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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, April 4, 2018
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor Kristie Overson

Council Members:

Council Chairman Brad Christopherson
Council Member Meredith Harker
Council Member Ernest Burgess

City Staff:

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

Excused: Council Member Curt Cochran, UFA Assistant Chief Jay Ziolkowski, Council Member Dan Armstrong

6:00 BRIEFING SESSION

 6:04 PM Chairman Brad Christopherson conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:04 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present, except Council Members Curt Cochran and Dan Armstrong who were excused.

1. Review Agenda

 6:04 PM The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed.

2. Adjourn

 6:06 PM Chairman Christopherson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Attendance:

Mayor Kristie Overson

Council Members:

Council Chairman Brad Christopherson
Vice-Chairman Daniel Armstrong
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Meredith Harker

City Staff:

John Taylor, City Administrator
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Wayne Harper, Economic Development Director
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer

Excused: Council Member Curt Cochran, UFA Assistant Chief Jay Ziolkowski

Others: Sheriff Rosie Rivera, Lynn Handy, John Gidney, Danielle Roskelley, Jaren Fowler, Darren Sluga, Steve Hanson, Cody Morgan, Sabrina Morgan, Clark Knudsen

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

 6:32 PM Chairman Brad Christopherson called the meeting to order at 6:32 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 Curt Cochran who was excused.

1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge/Reverence – Mayor Overson (Opening Ceremonies for April 18, 2018 to be arranged by *Council Member Armstrong*)

 6:32 PM Mayor Kristie Overson directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

 6:33 PM Mayor Kristie Overson offered the Reverence by reading a Covenant of Service. She noted that the Taylorsville Exchange Club adheres to this covenant.

1.2 Mayor's Report

 6:34 PM Mayor Kristie Overson gave a recap of the recent Taylorsville Awards Banquet and thanked City Council Members and other local officials for their support.

 6:36 PM The Mayor reported on a recent Council of Mayors Meeting and a potential transportation tax that was discussed. She described discussion among public safety and elected officials regarding county demographics. She also referenced a UFA budget document that has been provided for review.

 6:38 PM Mayor Overson gave an update on the status of the Performing Arts Center (PAC). She indicated that construction documents for the PAC should be finalized by next September. She commented on construction in the city and cited walls that are being built along 3200 West and 4700 South. She noted that Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District is working on sewer lines near Taylorsville High School. She thanked PIO Tiffany Janzen and Engineer Lyle Hansen for their help in getting information out to citizens regarding this project.

1.3 Citizen Comments

 6:41 PM Chairman Brad Christopherson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. He then called for any citizen comments. There were no citizen comments, and Chairman Christopherson closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Unified Police Department Awards – *Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant*

 6:41 PM Unified Police Department Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant recognized Sheriff Rosie Rivera and asked her to help present awards, as follows:

 6:42 PM Officer Jesse Allen was not in attendance, but was awarded the *February 2018 Officer of the Month Award*.

 6:43 PM Officer Danielle Roskelley was awarded the *March 2018 Officer of the Month Award*. It was noted that she will soon begin a new assignment within UPD.

 6:45 PM Officer Jaren Fowler was presented a service award for his excellent service in Taylorsville from 2005 to 2018.

 6:48 PM Sheriff Rivera commended Officer Fowler and Precinct Chief Wyant for their efforts in Taylorsville. She thanked the city for the opportunity to recognize the work of public safety officers.

 6:50 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess relayed that he recently accompanied Chief Wyant to observe activity along the Jordan River. He referenced issues related to the homeless population. Chief Wyant acknowledged that a cleanup along the river will be happening in the next couple of weeks.

3.2 County Health Department Hepatitis A Discussion – *Darren Sluga/Steve Hanson*

 6:50 PM Darren Sluga, of the Salt Lake County Health Department, gave a presentation regarding the Hepatitis A Virus (HAV) outbreak which is currently occurring in the valley. He discussed the following:

- Hepatitis A Overview
- Symptoms
- National Outbreak Numbers
- Rate of Hepatitis Outbreak Cases
- Salt Lake County Demographics for Hepatitis A Cases
- Public Health Strategies
- Sanitization Efforts

- Education Efforts
- Impacts to Homeless, Prison, Jail Populations, and General Public
- How City Leadership Can Help – Inform, Educate, Identify High Risk Populations, and Collaborate with Salt Lake County Health Department

 7:03 PM Steve Hanson relayed that he and Mr. Sluga are Taylorsville’s liaisons with the County Health Department.

 7:03 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong asked about the decontamination of homeless sites along the river. Mr. Sluga gave explanation. He agreed to investigate and provide additional information regarding whether animals can transfer the disease. He gave clarification on strains of the disease that are occurring in several different states.

 7:07 PM Council Member Burgess commented on the spread of the disease related to the homeless population. Mr. Sluga acknowledged complex problems surrounding homeless issues.

 7:10 PM Mr. Sluga commented on hepatitis immunizations for school-age children. He agreed that he will get back with more information regarding Hepatitis C, which is an entirely different disease.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – City Council Meeting: March 21, 2018

 7:11 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Meredith Harker **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Brad Christopherson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Cochran-excused. **All City Council members present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

There were no financial matters.

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 Model Policy Discussion Regarding Sidewalks and Gutters – *Tracy Cowdell*

 7:12 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell described the city's sidewalk maintenance program, under the direction of Engineer Lyle Hansen. He noted that the program is largely reactionary. He also described the city's 50/50 Sidewalk Program to participate in sidewalk repair costs with citizens. He relayed that the city's insurance carrier, the Utah Local Government Trust, does not have a model policy in regard to sidewalks, but has a best practice recommendation. Mr. Cowdell discussed the Trust's recommendation to evaluate sidewalks in the city at least every three years. He indicated that his office will draft a written sidewalk policy for the city.

 7:18 PM Mr. Cowdell relayed Mr. Hansen's observation that the sidewalk maintenance program may be underfunded. Mr. Cowdell cited the Council's option to allocate additional funds for sidewalk maintenance.

 7:21 PM Discussion ensued regarding analyzing costs/funds for sidewalk maintenance and replacement. City Administrator John Taylor commented on the 50/50 Program versus capital improvements funded by the city.

 7:24 PM Mayor Overson observed that the program is working, but acknowledged that more funds could be used at the will of the Council. She noted the need for a comprehensive plan to map out the city and identify critical needs. She stated that there is a great need for sidewalk repair or replacement.

 7:25 PM Mr. Taylor suggested dropping the 50/50 Sidewalk Program and instead putting \$300,000 into the capital improvement budget for sidewalks. He noted that there is currently \$200,000 allocated in the budget.

 7:26 PM Chair Christopherson referenced the responsibility of homeowners to maintain sidewalks in the public right-of-way along their property.

 7:27 PM Mr. Cowdell relayed that Mr. Hansen also has concerns about critical sidewalk needs and effectiveness of the 50/50 Program.

 7:29 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong recommended going to a 25/75 split with homeowners for sidewalk repairs.

 7:31 PM Mr. Cowdell relayed that the city is not seeing many claims related to sidewalks. Mr. Taylor indicated that the city spends about \$15,000 to \$20,000 per month on sidewalk maintenance. He said the expense would be millions to replace all sidewalks in the city.

 7:35 PM Additional discussion ensued regarding preventative steps to abate roots that affect sidewalks. Mr. Taylor gave clarification on income from the 50/50 Program.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

 7:38 PM

- 8.1 Council Chair Christopherson** – He referenced a major accident earlier today.
- 8.2 Council Vice Chair Armstrong** – He thanked public safety officials.
- 8.3 Council Member Burgess** – He thanked those responsible for fixing a fence near Taylorsville Park. He referenced the value received in grinding sidewalks.
- 8.4 Council Member Cochran** – He was excused.
- 8.5 Council Member Harker** – She had nothing for subsequent consideration.

 7:39 PM UPD Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant reported on a *Crosswalk Enforcement Sting Operation* that occurred earlier in the day. He cited education efforts that were made. He clarified that pedestrians have the right-of-way in crosswalks, but asked that they still exercise extreme caution when using crosswalks to avoid accidents.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

 7:42 PM

- 9.1 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, April 10, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.**
- 9.2 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, April 18, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.**
- 9.3 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, April 18, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.**
- 9.4 “Looking to the Future” Planning Session: Friday, April 20, 2018, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Utah State University, Taylorsville Campus (920 West LeVoy)**
- 9.7 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, April 24, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.**

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

 7:43 PM

10.1 *Taylorsville Cultural Diversity Committee Open House: Tuesday, April 17, 2018 – 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. – Taylorsville City Hall Council Chambers*

10.2 *Earth Day Collection and Clean and Green Event: Saturday, April 21, 2018 - 8:00 a.m. to noon – Taylorsville City Hall*

 7:44 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess commented on the April 21, 2018 Cleanup event and the need for volunteers, i.e. scouts, young men, youth leaders, etc. Council Member Dan Armstrong agreed to find out about the availability of scouts to help with the event.

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

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

 7:45 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to convene a Closed Session to discuss the sale or purchase of real property, at 7:45 p.m. Council Member Meredith Harker **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Brad Christopherson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Cochran-excused. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

The meeting was closed at 7:45 p.m. for the purposes listed below, wherein no other matters were discussed.

- **Discussion Concerning the Sale or Purchase of Real Property**

Those in attendance at the Closed Session were: Mayor Kristie Overson, Council Members Burgess, Christopherson, Armstrong, and Harker; City Attorney Tracy Cowdell; City Administrator John Taylor; Economic Development Director Wayne Harper; Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington; and City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle.

Minutes for the Closed Session were taken and are now on file as a Protected Record.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adjourn the Closed Session and the City Council Meeting. Council Member Meredith Harker **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Brad Christopherson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Armstrong-yes, Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, Christopherson-yes,

and Cochran-excused. **All City Council members present voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 04-18-18

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder