## Salt Lake County Council

Committee of the Whole

~Minutes~

Tuesday, October 21, 2014

1:35:54 PM

Committee Members

Present: Randy Horiuchi

 Jim Bradley

 Arlyn Bradshaw

 Aimee Newton

 Sam Granato

 Max Burdick

 Michael Jensen, Chair

Excused: Richard Snelgrove

 Steven DeBry

Citizen Public Input (1:35:54 PM)

 No one appeared for Citizen Public Input.

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Economic Forecast and Revenue Budget Update (1:36:10 PM)

 **Mr. Doug Macdonald**, Economic Consultant, Econowest Associates, delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the economic outlook for 2015. He reviewed economic forecasts for the world, the nation, the state, and the county. The County is still recovering from the recession, but all indicators point to smooth sailing unless a major catastrophic occurs.

 **Mr. Lance Brown**, Director, Planning & Budget Division, Mayor’s Office, continued the PowerPoint presentation. He reviewed the projections for the General Fund and related funds, property tax new growth, personal property revenue, centrally assessed properties, and Redevelopment Agency (RDA) projects, as well as property and sales tax revenue projections. The County funds are structurally out-of-balance when taking into consideration the new requests for the upcoming year. The Mayor will be presenting his budget next week, which hopefully will fix this problem.

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Presentation on Office of Regional Development Projects (2:29:16 PM)

 **Mr. Carlton Christensen**, Director, Office of Regional Development, stated as part of the creation of the Office for Regional Development, the Regional Development Fund was created to allow an ongoing source of funding to address one-time issues that have significance to the County as a whole, and which would otherwise be difficult to address. He reviewed the 2014 Regional Development Fund projects, some of which are very complicated and might take a multi-year solution.

*Regional Gang Reduction Initiative*

 **Mr. David Litvack**, Director, Criminal Justice Advisory Council, gave an overview of the Regional Gang Reduction Initiative. Regional Development funds were appropriated in 2014 to implement and pilot a comprehensive regional gang reduction initiative model. The proposed initiative was for two years, so he will be requesting funding in the 2015 budget. The vision is for strong regional coordination and collaboration and empowerment of local communities to help reduce gang activity. The model includes a regional and four local coordinating bodies (Salt Lake City, Midvale City, Kearns/Magna, and West Valley City). The regional coordinating body is made up of elected officials from across the County. It provides leadership, best policies and practices, and a community wide/region wide assessment of what gang activity and gang membership looks like. It includes a steering community of community stakeholders, a coordinator, a researcher to support regional efforts, and an intervention team. Progress to date includes the hiring of two key staff: a Regional Gang Program Manager (hired in July), and a Regional Gang Research Analyst (hired in September). Outreach has been done to existing local coordinating bodies, i.e. Salt Lake City and Midvale City, as well as to gang task forces, i.e. Safe Streets and the Metro Gang Unit, for joint operations and enhanced communication. In addition, the Magna/Kearns Local Coordinating Body has been initiated.

 **Mr. Moises Prospero**, Regional Gang Program Manager, continued the PowerPoint presentation. He stated all members of the Regional Coordinating Body have been identified and contacted, and its first meeting will be held in November 2014. Outcomes for the Regional Gang Reduction program are to target gangs by reducing gang membership through incarceration or gang desistence, and target areas to reduce gang crime and other violent or property crimes. Gang units and local police have been engaged to help reduce gang and violent crime, while local coordinating bodies are providing comprehensive services to less serious gang members. Then, gang prevention programs have also been established. In summary, he reviewed the timeline for the program with the preliminary evaluation before the Council set for November 2015.

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*Economic Development Corporation of Utah (EDCU)*

 **Mr. Jeff Edwards**, Executive Director, Economic Development Corporation of Utah (EDCU), delivered a PowerPoint presentation. He stated the purpose of EDCU is to help companies already located in Utah grow and to recruit out-of-state companies to expand and relocate to Utah. EDCU works closely with local governments to determine the kind of businesses each community would like to see, and then to recruit those businesses. The main businesses EDCU tries to recruit are: Aerospace & Defense; Life Sciences; Outdoor Products; Energy; Software; and Financial Services. Over the past two years, EDCU has recruited 75 new businesses (40 located in Salt Lake County) with an increase of 19,468 jobs (9,689 in Salt Lake County).

 **Council Member Bradley** asked why Adobe Systems decided to relocate in Utah County instead of Salt Lake County.

 **Mr. Edwards** stated Adobe Systems is hoping to recruit from both the University of Utah and Brigham Young University, so it wanted to be right in the middle of the two universities. If the Utah prison is moved, then Salt Lake County will have 600 acres to develop and since technology companies like to be next to each other there is a strong possibility of additional companies coming to Utah. The future is looking good for Salt Lake County and Utah.

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*Local Planning Resource Planning*

 **Mr. Carlton Christensen**, Director, Office of Regional Development, stated the $5 million sustainability Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant is helping to create the vision for the Wasatch Front. This grant is being used to figure out how to do more than just planning. It will be used to figure out such things as how to implement town centers in all the communities in Salt Lake County, and how to deal with the population growth over the next 20–30 years, with the responsibility of Salt Lake County being an important place to live, and the quality of life. Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) will provide some local planning resource assistance. Wil Sommerkorn has been hired as the Director of Regional Planning and Transportation, and he will be working with regional partners and other municipalities to help Salt Lake County achieve set goals.

 **Mr. Ted Knowlton**, Deputy Director, Wasatch Front Regional Council, stated the Wasatch Choice for 2040 focuses on metropolitan, regional and town centers, station communities, boulevards, and main streets, which benefits more people with jobs and homes near public transportation. The challenge is implementing the plan so development happens in the centers. It will be a challenge to draft ordinances, assemble land, and introduce land ideas to elected and appointed officials and local governments. The WFRC and associated partners are aware of the challenges and have created a 2040 tool box, which helps communities understand centers’ concepts, station area communities, and consider how to make these growth concepts come to life in an innovative way. Some of the recipients of this idea include the cities of Holladay, Cottonwood Heights, Draper, West Jordan, South Salt Lake, Riverton, Taylorsville, and Salt Lake as well as additional projects in Salt Lake County and the Millcreek area.

 **Council Member Newton** stated with the population growing over the next 30 years this gives her hope that Salt Lake County will be proactive.

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*911 Dispatch System*

 **Mr. John H. Morgan**, Director, Valley Emergency Communication Center (VECC), updated the Council on the 911 Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system. Last year the County set aside $1.4 million to go towards getting the entire County on the same dispatch platform. Then, during the Legislative Session, a bill was passed setting aside a special restricted fund of $250,000 for public safety software. In order for the County to tap into this fund, it needs to apply for a grant. He has also identified federal grants that can be applied for.

Over the past year, the project has grown to include all the secondary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) users such as the Utah Transit Authority, Utah Highway Patrol, University of Utah, and the Granite Police Department. The entities will be able to share records through this new system. An RFP will be issued shortly in order to hire a consultant to help with this project.

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Polling Workers for the 2014 Elections (3:43:57 PM)

 The Council reviewed a list of poll workers for the 2014 elections. The list has been placed on the Council agenda for final approval and execution.

 **Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Bradley, moved to approve the list of poll workers for the 2014 elections and forward the list to the 4:00 p.m. Council meeting for formal consideration. The motion passed unanimously.**

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Local Transportation Corridor Preservation Fund (3:44:23 PM)

 **Mr. Derk Timothy,** Chair, Salt Lake County Council of Governments (COG), reviewed the recommendations of COG for Local Transportation Corridor Preservation funding:

* $217,333 for two parcels in order to complete 6200 South Street to State Road 111 in West Valley City.
* $66,300 for a parcel located at 7800 South 4977 West and $250,000 for a parcel located at 7800 South and 5145 West. These parcels are needed for the future widening of 7800 South in West Jordan City.
* $250,000 for one parcel located on 13200 South to facilitate a connection with the Mountain View Corridor in Herriman City.
* $163,090 for one parcel located at Porter Rockwell Boulevard to reconfigure an intersection in Bluffdale City.

 **Council Member Burdick, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, moved to approve the applications as recommended by the Council of Governments and forward them to the 4:00 p.m. Council meeting for formal consideration. The motion passed unanimously.**

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Proposed Reclassification

 **Mr. Brad Kendrick**, Assistant Fiscal Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the following request:

*Office of Township Services*

Requests a reclassification of an Economic & Redevelopment Planner 25/27/29 position to an Economic & Redevelopment Manager 33 position.

This item was not discussed.

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Review of New Hires (3:45:22 PM)

 **Mr. Brad Kendrick**, Assistant Fiscal Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the following requests:

*Facilities Management Division*

Requests to fill a Custodial Maintenance Worker 13 position and an HVAC Specialist 25 position.

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*Parks & Recreation Division*

 Requests to fill a Recreation Program Coordinator 19/21/23 position.

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*Assessor’s Office*

 Requests to fill two Personal Property Appraiser 22/24/26 positions.

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*Sheriff’s Office*

Requests to fill a Cash Accounting Specialist 13 position, a Corrections Specialist 16 position, and a Supervisor 25 position.

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*Salt Lake County Health Department*

Requests to fill a Construction/Maintenance Specialist 20 position, a Public Health Nurse 30 position, a Microsystems Analyst 29/31/33 position, and two time-limited Public Health Nurse positions.

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*Criminal Justice Services Division*

 Requests to fill two Case Manager 24 positions.

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*Library Services Division*

Requests to fill two part-time Library Shelver 11 positions and a Customer Service Specialist 15 position.

 **Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Horiuchi, moved to approve the requests. The motion passed unanimously.**

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Interim Budget Adjustment (3:45:44 PM)

 **Mr. Brad Kendrick**, Assistant Fiscal Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the following interim budget adjustment request, which has been placed on the Council agenda for formal consideration:

*District Attorney’s Office*

 Requests an interim budget adjustment of $17,127 to be used to maintain the Investigative Computer Servers. This money will come from the Asset Forfeiture Fund.

 **Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Horiuchi, moved to approve the request and forward it to the 4:00 p.m. Council meeting for formal consideration. The motion passed unanimously.**

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***CONSENT AGENDA*** (3:46:03 PM)

Constable

 The Council reviewed the appointment of *Quintin Grillone* as a deputy constable under Constable Larry Bringhurst.

 **Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Newton, moved to approve the appointment and forward it to the 4:00 p.m. Council meeting for formal consideration. The motion passed unanimously.**

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Resolution and Equipment Purchase Agreement

 The Council reviewed the following resolution and agreement. The resolution authorizing execution of the agreement has been placed on the Council agenda for final approval and execution:

 *Salt Lake County* regarding the purchase of furniture, fixtures, and equipment and the sale of said equipment to Ballet West.

 **Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Newton, moved to approve the resolution and forward it to the 4:00 p.m. Council meeting for formal consideration. The motion passed unanimously.**

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Interim Budget Adjustment

 The Council reviewed the request by Kevin Jacobs, County Assessor, for an interim budget adjustment of $750,000 in order to pay Harris Computer Systems a payment for the purchase of the RealWare Tax System.

 **Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Newton, moved to approve the request and forward it to the 4:00 p.m. Council meeting for formal consideration. The motion passed unanimously.**

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Other Business

*Approval of Minutes*

**Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Newton, moved to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes for Tuesday, October 14, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.**

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The meeting was adjourned at 3:46:03 PM

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 Chair, Committee of the Whole

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