

City of Taylorsville

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING *Minutes*

Wednesday, September 12, 2012
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129
6:00 p.m.

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Attendance:

Mayor Russ Wall

Council Members:

Council Chairman Jerry Rechtenbach
Vice-Chairman Dama Barbour
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Larry Johnson
Council Member Kristie Overson

City Staff:

John Inch Morgan, City Administrator
John Brems, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Jessica Springer, Council Coordinator
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
John Taylor, City Engineer
Scott Harrington, Chief of Finance
Donald Adams, Economic Development Director

Others: Rebecca Schwendimann, UFA Chief Michael Jensen, Daryl Gudmundson, Ralph Beer, Robert Hoffman, Clair Jones, Patrick Marino, Flip Payne, Bruce Wasden, Scouts from St. Matthew's Troop 4996, UFA Deputy Chief Gaylord Scott and UFA Deputy Chief Royce Haakenson

18:01:44 Chairman Jerry Rechtenbach called the Special City Council Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

18:04:12 A reverence presentation was partially presented to commemorate the 9/11 attacks eleven years ago. Technical difficulties prevented the presentation from being shown in its entirety.

18:07:05 Chairman Rechtenbach noted that the Salt Lake Valley Fire District will hold a public hearing immediately following this meeting, at which time the public will be invited to speak in regard to the proposed annexation of Taylorsville into the Fire District Service Area. He invited any citizens who may have other concerns, not related to the Fire District issue, to come forward. There were no citizen comments.

1. **Resolution No. 12-33 -- Accepting the FY 2012 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in the Amount of \$34,266.00 -- John Inch Morgan**

18:09:04 City Administrator John Inch Morgan presented the subject resolution to accept the FY 2012 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in the Amount of \$34,266.00. Mr. Morgan noted that application for this grant was made before fully joining the Unified Police Department (UPD). He explained that the intent was to have the UPD receive the grant; however, conditions of the grant specify that the agency who applied for the grant must also accept it. Mr. Morgan noted that the \$34,266.00 is being awarded from the Department of Justice to the City of Taylorsville and will be used in the Taylorsville UPD Precinct for equipment and other necessary items.

18:09:09 Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 12-33 - Accepting the FY 2012 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant in the Amount of \$34,266.00. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Rechtenbach called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Rechtenbach-yes, Barbour-yes, and Burgess. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

2. **Ordinance No. 12-23 - Providing a Notice of Pending Change to the Taylorsville Land Development Code Regarding the Sale of Tobacco and Related Substances - John Brems/Mark McGrath**

18:10:34 Community Development Director Mark McGrath presented the subject ordinance designed to provide notification of a pending change to the Taylorsville Land Development Code in regard to the sale of tobacco and related substances. He noted that this is a similar ordinance to one previously passed regarding electronic billboards. He observed that this ordinance is to protect the City from new tobacco businesses opening in the City while the ordinance is being finalized. Mr. McGrath clarified that any business applications submitted to the City in this regard will be placed on hold until the ordinance is adopted and those applicants will be required to adhere to the final ordinance as adopted by the City Council.

18:10:58 Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance No. 12-23 - Providing a Notice of Pending Change to the Taylorsville Land Development Code Regarding the Sale of Tobacco and Related Substances. Council Member Kristie Overson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Rechtenbach called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Rechtenbach-yes, Barbour-yes, and Burgess. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

3. Discussion Regarding Capital Projects - *John Taylor*

18:11:45 City Administrator John Inch Morgan cited Administration's intent to report regularly on capital projects during Council Meetings throughout the fiscal year.

- **Redwood Road / 5300 to 5000 South**

18:14:13 City Engineer John Taylor illustrated plans for the Redwood Road Project for the section covering 5000 South to 5400 South. Mr. Taylor stated that there are very few options available for beautifying the area. He cited garages belonging to residences that are included in the fencing and also different types of fences. He listed work that has already been completed. Mr. Taylor noted that funding is available for the 4700 South area. He commented that the cost for this project is \$8 million. Mr. Taylor cited recommended changes and commented that one possibility is to implement center medians and change the curb/gutter. He noted that this would also add extra space between the park strip and the sidewalk where landscaping and planting could be completed. Mr. Taylor explained that the project has been divided into three phases. He listed specifics of the project, i.e. completing block walls, building medians, adding landscaping, enlarging the right-of-way, etc. He observed that the project would clean up the whole business district.

Chairman Rechtenbach referenced the construction project on Redwood Road that was completed in 2006 for a total cost of \$6 million. He asked for clarification on the cost difference and the amount of area to be covered in the current project. Mr. Taylor explained that this is one of three phases and would be less expensive than completing the entire project for \$8 million.

Council Member Kristie Overson expressed concern regarding garages that face Redwood Road. She asked how changes might be made in that regard. She also asked for clarification regarding the term "pull the sidewalks." Mr. Taylor commented that if the center median was changed from a full center median to a curb-type median, it would save ten feet of space that can be re-allocated for extra footage on either side of the road. He noted that this would allow the sidewalk to be moved. He also observed that turn lanes are not needed. Ms. Overson cited power lines in residents' yards and asked how those would be affected. Mr. Taylor stated that power lines could be buried as a separate project in the future.

Council Member Ernest Burgess asked if this project would be similar to the project at 3300 South where the medians were narrowed. He observed that this change provided better access to businesses and residents in that area.

Mr. Taylor clarified that the purpose for reviewing the subject project is to determine if the Council desires to begin funding the project at this time or wishes to start saving the money needed to do the whole project at a later date.

Council Member Dama Barbour asked for explanation on garages being part of the fencing in the subject area. She asked if the fencing project would narrow sidewalks in that area. Mr. Taylor stated that it would not, as fencing would be kept in line. He acknowledged that this is feasible to complete.

Council Member Larry Johnson asked for the specific location of this project. Mr. Taylor confirmed that the project area begins north of 5400 South, at the north end of Taylorsville High School, and goes to 5000 South. Mr. Johnson asked if there could be code violations related to building the walls too close to garages. Mr. Taylor acknowledged that this is a concern, but confirmed that it is unrealistic to move garages.

Council Member Burgess summarized that the question before the Council is whether to complete the project at this time or wait to see if federal funds can be obtained. Mr. Taylor clarified that the City will have some federal funding to complete the 4700 South section, but the Council needs to determine if the project should be broken down into phases or if funds should be saved to complete the larger project. Chairman Rechtenbach inquired whether there is an estimate for the first phase. Mr. Taylor stated that he does not have the cost at this time, but would like direction from the Council on how to proceed. Chairman Rechtenbach stated his desire to have the project completed at one time, but said he understands that it may require phases in order to avail the necessary funds.

Council Member Larry Johnson expressed his desire to have the City Engineer report on two or three different projects at Council Meetings. Mr. Morgan explained that, due to the time frame for tonight's meeting, it was felt that only one project would be feasible for discussion.

Mr. Taylor confirmed that the subject project would have three lanes with no bike lane.

Chairman Rechtenbach asked if plans have been submitted for UDOT approval. Mr. Taylor stated that UDOT has reviewed the plans and has no objections. Mr. Morgan noted that UDOT and UTA have been partners in the planning process for this project.

Council Member Johnson asked if there would be funds available from UDOT. Mayor Wall stated that UDOT currently has three different projects slated, and it appears that they will not have money available for the Redwood Road Project until 2017.

Council Member Overson asked about any proposed landscaping. Mr. Taylor said he recommends that landscaping be included in this phase of the project.

Chairman Rechtenbach observed that one of the highest costs would be for burying utility lines. He asked for clarification regarding the amount of the project that could be completed if the utilities section were to be removed from the project at this time. Mr. Taylor stated that he feels this first phase could be completed easily. Mr. Rechtenbach commented that it has been six years since there has been any construction on Redwood Road and relayed that he would like to see some additional improvement in that area.

Council Member Ernest Burgess asked whether the wall would need to be disturbed when utility lines are buried. Mr. Taylor stated that it is the City's desire to not remove walls to bury lines. He noted that the type of walls erected will have removable panels which will make it easier to work around them in future projects.

Mr. Taylor asked for confirmation that this is the direction the Council would like to proceed. Chairman Rechtenbach commented that he looks forward to starting this priority project.

18:27:31 Chairman Rechtenbach recognized scouts in attendance from St. Matthew's Troop 4996.

4. Discussion Regarding the 2013 Strategic Planning Process and Timeline
- Mark McGrath

18:28:43 Community Development Director Mark McGrath presented a timeline for the 2013 Strategic Planning Process. Mr. McGrath announced that preliminary work for the 2013 Strategic Planning Process has begun. He noted that the process will be similar to last year's, with the exception of holding the public meeting in November and the City Council retreat in January. He explained that this will allow the public the benefit of hearing presentations and making public comment before the Council retreat. He noted that this also allows City Council Members to consider input from citizens at the retreat in January.

18:29:07 Mr. McGrath asked the Council to set a date for the Strategic Planning Meeting. He suggested three options for a Saturday session: November 3, 10, or 17. Chairman Rechtenbach stated that he prefers November 10, 2012. The consensus of the Council was to set the date for the Strategic Planning Meeting for Saturday, November 10, 2012. Mr. McGrath commented that he will finalize details and make notifications.

18:34:50 Chairman Jerry Rechtenbach gave explanation regarding the Fire District's Public Hearing scheduled to immediately follow this meeting and referenced the City's intent to join the Salt Lake Valley Fire Service Area. He introduced Unified Fire Authority (UFA) Chief Michael Jensen, UFA Deputy Chief Gaylord Scott and UFA Deputy Chief Royce Haakenson. Mr. Rechtenbach cited the City's intent to join the fire district due to the density of the City, the need to rebuild a fire station, and the need for a new third fire station. He commented that the City is under-served at this time. He explained that the Council will be turning the meeting over to the Salt Lake Fire District Board who will facilitate a public comment period. Mr. Rechtenbach referenced the letter that was sent out by the Fire District regarding the potential tax increase.

5. Other Matters

18:39:01 The presentation in commemoration of the 9/11 attack was presented in its entirety at this time.

6. Adjournment

18:43:09 Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to adjourn the Special City Council Meeting. Council Member Kristie Overson **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Rechtenbach called for discussion. There being none, he called for a vote. The vote was as follows: Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Rechtenbach-yes, Barbour-yes, and Burgess-yes. All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.



Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 10-03-12

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder, and Kris Heineman, Deputy Recorder