

City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, June 4, 2014
Council Chambers
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor Larry Johnson

Council Members:

Council Chairman Kristie Overson
Vice-Chairman Ernest Burgess
Council Member Daniel Armstrong
Council Member Dama Barbour
Council Member Brad Christopherson

City Staff:

John Taylor City Administrator
John Brems, City Attorney
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer
Michael Meldrum, Principal Planner
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator]
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer

Excused: Community Development Director Mark McGrath

BRIEFING SESSION

1. Review Administrative Report

6:03:03 PM Chairman Kristie Overson 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. Chair Overson called for questions on the Administrative Report and there were none.

2. Review Agenda

6:03:24 PM The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. Council Member Burgess noted that Jeffery Summerhays has accepted an assignment to serve on the Green Committee. It was clarified that this appointment will be handled during the June 18, 2014 City Council Meeting.

6:06:53 PM Chair Overson discussed different ideas for providing information on volunteer committees during the upcoming Taylorsville Dayzz event. It was the consensus of the Council to use the business cards containing committee information, as suggested. Council Member Barbour noted that she will take care of providing candy for the Taylorsville Dayzz Parade.

6:09:57 PM Council Member Burgess called for clarification regarding displays on committees at Taylorsville Dayzz. Council Coordinator Kris Heineman gave explanation on exact hours of coverage needed at the Council booth.

3. Adjourn

6:11:45 PM Chair Overson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

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Wayne Harper, Economic Development Director
Mike Kelsey, UFA Assistant Chief
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Jean Ashby, Economic Development Assistant
Tiffany Janzen, Public Information Officer
Rhetta McIff, Neighborhood Services Coordinator
Marsha Thomas, Judge

Excused: Community Development Director Mark McGrath

Citizens: Royce Larsen, Lynn Handy, John Gidney, Marin McIff, Donald Adams, Gana Hasanbegonic, Sarah Sell, Sherina Stoddard, Cody Stoddard, Jolene Dearden, James Baxter, Sheldon Roper, Enoch Bishop, Amy Bishop, Melissa Cooper, Daniel Boone, Kieth Bradshaw, Karlene Tracy, Matt Price, Craig Beckstrom, Rebekah Beckstrom, Matt Olsen, Lynette Olsen, Candy Caballero, Jen Baker, Derek Baker, Dave Kotter, John Duddleston, Steve Bateman, Dan Bletzacker, Ryan Hille

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

6:31:21 PM Chairman Kristie Overson 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 of Allegiance - *Youth Council*

6:32:23 PM Youth Council Member Gana Hasanbegonic directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 Reverence – *Youth Council* (Opening Ceremonies For June 18, 2014 to be arranged by Council Member Burgess)

6:33:08 PM Youth Council Chair Marin McIff offered the Reverence.

1.3 Mayor's Report

There was no Mayor's Report given.

1.4 Citizen Comments

6:34:07 PM Chairman Kristie Overson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the audience. She then called for any citizen comments.

6:34:35 PM Ryan Hille stated his appreciation for being able to serve as a member of the Community Council. He stated his support of the Beautification Wall Project on Redwood Road.

6:35:50 PM James Baxter addressed the proposed project on Westbrook Drive and said he and many of his neighbors object to the project and the proposed signal. He suggested that this is a Salt Lake County problem because of the large volume of traffic heading further west. He suggested that an overpass on Bangerter Highway is what is really needed and said the proposed road is only a band aid. He said the real issue is crossing Bangerter Highway and cited the need to allow for smoother traffic flow heading west.

6:38:50 PM Dan Bletzacker expressed his concerns with the proposed road near Gold Medal and Westbrook. He cited safety issues for school children and said more thought should be given to the proposed project.

6:40:44 PM Sarah Sell spoke on behalf of a group in attendance regarding the proposed project around 6200 South and Westbrook Elementary. She listed several concerns of the neighbors regarding the proposed project. She relayed that her group does not feel the proposed changes would lighten traffic at the school. She suggested that children would have to walk a much longer route with the new road. Ms. Seller said that a signal at Gold Medal Drive and 6200 South would address the concern of close calls at that intersection. She stated that, with a signal at both Westbrook Drive and Gold Medal Drive, there would be a safely monitored path for school buss travel. She asked that focus be made on getting traffic through Bangerter Highway efficiently. She indicated that a road south of the school would cause home property values to decrease. She reported that neighbors on Gold Medal Drive keep an eye out for criminal activity at Westbrook School, but that would be prohibited with a wall in the way. She asked that the following ideas be considered: (1) When planning for land development north of 6200 South, consider traffic that will be added and possibly opt for green space; (2) Build the new road north of 6200 South to connect that neighborhood to a light at Westbrook Drive; (3) Install lights at Westbrook Drive and Gold Medal Drive; and (4) Demolish the purchased house on Westbrook Drive and replace it with green space that includes a walking path.

6:45:34 PM Matt Price called for clarification on the proposed road project near Westbrook Elementary. He questioned whose idea the project is and who it is designed to benefit.

6:47:28 PM There were no additional citizen comments, and Chairman Overson closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

2.1 Lisa Schwartz as Chair of the Public Safety Committee - *Kristie Overson*

6:47:56 PM Chair Overson nominated Lisa Schwartz to serve as Chair of the Public Safety Committee.

6:48:22 PM Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to appoint Lisa Schwartz as Chair of the Public Safety Committee. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

3. REPORTS

3.1 Economic Development Report on ICSC - *Wayne Harper/Mayor Johnson*

6:49:33 PM Economic Development Director Wayne Harper cited the four business development areas within the City. He announced that an application has been received for a new building on the American Express property.

6:50:44 PM Mr. Harper reported on the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) Conference last month in Las Vegas that was attended by himself and Mayor Lawrence Johnson. Mr. Harper cited 19 meetings that took place, wherein City representatives met with 26 different tenants. He said the City representatives also met with seven different developers. He observed that the number of meetings at this year's conference increased over prior years.

6:51:43 PM Mr. Harper addressed the importance of follow-up with potential brokers and developers. He said that there have been a lot of follow-up site visits made to Taylorsville during the last month and the number of those visits is equal to those made over the entire previous year period.

6:52:23 PM Mr. Harper listed some of the parties that were met with at ICSC, as follows: Zupa's, McAllister's Deli, Potbelly Sandwiches, Firehouse Subs, Kroegers, Iggy's, Five-Guys, Mattress Firm, Popeye's, etc. He indicated that he and the Mayor were also able to meet with additional parties at conference receptions.

6:53:06 PM Mr. Harper relayed that Boyer's revised site plan for the 5400 South Plaza has generated a lot of interest and dialogue. He cited Mayor Johnson's unique ability to quickly establish relationships and connections at the ICSC Conference. He said good teamwork was experienced and the conference was highly energetic and successful.

6:54:34 PM Mayor Johnson said the ICSC Conference was great and he expects good things to come from it.

6:55:15 PM Chair Overson excused members of the Youth Council at this time.

6:55:29 PM Council Member Burgess thanked Mr. Harper and the Mayor for their efforts.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no matters for the Consent Agenda.

5. PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 ***Public Hearing - To Receive Comments on a Proposed Text Amendment to the Taylorsville Land Development Code Regarding the Addition of Emergency Medical Centers to the MU, RC, CC, BC, PO, and H Zoning Districts***

6:56:20 PM Principal Planner Michael Meldrum described zoning designations for the zones referenced in the proposed ordinance amendment. He explained that in the new Land Development Code there is currently no designation for Emergency Medical Centers (General Acute Hospitals), although such designation was in the old development code. He described specific amendments that the proposed ordinance contains.

6:58:09 PM Chair Overson opened the public hearing on this matter and called for comments.

6:58:12 PM There were no comments and Chair Overson declared the public hearing closed.

5.1.1 ***Ordinance No. 14-09 - For a Proposed Amendment to Sections 13-08, 13-13 of the Taylorsville Land Development Code Regarding the Addition of Emergency Medical Centers (General Acute Hospitals) to the MU, RC, CC, BC, PO and H Zoning Districts - Michael Meldrum***

6:58:24 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance 14-09 - Amending Sections 13-08, 13-13 of the Taylorsville Land Development Code Regarding the Addition of Emergency Medical Centers (General Acute Hospitals) to the MU, RC, CC, BC, PO and H Zoning Districts. Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

6.1 ***Ordinance No. 14-10 - Providing for Year-End Amendments to the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget - Scott Harrington***

6:59:10 PM Chief of Finance Scott Harrington described the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Year-End adjustments to the current budget. He said that the only notable change is the \$150,000 amount going into the Capital Fund for gateway signs. He said all other changes are minor ones within departments.

7:01:30 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess called for clarification on the \$150,000 under-spend amount to be used for signs and Mr. Harrington made explanation.

7:02:19 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance 14-10 - Providing for Year-End Amendments to the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. Council Member Dan Armstrong confirmed that the \$150,000 is to be used for gateway monument signs. He asked whether this will take away funds from other projects in the City. Mr. Harrington said that the Council can always allocate the under-spend amount to other capital projects, but cited previous budget discussions where Council Members established the gateway signs as a priority. There being no further discussion, Chair Overson called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Armstrong-no. **All City Council members voted and the motion passed with a four-to-one vote.**

6.2 Ordinance No. 14-11 - Adopting a Final Budget; Making Appropriations for the Support of the City of Taylorsville for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2014 and Ending June 30, 2015; and Determining the Rate of Tax and Levying Taxes Upon All Real and Personal Property Within the City of Taylorsville, Utah - *Scott Harrington*

7:04:49 PM Chief of Finance Scott Harrington described recent changes to the proposed FY 2014-2015 Budget, as follows: Technology upgrades for the Council in the amount of \$8,000; \$30,000 carried over from the current budget for the Court Security Project; ChamberWest dues increased by \$4,000 for a total of \$10,000; and an increase of \$16,329 for pay-for-performance increases. Mr. Harrington noted that he has also taken \$400 out of the budget that was a mistake in the Economic Development salaries. He said that overall changes to this budget since it was initially presented total \$57,929.

7:05:56 PM Council Member Armstrong clarified that the amount for upgrades is intended for Surface devices versus iPads. He relayed that the West Jordan City Mayor has made positive recommendations about upgrading to Surface devices. Council Member Armstrong asked Mr. Harrington for his own opinion on the proposed upgrade. Mr. Harrington relayed reasons that he believes the Surface devices would increase productivity.

7:07:22 PM Council Member Burgess expressed concern about the allocation to ChamberWest for \$10,000. He asked why that amount was increased from \$6,000. Mr. Harrington reminded him that the increase referenced was requested by the Council.

7:08:59 PM Mayor Johnson said that the original request from the Chamber was for \$6,000 and so that amount was originally placed in the budget. Council Member Barbour relayed that she sits on the Chamber Board and is aware that the Chamber is woefully under-funded. She said that she sees a real need and would like to increase funding to help Taylorsville start its own Chamber. She noted that, if positive results are not seen, then reconsideration should be given. She assured the Council that the extra money will be well-used and will be monitored. She said the funds will go to help promote Taylorsville businesses. She observed that the money is greatly needed for economic development purposes.

7:11:29 PM Council Member Burgess addressed the raises planned for employees. He noted that the Mayor originally only requested \$17,000 and has given assurance that no more is needed. Mr. Harrington affirmed that \$30,000 is now in the budget for pay-for-performance increases.

7:12:38 PM Council Member Armstrong cited the recommendation from the Budget Committee to increase the amount in order to give the Mayor a little more room for pay-for-performance increases.

7:13:24 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson cited discussions some Council Members have had with the Mayor to ensure that sufficient amount is allowed for adjustments in the budget. Mayor Johnson said that he probably will not spend \$30,000 for pay-for-performance increases. He questioned why this larger amount is needed.

7:15:05 PM Council Member Barbour noted that Council Member Dan Armstrong is the representative on the Budget Committee who made this recommendation. She said she will defer to him.

7:15:40 PM Mayor Johnson confirmed that if the whole amount is not used, it will fall to the bottom line. He explained that the original amount covers those who have had no recent increases, or only very small salary increases. He reiterated that the entire \$30,000 amount will not be needed.

7:17:03 PM Council Member Armstrong stated his respect for the Mayor and his ability to oversee the amount to be used for salary adjustments. He said the basis for the recommended increase was to provide wiggle room for any unexpected reason. He stated confidence that, if the amount is not needed, it will not be spent.

7:18:26 PM Mr. Harrington said that the extra amount would allow the Mayor flexibility to take up to that \$30,000 amount for raises without re-opening the budget or transferring within departments. He reiterated that if the higher allocation is left in there and not spent, it will fall to the bottom line and can be reallocated next year. He cited the option to pull out the extra amount from the budget tonight or leave it in.

7:20:23 PM Chair Overson called for a straw-poll from the Council regarding the \$30,000 pay-for-performance amount in the budget: The consensus of the Council was to leave in the \$30,000 amount for pay-for-performance increases.

7:21:26 PM Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to adopt Ordinance 14-11 - Adopting a Final Budget; Making Appropriations for the Support of the City of Taylorsville for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2014 and Ending June 30, 2015; and Determining the Rate of Tax and Levying Taxes Upon All Real and Personal Property Within the City of Taylorsville, Utah Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. Council Member Ernest Burgess called for clarification on the tax reduction. Mr. Harrington affirmed that the proposed budget includes a 50% tax reduction. He noted that, although the official tax revenue amount is not yet available from the State, it will be known at a later date. He explained that the official revenue amount will determine the City's tax rate. There being no further discussion, Chair Overson called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

7. OTHER MATTERS

7:23:35 PM There were no other matters

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

7:23:38 PM Discussion was held regarding whether a Council Work Session is needed next week. Mr. Taylor noted that the June 14, 2014 Meeting would be a Work Session only and there is no planned business to be conducted. It was determined that the June Work Session is not needed and will be cancelled.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

7:24:49 PM

- 9.1 Planning Commission Meeting - Tuesday, June 10, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.
- 9.2 City Council Work Session - Wednesday, June 11, 2014 - 6:00 p.m. (This meeting has been cancelled.)
- 9.3 City Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, June 18, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.
- 9.4 City Council Meeting - Wednesday, June 18, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

7:25:17 PM

- 10.1 **Area Cleanup, Dumpster Roll-Off Program - May 27 - June 19, 2014.** For further information on when dumpsters are available in each neighborhood, contact Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling at www.wasatchfrontwaste.org or by phone at 385-468-6325

- 10.2 **Early Voting for the 2014 Primary Election** will be held in Room 110 at Taylorsville City Hall from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. beginning Tuesday, June 10 through Friday, June 20, 2014 (weekdays only). For additional information, please visit the City's website at www.taylorsvilleut.gov or contact City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle at 801-963-5400. A ballot box will also be available on the second floor of Taylorsville City Hall to drop off *vote-by-mail* ballots. Primary Election Day is Tuesday, June 24th.

- 10.3 **The Annual Flag Day Retirement Ceremony** will be held on Saturday, June 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Bridgeside Park located at 4500 South on the Jordan River. The Knights of Columbus hosts this event every year. Council Member Dan Armstrong will speak at the ceremony.

- 10.4 **Taylorsville Dayzz - June 26-28, 2014 - Valley Regional Park -** For more information visit www.taylorsvilledayzz.com

11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)

11.1 Strategy Session to Discuss the Sale or Purchase of Real Property

7:26:39 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to convene a Closed Session to discuss the sale or purchase of real property at 7:26 p.m. Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

CLOSED SESSION - Sale or Purchase of Real Property

Those in attendance at this Closed Session were: Mayor Larry Johnson, Council Members Barbour, Burgess, Christopherson, Armstrong, and Overson; City Attorney John Brems; City Administrator John Taylor; Economic Development Specialist Wayne Harper; Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington; John Erickson, and City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle.

Minutes for the Closed Session were taken and are now on file as a Protected Record.

11.2 Discussion Regarding the Professional Competency of an Individual

Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to convene a Closed Session to discuss the professional competence of an individual at 9:27 p.m. Council Member Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All members of the City Council present voted and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

CLOSED SESSION - Professional Competency of an Individual

Those in attendance at this Closed Session were: Mayor Larry Johnson; City Administrator John Taylor; Council Members Barbour, Burgess, Armstrong, Christopherson, and Overson; Chief Financial Officer Scott Harrington; and City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle.

A meeting of the City Council held on June 4, 2014 was closed to discuss the character and professional competence of an individual, wherein no other items were discussed.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Dan Armstrong **MOVED** to adjourn the Closed Session and the City Council Meeting. Council Member Dama Barbour **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Burgess-yes, Barbour-yes, Overson-yes, Christopherson-yes, and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.


Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

Minutes approved: CC 06-18-14

Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder