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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, March 20, 2019
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor:

Kristie Overson

Council Members:

Council Chairman Daniel Armstrong
Vice-Chairman Meredith Harker
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Brad Christopherson
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
Angela Price, Senior Planner

Excused: Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer

 6:01 PM Chairman Daniel Armstrong conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:01 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

1. Review Agenda

 The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed.

2. Adjourn

Chair Armstrong declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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Wayne Harper, Economic Development Director
Jay Ziolkowski, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Kim Horiuchi, Communications Director
Angela Price, Senior Planner

Excused: Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer

Others: Casey Taylor, Doug Stowell, John Gidney, Carl Fauver, Lynette Wendel, Justin Peterson, David Wright, Rebecca Scholes, Marc McElreath, Several UFA Fire Fighters

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

 6:31 PM Chairman Daniel Armstrong called the meeting to order at 6:31 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 Member Christopherson (Opening Ceremonies for April 3, 2019 to be arranged by Council Member Armstrong)*

Council Member Brad Christopherson directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Administrator John Taylor offered the Reverence.

1.2 Mayor's Report

 6:33 PM Mayor Kristie Overson thanked “Team Taylorsville” for its diligent work throughout the recent legislative session. She cited the collaborative effort enjoyed with other entities during the legislative process.

 6:34 PM The Mayor described the Youth Council Leadership Conference at Utah State University that she and Council Coordinator Kris Heineman recently attended with members of the Taylorsville Youth Council. Mayor Overson also relayed that she has had the chance to read to elementary school students over the last few weeks and has experienced many positive interactions with youth in the city.

 6:37 PM Mayor Overson described the progress of improvements made along the Jordan River Parkway. She noted that proactive efforts are ongoing to also have the private property cleaned up.

 6:38 PM The Mayor relayed that she recently met with the Salt Lake Community College President to discuss the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project. She indicated that the college is very cooperative and supportive of this project. She noted that she also attended a UTA Board Meeting to discuss the BRT project.

 6:39 PM Mayor Overson reported that a ribbon cutting for a new business was held today in Sorensen Research Park. She cited the possibilities within that development.

 6:40 PM The Mayor reminded staff and elected officials about the city's Awards Ceremony coming up on April 2, 2019.

 6:41 PM The Mayor shared a thank you letter she received from a local student and also a letter from a resident thanking law enforcement officers in the city. She also shared an email from a resident who offered some criticism. She stated that she welcomes opportunities to identify ways the city might improve its processes.

1.3 Citizen Comments

 6:43 PM Chairman Daniel Armstrong reviewed the citizen comment procedures and called for any citizen comments.

 6:43 PM Planning Commission Member Lynette Wendel illustrated photos of her dog and commented on animal services in the city. She cited the high percentage of households who have pets and relayed the importance of providing high quality, humane animal services in the city.

 6:48 PM UFA Assistant Chief Jay Ziolkowski presented a document to the city listing 2018 accomplishments and 2019 initiatives for the Unified Fire Authority

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

2. APPOINTMENTS

2.1 Appointments of Justin Peterson (District 5), Rebecca Scholes (At Large), and David Wright (At Large Alternate) to the Taylorsville Planning Commission – *Mark McGrath*

 6:49 PM Community Development Director Mark McGrath recommended that the following individuals be appointed to the Taylorsville Planning Commission: Justin Peterson (District 5), Rebecca Scholes (At Large), and David Wright (At Large Alternate).

 6:52 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to approve the appointments as presented. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dan Armstrong called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Christopherson-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

3. REPORTS

3.1 Prosecutors/Defense Report – *Casey Taylor/Doug Stowell*

 6:53 PM Doug Stowell reported on indigent defense services provided in the Taylorsville Justice Court. He distributed and reviewed a list of statistics concerning court cases.

 6:55 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson asked about any progress on getting public defense costs in line with constitutional requirements. Mr. Stowell gave explanation and indicated that the city is doing well in this regard. Prosecutor Casey Taylor offered additional clarification.

 6:58 PM Mr. Stowell addressed a question from Council Member Curt Cochran about a jump in crime from the first quarter to the second quarter. It was noted that there are certain times of the year when crime is more prevalent and others when it is slower, but everything evens out over the year. Mr. Stowell stressed the importance of implementing mental health and drug treatment programs for misdemeanor defendants.

 7:01 PM Casey Taylor reported on recent prosecution activity in the Taylorsville Municipal Justice Court. He relayed that roughly 1000 cases are handled through the court each month. He described the types of cases that are prosecuted. He stated the goal to help defendants have positive and productive experiences in the court. He noted that city ordinances are enforced in the Justice Court. Mr. Taylor noted the good relationship that prosecution maintains with law enforcement and the public defenders. He invited any who are interested to come and observe court proceedings.

 7:05 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell noted that there are very few complaints that come in regarding Taylorsville court processes. He cited the trust and mutual respect that exists between the Taylorsville prosecution and defense offices.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – March 6, 2019 City Council Meeting

 7:07 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda. Council Member Meredith Harker **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dan Armstrong called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Christopherson-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, and Armstrong-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 **Resolution No. 19-09 – A Resolution of the City of Taylorsville Adopting the One-Year Action Plan for the Forth-Fifth Year of Community Development Block Grant Funding and Home Investment Partnership Funding (2019-2020); and Approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development – *Angela Price***

 7:07 PM Senior Planner Angela Price presented the subject resolution to adopt the One-Year Action Plan for 2019-2020 CDBG Funding and to approve an interlocal agreement with HUD. She thanked Mayor Kristie Overson for time spent in reviewing applications and determining funding recommendations. She described criteria for analyzing needs and allocations. She relayed that the City Council must now approve the 2019-2020 CDBG Action Plan and the agreement with HUD, per federal requirements.

 7:11 PM Ms. Price clarified that the actual federal funding allocation amount has not been received yet, but is expected soon. She noted that a provision in the subject resolution allows for bumps up or down, depending on the actual amount received.

 7:12 PM Council Member Meredith Harker **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 19-09, with the funding allocations as recommended in the exhibit. Council Member Curt Cochran **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dan Armstrong called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Christopherson-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

6.2 **Resolution No. 19-12 – A Resolution of the City of Taylorsville Approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the City and Salt Lake County for the City to Receive TRCC Funding from the County to Aid in the Construction of the Salt Lake County Regional Performing Arts Center at Taylorsville Plaza and Open Space – *John Taylor***

 7:13 PM City Administrator John Taylor presented the subject resolution to consider approval of an interlocal agreement with Salt Lake County for the city to receive TRCC funding over the course of three years. He explained that this will be used toward open space improvements related to the Performing Arts Center (PAC) that is being constructed at Taylorsville Plaza. He commended Mayor Kristie Overson's efforts that helped secure the funds. He outlined terms in the agreement that dictate how Taylorsville will expend allocated funds.

 7:15 PM Council Member Curt Cochran **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 19-12, as presented. Council Member Meredith Harker **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dan Armstrong called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Christopherson-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 Animal Services Side-by-Side Comparison and Discussion – *John Taylor*

 7:16 PM City Administrator John Taylor discussed current animal services and associated costs, as provided through Taylorsville's contract with West Valley City. He described terms of the current services agreement and also those for the facility ownership agreement.

Mr. Taylor referenced a proposal for the provision of animal services through Salt Lake County Animal Control. He illustrated a comparison between costs for West Valley City services and Salt Lake County services. He cited some operational and service issues that have been identified by resident Lynette Wendel and asked that the Council also help identify services that may currently need improvement.

 7:33 PM Discussion ensued regarding animal services and questions were addressed.

 7:36 PM Ms. Wendel cited the lack of response by West Valley City due to limited hours and observed that citizens may not contact the city directly every time they have a complaint.

 7:37 PM Council Member Harker relayed that most of the comments she receives from constituents have been related to animal services.

 7:38 PM Council Member Christopherson cited the high caliber of services that have been provided by West Valley City when dealing with difficult issues. Mr. Taylor acknowledged that there have been problems in the past that have now been corrected.

 7:39 PM Chair Dan Armstrong said he does not have a problem with the services currently provided, but cited the need to provide more hours of coverage.

 7:41 PM Council Member Christopherson suggested polling residents regarding their opinion on the current level of service provided by West Valley City.

 7:45 PM City Attorney Tracy Cowdell mentioned that his office has not really had any trouble with West Valley City Animal Control. He said they have been both pleasant and professional when dealing with court cases.

 7:55 PM The consensus of the Council was to direct Administration to conduct a public survey regarding animal services and to ascertain the cost of increasing service coverage hours with West Valley City.

 7:56 PM Ms. Wengel made an additional comment on the need for 24/7 animal services coverage due to public safety priorities. Mr. Cowdell indicated his office is not concerned about any public safety issues. Mr. Taylor explained that West Valley Animal Control officers have been able to work with UPD law enforcement officers on any public safety issues. He said review can still be given to possibly changing the level of service to accommodate 24/7 response.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

8.1 Council Chair Armstrong – It was agreed that the Council would like to have Government Affairs Specialist John Hiskey come to a future City Council Meeting to present a legislative report.

8.2 Council Vice Chair Harker – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.3 Council Member Burgess – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.4 Council Member Christopherson – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.5 Council Member Cochran – nothing for subsequent consideration.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

 7:59 PM

9.1 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, March 26, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

9.2 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, April 3, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

9.3 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, April 3, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

9.4 Planning Commission Work Session – Tues., April 9, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

9.5 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, April 9, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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

 7:59 PM

10.1 Taylorsville Art Show: March 25-30, 2019 – Taylorsville Senior Center

- 10.2 ***Pinwheel Planting for Child Abuse Awareness – (Sponsored by the Taylorsville Exchange Club): Saturday, March 30, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at Taylorsville City Hall***
- 10.3 ***Earth Day Collection Event: Saturday, Saturday, April 27, 2019 8:00 – 12:00 Noon at Taylorsville City Hall***
- 10.4 ***Parks and Recreation Committee and the Cultural Diversity Committee’s Tree Planting and Cinco de Mayo Event: Saturday, May 4, 2019 – 8:00 – 12:00 Noon - Mill Race Park.***
- 10.5 ***Taylorsville Dayzz: June 27-29, 2019.***
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

 7:59 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adjourn the City Council Meeting. Council Member Meredith Harker **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Dan Armstrong called for discussion on the motion. There being none, he called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Christopherson-yes, Cochran-yes, Burgess-yes, Harker-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 04-03-19

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder