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

**Wednesday, December 5, 2018**  
**Council Chambers**  
**2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140**  
**Taylorsville, Utah 84129**

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**BRIEFING SESSION**

**Attendance:**

Mayor Kristie Overson

**Council Members:**

Council Chairman Brad Christopherson  
Council Member Meredith Harker  
Council Member Ernest Burgess  
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  
Kim Horiuchi, Communications Director

**Excused:** Council Member Dan Armstrong, Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington

**6:00 BRIEFING SESSION**

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 Member Dan Armstrong who was excused.

**1. Review Agenda**

The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. Discussion was held regarding Council Meeting schedules for December and January. It was decided to cancel the December 12, 2018

Council Meeting and reschedule the January 2, 2019 meeting for January 9, 2019. Regular Council Meetings in January will be held on January 9 and January 16, with a “Chat with the Council and Mayor” Open House scheduled for January 30, 2019. A Redevelopment Agency Board Meeting will also be held on January 9, immediately following the regular Council Meeting.

### **3. Adjourn**

Chairman Christopherson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

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## **REGULAR MEETING**

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Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator  
Kim Horiuchi, Communications Director

**Excused:** Council Member Dan Armstrong, Chief of Finance Scott Harrington, Economic Development Director Wayne Harper

**Others:** John Gidney, Carl Fauver, UPD Detective Jason Albrecht, UPD Sergeant Vaughn Allen, UPD Officer Mikel Archibeque, Dixie Gutierrez, Joselyn Padilla, Ms. Van Etten, Craig Yeaman, Joe Perrin, Jeff Snelling, and Linda Jensen

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

Chairman Brad Christopherson called the meeting to order at 6:30 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 Dan Armstrong who was excused.

### **1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge/Reverence – *Council Chair Christopherson (Opening Ceremonies on December 12, 2018 to be arranged by Council Member Cochran)***

UPD Detective Scott Lloyd directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

 6:32 PM Chair Brad Christopherson offered the reverence. He called for a moment of silence in honor of Officer David Romrell, a Taylorsville resident who recently lost his life in the line of duty. Chair Christopherson thanked all those who sacrifice so much to serve and protect citizens. He also shared a quote from President George H. W. Bush.

### **1.2 Mayor's Report**

 6:35 PM Mayor Kristie Overson discussed team building efforts. She cited the Heatherglen Open House held recently where residents were able to share concerns about their neighborhood. She discussed the recent celebration regarding the completion of the 5400 South Bangerter Intersection Project. She described a successful Dixie Drive Open House that was held for Taylorsville residents, UDOT representatives, and city officials concerning the upcoming 6200 South and Bangerter Intersection Project.

 6:37 PM The Mayor thanked John Hiskey for his efforts in coordinating a productive meeting for the city with the Wasatch Front Regional Council regarding the facilitation of better roadways and other needs within the city. Mayor Overson referenced cleanup along the Jordan River and comprehensive efforts with which the city is involved. She described coordinated efforts to plant trees in the Little Confluence area and cited three city employees for their participation and hard work on that project.

 6:39 PM Mayor Overson reported that an open house was held last week with city officials and UDOT regarding the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project. She said many residents attended and offered input and ideas. She noted that UDOT was also well represented. She stated that she looks forward to the reality of BRT. The Mayor relayed that she recently attended a Council of Governments Meeting, where a briefing was given on what is planned for the legislative session in January. She observed that John Hiskey will be presenting legislative issues pertinent to Taylorsville during a Council Meeting in January.

 6:41 PM Mayor Overson stated that she recently attended a Transportation Choices Fund Working Group, which is a group of mayors in the valley who are helping to prioritize extra funding available from the fourth quarter. She noted that there were a lot of applications for these funds. She relayed that Taylorsville is requesting money for the BRT project and the Salt Lake County Council will make a decision within a few weeks.

 6:42 PM The Mayor said she recently took Taylorsville Youth Council Mayor Lucas Carpenter to a Unified Fire Authority (UFA) Meeting to learn about emergency medical services. She also cited the spectacular performance sponsored by the Taylorsville Arts Council last weekend. She expressed appreciation for residents who are participating on citizen committees.

 6:43 PM Mayor Overson discussed the recent passing of South Salt Lake Police Officer David Romrell, who was a Taylorsville resident. She said that this loss is felt greatly in Taylorsville. She explained that she visited with the Romrell family to offer condolences on behalf of the city and assess current needs. She reported that Taylorsville employees and Unified Police Department personnel have now collectively donated over \$1600, which will go toward household utility payments for Officer Romrell's widow.

### **1.3 Citizen Comments**

Chairman Brad Christopherson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. He then called for any citizen comments.

 6:46 PM Craig Yeaman referenced a serious issue he previously presented to the City Council regarding safety issues at an LDS church on 3200 West. He reported that the new LDS leadership has acted and a gate is now in place. He thanked all those involved for efforts to protect his neighborhood. He specifically stated appreciation to UPD law enforcement officers for all they do. He also expressed gratitude for the city's help in sending a letter to the LDS leaders.

There were no additional citizen comments, and Chairman Christopherson closed the citizen comment period.

## **2. APPOINTMENTS**

There were no appointments.

## **3. REPORTS**

### **3.1 Unified Police Department Awards and Quarterly Report – Chief Wyant**

Unified Police Department (UPD) Precinct Chief Tracy Wyant and Lt. Saul Bailey presented UPD Awards to the following:

 6:51 PM Officer Mikel Archibeque – *Officer of the Month October 2018*

 6:52 PM Sergeant Vaughn Allen – *Officer of the Month November 2018*

 6:55 PM Detective Jason Albrecht – *Precinct Chief's Award*

 6:57 PM Mayor Kristie Overson and Detective Scott Lloyd recognized those in attendance from Plymouth Elementary School, including the fifth grade winner of the Precinct's *Christmas Card Contest*, Joselyn Padilla. Fifth-grader Dixie Gutierrez was also recognized, along with Plymouth Elementary Fifth Grade Teacher Ms. Van Etten. Detective Lloyd explained that the card designed by Joselyn is being printed and will be mailed out from the police department as this year's precinct Christmas card. Detective Lloyd thanked students and schools for their participation in the contest.

Chief Wyant reported on law enforcement activity in Taylorsville for the previous quarter. He reviewed overall crime trends and statistics on general offenses. He illustrated graphs regarding response times and maps showing Taylorsville accidents that occurred during the quarter. He also outlined locations where citations were issued.

 7:08 PM Council Member Harker inquired about a traffic officer that spends time enforcing speed limits along 3200 West. Chief Wyant gave clarification on areas of concern where enhanced enforcement efforts are directed.

 7:10 PM Chief Wyant referenced areas for burglaries, burglary alarms, and drug cases. He cited activities of the various units described in the UPD Report, specifically four CAR responses and two S.W.A.T. callouts.

 7:12 PM Council Member Cochran asked about any auto-pedestrian issues on 5300 South between 1300 West and the Jordan River. The Chief referenced some incidents that have occurred in that area in the past, but said there has been nothing of late. He anticipated that there may be a higher propensity for issues with future transient activity in the area.

### **3.2 Unified Fire Authority Quarterly Report – Assistant Chief Jay Ziolkowski**

 7:15 PM Unified Fire Authority (UFA) Assistant Chief Jay Ziolkowski reported on fire services provided in the community during the previous quarter. He gave explanation regarding “peak load ambulance” statistics and a need for additional coverage during peak hours.

 7:17 PM Chief Ziolkowski outlined statistics for activity, including call volume and types, at Stations 117 and 118. He reviewed breakdowns on both medical calls and fire calls. He included information from Station 109 in Kearns that responds to the western portion of the city. He discussed trends in calls. He reviewed fire station activities, community events, and fire prevention activities. He cited the great response obtained through a recent community survey.

 7:21 PM Council Christopherson commented on the high attendance seen at the recent *Night Out Against Crime* event.

 7:24 PM Chief Ziolkowski discussed the UFA audit findings from two years ago and relayed that all of those have now been closed out. He referenced factors that went into a recent decision by the UFA Board of Directors and cited positive efforts to move forward.

 7:26 PM The Chief reported on a beta test run for a one-on-one model that allows the provision of advanced life support, along with basic support. He explained reasons this will enhance service and gave additional clarification on how the improved model will work. He also discussed the status of recent new hires.

 7:33 PM Chief Ziolkowski discussed funding that is in jeopardy for recreation areas, but relayed that it will not impact UFA.

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

##### 4.1 Minutes – City Council Meeting: November 14, 2018

 7:35 PM Council Member Curt Cochran **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: Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-excused, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, and Harker-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

There were no financial matters.

#### 7. OTHER MATTERS

##### 7.1 Discussion Regarding Traffic Calming Devices – *John Taylor*

 7:36 PM City Administrator John Taylor recognized Jeff Snelling and Linda Jensen in attendance from Forsgren Engineering. Mr. Taylor also introduced Traffic Engineer Joe Perrin.

 7:37 PM Mr. Perrin presented a report on traffic calming concepts.

The following points were covered: purpose; method; expected beneficial outcomes; and types of devices. Mr. Perrin illustrated photos of various types of calming concepts and designs. He also discussed factors related to speed humps. He gave observations of typical results in speed reduction with traffic calming devices. He referenced potential concerns related to efforts to control speed.

 8:03 PM Mr. Perrin addressed questions regarding costs associated with various types of calming devices.

 8:04 PM Chair Christopherson commented on individuals that have concerns and have made complaints. The importance of collecting actual data on traffic was noted.

 8:10 PM Mr. Perrin acknowledged that he can act as a consultant, if the city desires, to help implement any traffic calming devices. He discussed why feedback signs may be better in a neighborhood similar to Council Member Harker's where there are a lot of hills.

## **7.2 Discussion Regarding December and January City Council Schedules**

It was noted that the next Council Meeting will be held January 9, 2019.

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

**8.1 Council Chair Christopherson** – nothing for subsequent consideration.

**8.2 Council Vice Chair Armstrong** - nothing for subsequent consideration.

**8.3 Council Member Burgess** - nothing for subsequent consideration.

**8.4 Council Member Cochran** - nothing for subsequent consideration.

**8.5 Council Member Harker** - nothing for subsequent consideration.

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

 **8:18 PM**

**9.1 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, December 11, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.**

**9.2 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, January 8, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.**

**9.3 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, January 9, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.**

**9.4 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, January 9, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.**

**9.5 RDA Board Meeting – Wednesday, January 9, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.**

**9.6 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, January 16, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.**

- 9.7 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, January 16, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.
- 9.8 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, January 22, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.
- 9.9 Chat with the Council & Mayor – Wednesday, January 30, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

## 10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

*(For more Details on Events, Visit the City's Website)*

- 10.1 **Taylorsville/Salt Lake Community Symphony Orchestra Holiday Concert: Friday, December 7, 2018 – 7:30 p.m. – Bennion Junior High School**

 8:19 PM

- 10.2 **Saturday with Santa and Christmas Around the World: Saturday, December 8, 2018: Taylorsville-Bennion Heritage Museum (1488 West 4800 South) – 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

## 11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

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

 8:19 PM Council Member Curt Cochran **MOVED** to convene a Closed Session to discuss the sale or purchase of real property at 8:19 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: Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-excused, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, and Harker-yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

The meeting was closed at 8:19 p.m. for the purposes listed below, wherein no other matters were discussed.

- **Strategy Session Concerning the Sale or Purchase of Real Property**

Those in attendance at the Closed Session were: Mayor Kristie Overson, Council Members Burgess, Christopherson, Cochran, and Harker; City Attorney Tracy Cowdell; City Administrator John Taylor; 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 Curt Cochran **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: Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, Christopherson-yes, Armstrong-

excused, and Cochran-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 01-09-19

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