

City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, March 6, 2013
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor Jerry Rechtenbach

Council Members:

Vice-Chairman Kristie Overson
Council Member Larry Johnson
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Brad Christopherson

City Staff:

John Inch Morgan, City Administrator
John Brems, City Attorney
Kris Heineman, Deputy Recorder
Jessica Springer, Council Coordinator
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Scott Harrington, Chief of Finance
Donald Adams, Economic Development Director
Tracy Wyant, Police Precinct Chief
Aimee Newton, Communications Director

Excused: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder; Dama Barbour, Council Chairman

BRIEFING SESSION

1. Review Administrative Report

Vice-Chair Overson conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:03 p.m. Deputy Recorder Kris Heineman conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present except Chairman Barbour who was excused. Vice-Chair Overson called for questions on the Administrative Report from the Administration and there were none.

2. Review Agenda

Vice-Chair Overson called for any questions on the agenda for the City Council Meeting and there were none.

Vice-Chair Overson suggested adjourning until the regular City Council Meeting convenes at 6:30 p.m. in order to give Mr. Morgan time to hold a meeting with Committee Chairs.

3. Adjourn

The Briefing Session was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Battalion Chief

Excused: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder; Dama Barbour, Council Chairman

Citizens: Jaimie Dunn, Dexter Pearce, Brett McIff, Marin McIff, Jessica Burnham, Holly Mullen, Sidnee Huff, Kendra Peterson, Spencer Braithwaite, Gabby Magallanes, Cammy Beck, Jennifer Campbell, John Purils, Royce Larsen, Kathy Cue, Kristen Berrett, Katie Clark, McKenzie Miller, Michael Stott

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Vice-Chair Overson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. Deputy Recorder Kris Heineman conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present except Council Chairman Dama Barbour who was excused.

1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge of Allegiance – *Youth Council Marin McIff*

Youth Council Member Marin McIff directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 Reverence – *Youth Council Member Spencer Braithwaite* (Opening Ceremonies for March 13, 2013 to be arranged by Chairman Barbour)

Youth Council Member Spencer Braithwaite offered the Reverence. Mr. Braithwaite cited a quote from a poem.

18:31:59 Taylorsville Youth Council Member Spencer Braithwaite was recognized by Council Member Larry Johnson as his counterpart. City Administrator John Inch Morgan introduced Taylorsville Youth Council Member Ed Black as his counterpart for the evening.

Vice-Chair Overson recognized members of Scout Troops # 394, #214 and #589. She observed that it is great to have scout groups in attendance.

1.3 Citizen Comments

Vice-Chair Overson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. She then called for any citizen comments. There were no citizen comments and Vice-Chair Overson closed the citizen comment period.

1.4 Mayor's Report

18:35:55 Mayor Rechtenbach reported on legislative issues. He discussed SB 76, known as the "Billboard Bill." He noted that this bill does not look like it will pass. He explained that the bill is related to electronic mechanical signs and the City's ability to legislate billboards within the municipality. Mayor Rechtenbach described the bill for a local gas tax option and noted that it would supplement road funds for individual cities. He stated that this bill has been postponed. He relayed that he will be meeting with legislators over the next few months to try and get this bill passed.

Mayor Rechtenbach discussed community council initiatives. He suggested that they will become the backbone of the community. He also cited nine elementary school principals who are participating in a program to help educate students and faculty about bullying, stranger danger, youth safety patrol, etc. The Mayor noted that UPD Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant is doing a great job of ensuring greater police presence in schools. Mayor Rechtenbach relayed that mock disasters will be held at elementary schools to teach preparedness; these presentations will be followed by programs at the junior high and high school levels for the same purpose.

2. APPOINTMENTS

2.1 Appointment of Lee Ellen Stevens as Vice-Chair of the ORC – *Vice-Chair Overson*

19:26:50 Vice-Chair Overson recognized Lee Ellen Stevens and nominated her to serve as the Vice-Chair of the Ordinance Review Committee.

19:27:17 Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to appoint Lee Ellen Stevens as the Vice-Chair of the Ordinance Review Committee. Council Member Larry Johnson **SECONDED** the motion. Vice-Chair Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-excused. **All City Council members who were present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

2.2 Appointment of John Purvis to the Green Committee – *Vice Chair Overson.*

Vice-Chair Overson recognized John Purvis and nominated him to serve on the Green Committee.

Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to appoint John Purvis to the Green Committee. Council Member Larry Johnson **SECONDED** the motion. Vice-Chair Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-excused. **All City Council members who were present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

3. REPORTS

3.1 Youth Council Report – *Sydney Huff, Youth Council Chair*

Youth Council Chair Sydney Huff reported on recent activities and upcoming events for the Taylorsville Youth Council. She relayed that Youth Council Members recently assisted with the Taylorsville Arts Show. She cited the upcoming Youth Council Conference at Utah State

University. She relayed that a breakout session titled "The Hunger Games" will be conducted during the conference in order to concentrate on time management. Vice-Chair Kristie Overson stated that she appreciates all that the Youth Council does. She cited the tremendous energy of Youth Council Members.

3.2 Quarterly Report, Unified Fire Authority – EMS Bureau Chief Jay Ziolkowski

EMS Bureau Chief Jay Ziolkowski presented a quarterly report for the second quarter of 2012-2013. He noted that there were no significant incidents within the city during that quarter. He relayed that for the last several years, the two Taylorsville stations have been the two busiest stations within the Unified Fire Authority (UFA). He cited calls per station at 180, but clarified that Kearns and unincorporated Salt Lake County were not included in that count. He cited stations' boundaries and noted that Midvale City is ranked number one.

18:48:39 Council Member Burgess asked how the UFA is handling the needs of the City. Chief Ziolkowski stated that crews are handling calls very well. He noted that things are going very smoothly, according to reports given to him by other fire personnel.

Ernest Burgess asked about the training of personnel. Chief Ziolkowski gave explanation. He noted that he will be attending a national fire academy and stated that his next report will cover how the fire service augments capabilities during down time. Mr. Burgess asked if there is still a need to increase personnel. Mr. Ziolkowski stated that there is a need and gave further explanation.

Council Member Larry Johnson asked about the percentage of medical calls. Chief Ziolkowski relayed that 85% of calls are medical and 15% are fire. Mr. Johnson noted that all calls have both fire and medical responding. Chief Ziolkowski explained that decision in that regard is made at the time the call is received by dispatch.

18:52:27 Council Member Johnson also asked about the fire callout that sent two vehicles to Murray City from Station #117. He asked if that affects response times in Taylorsville when there is an emergency situation. Chief Ziolkowski gave greater detail about dispatched calls and cited mutual aid agreements. He explained that engines are moved around the areas to balance the times needed for callouts.

City Administrator John Inch Morgan also explained that Taylorsville has fairly good response times because of importing other fire personnel entities to the area to provide services.

He noted that it is unfair to have other entities come to Taylorsville to meet needs and then not pay them for use of their personnel. Mr. Johnson commented on a conversation with a citizen who raised concern about the amount of callouts involving the large apparatus when the apparatus is not actually needed. Chief Ziolkowski clarified that this discussion has been raised within the UFA and ways are being investigated to curb this cost.

Mr. Morgan cited different types of medical calls that would require using the fire apparatus, i.e. flooding, having a person trapped, water or heavy rescue, etc. He observed that the UFA has evolved and perfected some skills used in their emergency response.

19:00:31 Chief Ziolkowski followed up on a question raised during the last quarterly report regarding fire hydrants and the water pressure provided to the City. He stated that he did research and mapping throughout the City and feels that the City is very well provided for with respect to its water and pressure in hydrants.

Vice-Chair Overson referenced a fire in her district and a resident who asked about that incident. She stated that she appreciated the way this resident was handled, as her question was answered to her liking. She thanked Chief Ziolkowski for his report.

3.3 Proposed Adopt-A-Street/Adopt-A-Park Programs, and the Comcast Cares Day of Service Event – *Mark McGrath & Rhetta McIff*

Community Development Director Mark McGrath reported on the Comcast Day of Caring event coming up in April. He discussed the Adopt-a-Street and Adopt-a-Park programs. He stated that this generally involves a weed and litter control program for local areas. He referenced the packet information that lays out the parameters and rules for this program.

19:03:01 Council Member Johnson asked about the policy verbiage that states all participants must sign a release form. He asked if the City is liable for injuries when people have signed a release waiver. City Attorney John Brems stated that the release form is for volunteers and any injuries would be covered by Worker's Compensation. Vice-Chair Overson stated that she is very excited about this program. She asked about the limitation of 10 people per site and also about children being involved. It was noted that children under 12 cannot participate. She asked if there is a way to include younger children.

19:06:14 City Administrator John Inch Morgan explained that there are guidelines set for parents to be responsible for younger aged children. He clarified that when participants sign the release, it is a release from liability, but not necessarily from injury. Mr. McGrath stated that there is concern with regard to the Adopt-a-Street program, but noted it is still in draft form and further input is still being sought. He suggested the possibility of having younger children be involved in the Adopt-a-Park program. Council Member Johnson asked about the maximum

number of participants being 10 per ½ mile of covered area. He observed that, in some instances, this may not be enough people. Mr. McGrath stated that the idea is to have enough coverage to make a difference. He said the suggestion has been made to note a minimum of a ½ mile. Rhetta McIff observed that the purpose is to encourage a large amount of coverage without overdoing the area. Mr. McGrath relayed that the Adopt-a-Street program is still being reviewed and changes will be made and brought back to the Council for further review.

Vice-Chair Overson asked Mr. McGrath to discuss the Comcast Cares Event. Mr. McGrath explained that the Adopt-a-Street program is scheduled to begin on April 27, 2013 which coincides with the Comcast Day of Service program. He introduced Comcast representatives in attendance. Mr. McGrath explained that the goal is to enlist 800 volunteers to be involved in a massive spring clean up day. He said there will be a number of cleanup projects available on that day. He noted it is also Arbor Day. It was relayed that Comcast will provide breakfast, lunch, and t-shirts for volunteers. Mr. McGrath expressed hope that this event will become an annual tradition.

Rhetta McIff asked the Council and Administration to provide input for project ideas that can be implemented during this program. She noted that suggestions are needed quickly. Council Member Brad Christopherson stated that he would be presenting his list shortly. Ms. McIff relayed that UDOT is considering partnering with Taylorsville and other local businesses which would lend to a City-wide focus. Mr. McGrath stated that he will be communicating with Council Members as the event gets closer. Ms. McIff explained that the County Arborist has begun chipping and mulching throughout the City for use in recycling. Ms. McIff said that registration forms for the Comcast Cares program will be available on the City website for anyone who is interested in participating.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – SCCM 01-30-13 & RCCM 02-06-13 & RCCM 02-20-13

19:16:56 Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Larry Johnson **SECONDED** the motion. Vice-Chair Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-excused. **All City Council members who were present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

6.1 Public Hearing – 6:30 p.m. – To Receive Public Comment on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds – *Kathy Ricci*

CDBG Consultant Kathy Ricci explained the purpose of the CDBG grant. She explained that HUD requires that the community be notified that final decisions will be made on funding for the CDBG grant through a public hearing. City Administrator John Inch Morgan asked Ms. Ricci to give a brief discussion on the federal funding process. Ms. Ricci clarified that she built in an estimate of \$330,000 for this year, but noted it will be decreased to \$323,000 based on the 5% cut made by Congress. She stated that she will meet with the Mayor after tonight's meeting to receive final recommendations. She summarized that she expects additional cuts in CDBG funding next year.

Vice-Chair Overson opened the public hearing and asked that interested parties come forward and state their names before beginning comments.

19:18:19 Jaimie Dunn, representing the Boys and Girls Club in South Valley, gave a brief report on the purpose of this program and the need for continued funding. She said the program serves close to 3000 youth per day at two locations and six school sites; out of the 3000 youth served, 73% of youth participants come from low income families. On average the program charges \$20 per year per child to attend the program five days per week. The actual cost is \$1000 per year per youth for supplies and staffing needs. The goal is to provide educated mentors to help build relationships, provide a safe environment, life enhancing programs, character development, hope, and opportunity. Ms. Dunn gave an example of a Taylorsville High School student who attends the program. She noted that this student has been nominated as "Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year." She cited a request for funding to continue serving the youth in the community. Ms. Dunn called for any questions from Council Members. Council Member Ernest Burgess asked if there were a lot of successes within the program. Ms. Dunn relayed that 93% of the youth that attend the Midvale Club live in poverty. She noted that they take overflow from homeless shelters. She cited support to help kids believe in themselves and said kids are responding positively to such support.

19:26:22 Vice-Chair Kristie Overson asked if there is an address tracking system. Ms. Dunn explained that there is a packet of information that must be filled out for each child and signed by a parent or legal guardian.

19:28:48 Jessica Burnham, with the Road Home, gave a brief report on the purpose of her program and the need for continued funding. She stated that it is the largest provider of shelter and support for people experiencing homelessness in Utah. She thanked the City for past support. History was given on the purpose and mission of the Road Home program. Ms.

Burnham stated that they offer a spectrum of needs including emergency assistance, shelter, case management and permanent housing solutions. She requested funding for two shelter programs. She added that the Salt Lake Shelter, which is the main shelter, provides for approximately 900 men, women and children nightly throughout the year. Ms. Burnham noted that 64 residents from Taylorsville were given shelter through this program. She added that the program helped 59 individuals secure and maintain housing within Taylorsville, which infused rental subsidies into the community. She then asked for questions from Council Members and there were none.

19:31:00 Dexter Pearce gave his presentation from the Community Health Center. He cited history on the center. He stated that this program has been the primary care medical, dental, and behavioral health program for Salt Lake County's working poor residents for the past 33 years. He explained that these are residents under the 10% poverty level and the people served are the working poor in the community. He noted that this population consists of hardworking families that have jobs and contribute economically to the community, but do not qualify for insurance. He noted there were 3,212 Taylorsville residents served through this program at a cost of \$1.4 million. Mr. Pearce indicated that half of that cost comes from paid sources such as insurance or Medicaid and Medicare; another portion comes from federal funding. He relayed that they also receive private donations, CDBG funding etc. He indicated that the cost per visit is \$119.00. He noted that they have had a long association with Taylorsville over the past 14 years. Mr. Pearce stated that Taylorsville is one of his favorite cities to work with. He cited information available for anyone interested in learning more about this program.

19:34:11 Perla Rivera and Jennifer Campbell, from South Valley Sanctuary, gave a brief presentation about their program. Ms. Campbell stated that they provide services for men, women and children who are in crisis with domestic violence. She noted that, in order to qualify for their services, individuals must have nowhere else that they can go. She commented that there were 276 individuals sheltered and there were 800 individuals turned away who qualified, but there were no facilities available for them. She stated that, of the 276 individuals, 21 came from Taylorsville. She noted that Victim Advocates are the backbone of the shelter. She cited a request for \$5,000 to be used toward their Victim Advocate program.

19:36:05 Ms. Rivera stated that she is a Victim's Advocate for the South Valley Sanctuary and has worked at this shelter for over three years. She added that it is very rewarding, as she sees people looking for a safe place to start over in their lives. The goal of the program is to educate and help families leave domestic violence situations and make a fresh start. Council Member Johnson asked for clarification on the types of abuse addressed. Ms. Campbell clarified that they serve a wide range of abuse. She noted that they partner with the Victim Advocates of the Police Department in order to educate the people they serve.

19:39:00 Kristin Barrett gave a brief presentation for the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. She noted that this is a mentoring program that provides one-on-one mentoring to kids who are

facing adversity. She stated that she is asking for funds to aid with the program at Vista Elementary, where there are currently 15 mentor/student matches. She cited the types of training available to mentors. She described school-based programs that involve high school students as mentors for elementary-age children. She cited 211 children involved in the program in Taylorsville. She commented that the program currently has 99 volunteers who reside in Taylorsville.

19:41:31 Kathy Cue, from the Family Support Center gave a brief presentation. She noted that their administrative offices moved to Taylorsville about four years ago. She explained that, currently, there are three crisis nurseries and 14 programs which include counseling services, housing projects, and services to single mothers who have been previously homeless, etc. Ms. Cue stated that they serve all income levels. She commented that the three crisis nurseries are available at no cost, 24 hours a day, 360 days a year. She informed Council Members that they are asking for funds to build a new front door for their administration building.

Vice-Chair Overson stated that she received an email from the YCMA, who apologized that they could not attend the meeting. She asked for protocol regarding disseminating the information to Council Members. Mayor Rechtenbach stated that he would forward the email to Council Members.

19:44:10 Holly Mullan, Executive Director of the Rape Recovery Center, gave a brief history and presentation about the program. She thanked the Council and Administration for several years of past support. She noted that this program is the only independent non-profit agency in the state to provide full time services to female and male victims suffering from sexual violence, ages 14 years and older. The purpose of the program is to serve victims in the immediate first few hours of crisis and also to serve those who struggle with the aftermath of sexual violence many years later. She cited a 24-hour crisis telephone line staffed completely by trained volunteers. She explained that they provide advocacy and referrals to victims of sexual violence to other agencies. Ms. Mullan also noted that they work in partnership with several agencies represented previously. She explained that individual and group therapy is offered for victims. She relayed that they have hospital response to 16 hospitals and send trained advocates to meet with victims and offer individual and group therapy. Ms. Mullan noted that last year 7,269 services were provided to clients and, of those, 247 direct services or interactions were with Taylorsville residents; of those, she noted 44 unduplicated cases were within Taylorsville. Ms. Mullan stated there is an increase in reported rapes from 22 to 30 within Taylorsville. She added that only 9% of victims in Utah will make a report to law enforcement. She stated that the program is asking for \$3,000 to help fund the above mentioned programs. She summarized by stating that 87% of clients live below poverty level and will receive services on a sliding fee scale at low or no cost.

Council Member Burgess asked about the process when an incident happens. Ms. Mullan stated that there are several ways people are helped through the Rape Recovery Center. There are direct phone calls, referrals from police officers, hospitals, SANE nurses, other agencies, counseling, etc. She noted that some victims report crimes years later. She also relayed that male victims are typically in this group.

19:52:01 Vice-Chair Overson declared the public hearing closed. John Inch Morgan thanked all participants. He stated that these programs will be discussed and a final decision will be made at the next City Council Meeting.

6.2 Resolution No. 13-05 Approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Taylorsville and Salt Lake County on Behalf of the County Clerk Elections Division for 2013 Municipal Election Services – John Inch Morgan

City Administrator John Inch Morgan presented the subject resolution to approve a contract between two governmental agencies, as Taylorsville City contracts with Salt Lake County for election services. He cited the option, as a municipal body of the State of Utah, for Taylorsville to run its own elections, which would require hiring election judges, purchasing or renting ballot equipment, etc. He explained that the entire election would then become the City's responsibility. Mr. Morgan noted that the City has always chosen to contract with Salt Lake County Election Services for its elections. He stated that municipal elections happen every other year during odd-numbered years; on even-numbered years, the County has its elections. He commented that the cost will be higher this year due to the higher number of elective offices being filled. Because of the maintenance and sophistication of machines, Mr. Morgan suggested contracting with Salt Lake County to save money. He advised that the Fire District will bear the cost of the upcoming Fire District election. Council Member Burgess asked if the cost increase is due to the different elections. Mr. Morgan clarified that there will be an election for three council districts and a city-wide mayoral election this year, which makes for a higher cost. He noted that the cost is calculated on a city-wide primary election being held. He clarified that the proposed inter-local agreement is a "not-to-exceed" agreement.

19:56:32 Council Member Burgess raised a question about methods used for elaborate election booths and Salt Lake County personnel. Mr. Morgan stated that the only other option would be to fund the entire election through the City.

Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 13-05 – Approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Taylorsville and Salt Lake County on Behalf of the County Clerk Elections Division for 2013 Municipal Election Services. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Vice-Chair Overson called for

discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-excused. **All City Council members who were present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 Ordinance No. 13-07 Amending Chapter 2.27 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances that is Entitled Community Councils – John Brems

19:59:48 City Attorney John Brems presented the subject ordinance and described proposed amendments to Chapter 2.27 of the Taylorsville City Code in regard to Community Councils. He noted that this ordinance was proposed by the Community Council Group. He said he also believes the Ordinance Review Committee has looked at the proposed ordinance. Mr. Brems called for questions from the City Council.

19:59:54 Council Member Larry Johnson asked about the wording used to describe memberships. He observed that it would work, provided community councils work hard to encourage groups to form.

Mayor Rechtenbach commented that, as he read through the document, he identified two issues. He noted the first issue in Paragraph J, where voting by a specific community council is discussed. He expressed concern that there is no method of accounting for membership and/or voting within a community council. He asked about creating a way to tabulate membership.

The Mayor called for discussion on another issue regarding injuries while volunteering for the City. He asked Mr. Brems if there would be an option for that. Mr. Brems gave further clarification. Mayor Rechtenbach observed that there is potential liability for a third party's negligence. He asked how this would affect insurance rates. Council Member Johnson reiterated his concern about the release of liability waivers being clear. Mr. Brems stated that the City wants to be covered by Worker's Compensation. He gave clarification that community council members would be added to a "volunteer list" which would then allow them to be covered. Mr. Brems clarified that if there are volunteers who are within the scope of their duties, they are covered under governmental immunity. Mr. Morgan commented that one way the City limits liability is to clearly define what the scope of duties will be within community councils. Mr. Brems summarized that the reason for the waiver is that if there is a potential claim against the City, community council members have waived that claim in advance.

20:06:02 Vice-Chair Overson clarified that every member of a community council should be listed on a "volunteer list" and, as such, they would be covered by Worker's Compensation. She noted that the duty to provide that list would fall under the scope of the secretary of the

community council through use of a "Volunteer Form" for each member to sign and keep on record.

Council Member Christopherson asked how difficult it would be to define the impact for these volunteers from Worker's Compensation. Mayor Rechtenbach stated that consultation would need to be made with them. Mr. Brems stated that, generally, the Utah Local Governments Trust covers the insurance based on coverage. Mr. Morgan noted that part of that would be describing the duties of the volunteers.

Council Member Johnson suggested that if claims are made, rates increase. Mayor Rechtenbach stated that is not necessarily the case.

Mr. Brems emphasized that Worker's Compensation is a good thing and without it there is unlimited liability. He cited an option to state that individuals in the group are not considered "volunteers;" they would then be responsible for themselves.

Council Member Christopherson observed that, based on discussion held, the rate increase would be minimum and any volunteerism the city creates would make it worth the risk. Vice Chair Overson agreed. She suggested getting the program up and going and, if there is a huge increase in volunteers, the concerns can be re-addressed at a later date.

20:14:30 Council Member Burgess asked whether the community council budget would include funds for training members. Mr. Morgan suggested a budget of \$1,000 and explained that, due to the nature of community councils, he does not believe the cost would be high. He noted there may be incidental costs from phone calls and mailings. Mayor Rechtenbach stated that he expects the community councils will be a tool for the City Council to receive feedback from constituents in their districts. He added that he plans to attend these meetings frequently to become familiar with concerns and comments that are raised by residents.

20:17:30 Council Member Burgess raised question about conflicts between community councils and volunteer committees. Mayor Rechtenbach stated that there will be some overlap. He cited a learning curve for community council members to discover what their charter is focused on and to adapt to different types of meetings.

Council Member Johnson asked about the process for electing a chair for the community councils. Mayor Rechtenbach relayed that the ordinance states the Mayor appoints the initial chair, vice chair and secretary; at the end of the year, each council will hold its own election for a new chair, vice chair and secretary.

20:20:18 Vice-Chair Overson asked about a timeline associated with establishing the initial chair, vice chair and secretary. Mayor Rechtenbach stated that there is not a timeline

established; however, once the ordinance passes, the process will begin by sending out requests for nominations.

20:22:17 Vice-Chair Overson introduced Michael Stott who discussed community councils further. He gave clarification on his job as the Community Liaison for Salt Lake City Mayor Becker. He discussed the process for community councils used in Salt Lake City. He noted that they run well, but there is still room for improvement. He referenced a big benefit in providing citizens an opportunity to become better informed on city issues and to give input. He suggested that this will build a sense of community within gathering places.

Mr. Burgess asked if there were community councils in other areas besides Salt Lake City. Mr. Stott stated that there are some in unincorporated areas of Salt Lake County. He indicated he is not familiar with other areas outside of Salt Lake. He referenced community councils within Salt Lake City schools and noted that they are focused specifically on education and do not have a broad range of issues expressed throughout the city.

Council Member Johnson asked Mr. Stott if he has concerns within the scope of his job as it relates to community councils in Salt Lake City. Mr. Stott described one concern regarding opinions expressed by small groups compared to large groups. He suggested that opinions need to be taken in context, as small groups may represent a much larger population. He cited another area of concern in that some citizens express their personal agenda rather than the opinion of the group. He noted that facilitators must be careful not to push their own agendas as though it represents the entire community council. He cited a challenge for Salt Lake City in that people attending community councils are generally older Caucasian adults and there is always the question of whether there is adequate representation of a diversified population.

20:29:08 It was noted that community councils must feel that they are independent from City funding and support.

Vice-Chair Overson observed that there are a lot of questions that do not have answers, but until the ordinance is passed and groups are formed, the concerns cannot be addressed.

Council Member Johnson asked if the bylaws include the topic of removal from office. Mayor Rechtenbach clarified that removing a member from a position of leadership within a community council would be a decision made by the group.

20:34:35 Mr. Stott asked if the current draft of the ordinance addresses the City Council Member's role. Council Member Burgess clarified that it is addressed, as City Council Members will be advisors. Mayor Rechtenbach noted that there will be feedback from personnel assigned to each community council.

Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance No. 13-07 - Amending Chapter 2.27 of the Taylorsville Code of Ordinances that is Entitled Community Councils. Council Member Brad Christopherson **SECONDED** the motion. Vice-Chair Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-excused. **All City Council members who were present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7.2 Discussion Regarding City Council Meeting Times – *Vice-Chair Overson*

Council Vice-Chair Overson called for discussion regarding City Council Meeting times that would represent a unified time for all Council Meetings, including Work Sessions. She observed that by implementing uniform times, comp time and over time for staff involved could be cut. Council Member Christopherson suggested that the meeting time should take into consideration allowance for public attendance. Discussion ensued, with the final decision being to keep times the way they are currently scheduled.

Vice Chair Overson suggested sending out an email regarding a possible strategic planning session to discuss budget issues. She referenced potential meeting times. Council Member Johnson stated that any meetings should be held at City Hall.

20:44:18 Vice Chair Overson suggested Friday April 5, 2013 and asked for suggested times. Council Member Johnson stated that he likes mornings, i.e. 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Council Member Burgess asked what material would be discussed at the strategic budget meeting. Mr. Morgan explained that budget initiatives and costs would be reviewed. He stated that it would not be a line by line budget item discussion.

20:47:36 Mr. Morgan said he is expecting Council Members to provide a list of budget items they would like to see added or omitted from the budget before the April 5th meeting. He added that trend analysis data and research lag behind timelines and will not be accurate at the first budget meeting sessions.

Vice Chair Overson thanked administration and staff for the efforts they make to prepare for City Council Meetings.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

There were no new items for subsequent consideration.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

- 9.1 **Planning Commission Meeting - Tuesday, March 12, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.2 **Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, March 13, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.3 **City Council Meeting - Wednesday, March 13, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.**
- 9.4 **Planning Commission Work Session - Tuesday, March 26, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.5 **Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, April 3, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.6 **City Council Meeting - Wednesday, April 3, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.**

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10.1 **Annual Taylorsville Easter Egg Hunt – March 23, 2013 – 9:00 a.m. – Two locations: Valley Regional Park, 5100 South 2700 West and Labrum Park, 1850 West 6100 South**
- 10.2 **Taylorsville Dayzz - Thursday, June 27-29, 2013 - For information and schedule of events: www.taylorsvilledayzz.com**

11. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adjourn the City Council Meeting. Council Member Larry Johnson **SECONDED** the motion. Vice-Chair Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes, Barbour-excused. The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.



Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 04-03-13

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