

Minutes of the meeting of the Logan Municipal Council convened in regular session on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, in the Logan Municipal Council Chambers located at 290 North 100 West, Logan, Utah 84321 at 5:30 pm. Logan Municipal Council Meetings are televised live as a public service on Channel 17 and the City of Logan YouTube channel at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFLPAOK5eawKS_RDBU0stRQ

Council Members present at the beginning of the meeting: Mayor Holly H. Daines, Chair Amy Z. Anderson, Vice Chair Mark A. Anderson, Councilmember Ernesto López, Councilmember Mike Johnson, and Councilmember Jeannie F. Simmonds.

Administration present: City Attorney Craig Carlston, Finance Director Richard Anderson, and City Recorder Teresa Harris.

Chair Amy Z. Anderson welcomed those present. There were approximately 49 in attendance at the beginning of the meeting.

OPENING CEREMONY:

James Boyd, Chief Development and Marketing Director at CAPSA provided the opening ceremony and led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Boyd addressed the Council and appreciated the opportunity to speak before the Council. The month of April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Many members of the community recognize CAPSA as a domestic violence center. However, CAPSA is also a state-recognized rape recovery center for the community. CAPSA is a dual agency that has the unique opportunity to serve victims of sexual assault and domestic abuse.

A recent case involved a female college student who was sexually assaulted by her landlord. She no longer felt safe returning to her apartment. The apartment and landlord invoked fear and trauma in the victim. CAPSA is able to provide housing, shelter, and rape crisis casework support and clinical therapy. Combined together, these two services provide a unique opportunity for healing. Tragically, this is only one of many stories of individuals that CAPSA helps support.

In the last three months, January through March, CAPSA has provided support services to 130 individuals who have suffered sexual assault. In addition, 250 individuals where sexual assault was the secondary cause for them seeking services. CAPSA has responded to 15 Code R events at the hospital. These are forensic sexual assault exams for adults, where advocates respond at any time of day to collect evidence that may be used in future prosecution.

With April being Sexual Assault Awareness Month, the community is asked to start by believing. At CAPSA, we witness the transformational power of believing daily. Survivors are able to bravely share their stories and experiences. The first response to the assault significantly impacts a survivor's healing journey. Negative responses can deepen trauma and deter survivors from seeking further help. Thus, contributing to the chilling statistic that 74% of sexual assault victims will never report the assault to law enforcement. In contrast, research has found that victims who are supported, including

confidential advocacy increase the engagement of law enforcement and the judicial system. potentially leading to more successful prosecutions and outcomes.

Silencing the victim only benefits the perpetrator. CAPSA is asking the community to embody the message of believing. It is a promise to survivors to be heard and supported. The community and Council are encouraged to learn more about CAPSA and support victims by believing. Together we can create a safer and supportive environment for survivors.

Meeting Minutes. Minutes of the Council meeting held on March 19, 2024 were reviewed and approved with no corrections.

Meeting Agenda. Chair A. Anderson announced there are no public hearings scheduled for tonight's Council meeting.

ACTION. Motion by Councilmember Simmonds seconded by Vice Chair M. Anderson to approve the March 19, 2024 minutes as presented and to approve tonight's agenda. Motion carried by roll call vote.

A. Anderson: Aye

M. Anderson: Aye

Johnson : Aye

López : Aye

Simmonds : Aye

Meeting Schedule. Chair A. Anderson announced that regular Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 5:30 p.m. The next regular Council meeting is Tuesday, April 16, 2024.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Chair A. Anderson explained that any person wishing to comment on any item not otherwise on the agenda may address the City Council at this point by stepping to the microphone and giving his or her name and address for the record. Comments should be limited to not more than three (3) minutes unless additional time is authorized by the Council Chair. Citizen groups will be asked to appoint a spokesperson. This is the time and place for any person who wishes to comment on non-agenda items. Items brought forward to the attention of the City Council will be turned over to staff to respond to outside of the City Council meeting.

Joshua Molitor, a resident of Logan read a quote by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Mr. Molitor said the City of Logan is a gem and he would like the leaders and representatives to be aware of this fact. He requested the Council ponder the question of what makes the city a gem.

There were no further comments or questions for the Mayor or Council.

MAYOR/STAFF REPORTS:

Logan River Project Update – Zan Murray, J-U-B Engineers ([10:50](#))

Zan Murray with J-U-B Engineers addressed the Council.

Mr. Murray said the needs and challenges of the Logan River Watershed Plan are the protection of water rights, limited resources, deteriorating infrastructure, and the need for culinary upgrades. At present within the Logan River Watershed Plan, Logan is at the environmental stage.

Currently, there is a 30-day public comment period for the notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement. During the environmental assessment over 800 public comments were received. The comments received will be used as part of the plan. Additional information and potential alternatives can be found at <https://bit.ly/LoganRiverWatershedProject>.

Chair A. Anderson asked if any content was similar or consistent among the public comments received.

Mr. Murray responded that similar comments were categorized and compiled together. One of the categories was related to the Little Logan portion of the river. The Little Logan is part of the Crockett Avenue canal system used to channel the irrigation water to the southern part of the city. The water in the canal is fed into the system by being diverted from the river. There is a desire by the public to continue to preserve the canal system. Provisions have been made as a result to continue to permit water to be maintained and channeled through the canal. Public feedback received will permit the plan to be formed and meet the needs of the community.

Another ongoing item is the question of what to do with the canals. Canals can be a challenge to maintain. As part of the plan, the flood conveyance is being reviewed to mitigate issues. Some of the alternatives are canals being lined or piped to carry flood water and be kept clean.

Councilmember López requested confirmation that one of the projects is to potentially increase the flow of water into the Logan River.

Mr. Murray confirmed that this is correct. At the Crockett water diversion, they have the right to the initial flow to put into the canal system. Recognizing there is value in keeping water in the river for the fishery and habitat. The project will make provisions to allow 25 sec/feet of water to go past the diversion and continue down the river.

Councilmember Simmonds inquired if there are individuals or entities that can divert water directly from the river in the service area.

Mr. Murray answered there are several irrigation companies that divert water from the river. He cannot say for certain whether there are individuals who have the right to do so. If there were it would be in the lower reaches as the river heading west, individual

agricultural/water irrigation rights. Typically, irrigation companies are the primary diversions in the upper portions of the river.

Councilmember Simmonds asked how many irrigation companies are vested in the Logan River within the Crockett Avenue umbrella.

Mr. Murray replied under the umbrella of the Crockett Avenue diversion, there are ten irrigation companies. He briefly introduced seated in the audience, Gordon Colson, the president of the Irrigation Company.

Councilmember Simmonds requested confirmation that at the end of the environmental assessment, the alternatives found will be carried forward to the next phase, though the alternatives have the potential to change during the environmental impact statement.

Mr. Murray responded during the initial environmental assessment, there were twenty alternative approaches created. The alternatives created were put into a matrix and were ranked according to meeting the standards of key criteria based on information gathering including public comments. All the alternatives created are still applicable in the matrix but may change based on further feedback received.

Councilmember Simmonds inquired between the environmental assessment and impact statement what additionally needs to be accomplished prior to funding.

Mr. Murray answered that within an environmental assessment, a primary alternative option can be selected and moved forward. An economic analysis is done on the specific alternative along with biological studies in regard to the flora, fauna, and wetlands. In an environmental impact statement, multiple alternatives are reviewed in a detailed manner. The other prominent alternatives are reviewed in the same detailed fashion as the primary alternative option. Currently, there are three alternatives. The first alternative is the "no action" alternative meaning taking no action at all beyond patchwork. The second alternative is diverting water from the first dam to pressurize the system. The third alternative is to pressurize and pump water out of the Crockett Avenue diversion.

Councilmember Simmonds asked if there is a possibility that other alternatives may rise to the top of the matrix or are the mentioned alternatives continue to move forward for an additional study.

Mr. Murray replied it is probable the mentioned alternatives will move forward, but there is no guarantee as further feedback received from the public may change that.

Gordon Colson, President of the Irrigation Company added for clarification that the mentioned alternatives address most of the concerns of the public comments received at this time. If something better can be done, it is their wish to do so. The canal system has run through the city for over 100 years. The desire is to look equally that far forward to ensure the canal system will be here for years to come. It will be at least another year before the final compilation will be completed.

Councilmember Simmonds added that the completion of the Logan River Watershed Plan may be further extended as the plan and selected option depends on funding with the exception to do nothing.

Mr. Murray clarified that even doing nothing requires funding as patchwork must be implemented to maintain the current infrastructure.

Mr. Colson said the intent is for the best benefit possible to be selected for the city and future generations to come.

Mr. Murray reiterated the fact that currently there is an ongoing public comment period. After information including feedback is compiled there will be an Environmental Impact Statement draft created at which point in time the draft will be published. Afterward, there will be another open public comment period permitting the community an opportunity to comment. Early next year is the anticipated schedule for the draft.

Councilmember Simmonds inquired if the public comment process will be online only or in a public process as well.

Mr. Murray responded there will be a public process permitting public meetings for those wanting to voice their comments including an open house. He reminded everyone that the current ongoing public comment period ends on April 10, 2024.

Chair A. Anderson asked if there was a convenient manner for the public to make a comment.

Mr. Murray replied the public can email their comments to loganriver@utwatershed.com or visit the website <https://bit.ly/LoganRiverWatershedProject>.

No further Mayor/Staff Reports were presented.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Planning Commission Update – Councilmember Simmonds ([36:40](#))

Councilmember Simmonds reported the Planning Commission approved a duplex at 328 South 100 West in the MR-12 zone. A five-unit student housing townhome at 456 North 600 East in campus residential with a 15% parking reduction was approved. A design review of Mountain American Credit Union of 4000 sq ft located at 991 West 1000 North was also approved.

Board and Committee Reports – Councilmember Simmonds and Vice Chair M. Anderson

Councilmember Simmonds reported the Adams Neighborhood committee met to prepare the meeting agenda for the Adams Neighborhood meeting on April 17, 2024. The Planning Commission met with the Woodruff neighborhood. Captain interviews were conducted at the fire station. Green Box Solar proposed ideas on how to expand solar power in the community and how it can be beneficial to the city. She also attended the Spring Water Conference to hear from experts on the subject.

Vice Chair M. Anderson reported having met with the Golf Course Board and reviewed the budget of the golf course including improvements. The Solid Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on April 22, 2024. The Wilson Neighborhood plan is moving along.

No further Council Business were presented.

ACTION ITEMS:

No Action Items were presented.

WORKSHOP ITEM:

Consideration of a proposed resolution to approve Library Meeting Room Fees – Resolution 24-09 – Karen Clark, Library Director (41:15)

Library Director Karen Clark addressed the Council regarding the proposed Library Meeting Room Fees.

Councilmember Simmonds asked if there is a restriction on food not being brought from home when using the community rooms.

Ms. Clark answered there is no such a policy at this time.

Councilmember Simmonds expressed concerns about community rooms becoming a location to host a potluck. She recommended a requirement that the food being provided is catered or provided by another food service provider, both of which would have a food handler's permit.

Ms. Clark said the request/condition can be added as part of the meeting room policy to have a requirement of a food handler's permit.

Chair A. Anderson asked if whole meals applied to the library space or the community room.

Ms. Clark explained whole meals apply to the library space. Patrons are discouraged from bringing meals like burgers, breakfast cereal, and so forth. Water bottles are permitted and encouraged along with drinks that have lids; some small snacks are permitted. The intent is to keep the library looking new, clean, and nice.

Chair A. Anderson said small community groups tend to share the food of their community. If the regulation is made to prohibit community food, it would prevent these smaller groups from sharing food.

Councilmember Simmonds clarified her stance, that the food does not need to be catered but should be prepared by someone with a food handler's permit.

Councilmember López inquired how such requirements could be enforced, and to whom would the permit be shown.

Councilmember Simmonds replied that the community group would need to show their food handler's permit for preparing food and do so at the time of reservation to the library staff.

Mayor Daines suggested adding the requirement to the existing library form that every group fills out in order to use the community rooms.

Ms. Clark said that the option could be added to the library form.

Chair A. Anderson said her concern is also in regard to homeschooling groups, who may bring food to share. She did not wish for the requirement to become a burden on these smaller community groups.

Ms. Clark suggested per chance creating a meal option, and she would research further in regard to such a policy.

Chair A. Anderson offered an alternative suggestion as a solution of limited liability within the agreement that the individual/party would accept all responsibility for providing any food or beverages.

Craig Carlson, City Attorney stated he has not seen such an agreement yet.

Ms. Clark clarified that Assistant City Attorney Mohamed Abdullahi worked on the library form and policy. There is no agreement in place at this time.

Mr. Carlston recommended that an agreement be added as part of the library policy.

Chair A. Anderson is in favor of an agreement being added to mitigate risks. She asked if community rooms are based on a first come first serve or if the community room calendar is open at certain intervals such as 90 days in advance.

Ms. Clark responded that the calendar for reservations is set up as of now and can be reserved up to 90 days in advance.

Councilmember Johnson asked how reservations for community rooms can be made.

Ms. Clark answered that the community rooms can be reserved by calling the library or via a QR code at all of the service desks. There will also be a form available on the library website, however, it is not yet available at this time.

Mayor Daines inquired if there is a policy in place to address the overuse of the rooms by any particular group.

Chair A. Anderson interjected the limit is six uses during a 90-day period.

Mrs. Clark confirmed that is correct, the limit per group usage is 6 times during a 90-day period.

Logan Library

Meeting Room Fees

Approved by Logan Library Board: March 18, 2024

Approved by Logan City Council:

Category One – free of charge

- Library and Logan City Sponsored Events
- Community Groups and Nonprofits (open to the public)
- Educational activities sponsored by educational institutions, homeschool groups, and other educational organizations.
- Political debates and candidate forums.

Name of Room	Maximum Occupancy	Fee
Entire Community Room	200	\$0 for a 2 hour slot
Community Room A	100	\$0 for a 2 hour slot
Community Room B	100	\$0 for a 2 hour slot
Quaking Aspen Conference Room	16	\$0 for a 2 hour slot
Sego Lily Conference Room	10	\$0 for a 2 hour slot
Study Rooms	4	\$0 for a 2 hour slot

Groups wishing to serve food or beverages in the Community Rooms must pay a \$75.00 cleaning fee. Absolutely no food with red food dye.

Category two

- Community Groups and Nonprofits (closed to the public)
- Educational classes that charge a fee to attend and have limited attendance. No purchases of any kind are allowed.
- Business or educational conferences, workshops, or meetings.

Name of Room	Maximum Occupancy	Fee
Entire Community Room	200	\$100 for a 2 hour slot
Community Room A	100	\$50 for a 2 hour slot
Community Room B	100	\$50 for a 2 hour slot
Quaking Aspen Conference Room	16	\$35 for a 2 hour slot
Sego Lily Conference Room	10	\$20 for a 2 hour slot
Study Rooms	4	\$5 for a 2 hour slot

Groups wishing to serve food or beverages in the Community Rooms must pay a \$75.00 cleaning fee. Absolutely no food with red food dye.

Category three

- Promotional/commercial use (solicitations, admission or other charges, money-raising activities, and/or sales.)

Name of Room	Maximum Occupancy	Fee
Entire Community Room	200	\$300 for a 2 hour slot
Community Room A	100	\$150 for a 2 hour slot
Community Room B	100	\$150 for a 2 hour slot

Quaking Aspen Conference Room	16	\$80 for a 2 hour slot
Sego Lily Conference Room	10	\$60 for a 2 hour slot
Study Rooms	4	\$15 for a 2 hour slot

Groups wishing to serve food or beverages in the Community Rooms must pay a \$75.00 cleaning fee. Absolutely no food with red food dye.

The proposed resolution will be an action item and public hearing at the April 16, 2024, Council meeting.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Chair A. Anderson invited the public to attend the Hillcrest Neighborhood meeting on April 24, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Elementary.

Councilmember Johnson reminded the public of the ongoing traffic master plan in conjunction with the pedestrian plan. There is a preliminary meeting on Monday, April 8, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room.

No further items were discussed.

ADJOURNED. There being no further business, the Logan Municipal Council adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Esli Morales, Deputy City Recorder