

City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, July 18, 2012
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

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
Kristy Heineman, Deputy Recorder
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director
John Taylor, City Engineer
Scott Harrington, Chief of Finance
Jessica Springer, Council Coordinator
Donald Adams, Economic Development Director
Aimee Newton, Communications Director

Others: UPD Deputy Chief Shane Hudson, Charles Christopher

BRIEFING SESSION

1. Review Administrative Report

18:02:46 Chairman Rechtenbach conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:02 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present except Council Member Johnson who arrived at 6:04 p.m.

2. Review Agenda

18:03:36 The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. Clarification was given on duplicate information that was included in the Council Packet regarding costs for Labrum Park.

3. Adjourn

18:10:38 The Briefing Session was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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John Taylor, City Engineer
Scott Harrington, Chief of Finance
Aimee Newton, Communications Director
Jean Ashby, Deputy Recorder
Kristy Heineman, Deputy Recorder

Citizens: Charles Christopher, Jennifer Schwendimann, UPD Deputy Chief Shane Hudson, Lynn Adams, Lynn Handy, Val Bowlden, UPD Under-Sheriff Scott Carver, Steve Parks, Laura Lewis, Doug Shupe, Brandon Ruiz, Robert Romero

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

18:30:46 Chairman Jerry Rechtenbach 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.

**1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge of Allegiance
– Council Member Burgess**

City Administrator John Inch Morgan directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1.2 Reverence – Council Member Burgess (Opening Ceremonies
For August 1, 2012 to be arranged by Youth Council)**

City Engineer John Taylor offered the Reverence.

1.3 Citizen Comments

18:33:04 Chairman Jerry Rechtenbach reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. He then called for any citizen comments.

18:34:18 There were no citizen comments, and Chairman Rechtenbach closed the citizen comment period.

1.4 Mayor's Report

18:34:31 Mayor Wall reported on recent activities and enforcement efforts in relation to illegal fireworks in Taylorsville.

18:38:07 Mayor Wall noted that necessary repairs have been made and problems have been remedied to provide live streaming of City Council Meetings through Channel 17.

18:38:55 The Mayor recognized Lynn Adams, of the United Veterans Council. Mr. Adams noted that Taylorsville has been awarded the opportunity to host the Veterans Parade for the next two years.

18:40:50 Chairman Rechtenbach inquired whether the ordinance on fireworks is effective long-term. Mayor Wall clarified that the ordinance only applies to the current year and will need to be reconsidered on an annual basis.

2. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Mosquito Abatement District – Val Bowlden, Director

Director Val Bowlden reported on the Mosquito Abatement District. He cited potential dangers related to West Nile Virus. He reviewed activities of the South Salt Lake Valley Mosquito Abatement District via a Power Point presentation. The following points were covered:

- New Facility Located in West Jordan
- Map of SLVMAD
- 5 Full-Time Staff Members
- Areas of Concern: irrigated pasture lands, marsh areas, spots behind homes in subdivisions, retention ponds, golf courses, parks and recreation areas, unkempt swimming pools
- Mosquito Life Cycle
- Efforts to Control Mosquitoes (9 mosquito inspectors)
- Treatments
- Identification and West Nile Virus Testing
- Bike Program
- Fish Program
- Tree Holes
- Yard Fogging
- Truck Fogging
- Black Fly Program
- Black Fly Life Cycle
- Inspection/Treatment
- Education Program
- Classroom Presentations
- Health Fairs
- City and County Events

18:52:24 Chairman Rechtenbach inquired about the number of West Nile Virus cases currently identified in the area. Mr. Bowlden relayed that case numbers are down at this time, but patterns have indicated that those numbers may rise.

18:57:58 Council Member Johnson inquired about Black Flies. Mr. Bowlden identified animals that may be affected by Black Flies.

18:58:58 Mr. Bowlden noted that an article educating citizens on mosquito abatement was recently published in the Valley Journal.

19:00:00 Mr. Bowlden confirmed that mosquito numbers are currently down as a result of the hot weather and the lack of rain.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items for the Consent Agenda.

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no Planning Matters.

19:01:19 Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to address Agenda Item 7.2 at this time, prior to Agenda Item 6.1. Council Member Kristie Overson **SECONDED** the motion. Council Members voted on the motion and all were in favor.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

6.1 Discussion of Labrum Park Costs – *John Inch Morgan*

19:16:43 City Engineer John Taylor recognized Brandon Ruiz with MGB+A. Mr. Taylor indicated that the total costs for improvements to Labrum Park will be just under \$1.3 million, including parking and campground changes, and not including the road. Mr. Taylor noted that an additional \$1 million is needed for construction costs to complete the project. Mr. Taylor recommended completing the whole project at one time, during the period that the park is closed for road construction, and taking \$1 million from the Fund Balance.

19:18:19 City Administrator John Inch Morgan and John Taylor clarified that State funds will cover \$300,000 for the road improvements and there is \$300,000 already budgeted toward additional construction costs.

Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington relayed that if the \$1 million is taken out of the Fund Balance, the remaining percentage would be between 9% and 10%. Mr. Taylor observed that there would be a 10% saving to complete the project in one phase. He also noted that residents living in the park area would like to see the construction project completed as soon as possible.

19:22:01 Council Member Dama Barbour expressed concern over having the fund balance too low and suggested reconsidering the whole project at a later time when the budget could be opened if necessary.

19:23:26 Chairman Jerry Rechtenbach cited potential needs for emergency funds.

19:23:43 Mayor Russ Wall stated that he believes the tax increase and under-spending throughout the year will cover the funds removed. He also stated that when the City took over the park one month ago, it was not aware of the restoration needed. He noted that redevelopment of this park is not an emergency, but is an unexpected expense. Mayor Wall reminded the Council that a commitment was made to the LDS Church that the park would be maintained.

19:26:41 Mr. Harrington cited capital projects/budget (Fund 45), as follows: Little Cottonwood Confluence at \$25,000; Bike Trails at \$100,000; Community Garden Fence at \$15,000; Jones Dairy Restrooms at \$30,000; and Prairie View Drive at \$259,000. He noted that the wall projects were also budgeted at \$715,000.

19:27:48 Council Member Larry Johnson questioned whether current bond money could be used for improvements at Labrum Park. Mayor Wall suggested that a portion of redevelopment money from the 6200 South Project may be used to build walls for the park, but said that bond funds are otherwise unavailable. It was noted that Labrum Park was specifically excluded from the project area.

19:28:16 Mr. Harrington noted that an additional \$1 million to \$1.5 million will be available for capital projects around January 1, 2013, as a result of the City joining the Fire District.

19:28:35 Council Member Dama Barbour stated that the wall project on 4100 South is an absolute must, along with the restrooms at Jones Dairy. She inquired whether the Prairie View Drive Project might be postponed for a bit. Mr. Taylor indicated that there are safety issues related to Prairie View Drive and said the project needs to be done.

19:29:06 Council Member Barbour observed that bicycle paths might be postponed, although she hates to give them up. She expressed concern for the issues facing residents near Labrum Park. She indicated that she does not want to pull from the City's maintenance budget.

19:29:14 Mr. Taylor noted that the roadway portion of construction on 6020 South will be going forward. He observed that it would be nice to complete the park at the same time, as well.

19:29:33 Mayor Wall advised that there is \$1 million in the capital projects fund balance that is earmarked for Redwood Road. He suggested that this project could be postponed for a year because the balance of funding will not be available until around 2016. He noted that the funds would need to be replenished, but this may be an option.

19:30:03 Chairman Rechtenbach asked for clarification on conflicting information regarding the Redwood Road Project. He stated that he is not willing to sacrifice that project or the walls on 4100 South.

19:30:30 Mr. Morgan cited an additional option to do some short-term financing over three years, with approximately 2% interest. Laura Lewis confirmed that this was a possibility.

19:30:48 Council Member Johnson inquired about safety issues at Prairie View Drive. Mr. Taylor explained that there is insufficient access in the area. He acknowledged that safety issues on 6020 South are comparable to those at Prairie View Drive. Mr. Johnson said he prefers the Labrum Park Project over the Prairie View Project.

19:31:45 Mr. Taylor explained why the park would be closed during road construction and also during park construction. Mayor Wall informed the Council that if the park is completed at the same time as the road, there would only be a one-year closure plus money would be saved.

19:32:40 Council Member Kristie Overson cited the option of taking some of the money from the Redwood Road Project. Mayor Wall acknowledged that the more money that is available for the Redwood Road Project, the better the chance that the State will not skip the project. It was relayed that the total cost of the project is \$30 million and approval for funding from Wasatch Funding Regional Council (WFRC) has been given for \$5 million. It was clarified that the City's match is 7%.

19:34:14 Scott Harrington clarified that there is currently \$1.8 million in the capital project fund for Redwood Road. John Taylor gave clarification on the three phases of the Redwood Road Project and funding from WFRC. It was determined that the City will need \$2.1 million for its match by 2016.

19:35:44 Mr. Taylor discussed the potential savings in doing the park project simultaneously with the road. He estimated that about 10% could be saved by doing everything at once. He cited costs savings in mobilization costs, oil, fuel, etc.

19:36:48 Council Member Dama Barbour confirmed that safety issues have been covered in the budget and additional funds are needed for park construction. She suggested that the park should not be completed at the expense of safety issues, i.e. Prairie View Drive or 4100 South Walls.

19:37:24 Council Member Johnson suggested that residents on 6020 South have been waiting longer for their project completion than those on Prairie View Drive. He says he favors taking Prairie View Drive funds for Labrum Park. Mr. Taylor reiterated that Prairie View Drive comes back to a safety issue and noted that the safety concerns at Labrum Park are already funded in the budget.

19:38:27 Chairman Rechtenbach commented that a lot of areas are being targeted for economic development and revitalization. He said that those projects should not take a back seat because of

the proposed park project. Mr. Taylor observed that the park does play into neighborhood revitalization and is adjacent to an area of economic development focus.

19:41:24 It was confirmed that the recently approved 15% tax increase was implemented to cover the 4100 South Wall Project, along with City maintenance. Mr. Taylor reiterated that an additional \$1 million is needed to complete the park project.

19:41:34 Mr. Morgan inquired whether there is any interest in pursuing a short-term bond. The consensus of the Council Members was to follow a "pay as you go" philosophy unless there is a large economic development opportunity.

19:42:07 Council Member Johnson suggested that there are many options for coming up with money for the park project without bonding. He reconfirmed his commitment to the 6020 Project.

19:43:14 Mayor Wall gave a brief history of the park and stated that originally the City only wanted the road portion of the property in order to accommodate residents on 6020 South; however, the LDS Church was not willing to give up only part of the property and the City ultimately took ownership of the park. He further stated that the City has made a commitment to upgrade the park, maintain it as a public park, provide use of the park for camping, and honor existing reservations. The Mayor explained that it was initially thought that \$300,000 would complete what was needed; however, insufficiencies in the park have since come to light. He said consideration should be given on whether to take a "band-aid approach" to the park or whether to make it a park of which the community can be proud.

19:46:13 Mr. Harrington gave additional clarification on budget available for capital projects. He suggested using part of the \$1.8 million Redwood Road allocation and then replenishing that amount next year from additional amounts in the fund balance. He observed that this would be a short-term remedy.

19:47:33 Council Member Barbour said that she is absolutely against pulling funds from capital projects that were just approved during the budget session. Further discussion ensued regarding risks involved in drawing from the Redwood Road Project allocation and also on projections for fund balance percentages.

19:50:39 Council Member Kristie Overson questioned the possibility of preparing costs for the park construction in phases.

19:52:18 John Taylor described Phase 1 of the project, at a cost of \$300,000, which will cover constructing the restrooms and pathways. He also noted that future phases would most likely affect the portion previously completed and would require re-doing some areas again.

19:55:15 Mr. Morgan suggested that Administration bring back figures and recommendations for completing the park project in phases.

19:55:44 Chairman Rechtenbach presented options before the Council on whether to draw \$1 million from the capital project fund balance all at once or build the roadway now and then phase in landscaping, etc. at a later time.

19:58:28 Chairman Rechtenbach recommended proceeding with the roadway construction and directed Administration to find options for funding the remainder of the project. He asked that further discussion on Labrum Park be held during the August 8, 2012 City Council Work Session.

19:59:37 Mr. Morgan introduced Brandon Ruiz, who did designs for the park and provided cost estimates. Mr. Morgan indicated that Mr. Ruiz is available to address any questions from the Council regarding the park design.

20:00:34 Chairman Rechtenbach asked for clarification on parking plans. He stated that he would prefer not to see parallel parking and suggested that maybe some of the grass area could be utilized instead.

20:01:30 Council Member Ernest Burgess confirmed that the City has only owned Labrum Park less than a month. He suggested that thorough study be given before taking on parks in the future.

20:02:09 Council Member Larry Johnson asked for Mr. Ruiz' contact information and stated that he is proud of Labrum Park and would like to see it developed.

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 Ordinance 12-18 – Renaming 6130 South (Approximately 2000 West) to Crimson Court – *John Inch Morgan*

20:03:03 City Engineer John Taylor noted that all residents from 6130 South have requested that the street be renamed "Crimson Court." It was relayed that discussion has been held with the Postal Service, VECC, etc. Mr. Taylor indicated that there should not be any confusion, as there are no other streets in Salt Lake County with the name Crimson Court.

20:04:35 Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance 12-18 – Renaming 6130 South (Approximately 2000 West) to Crimson Court. Council Member Larry Johnson **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: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes,

Johnson-yes, Rechtenbach-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

**7.2 Discussion of Citizens Academy and Citizens Advisory Board
– John Inch Morgan**

City Administrator John Inch Morgan recognized Unified Police Department (UPD) Under-Sheriff Scott Carver and Deputy Chief Shane Hudson.

19:03:16 Under-Sheriff Scott Carver recognized Steve Parks, current Chair of the UPD Citizens Advisory Board. He noted that the Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) functions similarly to the Taylorsville Public Safety Committee. Steve Parks described roles and responsibilities of the Citizens Advisory Board. He clarified that the CAB is made up of representatives from around the valley who provide feedback to UPD. He relayed that the CAB is comprised of 20 to 25 volunteers, with at least two representing each different entity. He relayed that the CAB is open to interested individuals and is not exclusionary. Sheriff Carver indicated that membership is determined by the Taylorsville Police Chief.

19:09:56 Sheriff Carver provided flyers on Citizen Advisory Boards. Council Member Dama Barbour asked for a copy of the by-laws. Sheriff Carver agreed to send copies electronically to City Administrator John Inch Morgan for provision to the Council.

19:10:45 UPD Deputy Chief Shane Hudson invited elected officials to attend the annual Citizens Academy beginning Monday, September 10, 2012 and continuing each week on Mondays for nine weeks. He explained that the Academy is hosted by members of the department. He cited planned activities such as a jail tour; a dispatch center tour; presentations from members of the Forensics Unit, the Narcotics Unit, the Special Forces Unit, and the Metro Gang Unit; a field trip to the firearms range; a SWAT Team demo; a K-9 Unit demo; presentation from the Violent Crimes Unit, etc. He noted that classes fill up quickly and suggested that if Council Members are interested in participating in the Academy they should register soon.

19:15:44 Chief Hudson stated that he will forward applications to Chief Wyant, so that he might forward registration information on to City Council Members.

RECESS FOR RDA MEETING

20:06:22 Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to recess the City Council Meeting in order to conduct an RDA Board Meeting. Council Member Kristie Overson **SECONDED** the motion. All Council Members voted in favor.

Chairman Rechtenbach declared a recess of the Taylorsville City Council Meeting at 8:06 p.m. in order to convene the Redevelopment Agency of Taylorsville City Board Meeting.

The City Council Meeting was reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

7.3 Ordinance 12-19 – Adopting the “North Point Community Development Project Area Plan,” Dated June 2012 – Donald Adams

Economic Development Director Donald Adams presented the subject ordinance to adopt the North Point Community Development Project Area Plan.

20:39:00 Council Member Kristie Overson **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance 12-19 – Adopting the “North Point Community Development Project Area Plan,” Dated June 2012. Council Member Dama Barbour **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: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Rechtenbach-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

There were no new items for subsequent consideration.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

20:39:41

- 9.1 RDA Meeting – Wednesday, July 18, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.
- 9.2 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, August 1, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.
- 9.3 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, August 1, 2012 – 6:30 p.m.
- 9.4 City Council Work Session – Wednesday, August 8, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.
- 9.5 Truth in Taxation Hearing – Tuesday, August 14, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.
- 9.6 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, August 15, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.
- 9.7 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, August 15, 2012 – 6:30 p.m.

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

20:40:14

- 10.1 Taylorsville Art’s Council Presents, “Annie”—Taylorsville High School Auditorium, 5400 South Redwood Road – 7:00 p.m. – August 3, 4, 6, 10 & 11

11. ADJOURNMENT

20:40:25

Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to adjourn the 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: Burgess-yes, Overson-yes, Johnson-yes, Rechtenbach-yes, and Barbour-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.


Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 08-15-12

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