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THE WHITE CITY METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, MET ON THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024, AT THE HOUR OF 6:00 P.M. THE MEETING WAS HELD AT THE WHITE CITY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AT 999 EAST GALENA DRIVE, WHITE CITY, 84094.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESENT:

LINDA PRICE
PHILLIP CARDENAZ
GREG SHELTON
TYLER HUIISH
PAULINA FLINT, Mayor

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: PAUL ASHTON, LEGAL COUNSEL
RORI ANDREASON, ADMINISTRATOR
NICHOLE WATT, DEPUTY CLERK

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Mayor Paulina Flint, Chair, presided.

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Workshop

Unified Police Department Presentation

Chief Jason Mazuran delivered a PowerPoint presentation reviewing Unified Police Department's (UPD) vision and mission statement, a draft organizational chart, how UPD would provide local control and expertise, FY 2025 proposed member assessment, Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA) tax revenue for 2023, and reasons for working together.

Introduction of Engineering Project Manager

Shane Ellis, Engineer, introduced Chad Anderson, Project Manager, Engineering and Flood Control, who will work on projects in White City.

4-way Stop Sign at Flint/Turquoise and Options Moving Forward

Shane Ellis, Engineer, reviewed the process of getting a stop sign installed at an intersection. Once the request is made, it takes approximately one to two months to evaluate the intersection. Data is collected for 10-14 days and then analyzed. The Manual of Uniform Traffic

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Control Devices (MUTCD) outlines the criteria for every sign and line painted on the road. If there are too many traffic signs in an area, they get ignored and create an even more dangerous situation. There need to be at least 6,000 vehicles moving through the intersection in a day before a stop sign is warranted.

Council Member Huish suggested four-way yield signs.

Mr. Ellis stated he did not think the MUTCD allowed for a four-way yield intersection. His job is to provide a recommendation based on the standards that are available. The Council can override the recommendation and proceed with whatever signs it feels are necessary.

Mayor Flint asked Mr. Ellis to come back with recommendations to slow vehicles down.

White City Website Update

Rori Andreason presented a preview of the White City website. The website is being worked on, and designs and content will be brought before the council.

Council Member Huish stated it would be helpful to have information on the Sego Lily project on the website.

Future Agenda Items

Paul Ashton stated depending on how the Council votes on its choice for law enforcement, it will need to hold a special meeting to look at an interlocal agreement for the Unified Police Department (UPD). There will be a real property issue that will need to be discussed at that time as well.

Council Member Shelton stated he noticed that taxes from Comcast were going to Sandy City. These taxes need to be reviewed to determine what White City should be collecting.

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Business Meeting

White City Financial Report

Dave Sanderson, Financial Manager, reviewed the financial report to date. The Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD) requested that the Council review and amend the budget.

Council Member Price, seconded by Council Member Shelton, moved to accept the financial report. The motion passed unanimously.



Unified Fire Authority (UFA)

Chief Kenneth Aldridge stated Recruit Camp 57 is in its 5th week, with 27 recruits remaining. Fire School 101 is on April 12th at 6:30 am. UFA is getting six new ambulances and three new engines in the next few months. Emergency Management Services (EMS) is moving CPR courses around the service area. He will send a link to include on the website or newsletter to sign up for classes. The numbers from Sandy City Fire look stable.



Unified Police Department

Detective Josh Smith reviewed calls for service for the month of February, stating there is a slight increase in domestic calls, which are isolated. He encourages residents to continue reporting suspicious individuals and situations.

Mayor Flint asked if there had been any complaints about vehicles racing through the area, mentioning that groups of cars are gathering at the park.

Chief Randy Thomas stated with the warmer weather, UPD had seen racing groups meeting up at coffee shops and other areas. They use social media to coordinate meeting spots. The Directed Enforcement Unit (DEU) is addressing the issue.

Detective Smith has picked up additional responsibilities while an officer is on maternity leave. An aggravated burglary took place in Midvale City. The suspect was seen getting on UTA Trax and was taken into custody. Officer Smith wrote several warrants and was able to tie cases together.

Officer Chase Hebert was given the Officer of the Year award. He works in the schools as a D.A.R.E. officer, and the work he does with the kids is incredible.



Public Comments

Jim Mitchell stated he spoke with code enforcement regarding the property owned by Alex Smith. Code enforcement said that Mr. Smith has applied for a zoning change. The request will go before the White City Planning Commission first. Residents within 300 feet are notified of the request. Due to the unique request, he believes the area that notification is given needs to be expanded. There would only be three residents notified if it is kept at 300 feet but it will affect 12 residents.

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Allan Perry stated the minutes from December 7, 2023, included a unanimous vote in favor of the public outreach strategy. He has not seen any implementation of the strategy as of March. It is important that the Council engages the community and encourages participation, that is how the community will grow stronger.

Nick West asked how the Council identifies grant opportunities. He has spent the last 40 days at the legislature and learned that several grants are not being applied for. There is an outdoor grant for recreational activities, parks, and playgrounds, as well as two or three other grants the Council could apply for. He suggested creating an action plan for stand-alone grants, where a council member can apply for a grant and take the lead. He also recommended establishing a process for citizens to apply for stand-alone grants.



Action/Discussion Items

Consideration of Minutes

Council Member Shelton, seconded by Council Member Cardenaz, moved to accept the minutes of the White City Metro Township Council meetings held on December 6, 2023, and December 7, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.



Resolution Determining White City's Choice for Policing

The Council reviewed the following Resolution determining White City's choice for policing:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-03-01

Date: March 7, 2024

A RESOLUTION OF WHITE CITY METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
DETERMINING WHITE CITY'S CHOICE FOR POLICING

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

WHEREAS, White City is governed by a five-member elected Council under Utah Code Ann. § 10-3-205.5, which Council elects from its members a Mayor, and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2023, White City adopted Resolution 2023-04-02 Establishing Policy and Providing Direction Regarding Implementation of H.B. 374 ("County Sheriff Amendments"), a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto, marked Attachment "A," and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Resolution 2023-04-02, the White City Attorney, under the direction of the Mayor, has been working with legal counsel for other metro townships and the

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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, pursuant to said Resolution 2023-04-02, the White City’s Attorney has participated in the drafting of such restated and amended interlocal agreement, which draft will be presented to the White City Council on or before March 12, 2024, and

WHEREAS, both the Sheriff’s office and UPD has made presentations to the White City Council during a duly noticed public meeting, and

WHEREAS, having now considered the presentations made, and in the long term interest of meeting White City’s law enforcement needs, White City now desires to reaffirm its commitment to the UPD as stated in Resolution 2023-04-02.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, by the White City Metro Township Council,

1. The White City Metro Township Council hereby instructs the City Attorney and staff, under the direction of the Mayor, to finalize the drafting of the restated and amended interlocal agreement for the Unified Police Department, with White City as a member thereof, and
2. Upon approval by the Unified Police Department’s Board of the completed restated and amended interlocal agreement for the Unified Police Department, to present said agreement to the White City Metro Township Council for review and adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the White City Metro Township Council, in White City, Salt Lake County, Utah this 7th day of March 2024.

WHITE CITY METRO TOWNSHIP:

/s/ PAULINA F. FLINT
Mayor

ATTEST

/s/ NICHOLE WATT
Salt Lake County Deputy Clerk
Metro Township Clerk/Recorder

Council Member Cardenaz, seconded by Council Member Shelton, moved to approve Resolution 2024-03-01. The motion passed unanimously.

Amended FY2024 Budget and FY2025 Proposed Budget

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Dave Sanderson, Financial Manager, stated the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD) requested an amended budget from White City. He then reviewed his recommendations.

Council Member Huish, seconded by Council Member Price, moved to approve the amended FY 2024 budget. The motion passed unanimously.



Legislative Update

Paul Ashton stated H.B. 35 was passed by the Legislature. On May 1, 2024, all metro townships will be converted to a city or a town. Based on population, White City will become a city. The Council will need to review its logo and decide if it wants to change it. A postcard will be sent to residents outlining the conversion.

H.B. 330 was passed by the legislature, which means that the Southeast islands will automatically be annexed into Sandy City in 2027. Unincorporated islands within a community council area will have the option to incorporate as a municipality.

A number of planning bills were passed. He is concerned about one bill that would allow developers to hire its own inspectors. Building permits would be issued based on those inspections. The Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD) will have three days to get an inspector on-site. If the MSD does not meet the three-day deadline, developers can then hire an inspector.



Administrator Report

There was nothing further to report.



Council Reports

Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD)

Mayor Flint stated the MSD had found a location to house its staff and is working on a lease agreement. MSD employees have been trained in emergency management, with many of them having NIMS training. Additional code enforcement officers were hired, an audit is taking place, and the budget is being prepared.



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Unified Fire Authority (UFA)/Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA)

Council Member Huish stated a 4-7 percent member fee increase was proposed to help with the cost of living, health insurance increases, and to remain competitive in the market. UFA opposed legislation that would allow online fireworks sales and Class C explosives year-round.

South Salt Lake Valley Mosquito Abatement District

Council Member Price stated Scott Sommer was hired as the Assistant Manager. The District is hiring part-time IT and seasonal employees.

Salt Lake County Animal Services

Council Member Price stated there was not a meeting and nothing to report.

Unified Police Department (UPD) & Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA)

Council Member Cardenaz stated most meetings had been discussions on the separation from the Sheriff's Office.

Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District (WFWRD)

Council Member Shelton stated the Board recognized Cindy Sharkey who has left the Board of Trustees. HR definitions are being cleaned up. The second out of twelve trucks that were ordered have been received. A recycling truck caught fire during collection, a battery seems to be the cause. The truck sustained \$130,000 worth of damage.

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Council Member Shelton, seconded by Council Member Price, moved to take a break. The motion passed unanimously.

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Closed Session

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Council member Cardenaz, seconded by Council Member Shelton, moved to close the business meeting to discuss pending or imminent litigation. The motion passed unanimously.

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



MAYOR
WHITE CITY METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

LANNIE CHAPMAN
METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

By 

Deputy Clerk

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