

**Salt Lake County Council of Governments**  
**Quarterly Meeting**

**Date:** Thursday, August 15, 2024.

**Time:** 11:30 – 12:00 pm meeting

**Place:** Herriman City Hall, 5355 W. Main Street Herriman, UT. 84096 Community Room

**COG Membership:**

- ✓ Mayors from each jurisdiction including the Salt Lake County Mayor
- ✓ City Council representative from each city of the First Class (population of 100,000 or more) (Salt Lake City, Sandy, West Valley City, West Jordan) – Salt Lake City Councilmember Dan Dugan; Sandy Councilmember Alison Stroud; West Jordan Councilmember Chris McConnehey; West Valley Councilmember William Whetstone
- ✓ Four County Council members – Councilmember Ann Granato, Councilmember David Alvord, Councilmember Aimee Winder Newton (Alternate), Councilmember Laurie Stringham (Alternate)

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**COG Membership Attendees:** Alta – Mayor Roger Bourke; Bluffdale – Mayor Natalie Hall; Brighton – Mayor Dan Knopp; Cottonwood Heights – Mayor Mike Weichers; Draper – Mayor Troy Walker; Herriman – Mayor Lorin Palmer; Holladay – Mayor Robert Dahle; Midvale – Mayor Marcus Stevenson; Millcreek – Mayor Jeff Silvestrini; Riverton – Mayor Trent Staggs; Salt Lake City – Dan Dugan; Salt Lake County – Councilmember Ann Granato, Councilmember David Alvord; Sandy – Mayor Monica Zoltanski; South Jordan – Mayor Dawn Ramsey; Taylorsville – Mayor Kristie Overson; West Jordan – Mayor Dirk Burton; West Valley City – Mayor Karen Lang; Salt Lake County – Mayor Jenny Wilson; Alison Stroud

**Other:** Katherine Fife, Andrew Gruber, Josh Lee, John Hiskey, Ashley Spatafore, Dave Spatafore, Francis Lilly, Mike Hinder, Molly Wheeler, Robin Chalhoub, Laurie Hopkins, Lisa Hartman, Tricia Davis, Fred Johnson, Laurie Stringham, Catherine Canter, Sophie Shcwankl, Grace Hanley, Erin Litvack, Janice Kimball, Suzanne Harrison, Doug Hill, Michael Akerlow, Russell Goodman, Joe Smolka, Michelle Larsen, Miranda Cox, Kara Trevino, Kim Bell, William Whetstone, Kyle Jensen, Mike Winder, Jared Gerber, Kevin Hicks, Casey Saxton, Cameron Diehl, Justin Lee, Jake Fuller,

**Staff:** Lauren Littlefield, Tiffany Marquez, Derick Davis

1. **11:30 am – 12:00 Noon (30 minutes) Lunch and networking.**
2. **Welcome and Approval of Minutes** – Sandy Mayor Monica Zoltanski, welcomed everyone at 12:04. Mayor Zoltanski asked for a motion to approve the July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, minutes. Mayor Silvestrini motioned to approve the July 18 minutes. Mayor Hall seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.
3. **Air Soft Gun Usage and Policy Consideration** – Sophie Schwankl, Salt Lake County Youth Government. Sophie spoke about the dangers and problems of airsoft gun usage around the county. “Not everyone is aware that an orange tip indicates a toy replica firearm. Seeing an airsoft gun often invokes fear and panic in the public. Airsoft guns are also growing in popularity. The CAGR has predicted an increase in sales of 8.3% in the next ten years.” Sophie asked the mayors to ban airsoft guns in parks and ban the removal of the orange tip to help keep the public safe.
  - The US Coast Guard uses airsoft guns for training
  - Airsoft guns are easily obtained through sporting goods stores and online retailers
  - They are typically used for military-style games and target practice
  - There are several locations along the Wasatch Front that are spaces specific for airsoft gun use
4. **Interim TRCC Committee Appointment** – Robin Chalhoub, Director of Community Services, Salt Lake County and Mayor Kristie Overson, Taylorsville. Robin spoke about the two actions the board needed to take at this meeting. Re-elect Mayor Dahle to the committee and move Mayor Barney from citizen participation to Mayor participation. Mayor Zoltanski spoke on her experience with the TRCC board and what a great program it is. Mayor Overson nominated Mayor Dahle to stay on the board and Mayor Silvestrini nominated Mayor Barney to the TRCC board the nomination was seconded by Mayor Hall. All in favor, none opposed. Nominations passed.
  - TRCC Advisory Board Schedule Friday’s 1-3 pm at the County Government Center
    - August 23
    - September 13
    - September 20
    - September 27
    - October 11
    - October 18
    - November 22
5. **Systemic Coordination and Bond Proposal** – Mayor Jenny Wilson, Salt Lake County. Jenny spoke on the Public Safety Bond to help with the concerns around human services, homelessness, and the criminal justice action plan. Systems were mapped, service gaps and barriers were identified, other successes were evaluated, and costs were analyzed.
  - System Gaps and Barriers
    - Supportive Housing Needs

- 300 Intensive
    - 300 Moderate
    - 400 Light
  - Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement Challenges
    - \$136 daily cost per inmate
    - 25% of inmates unhoused
    - 1200 unstably housed on probation and pre-trial
  - Systemic Gaps
    - Workforce
    - Health and Wellness Care
    - Mental Health Services
    - Integrated Data Systems
- Salt Lake County Action Plan Solutions:
  - Expand Housing Unit Availability
  - Enforcement and Criminal Justice Reform
  - Address Systemic Gaps
  - Build Justice and Accountability Center
  - Expand and Improve County Jail Mental Health Assess
  - Support Drug Enforcement (DEA) Task Force
- Justice and Accountability Center
  - The JAC will provide intervention in the form of a supervised and structured environment with wrap-around services to stop the cycle of criminal behavior.
- County Jail System Revamp
  - Combine the two county jails, increase capacity, expand the mental health unit, and build a reentry step-down unit.
- Bond Language
  - Acquiring and constructing a Justice and Accountability Center
  - Combining the two county jails into one, and increasing capacity, including and expanding the mental health unit, and a transitional unit to prepare those exiting the jail to reenter the community.
  - Completing the necessary capital maintenance on existing correctional facilities.
  - Acquiring, constructing, expanding, equipping, renovating, and remodeling related county public safety facilities and ancillary buildings.
- Total Capital Cost
  - 25-year general obligation bond

<b>FACILITY</b>	<b>COST</b>
Maintenance & Improvements ADC/SOB	90,000,000
Jail Expansion + Improvements	427,000,000
Justice & Accountability Center	100,000,000
Sale of Oxbow Property	(20,000,000)
Oxbow Demolition	10,000,000
County Set Aside	(100,000,000)
<b>TOTAL BOND</b>	<b>507,000,000</b>

6. **2025 Housing and Community Development Funding Priorities** – Russell Goodman, Community Development Manager, Salt Lake County. Russell spoke on the 5-year consolidated plan that will run from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2030. The plan provides a roadmap that Salt Lake County will use to prioritize the entitlement funding. The plan also guides Salt Lake County Housing and Community Development Office with goals and policies. Salt Lake County partnered with Root Policy Institute to gather information for the upcoming plan.

These are the highest needs that have been identified.

- Preservation of housing
  - Housing Rehab
  - Capital Improvements
  - Meet the needs of each municipality
  - Short-term rental assistance
- Creation of affordable housing
  - Capitol funding as part of layered funding models
  - Pre-development costs
  - Land acquisition
- Childcare for low-income families
  - Purchase of facilities to be used for childcare
  - New Construction
  - Operation costs
- 2024 funds provided by HUD
  - \$213,884.00 in ESG funding
  - \$1,594,890.00 in HOME Investment Partnership Funding
  - \$2,467,181.00 CDBG funding

7. **Welcoming Week** – Lisa Hartman, Associate Deputy Mayor, Salt Lake County. Lisa spoke about the upcoming welcoming week that will take place from September 13, through September 22, 2024.

8. **Adjourn** – Mayor Zoltanski spoke about the November 14<sup>th</sup> COG Meeting. Hoping to have legislators join for a pre-legislative discussion. Mayor Zoltanski hoped to discuss updates on the hockey team and changes involving the venues and the Olympics in 2034. Mayor Zoltanski adjourned the meeting at 1:05 pm.