

**MINUTES OF LAYTON CITY  
COUNCIL WORK MEETING**

**AUGUST 7, 2014; 5:33 P.M.**

**MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS  
PRESENT:**

**MAYOR BOB STEVENSON, JOYCE BROWN,  
TOM DAY, SCOTT FREITAG AND JOY PETRO**

**ABSENT:**

**JORY FRANCIS**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

**ALEX JENSEN, GARY CRANE, BILL WRIGHT,  
TERRY COBURN, KENT ANDERSEN AND  
THIEDA WELLMAN**

**The meeting was held in the Council Conference Room of the Layton City Center.**

Mayor Stevenson opened the meeting and turned the time over to Staff.

**AGENDA:**

**PRESENTATION – DAVIS COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL AND BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SOCIETY**

Clint Thacker with Davis County Animal Control introduced Arlyn Bradshaw with Best Friends Animal Society, Lindsey Nielsen, and Allison Stapleton. Mr. Thacker said they were working with Best Friends to get Davis County to a no kill status; currently they were at 88%.

Mayor Stevenson asked if more animals were coming into the shelter as the County's population increased.

Mr. Thacker said they stayed fairly static at about 10,000 animals a year.

Councilmember Freitag asked if 88% left the shelter to go to homes.

Mr. Thacker said no; they left the shelter alive, but some went to other shelters.

Arlyn Bradshaw said their TNR (trap, neuter, return) program for community cats was implemented in Salt Lake City in 2010 and it had been very successful. He said in Utah 52% of all cats that enter shelters were killed compared to 17% of dogs. Mr. Bradshaw said in Davis County only 5% of the cats were returned to a home. He said there were a lot of cats without a home and there were feral cats. Mr. Bradshaw said Layton City's cat intake was approximately 1,100 cats a year with approximately 600 killed.

Mr. Bradshaw said the TNR program returned community cats to where they were picked up. He said State Code didn't require community cats to be held in the shelter for 5 days, and they were exempt from licensing requirements. Mr. Bradshaw said the catch and kill program that had been used for years was not working; cat populations were increasing. He said the benefits of the TNR program included reduced shelter admission and operating costs; safer communities with vaccinated animals; it reduced nuisance complaints; and it reduced the size of the feral cat colonies. Mr. Bradshaw said with the program implemented in Salt Lake County in 2010, today the shelter had a 90% live release rate for cats and complaint calls had significantly reduced.

Mr. Bradshaw said Best Friends could implement this program in Layton; they had the support of Davis

County Animal Control.

Mr. Thacker indicated that Davis County could not successfully implement the program without the City's cooperation. He said the City would need to make some changes to the City Code referencing community cats.

Mayor Stevenson asked why the City wouldn't want to do this.

Mr. Thacker said it was a new and innovative idea; citizens making complaints about a feral cat would see the cat trapped, neutered and then released back to the same area. He said residents might complain about the same cat. Mr. Thacker said Best Friends would cover all the cost, and they had even gone as far as installing chicken wire at residences where the resident had complained about community cats getting into their yards.

Mr. Bradshaw said very often people were more understanding when they realized that the alternative was that the cat would be euthanized.

Councilmember Petro said the City was charged \$25 for each animal pickup; would the City be charged a second time if the same cat was picked up.

Councilmember Brown said that would be hard to explain to the citizens if the City had to pay over and over again for the same animal to be picked up.

Mr. Thacker said after three times the cat would be euthanized.

Mr. Bradshaw said ultimately the City's intake would go down over time. He said Animal Control Officers were trained not to pick up animals in the program.

Mr. Thacker explained how some cats were adopted out and not put in the TNR program.

Councilmember Petro asked if residents trapped cats, could they call Best Friends and avoid charges from Davis County.

Mr. Bradshaw said they partnered with local veterinarians, through a voucher program, where residents could take trapped cats for sterilization.

Councilmember Day asked if the City would be charged multiple times for the same cat.

Mr. Thacker said yes; the City could be charged two times for the same cat. Once the same cat was picked up the third time it would be euthanized.

Mr. Bradshaw said as cats were sterilized the cat population would go down, which would reduce overall costs.

Councilmember Brown said she would need to see what the impact would be with the ordinance changes.

Mayor Stevenson said the City would take a look at this.

**PRESENTATION – CLEARFIELD/LAYTON UTAH TRANSIT AUTHORITY (UTA)  
CIRCULATOR FEASIBILITY STUDY**

Hal Johnson with UTA introduced himself and Eddy Cummings, Regional General Manager of the Ogden Business Unit, which operated the buses that served Layton City. Mr. Johnson said last year UTA started a circulator study that had been requested by Clearfield City. He said Layton City participated in

the study and provided some funding.

Mr. Johnson presented information about the project and problems with last mile circulation options relative to the commuter rail stations. He discussed major employers in the area and providing bus service from the train station to areas such as Hill Air Force Base. Mr. Johnson discussed issues with moving people around the base during the day.

Mr. Cummings explained a cooperative effort with Enterprise Car Rental to place cars on the base for use by participants.

Mr. Johnson discussed the Freeport Center and a pedestrian cross-over going over the freight rail line they were working on with Clearfield City. He displayed a map of Layton circulation and for bus service that would connect the Layton station and Clearfield station.

Mr. Johnson discussed capital costs and ongoing operational costs for the circulator system. He said the next steps would be to explore funding options for circulator routes and evaluate pedestrian bridge connections to the Freeport Center. Mr. Johnson said UTA had no bond funding available until 2025 for new services. He thanked Layton for helping to fund the study.

Mayor Stevenson expressed appreciation to UTA for their work with the recent air show.

### **UPDATE – ANTELOPE DRIVE ROUNDABOUTS AND PROGRESS OF OTHER PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS**

Terry Coburn, Public Works Director, gave the Council a brief update on several projects ongoing in the City. He said the Storm Sewer Master Plan was about 70% complete with anticipated completion in late September. Terry said the City's FEMA appeal of the new proposed flood plain maps was 95% complete. He said the City was waiting to hear from the Federal Government on the FEMA appeal.

Terry said the Master Transportation Plan being completed by Horrocks Engineering was approximately 75% complete; the next step was to present options for 2200 West and 2700 West, and hold a public open house in September, with completion sometime in November.

Terry said the Water Master Plan was about 75% complete with a target for completion by the end of October. He said the Sewer Management Plan was approximately 50% complete.

Terry said the 285 West storm drain and land drain project was complete. He said the 2013 storm drain small repairs project was complete and the televising and cleaning of the storm drain sewer system was about 20% complete and would be completed by the end of the fiscal year. Terry said the goal for the Cherry Lane water line project was to complete all work before school started at the end of the month, and the Evergreen waterline project off of Cherry Lane was estimated to be completed by September 15th.

Terry said the Antelope Drive intersection roundabouts were moving along. He said there was a massive amount of work being done; this was not a simple project. Terry said this would be very beneficial to the citizens, especially as Antelope Drive was connected to Highway 89. He said the Oak Forest roundabout was coming along and was about 40% completed. Terry said both roundabouts should be completed by October 1st.

Terry said the Robins Drive PRV project would be done by the middle of September. He said the Antelope Drive frontage road project would start in a couple of weeks and would be completed by November 1st. Terry said the various overlay projects would be done by September 1st.

Councilmember Brown said she had received a lot of feedback on the Gentile Street project.

Terry said the Gentile Street project was done by the City's crews with recently purchased equipment. He said with the recent golf tournament at Valley View Golf Course it was important to get that done quickly.

Councilmember Petro thanked Staff for repairs to King Street. She asked about the sewer project on Weaver Lane, particularly with the staging area.

Terry said that was a North Davis Sewer District project.

Alex Jensen, City Manager, said he had met with some of the residents in the area. He said they were concerned that this was a City project and the City would continue to use that area as a staging area for all kinds of projects in the future. Alex said he assured them that this was a unique situation and was not likely to happen again. He said with a project this big, the City had the choice of providing this area for staging material, or have the materials staged in a public street, which would create a significant issue. Alex said the contractor would clean the site when they were done, and the residents were happy with the explanation.

Councilmember Day asked what the long term plans were for the property.

Alex said the property was acquired through a trade with the property owners. He said it was acquired for a park, but there was no scheduled time for completing the park.

Councilmember Day said the median that was installed in front of the Charter School should make a big difference with traffic issues.

Councilmember Freitag asked if the median would be extended.

Terry said it was as far as it was going.

Councilmember Freitag asked if Angel Street, between Gordon Avenue and Main Street, was on the repair schedule.

Terry said he didn't have that information; he would let Councilmember Freitag know.

There was discussion about the condition of 3100 North near the dump.

Mayor Stevenson said in a meeting earlier today, there was discussion suggesting that the County should help in maintaining that road as everyone accessing the dump used the road. He mentioned a separate access to the dump being discussed by Wasatch Integrated that would cross their property and move traffic off of 3100 North. Mayor Stevenson said Wasatch Integrated was very open to making this happen. He suggested that Staff be involved with that discussion to make sure it met the City's needs.

Councilmember Freitag asked about the work being done by UDOT near the Hill Field/I-15 overpass. He said lanes were being closed every evening.

Patrick Cowley with UDOT said it was part of their investigation into utilities in the area.

**CLOSED DOOR:**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Freitag moved to close the meeting at 6:32 p.m. to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real property. Councilmember Petro seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**The closed door meeting suspended at 6:59 p.m. for the regular meeting.**

**The closed door meeting reconvened at 7:25 p.m.**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Brown moved to open the closed door meeting at 7:58 p.m. Councilmember Petro seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.**

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Thieda Wellman, City Recorder

### **SWORN STATEMENT**

The undersigned hereby swears and affirms, pursuant to Section 52-4-205(1) of the Utah Code Annotated, that the sole purpose for the closed meeting of the Layton City Council on the **7th day of August, 2014**, was to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real property.

Dated this 21st day of August, 2014.

ATTEST:

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ROBERT J STEVENSON, Mayor

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THIEDA WELLMAN, City Recorder