

DATE MONDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2024

THE KEARNS METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, MET ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE KEARNS UPD PRECINCT AT 4250 WEST 5415 SOUTH, KEARNS, UTAH 84118.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: ALAN PETERSON  
PATRICK SCHAEFFER  
CHRYSTAL BUTTERFIELD  
TINA SNOW  
KELLY BUSH, Chair

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: AMY PITT, DEPUTY CLERK

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**Mayor Kelly Bush**, Chair, presided.

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Public Meeting

Citizen Public Input

There was no citizen public input.

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Council Business

*Resolution Affirming Law Enforcement Agency Commitment*

**Mayor Bush** stated both agencies, the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office, and Unified Police Department (UPD), had been given an opportunity to present before the Kearns Metro Township Council the week before. The Council has decided to continue to utilize law enforcement services through UPD. She asked each Council member to state, for the record, their reason for deciding to stay with UPD.

**Council Member Butterfield** stated she had been pleased with the services provided by UPD so far and appreciates the hard work of everyone involved.

**Council Member Snow** stated Kearns is growing and needs to continue with the staffing it currently has.

**Council Member Peterson** stated he believes UPD works really well, and he sees no reason to change things. There is no need to fix what is not broken.

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**Council Member Schaeffer** stated the Sheriff's model did not impress him at all compared to the UPD model. He was afraid that going with the Sheriff's model would result in a loss of resources.

**Mayor Bush** stated she has spent a lot of time working toward this goal. She had concerns over officer safety and community safety. She was also concerned about returning to the model Kearns Metro Township had six or seven years ago. The UPD model works. She believes in it, and she believes in the officers. She is not willing to lose any officers.

Council Member Snow, seconded by Council Member Butterfield, moved to approve Resolution 2024-02-02. The motion passed by a unanimous rollcall vote.

KEARNS METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Resolution 2024-02-02

February 20, 2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE KEARNS METRO TOWNSHIP AFFIRMING KEARNS' COMMITMENT TO THE UNIFIED POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Kearns Metro Township ("Kearns") is a municipality pursuant to Utah Code §§ 10-2a-401 *et seq*; and

WHEREAS, Kearns is governed by a five-member elected Council under Utah Code §10-3-205.5 (the "Council"); and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2023, Kearns adopted Resolution 2023-04-02 Establishing Policy and Providing Direction Regarding the Implementation of H.B. 374 ("County Sheriff Amendments"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Resolution 2023-04-02, the City Attorney, under the direction of the Mayor, has been working with legal counsel for other metro townships and the Town of Brighton to deal with the short and long term implications of H.B. 374, which requires a separation of the Salt Lake County Sheriff from the Unified Police Department ("UPD"); and

WHEREAS, as a result of that separation it has become necessary for UPD to amend and restate the interlocal agreement under which it was created, which restated and amended interlocal agreement will govern the provision of law enforcement services to its members; and

WHEREAS, Kearns's City Attorney has been asked to participate in the drafting of such restated and amended interlocal agreement; and

WHEREAS, Kearns, as a result of its adoption of Resolution 2023-04-02, is on record as supporting the UPD model, and now desires to affirm that position.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE KEARNS METRO TOWNSHIP:

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1. The Council hereby authorizes the City Attorney, under the direction of the Mayor, to assist in the drafting of a restated and amended interlocal agreement for the Unified Police Department; and
2. Upon completion of the drafting of such agreement, to present the same to the Council for review and adoption.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED at a duly called meeting of the Kearns Metro Township Council on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

KEARNS METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

ATTEST:

By /s/ KELLY F. BUSH  
Mayor

By /s/ LANNIE CHAPMAN  
Clerk/Recorder

**Mayor Bush** stated an interlocal agreement with UPD would be coming before the Council in March.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

LANNIE CHAPMAN  
METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

By Kelly F. Bush  
CHAIR, KEARNS METRO TOWNSHIP

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Deputy Clerk

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