,000 should be placed into the insurance fund.

20:09:11 Mr. Morgan noted that the Mayor asked to be excused early from the meeting.

20:09:33 Discussion was held on the City's partnership with the Salt Lake Community College and the budget for services provided through VTV. Mr. Morgan cited a need to maintain a quality relationship with the college for economic development purposes. It was relayed that the campus is now known as the Taylorsville Redwood Campus. It was decided to leave funding for VTV in the budget.

20:10:47 Mr. Morgan made clarifications for Council Member Pratt on decreases in revenue for Building Permits and Fines and Forfeitures, as reflected on this version of the budget.

20:16:38 Council Member Rechtenbach inquired about flexibility in the amount budgeted for Taylorsville Dayzz. Mr. Morgan noted that cutting costs for Taylorsville Dayzz would result in cutting performers and would affect the quality of the fireworks display, etc.

20:20:42 Mr. Morgan said that Mayor Wall has asked for the Council's reconsideration of Administration's request for \$19,827 for two part-time maintenance workers to care for roadway corridors and back lot fence lines. Mr. Morgan described the need for this part-time help.

20:25:21 Mr. Pratt suggested contracting for the services needed instead of building the City staff.

20:28:29 The Council directed Mr. Morgan to pursue nuisance abatement remedies and the option of hiring temporary help to deal with weed and snow issues.

20:30:20 Council Member Rechtenbach noted that the LARP Committee is currently looking for beautification projects and may be able to help with weed removal.

20:32:10 Council Member Pratt suggested advertising in the Taylorsville Valley Journal for volunteer groups to assist with removal of weeds.

20:34:14 Mr. Morgan proposed switching the salary and benefits for the GIS Technician allocation from Administration to Community Development.

20:35:38 Mr. Morgan stated that he will publish Version 2.5 of the budget by Friday of this week.

20:36:22 Mr. Morgan made a clarification on the fund balance.

20:36:53 Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington said that the fund balance is currently at approximately 8 to 9%.

20:37:51 Council Member Pratt asked about funding for sponsoring events similar to the Junior Miss Pageant. Mr. Harrington affirmed that there is a line item for community events. The history of the Youth Ambassador program was reviewed. It was decided to invite representatives from the Junior Miss Pageant to come to a Council Work Session in order to describe the program and present a sponsorship request.

20:45:11 Chairman Matsumura called for consideration on a potential tax increase.

20:45:51 Chairman Matsumura affirmed that, because Council Member Handy will be absent on June 18<sup>th</sup>, a Special City Council Meeting will be held on June 11, 2008 with the anticipation that the Council will adopt the budget.

20:46:53 Discussion was held regarding the potential need for a tax increase and the potential impact to citizens. Council Member Handy stated that he feels a small tax increase may be necessary. Council Member Pratt said that he is still opposed to any kind of a tax increase. Chairman Matsumura expressed his concerns for the City as a whole and cited the importance of looking to the future.

20:54:54 Council Member Rechtenbach said that he would have a hard time supporting a tax increase this year and feels the budget is adequate.

20:56:11 Mr. Harrington and Mr. Morgan presented some proposed adjustments to revenue and expenses within the current 2007-2008 budget.

20:58:07 Mr. Morgan noted that a public hearing on the 2007-2008 budget has been advertised for next week and it is anticipated that final amendments to that budget will be adopted on June 11, 2008. Mr. Harrington stated that revenue is increased by \$106,150, which will be placed in the fund balance.

## **7. OTHER MATTERS**

### **7.1 Discuss Council Meeting Dates for July 2008 – *Chairman Matsumura***

21:03:47 Council Chairman Matsumura proposed altering the dates for City Council Meetings during the month of July, due to holiday and vacation schedules.

It was determined that regular City Council Meetings will be held on July 2, 2008 and July 9, 2008 and that no Work Session will be scheduled during July. It was noted that a Town Meeting will be held on July 30, 2008.

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

21:05:07 Council Member Jerry Rechtenbach asked that the Council consider adopting a resolution expressing opposition to the Mountain View Corridor as a Toll Road. City Recorder Cheryl Cottle will research whether a resolution has already been adopted by the Council regarding the Mountain View Corridor.

## **9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)**

21:07:59

- 9.1 City Council Work Session – June 11, 2008 – 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.2 City Council Briefing Session – June 18, 2008 – 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.3 City Council Meeting – June 18, 2008 – 6:30 p.m.**
- 9.4 City Council Briefing Session – July 2, 2008 – 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.5 City Council Meeting – July 2, 2008 – 6:30 p.m.**

## **10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 10.1 Early Voting for the State and County Primary Election will be at Taylorsville City Center, Room 110, on June 10-13, June 16-19 from noon to 6:00 p.m., and June 20, 2008 from noon to 6:00 p.m.**
- 10.2 Taylorsville Dayzz – June 27, 28 & 30, 2008 – Carnival Rides, food and Exhibit Booths, Barnyard Buddies and Evening Entertainment. For a complete schedule of events, visit the Taylorsville Dayzz link on our Homepage at [www.taylorsvilleut.gov](http://www.taylorsvilleut.gov).**

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

21:08:03 Council Member Morris Pratt **MOVED** to adjourn the City Council Meeting. Council Member Lynn Handy **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Matsumura called for discussion. There being none, he called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Catlin-excused, Pratt-yes, Handy-yes Matsumura-yes, and Rechtenbach-yes. **All City Council members present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

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Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 06-18-08

*Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder*