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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, July 19, 2023
Council Chambers, Room No. 140
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd.
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor Kristie Overson

Council Members:

Council Chair Bob Knudsen
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Curt Cochran
Council Member Meredith Harker

City Staff:

John Taylor, City Administrator
Scott Harrington, Asst. City Admin/CFO
Jamie Brooks, City Recorder
Brady Cottam, Police Chief
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Wayne Harper, Community/Econ. Development
Richard Rich, Unified Fire Captain

Excused: Anna Barbieri

6:00 BRIEFING SESSION

Chair Bob Knudsen conducted the briefing session, which convened at 6:01 p.m. A roll call was conducted wherein all councilmembers were present except Councilmember Barbieri who had indicated she would be late.

1. Review Agenda

The agenda for the regular city council meeting was reviewed.

Chair Knudsen mentioned that some elected officials would attend a ChamberWest gala on Wednesday, August 30th. Councilmember Harker added that there would also be an event at the updated Valley Regional softball complex on Friday, August 4 at 11:30 a.m.

Chair Knudsen reported that there was need for a closed session to discuss pending/reasonably imminent litigation and/or the purchase, sale or lease of real property.

2. Adjourn

Chair Knudsen declared the briefing session adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Attendance:

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Council Member Anna Barbieri
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Curt Cochran
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Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Kim Horiuchi, Communications Director
Richard Rich, UFA Captain
Jim Spung, Senior Planner
Ben White, City Engineer

Others Present: DeeAnn Capener, Guy Capener, John E. Gidney, Kenzie Hathaway, Don Russell, Dennis Sanok, Gary Santy, and Mark Stratford.

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Chair Knudsen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. A roll call was conducted wherein all councilmembers were present.

1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge/Reverence – *Councilmember Barbieri (Opening Ceremonies for August 2, 2023 to be arranged by Mayor Overson)*

Councilmember Barbieri directed the Pledge of Allegiance before reciting the following quote: “*May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right.*” She then offered a brief prayer.

1.2 Mayor’s Report



Mayor Kristie Overson reported that Taylorsville Dayzz was a success as always. She greatly appreciated Jim Dunnigan, the Taylorsville Dayzz committee, city staff, Unified Fire, the Youth Council, Arts Council and everyone who contributed to the event in one way or another.

A ribbon cutting had taken place at the Utah Creative Chamber which was an art studio/music room/multi-media lab/podcast space/business incubator/creative networking/mentoring office space. The mayor said it was a thoroughly entertaining ribbon-cutting for a very interesting space.

The new pickleball courts at Vista Park were recently celebrated with a ribbon cutting. She thanked everyone who worked hard to make the new courts a reality for Taylorsville.

Taylorsville Arts Council recently had a *Footloose* dance off in a crosswalk to promote their production of that play.

Mayor Overson recently attended a budget lunch hosted by Granite School District which provided a preview to their budget. Anyone interested could review the budget which had been posted on the District’s website.

Construction on Redwood Road-- particularly in front of Taylorsville High School—was part of the Redwood Road mobility and safety enhancements project. Crews were preparing for a new right-turn lane leading into the school. Hopefully it would be completed before the new school year began.

The City was gearing up for the coming school year and needed to hire a few more crossing guards. Those who had already been hired attended a training the previous day which included CPR instruction.

Pacific Southwest Regionals competition (baseball) was taking place currently and Mayor Overson had enjoyed throwing out the first pitch. The coaches had met for breakfast at city hall earlier in the week and she appreciated the opportunity to support youth.


Starry Nights at the Plaza continued to draw a big crowd each Friday night. She appreciated all those involved in making it possible and for those neighbors and friends who were making it a regular part of their week.

In addition to crossing guards, the City was also looking for a victim advocate in the police department and a van driver for the senior center.

Anyone interested in rescuing a dog could attend *Cops and Pups* the following day between 1pm and 2pm at city hall. TVPD officers would be paired up with dogs that were available for adoption.

Mayor Overson was delighted to report that Taylorsville's Ian Hernandez Roja, had won the grand prize (tuxedo) in the annual duct tape *Stuck at Prom* contest. He was awarded with a \$10,000 scholarship.

1.3 Citizen Comments

 Chair Knudsen invited any member of the audience to step forward and address the Council on the topic of his/her choosing.

Jared Jensen, a senior at Taylorsville High school, wished to thank the city for making pedestrian safety at crosswalks a priority.

Kenzie Hathaway was also a Taylorsville High student and invited her fellow high school students to join her on the Taylorsville Youth Council.

Guy Capener expressed concern about the fact that the cul-de-sac he lived on was going to be opened up to through traffic. He said he had been assured that it wouldn't happen but was recently notified that it would. He expressed concern about increased traffic and crime in the neighborhood.

There was no one else who expressed a desire to speak, so Chair Knudsen closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

2.1 Appointment of Gary Santy to the Arts Council – *Councilmember Burgess*

 Councilmember Burgess invited Mr. Gary Santy to step forward and explain why he was interested in volunteering on the Arts Council.

Mr. Santy explained that he had volunteered at Taylorsville Dayzz for nine years. He had always loved the arts and appreciated the opportunity to serve on the Arts Council.

MOTION: Councilmember Burgess moved to appoint Gary Santy to serve on the Taylorsville Arts Council. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Harker.

Councilmember Harker	Yes
Chair Knudsen	Yes
Councilmember Barbieri	Yes
Councilmember Cochran	Yes
Councilmember Burgess	Yes

The motion passed 5-0

3. REPORTS

There were no reports on the agenda.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Meeting Minutes of the June 21, 2023 City Council Meetings


MOTION: Councilmember Barbieri moved to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2023 City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Burgess.

Councilmember Burgess	Yes
Councilmember Harker	Yes
Chair Knudsen	Yes
Councilmember Cochran	Yes
Councilmember Barbieri	Yes

The motion passed 5-0

5. PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 Review of the Taylorsville Land Development Code Update Project (Chapter 13.02, Zoning Districts – Jim Spung

 Senior Planner Jim Spung explained that tonight's focus was chapter two of the Land Development Code which involved zoning districts. He reminded everyone about the project website—www.taylorsvilleut.gov/government/land-development-code-update


Mr. Spung reported on the contents of *Chapter 13.02: Zoning Districts* and displayed an example of the improved page layout within the update. He mentioned that the General Plan would also be updated to diversify housing options in Taylorsville. The updated LDC did not contemplate substantial changes to existing zones but instead, sought to clean up the menu of districts to:

- Eliminate unnecessary districts;
- Adjust district standards as needed;
- Introduce new districts to create a more comprehensive zoning palette (even if not applied immediately).

Some changes to the Site-Specific Development Zone (SSD) were proposed and Mr. Spung outlined those. He encouraged the councilmembers to review the information available on the above website, particularly the summary memos, and to contact him with any questions that arose.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

6.1 **Resolution No. 23-22** – A Resolution of the City of Taylorsville approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Salt Lake County and the City of Taylorsville for the Extension of an Agreement for I-215 Frontage Road Connectors – *Scott Harrington*

 Assistant City Administrator and Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington explained that this agreement had already been in place but was being extended for an additional year. The agreement related to studying the feasibility of UDOT's I-215 frontage road project.


MOTION: Councilmember Cochran moved to approve Resolution No. 23-22, approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Salt Lake County and the City of Taylorsville for the extension of an agreement for I-215 Frontage Road Connectors. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barbieri.

Councilmember Barbieri	Yes
Councilmember Cochran	Yes
Councilmember Burgess	Yes
Chair Knudsen	Yes
Councilmember Harker	Yes

The motion passed 5-0

7. OTHER MATTERS

7.1 **Report on Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District Proposed Property Tax Increase for Water Service Purposes** – *John Taylor*

 City Administrator John Taylor introduced Mark Stratford, general counsel for the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District. Mr. Stratford explained that JWWCD was proposing to increase their tax by approximately 9.4%. The increased revenue was to be spent on “substantial capital project upgrades” such as \$177 million in needed improvements. Mr. Stratford admitted that the District had raised taxes annually for several years in a row and explained that they felt regular smaller increases rather than a large increase all at once was preferable.

There would be a public hearing regarding the proposed tax increase at JWWCD (8215 South 1300 West) on August 9th at 6:00 p.m.

7.2 **Economic Development Report** – *Wayne Harper*

 Community and Economic Development Director Wayne Harper provided the Council with an update on the following:

- *The Crossroads of Taylorsville* – All units in the north area by Regal Cinema were now leased; New tenants included Hot Worx yoga studio, Dirty Dough cookie shop, JC Dental, Rockler Woodworking and FEASTbox
- *Legacy Plaza at 54th* – Expansion included 4 new retail units and 1 new restaurant.
- *Meadowbrook Plaza* – Permits for façade improvements had been issued and construction had begun
- *Westwood Village* – This center needed attention. Chase Bank at that location had closed.
- *Carriage Square* – Parking lot improvements continued; the businesses were excited about the changes; future façade improvement were coming
- *Beltway West* – First building was nearing completion and the second one had footings.
- *Sorenson Research Park* – Two industrial projects; Geneva Rock, Beehive Insurance, IHC Pharmacy and WPMA; Sorenson Communications and Sorenson Media were downsizing in their two buildings as many of their employees now worked from home.
- *Summit Vista* – Demand for new residential units continued; certificate of occupancy issued for Building 1.4; Building 1.5 was under construction; building permit had been issued for Building 1.6; KGRW was working with the owners to design residential Phase 2
- *Station Area Plans* – State code required the City to have plans for 3 Bus Rapid Transit stations on 4700 South. In conjunction with Wasatch Front Regional Council, the City had hired KGRW to do the 3 Station Area Plans. The first public outreach meeting was scheduled for July 26 at 6pm in the council chambers of city hall. This would be a six-month process and the WFRC had funded the study.
- *Volta* – Some demolition had been completed; Albertson's would still be coming down. Underground utilities were currently being relocated.
- *Updates from around the City* – GT Estates was an 8-9 lot subdivision under construction at 4900 West 3200 West; Walmart would begin a remodeling project; new tenants were arranging to move in at the Taylorsville Town Center; Valley Regional Park softball field rebuild was complete and the fields were now in use; Tita's Restaurant and Guzzle Soda Shack at 2724 West 5400 South was under construction.
- International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) conference in May was a great opportunity for some very productive meetings.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

- 8.1 Councilmember Burgess** – nothing for subsequent consideration.
- 8.2 Councilmember Barbieri** – nothing for subsequent consideration.
- 8.3 Council Chair Knudsen** – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.4 Councilmember Harker – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.5 Council Member Cochran – nothing for subsequent consideration

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

9.1 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, August 2, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

9.2 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, August 2, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.

9.3 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, August 8, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.

9.4 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, August 8, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

9.5 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, August 16, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

9.6 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, August 16, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.

9.7 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, August 22, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.

9.8 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, August 22, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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

10.1 “Starry Nights at the Plaza” Food trucks, entertainment, and movies at city hall; Friday nights beginning at 5:30 p.m.

10.2 *Night Out Against Crime* – Friday, August 4, 2023, 6:00 p.m. at City Hall - Sponsored by the Taylorsville Public Safety Committee

10.3 *A Fall Festival* – Saturday, September 23, 2023 at the Taylorsville-Bennion Museum – Sponsored by the Historic Preservation Committee

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

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

MOTION: Councilmember Cochran moved to recess the meeting, convene a closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and the purchase, sale, or lease of real property. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Burgess.

Chair Knudsen	Yes
Councilmember Burgess	Yes
Councilmember Harker	Yes
Councilmember Barbieri	Yes
Councilmember Cochran	Yes

The motion passed 5-0

The public meeting recessed at 8:07 p.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Knudsen declared the meeting adjourned from room #202 at 8:47 p.m.

Jamie Brooks, City Recorder

Minutes Prepared by: Jamie Brooks, City Recorder