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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, August 16, 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 Vice Chair Curt Cochran
Council Member Anna Barbieri
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Meredith Harker

City Staff:

Scott Harrington, CFO/Asst. City Administrator
Jamie Brooks, City Recorder
Brady Cottam, Police Chief
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Kim Horiuchi, Communications Director
Ben White, City Engineer

Excused: John Taylor, City Administrator

Others: David Harris, Jan Harris, Linda Paulsen, Dennis Sanok, Linda Snarr, Bob Westbrook,
and Gordon Willardson

6:00 BRIEFING SESSION

Chair Bob Knudsen conducted the briefing session, which convened at 6:02 p.m. A roll call was conducted wherein all council members were present except Council Member Barbieri who arrived at 6:03 p.m.

1. Review Agenda

The agenda for the regular city council meeting was reviewed.

2. Adjourn

Chair Knudsen declared the briefing session adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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Others: John E. Gidney, David Harris, Jan Harris, Susan Ison, Linda Paulsen, Dennis Sanok, Linda Snarr, and athletes and parents of the Taylorsville Venom, Taylorsville Explosion and Taylorsville TKO fastpitch softball teams.

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 council members were present.

1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge/Reverence – Councilmember Harker (Opening Ceremonies for September 6, 2023 to be arranged by Councilmember Burgess.

Councilmember Harker directed the Pledge of Allegiance before presenting a quote from Andrew Carnegie: *“Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision -- the ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.”* Councilmember Harker explained that seeing three championship softball teams in the room had inspired her to share the quote. She also pointed out

1 how vital teamwork was to the city's success. She was excited to help celebrate the young ladies
2 in the room.

3 4 **1.2 Mayor's Report**

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6  Mayor Kristie Overson reported on a ribbon-cutting for the Larry H. Miller Softball Complex.
7 She was grateful to Salt Lake County as well as the Larry H. and Gail Miller Family Foundation
8 for the beautiful new facility.
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10 The previous week saw the annual *Night Out Against Crime* held in conjunction with the weekly
11 *Starry Nights on the Plaza*. In addition to the usual food trucks, there was a police K-9
12 demonstration, a helicopter, the FBI BearCat, HamNet radio operators, and numerous public safety
13 personnel with various other pieces of equipment. The mayor said it was a great opportunity to
14 show appreciation to first responders and also to shed a light on what citizens could do to contribute
15 to public safety.
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17 Mayor Overson recently attended a meeting of the Unified Fire Authority Board of Directors, of
18 which she is a member. UFA wished to have a way for their personnel to show the distinction
19 between the various communities they served. On one shirt sleeve they wore the traditional UFA
20 patch, but they had recently created a patch for each of these different communities. She displayed
21 the new Taylorsville patch that would be worn by those serving in our city.
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23 School in the Granite School District had started earlier that day. The mayor expressed her
24 appreciation to TVPD officers for keeping a close eye on traffic around Taylorsville High School.
25 She appreciated everything they did to keep students safe at all the schools in the city.
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27 The week before, Mayor Overson had attended a large gathering of Granite School District staff
28 and faculty. It was held at the Expo Center and was a fun event held to show appreciation for all
29 those who took part in educating our kids.
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31 Last years' sculptures were being rotated out and new ones would be installed the following Friday
32 evening. There was no cost to the city for this art, but the pieces were lent to the city for a year at
33 a time.
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35 A great deal of construction was taking place in Taylorsville. Mayor Overson appreciated
36 everyone's patience as improvements were made in various parts of the city.
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38 Salt Lake County's 2025 Master Plan Public Open House would be held at the Taylorsville
39 Recreation Center on August 29th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Salt Lake County was seeking
40 public input on what residents would like to see in the County parks for 2025 and beyond.
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The City was currently recruiting for Taylorsville Youth Council. She encouraged any high schoolers (Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors) interested in local and state government as well as community service to pick up a flier and application from the back table before leaving that evening.

1.2.1 Girls Softball Team Recognition



Three first-place softball teams were present to be recognized for their recent championships. The **Taylorsville Venom** team stepped forward to be recognized. They were:

- Brooklyn Shelton
- Brynli Schmelling
- Stella Brown
- Layla Harley
- Charlie Evans
- Lily Roller
- Emily Moffitt
- Bailie Evans
- Julie Hansen
- Aleeha Sidwell
- Lola Fonua
- Berklea Porter

Mayor Overson then introduced the **Taylorsville Explosion** team of 11 to 13-year-old all-stars. The players were:

- Emma Whitmer
- Brooklyn Aguirre
- Elliot Gray-Wolf
- Skyleigh Granger
- Kaedence Springer
- Yanabaah Gambler
- Marie Black
- Abigail Winn
- Nevaeh George
- Brooklynn Peterson
- Abigail Van Leeuwen
- Chloe Smith
- Kelsey Zawalski

And finally, Mayor Overson introduced the **Taylorsville TKO**:

- Zoey Zelaya
- Jayda Warren
- Kayla Nicoll
- Remie Frenette
- Heidi Ricketson
- Raine Bourell
- Alecia Martinez
- Gracie Bowen
- Mariah Ormond
- Arely Hernandez
- Mia Stricklan
- Kaylee Back

Each team was congratulated for their hard work and victories before posing for photographs.

1.3 Citizen Comments

 Chair Knudsen invited any member of the audience who wished to address the City Council to step forward and do so.

Linda Paulsen and Linda Snarr explained that the Utah State Legislature had designated the month of September as *American Founders and Constitution Month*. They encouraged those gathered to recognize and observe the occasion. Councilmember Harker who worked as an elementary school educator, pointed out that she had been receiving emails and lesson plans to help involve school children.

David Harris shared his concerns about parking and traffic on Simper Lane. He explained that some townhomes had recently been built and for some reason all the potential parking spots in that subdivision had been painted red which caused the residents to have to park on Simper Lane. He explained that drivers parked on both sides of Simper, resulting in only a single lane of traffic remaining open for cars moving in both directions.

Susan Ison also spoke regarding Simper Lane. She explained that when applying for a variance before building the townhomes, the developers promised 1) to have sufficient on-site parking to meet residents' and visitors' needs; 2) that the townhomes would all be owner-occupied; and 3) that there would be plenty of green space upon which children could play. They had failed to deliver on all three promises.

Councilmember Cochran inquired if the parking problem was worse at any particular time of day. Ms. Ison responded that it was through the night as well as during the morning hours.

John Eugster expressed his concern about a decorative wall on the east side of 2700 West. It had been started seven years ago and had never been finished. He also requested clarification regarding ownership of the wall.

There were no additional citizen comments, and Chair Knudsen closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District – Pam Roberts



General Manager/CEO Pam Roberts greeted the Council and explained that WFWRD now had an apprentice program for those individuals 18 years of age and older interested in obtaining their commercial driver license (CDL). WFWRD would provide training and pay for them to get their CDL for those interested in working for the entity. This was an effort to address long-term staffing issues.

Ms. Roberts provided some statistics regarding what was collected during June's city-wide annual cleanup event:

- 5.71 tons of bulk waste
- 3.23 tons of green waste
- 1.11 tons of recycling (non-glass)
- 240 pounds of glass

During the 2023 SCRP program (Seasonal Container Reservation Program), 1,167 containers were delivered over 19 days. Collected during that time was 885 tons of bulk waste, 265 mattresses, 22 refrigerators, and 37 tires.

WFWRD was currently ten drivers short and because of that, it was necessary to suspend the trailer rental program until the end of September.

3.2 Salt Lake County Public Works – Crystal Hulbert

Crystal Hulbert was not present to report.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes – August 2, 2023 City Council Meeting

MOTION: Councilmember Cochran moved to approve the minutes for the August 2, 2023 City Council meeting as presented. 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

5. PLANNING MATTERS

There were no planning matters on the agenda.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

There were no financial matters on the agenda.

7. OTHER MATTERS

There were no “other matters” on the agenda.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

8.1 Councilmember Burgess – expressed his concern about ongoing parking problems in the areas of Tamarack Road and Edgeware Lane.

8.2 Councilmember Barbieri – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.3 Council Chair Knudsen – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.4 Council Member Harker – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.5 Council Member Cochran – nothing for subsequent consideration.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

- 9.1 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
- 9.2 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
- 9.3 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
- 9.4 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
- 9.5 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
- 9.6 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- 10.1 “*Starry Nights on the Plaza*” Food Trucks at City Hall Friday Nights 5pm-8pm
- 10.2 “*Fall Festival*” Sponsored by the Historic Preservation Committee; Saturday, September 23, 2023, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

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

There was no need for a closed session.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Councilmember Cochran moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barbieri and Chair Knudsen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Jamie Brooks, City Recorder