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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, May 16, 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
Vice-Chairman Daniel Armstrong
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Meredith Harker
Council Member Curt Cochran

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
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer

 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.

1. Review Administrative Report

 6:05 PM Chairman Christopherson called for any questions or comments on the Administrative Report. Council Member Harker noted that the 3200 West Wall looks great.

2. Review Agenda

 6:05 PM The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. An additional change needed to the tentative budget was cited by Chief of Finance Scott Harrington. It was agreed to switch the order of Agenda Items 6.3 and 6.4 during the regular meeting.

 6:09 PM Council Member Harker asked for discussion regarding mother-in-law apartments. City Administrator John Taylor gave clarification and agreed to meet with Council Member Harker separately on this issue.

 6:10 PM Council Member Curt Cochran asked about the responsibilities of City Council Members for Taylorsville Dayzz and explanation was given. Council Coordinator Kris Heineman noted that she will be providing a sign-up sheet for Taylorsville Dayzz coverage. She asked that Council Members advise her if they will be participating in the parade. Ideas were discussed regarding vehicles for use in the parade.

 6:14 PM Discussion was held regarding a potential resolution supporting the county's proposed transportation sales tax increase, of which 0.10% would come to the city. Chair Christopherson estimated that this could produce roughly \$200,000 for transportation use and would augment the city's B&C Road fund. It was clarified that the city does not currently augment the B&C Road Fund. Chair Christopherson gave explanation regarding the city's B&C funds that come from the State through vehicle registrations, fuel sales tax, etc. It was noted that this revenue must be spent on Class B and C Roads. Further explanation was given on the proposed tax and support needed from cities. Direction was given to take public comment on this and consider a resolution of support during the June 6, 2018 City Council Meeting. It was also suggested that a notice be placed on the city website regarding the transportation sales tax.

 6:24 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess noted the option of using golf carts for the Council in the Taylorsville Dayzz Parade.

3. Adjourn

 6:26 PM Chair Christopherson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Wayne Harper, Economic Development Director
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer

Others: Senator Karen Mayne, Bryn Gale, Marc McElreath, Gordon Wolf, Gordon Willardson, Lynette Wendel, Dama Barbour, Carl Fauver, Lynn Handy, Don Russell, Richard Bay

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Chairman Brad Christopherson called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge and Reverence – *Council Chair Christopherson (Opening Ceremonies for June 6, 2018 to be arranged by Council Member Cochran)*

Chairman Brad Christopherson directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

 6:38 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell offered the Reverence.

1.2 Mayor's Report

 6:52 PM Mayor Kristie Overson referenced public safety and relayed that she attended Fire School last week, along with Council Members Harker and Cochran. She stated that this was a great opportunity. The Mayor cited an email she sent to Council Members regarding the possibility of Herriman pulling out of the Unified Police Authority (UPD). She committed to being vigilant in protecting the Taylorsville UPD Precinct and working with UPD as a whole. She thanked Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant and others for their work on the UPD budget.

 6:54 PM Mayor Overson discussed the status of city website upgrades/re-vamp. She cited intent to make the city website more easily accessible. She discussed CDBG funds and reported that Taylorsville will now receive 9% more than initially anticipated. She noted that, per the resolution previously passed, the additional monies will be distributed evenly between entities. She thanked Associate Planner Angela Price for her oversight of CDBG funding.

 6:55 PM The Mayor expressed excitement over food trucks that will be located at City Hall every Saturday night, beginning the end of May and continuing throughout the summer.

 6:56 PM Mayor Overson cited a ribbon cutting for Rancheritos held earlier in the day. She relayed enthusiasm for new businesses in Taylorsville and thanked ChamberWest for its partnership. She noted that she, Chair Brad Christopherson, and Economic Development Director Wayne Harper will be attending the ICSC Conference in Las Vegas in a few days. She stated that this will be an excellent opportunity to promote economic development in Taylorsville with businesses and developers. She thanked Economic Development Assistant Jean Ashby for coordinating the trip.

 6:57 PM The Mayor referenced the proposed FY 2018-2019 Budget and thanked the Council for participating in budget discussions. She noted that the Mayor's Town Hall Meeting is coming up on May 30, 2018 and invited Council Members to attend and meet with residents.

 6:58 PM The Mayor thanked the Council and employees for all they do in Taylorsville.

 6:59 PM Chair Christopherson recognized several people in attendance: members of the Taylorsville Budget Committee, Richard Bay of Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District, former Council Member Dama Barbour, and members of UPD Deputy Chief Shane Hudson's family.

1.3 Citizen Comments

 6:59 PM Chairman Brad Christopherson reviewed 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 Precinct Awards – *Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant*

 7:00 PM Unified Police Department Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant and Mayor Kristie Overson recognized UPD Deputy Chief Shane Hudson for his 31 years of service. Chief Wyant read a plaque that was awarded to Chief Hudson detailing his commitment and contribution to law enforcement.

 7:05 PM Mayor Overson expressed appreciation, on behalf of the City of Taylorsville, to Chief Hudson for his many years of service.

 7:07 PM Chief Hudson stated his gratitude for this recognition and the opportunity to work with those in Taylorsville. He expressed that Taylorsville is UPD's strongest precinct and recognized Chief Wyant for representing the city's interests.

3.2 Legislative Report – *Senator Karen Mayne*

 6:40 PM Senator Karen Mayne reported on her legislative activities. She distributed a handout detailing her accomplishments, awards, service, and sponsored legislation as a member Utah's Senate Leadership. She specifically described efforts with Workers Compensation to provide scholarships to Taylorsville students. She cited other stakeholders who also partner to promote teen safety. Senator Mayne referenced an essay submitted by a student in support of safety.

 6:45 PM Senator Mayne discussed legislative efforts to reduce gang activity and described funds that have been allocated for such. She also cited legislation to develop affordable housing and to improve benefits for public safety officers and firefighters.

 6:49 PM Senator Mayne recognized Senator Wayne Harper for his economic development efforts in Taylorsville. She complimented Taylorsville on its robust economy.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – April 20, 2018 Special City Council Meeting and May 2, 2018 City Council Meeting

 7:08 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Curt Cochran **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: Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, and Harker-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

6.1 Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District Proposed Tax and Rate Increases – John Taylor

 7:09 PM City Administrator John Taylor noted that he is a member of the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District (JVWCD) Board and referenced a tax rate increase proposed by that board. JVWCD General Manager/CEO Richard Bay was introduced. Mr. Bay then provided a brief summary of the JVWCD proposal for a property tax increase in Fiscal Year 2018/2019. He noted that no action is required by Taylorsville, but State law stipulates that reports be made to City Councils in the event of a proposed tax rate increase.

 7:13 PM Mr. Bay addressed questions from the Council and clarified that impact fees are collected only for retail water service. He explained that the increased revenue will be used mostly for a long list of capital projects, including the Central Water Project and the Provo Reservoir Canal Enclosure Project.

6.2 Public Hearing – To Receive Public Comment on Final Amendments to Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget – Scott Harrington

 7:15 PM Chief of Finance Scott Harrington cited several housekeeping changes to the current year's budget, as follows: an increase to sales tax by \$70,000; an increase to interest

income from cash on hand; \$4,000 for overtime in Government/Buildings for response to weekend snow storms; an addition of \$15,000 for pending insurance claims; and a transfer of \$209,000 to Fund Balance.

 7:20 PM Chair Christopherson opened the public hearing regarding final amendments to the FY 2017-2018 Budget and called for any citizen comments. There were no comments, and Chair Christopherson declared the public hearing closed.

 7:21 PM It was noted that a vote on final amendments to the current budget will not be taken tonight, but will be considered at the next Council Meeting.

6.3 Public Hearing – To Receive Public Comment Regarding the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 – Scott Harrington

 8:30 PM Chair Christopherson opened the public hearing regarding the FY 2018-2018 Tentative Budget and called for any citizen comments. There were no comments, and Chair Christopherson declared the public hearing closed.

6.4 Budget Discussion

 7:37 PM Chair Brad Christopherson noted that Council Members have each had a chance to meet individually with the Mayor and Chief of Finance Scott Harrington regarding the proposed FY 2018-2019 Budget. Mr. Harrington cited recent changes to the proposed budget, including a decrease to health insurance costs from 13% to 7.4%. He noted that a decrease in employee benefits was necessary in order to achieve that savings. He also relayed that a couple of transfers were increased to the Infrastructure Fund, as discussed with Council Members independently.

Chair Brad Christopherson called for discussion regarding the proposed FY 2018-2010 Budget.

 7:39 PM Council Member Meredith Harker proposed an increase to the allocation for lobbying efforts and stated her reasons. Council Member Dan Armstrong said he questions results seen by paid lobbyists and does not currently support an increase. City Administrator John Taylor reported on success seen in receiving funds for the city through lobbying efforts in past years. He cited the need for proactive lobbying rather than being reactionary. Mayor Overson expressed belief that Taylorsville has an opportunity to have a stronger presence on the Hill. She noted that the allocation can be used in varying ways for lobbyists. Council Member Curt Cochran agreed that concentrated lobbying efforts are needed and said the allocation should be raised. Additional discussion took place on increased funding for lobbyists.

 7:53 PM – A straw poll was taken to increase the amount for a lobbyist by \$25,000. All Council Members were in favor, except Council Member Armstrong.

 7:54 PM Council Member Harker inquired about increasing the stipend for Planning Commissioners from \$40 to \$50. It was acknowledged that the higher amount is already budgeted, but city code may need to be changed to support the increase.

 7:56 PM Council Member Harker asked for clarification on budgeted funds that have not been used for mileage reimbursement to Council Members. It was agreed to leave the amount as is.

 7:59 PM Discussion was held regarding funding for the Taylorsville Arts Council. It was agreed to fund a climate-controlled storage unit for equipment belonging to the Arts Council, along with funds for a one-time purchase of a used trailer to be used to haul equipment. An increase of \$9,500 to the Arts Council budget was agreed upon.

 8:05 PM Gateway signs were discussed and it was suggested that an additional \$55,000 (plus roll-over from this year's budget) be added to the budget for gateway signs. Clarification was given on sign designs that were selected. Mr. Harrington agreed to send design samples to Council Members.

 8:09 PM Sidewalk funding was discussed. It was recommended that \$100,000 from the underspend amount in this year's budget be added for sidewalk maintenance. Standards for the Sidewalk Program were clarified. Trees that cause problems for sidewalks were addressed. It was agreed to provide education on trees in the city newsletter. Following discussion, all Council Members were in favor of the additional funding for sidewalks.

 8:19 PM Chair Christopherson asked for an update on the road project at Diane Drive and I-215. Mr. Taylor agreed to get back to him with that information.

 8:21 PM It was agreed to do a one-year rollover of any leftover discretionary funds allocated to individual Council Districts.

 8:21 PM Funds for streetlight replacement were addressed. Mr. Taylor explained that the snowplow underspend through Public Works was less than originally anticipated and road expenses have been more. He noted that there are still funds available for streetlights. He indicated that efforts are being made to piggyback streetlights for Redwood Road to those going in for Summit Vista. It was determined not to add additional funds for streetlights at this point.

 8:26 Clarification was given on park strips at 3200 West and 4700 South. Discussion was held regarding dip signs Mr. Taylor asked that he be notified of specific needs. Some city expense for the food truck events was noted, i.e. portable restrooms on City Hall property, etc. This is already included in the budget. Additional needs will be evaluated once the event is underway.

 8:28 PM Mr. Harrington reviewed approved changes to the proposed budget, as follows:

Lobbyist - increase of \$25,000

Arts Council trailer/storage unit – increase of \$9,500

Gateway signs – increase of \$55,000

Sidewalk (50/50 and general maintenance) – increase of \$100,000

Rollover for individual Council Districts - \$24,000

 8:28 PM An additional \$213,500 total in approved changes was noted. These amounts will be pulled from the underspend amount and the General Fund.

 8:30 PM It was agreed to bring back both budgets for adoption at the next City Council Meeting on June 6, 2018. It was decided not to hold a Special City Council Meeting for budget discussion on May 23, 2018.

OTHER MATTERS

7.1 Ordinance No. 18-19 – To Receive Public Comment Regarding an Ordinance of the City of Taylorsville Approving Amendments to Taylorsville Municipal Code Chapter 9.65 Smoking Prohibited in City Parks, Trails, and Recreation Facilities – *Youth Council Mayor Bryn Gale*

 7:21 PM Taylorsville Youth Council Mayor Bryn Gale presented the subject ordinance regarding a potential amendment to Taylorsville Code concerning the definition of smoking in city parks. She noted the need to cover new smoking technologies under the definition in city ordinance to include i.e. e-cigarettes, marijuana, hookah, etc. She relayed that the proposed ordinance would also prohibit smoking in public parking lots. Ms. Gale cited statistics on vaping among teens, which the Surgeon General has declared a public health issue among youth and young adults. It has been recommended that cities create public policy to combat the issue.

 7:24 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess agreed that this issue should be addressed. Council Member Curt Cochran asked whether this affects someone smoking in their car in a public parking lot.

 7:27 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell commended Ms. Gale for researching information and promoting this ordinance. He explained that the proposed ordinance expands the definition of smoking and eliminates smoking in designated areas within parks. He stated that there would be no exception for someone smoking on a bike or in a car. He cited preventative or proactive policing that may take place with enactment of this ordinance.

 7:28 PM Council Member Meredith Harker inquired about any plans in place to educate the public on the proposed ordinance change. Discussion ensued regarding ideas on education, new signage, and police enforcement.

 7:30 PM Chair Christopherson observed that this is pretty aggressive legislation and expressed his concerns. He said that he supports the goal for improving health and asked whether other cities have pursued similar legislation. Ms. Gale indicated that Draper City and Salt Lake County have adopted a similar ordinance. She stated that Taylorsville is one of the few cities that does not prohibit smoking in public parking lots. Mr. Cowdell gave additional clarification on current trends to include smoking prohibitions in parking lots. Chief Wyant indicated that he is not aware of any challenges to the ordinance, but does have concerns with enforceability. Mr. Cowdell acknowledged that the ordinance is largely aspirational and represents city policy. He suggested that it will mostly require self-policing. Council Member Harker observed that this ordinance is very forward-thinking and pro-active. Mr. Cowdell made clarifications on potential penalties.

 7:35 PM Chair Christopherson opened the public comment time regarding this matter and called for any citizen comments. There were no comments, and Chair Christopherson declared the public comment period closed.

 7:35 PM Council Member Meredith Harker **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance No. 18-19. Council Member Dan Armstrong **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: Christopherson-no, Armstrong-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, and Harker-yes. **All City Council members voted and the motion passed with a four-to-one vote.**

 7:36 PM Mr. Cowdell noted that the City will monitor this and report on any resulting concerns or issues.

7. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

8.1 Council Chair Christopherson – He inquired about the sidewalk project on 1300 West and City Administrator John Taylor gave clarification.

8.2 Council Vice Chair Armstrong

8.3 Council Member Burgess

8.4 Council Member Cochran – He called for ideas on parade vehicle. It was agreed to discuss this further during the June 6, 2018 Council Meeting.

8.5 Council Member Harker

8. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

9.1 Redevelopment Agency Board Meeting – Wed., May 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

9.2 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

9.3 Mayor’s Town Hall Meeting – Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

9.4 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

9.5 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

9.6 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

9.7 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

9.8 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

9.9 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

9. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

10.1 *Taylorsville Dayzz* – June 28-30, 2018 – See City’s website for more detailed information

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

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

It was determined that a Closed Session was not needed and no Closed Session was held.

12. ADJOURNMENT

 8:34 PM Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adjourn the City Council Meeting. Council Member Curt Cochran **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: Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, and Harker-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 06-06-16

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder