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**City of Taylorsville**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
*Minutes*

**Wednesday, September 17, 2014**  
**Council Chambers**  
**2600 West Taylorsville Blvd., Room No. 140**  
**Taylorsville, Utah 84129**

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**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  
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney  
Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder  
Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer  
Mark McGrath, Community Development Director  
Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief  
Rhett McIff, Neighborhood Services Coordinator  
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator  
Kathy LeMay, Plans Examiner

**Others:** Marin McIff, Tiffany Leung, Jeff Atterman, Browne Sebright, Collin Perryman,  
Meagan Booth, Jacob Adams, Gordon and Jackie Willardson, Matt Thomas, Alan Anderson

**BRIEFING SESSION**

6:05:03 PM Chairman Kristie Overson conducted the Briefing Session, which convened at 6:05 p.m. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all Council Members were present.

1 **1. Review Administrative Report**

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3 6:05:14 PM Chair Overson called for questions on the Administrative Report for Community  
4 Development and there were none. Chair Overson commended Community Development  
5 Director on the detailed format of the report presented.

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7 6:06:13 PM Mr. McGrath introduced interns who have been working in the Community  
8 Development, as follows: Tiffany Leung, Jeff Atterman, Browne Sebright, Collin Perryman,  
9 Meagan Booth, and Jacob Adams. Mr. McGrath described work performed by the interns on the  
10 Neighborhood Snapshot Project and other community projects. He recognized them as an  
11 impressive and talented group. He thanked the interns for their service to the City of  
12 Taylorsville.

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14 6:09:36 PM Chair Kristie Overson and Council Member Dama Barbour both stated their  
15 excitement over the new neighborhood compliance program and thanked staff and the interns for  
16 helping to implement the positive program. Mr. McGrath also recognized Neighborhood  
17 Services Coordinator Rhetta McIff for her efforts in overseeing the program.

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19 6:11:18 PM Chair Overson cited the quick response to code compliance issues in her  
20 neighborhood.

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22 6:11:44 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess asked for a status update on the project. Mr.  
23 McGrath described visual surveys completed in areas of the city and referenced maps that will be  
24 produced to illustrate findings. He noted that a final presentation on the Neighborhood Snapshot  
25 Program will be brought to the Council within a couple of weeks.

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27 6:13:28 PM Council Member Christopherson thanked the interns for their hard work and  
28 inquired about the status of follow-up meetings for the Gateway Sign Project. Mr. McGrath  
29 anticipated that follow-up will likely be in about 10 days.

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31 **2. Review Agenda**

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33 6:14:29 PM The agenda for the City Council Meeting was reviewed. Council Member Dan  
34 Armstrong called for discussion regarding the City's Beautification Award program. He  
35 suggested that nominations come from the LARP Committee, but the Award be presented by the  
36 City Council.

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38 6:17:03 PM Chair Overson stated her understanding that the *Best of Taylorsville Beautification*  
39 *Award* has always been selected and awarded by the LARP Committee, but was presented by  
40 that committee during a City Council Meeting. Council Member Armstrong agreed to take that  
41 clarification back to the LARP Committee.

1 6:17:08 PM Council Member Dama Barbour said that she would like to give a brief summary  
2 during the regular meeting under “Other Matters” regarding the recent Utah League of Cities and  
3 Towns Annual Conference.

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5 6:17:47 PM It was noted that Closed Sessions will not be needed tonight and will not be held.

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7 **3. Adjourn**

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9 6:18:18 PM Chair Overson declared the Briefing Session adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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13 **REGULAR MEETING**

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15 **Attendance:**

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18 Mayor Larry Johnson

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20 **Council Members:**

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22 Council Chairman Kristie Overson  
23 Vice-Chairman Ernest Burgess  
24 Council Member Daniel Armstrong  
25 Council Member Dama Barbour  
26 Council Member Brad Christopherson

20 **City Staff:**

21 John Taylor, City Administrator  
22 Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney  
23 Mark McGrath, Community Development Director  
24 Tracy Wyant, UPD Precinct Chief  
25 Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder  
26 Scott Harrington, Chief Financial Officer  
27 Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator  
28 Rhetta McIff, Neighborhood Services Coordinator  
29 Steve Porten, Chief Building Official  
30 Kathy LeMay, Plans Examiner  
31 Penny Knight, Business License Clerk  
32 Todd Caldwell, Unified Fire Authority

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37 **Citizens:** Marin McIff, John Brems, Amber Porten, Alan Anderson, Matt Thomas, Jared  
38 Nichols, Dan Fazzini, Amber Porten, Gordon and Jackie Willardson, Randy and Galen Cribbs,  
39 Tiffany Leung, Jeff Atterman, Browne Sebright, Collin Perryman, Meagan Booth, Jacob Adams,  
40 Scout from Troop 1206  
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1 **1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

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3 6:33:20 PM Chairman Kristie Overson called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and welcomed  
4 those in attendance. City Recorder Cheryl Peacock Cottle conducted a Roll Call, wherein all  
5 Council Members were present.

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7 **1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge and Reverence**  
8 **- Council Member Barbour (Opening Ceremonies**  
9 **for October 1, 2014 to be arranged by Council Member Burgess)**

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11 6:34:02 PM Council Member Barbour recognized Jared Nichols, Director of Business  
12 Development for ChamberWest, who directed the Pledge of Allegiance.

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14 6:35:09 PM ChamberWest President Alan Anderson offered the Reverence by sharing thoughts  
15 regarding the 9/11 Incident and freedoms found in the United States of America. He cited the  
16 service of military men and women in defending those freedoms.

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18 6:37:48 PM Chair Kristie Overson recognized a scout from Troop 1206 in attendance.

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20 **1.2 Citizen Comments**

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22 6:38:23 PM Chairman Kristie Overson reviewed the Citizen Comment Procedures for the  
23 audience. She then called for any citizen comments.

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25 6:38:44 PM John Brems thanked the City Taylorsville for the opportunity to be Taylorsville's  
26 City Attorney for 18 years. He cited his support of Tracy Cowdell as the new City Attorney.

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28 Chair Overson recognized Mr. Brems for his many years of service as the City Attorney in  
29 Taylorsville.

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31 6:39:49 PM Mayor Johnson thanked Mr. Brems for his fine service as City Attorney.

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33 There were no additional citizen comments, and Chairman Overson closed the citizen comment  
34 period.

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36 **1.3 Mayor's Report**

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38 6:40:36 PM Mayor Johnson reported that some major construction will begin soon in Bennion  
39 Park to implement improvements. He described specific amenities that will be added there and  
40 also in Millrace Park within the next 30 days.

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1     **2.     APPOINTMENTS**

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3             **2.1     Appointment of Matt Thomas to the Green Committee**  
4                     **- Council Member Burgess**

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6     6:42:06 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess nominated Matt Thomas to serve as a member of  
7     the Green Committee.

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9     6:42:10 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to appoint Matt Thomas to the Green  
10    Committee. Council Member Dama Barbour **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie  
11    Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote.  
12    The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-Yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes and  
13    Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed**  
14    **unanimously.**

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16             **2.2     Resolution No. 14-25 - Advising and Consenting to the Mayor's Appointment**  
17                     **of a City Attorney for the City of Taylorsville - Mayor Johnson**

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19     6:43:54 PM Mayor Johnson stated his appreciation of former City Attorney John Brems and  
20     recommended that Tracy Cowdell, of Cowdell and Woolley, be appointed as the new City  
21     Attorney for Taylorsville.

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23     6:43:56 PM Council Member Ernest Burgess **MOVED** to approve Resolution No. 14-25 -  
24     Advising and Consenting to the Mayor's Appointment of Tracy Cowdell as a City Attorney for  
25     the City of Taylorsville. Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman  
26     Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call  
27     vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-Yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes  
28     and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed**  
29     **unanimously.**

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31             **2.3     Resolution No. 14-26 - Advising and Consenting to the Mayor's Appointment**  
32                     **of a Chief Building Official for the City of Taylorsville - Mayor Johnson**

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34     6:44:47 PM Mayor Johnson noted that the previous Chief Building Official has left employment  
35     with Taylorsville. He stated his recommendation that Steve Porten be appointed as Chief  
36     Building Official for Taylorsville. The Mayor noted that Mr. Porten has worked in the  
37     Taylorsville Building Department for the past seven years.

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39     6:45:38 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to approve Resolution No. 14-26 -  
40     Advising and Consenting to the Mayor's Appointment of Steve Porten as a Chief Building  
41     Official for the City of Taylorsville. Council Member Dama Barbour **SECONDED** the motion.

1 Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for  
2 a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-Yes, Christopherson-yes,  
3 Burgess-yes and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion**  
4 **passed unanimously.**

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6 **3. REPORTS**

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8 There were no reports.

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10 **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

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12 **4.1 Minutes of the 09-03-14 Regular City Council Meeting and**  
13 **Minutes of the 09-04-14 - Training Session for Municipal Officers**

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15 6:46:54 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adopt the Consent Agenda and  
16 approve the minutes as described. Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the motion.  
17 Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for  
18 a roll-call vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-Yes, Christopherson-yes,  
19 Burgess-yes and Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion**  
20 **passed unanimously.**

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22 **5. PLANNING MATTERS**

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24 There were no planning matters.

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26 **6. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

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28 **6.1 Resolution No. 14-23 - Declaring Its Official Administrative Policy in Support**  
29 **of County Proposal No. 1 - the Zoo, Arts, and Parks and Recreation, or**  
30 **“ZAP” Tax**

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32 6:47:42 PM City Administrator John Taylor presented the subject resolution expressing  
33 Taylorsville’s administrative policy to support Salt Lake County’s proposed Zoo Arts and Parks  
34 (ZAP) tax.

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36 6:48:30 PM Council Member Dama Barbour **MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 14-23 -  
37 Declaring Its Official Administrative Policy in Support of County Proposal No. 1 - the Zoo, Arts,  
38 and Parks and Recreation, or “ZAP” Tax. Council Member Dan Armstrong **SECONDED** the  
39 motion. Chairman Kristie Overson called for discussion on the motion. Council Member Ernest  
40 Burgess cited the vast amount of support for parks and arts that Taylorsville has received through  
41 receipt of the ZAP Tax. There being no further discussion, Chair Overson called for a roll-call

1 vote. The vote was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-Yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes and  
2 Armstrong-yes. **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed**  
3 **unanimously.**

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5 **7. OTHER MATTERS**

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7 Council Member Dama Barbour reported on the recent Utah League of Cities and Towns  
8 (ULCT) Annual Convention that four members of the City Council (Overson, Burgess,  
9 Christopherson, and Barbour) attended. She described beneficial workshops and speakers that  
10 were presented and a business meeting that was conducted. She described the impressive  
11 presentations rendered during the ULCT Conference and cited its value to the City.

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13 **8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)**

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15 There were no new items for subsequent consideration.

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17 **9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)**

18 6:43:54 PM

- 19 **9.1 City Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, October 1, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**  
20 **9.2 City Council Meeting - Wednesday, October 1, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.**  
21 **9.3 City Council Work Session - Wednesday, October 8, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**  
22 **9.4 Planning Commission Meeting - Tuesday, October 14, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.**  
23 **9.5 City Council Briefing Session - Wednesday, October 15, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**  
24 **9.6 City Council Meeting - Wednesday, October 15, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.**  
25 **9.7 Mayor's Town Meeting/Open House - Wednesday, October 29, 2014**  
26 **- 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

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28 **10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

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- 30 **10.1 Taylorsville Senior Center Re-Grand Opening - Friday, September 26, 2014 -**  
31 **10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
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33 **10.2 Taylorsville Bennion Heritage Center's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Saturday,**  
34 **September 27, 2014 - 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

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36 7:00:30 PM Chair Kristie Overson asked that Council Members help remind committee members  
37 of the upcoming Volunteer Picnic Event scheduled for September 30, 2014.  
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1 **11. CLOSED SESSION (*Conference Room 202*)**  
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3 **11.1 Strategy Session to Discuss the Sale or Purchase of Real Property**  
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5 **11.2 Discussion Regarding the Professional Competency of an Individual**  
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7 7:00:52 PM It was noted that the Closed Sessions were not necessary. No Closed Sessions were  
8 held.  
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10 **12. ADJOURNMENT**  
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12 7:00:39 PM Council Member Brad Christopherson **MOVED** to adjourn the City Council  
13 Meeting. Council Member Ernest Burgess **SECONDED** the motion. Chairman Kristie Overson  
14 called for discussion on the motion. There being none, she called for a roll-call vote. The vote  
15 was as follows: Barbour-yes, Overson-Yes, Christopherson-yes, Burgess-yes and Armstrong-yes.  
16 **All City Council members voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.** The meeting  
17 was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.  
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22 Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder

23 Minutes approved:  
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25 *Minutes Prepared by: Cheryl Peacock Cottle, City Recorder*  
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