

MINUTES OF THE SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, March 18, 2025

The City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, met in Work Session on Tuesday, March 18, 2025.

The following Council Members were present:

Victoria Petro, Daniel Dugan, Chris Wharton, Alejandro Puy, Darin Mano, Sarah Young, Eva Lopez Chavez

Present Legislative leadership:

Jennifer Bruno – Executive Director, Nick Tarbet – City Council Deputy Director

Present Administrative leadership:

Mayor Erin Mendenhall, Jill Love – Chief Administrative Officer

Present City Staff:

Mark Kittrell – City Attorney, Keith Reynolds – City Recorder, DeeDee Robinson – Minutes & Records Clerk, Thais Stewart – Deputy City Recorder, Taylor Hill – Constituent Liaison/Policy Analyst, Scott Corpany – Staff Assistant, Brian Fullmer – Constituent Liaison, Policy Analyst, Nick Norris – Planning Director, Allison Rowland – Public Policy Analyst, Cassie Younger – Senior Planner, Angela Price – Legislative Affairs Director, Tony Milner – Housing Stability Division Director, Diana Martinez – Senior Planner

The meeting was called to order at 5:18 pm.

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Work Session Items

1. **Informational: State Legislative Briefing Follow-up** ~ 5:00 p.m.
30 min.

The Council will receive a follow-up briefing about issues affecting the City that may arise during the 2025 Utah State Legislative Session.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)
Briefing - Tuesday, January 7, 2025; Tuesday, February 4, 2025; Tuesday, February 11, 2025; Tuesday, February 18, 2025; and March 18, 2025

Set Public Hearing Date - n/a

Hold hearing to accept public comment - n/a

TENTATIVE Council Action - n/a

Kate Bradshaw (Director of Government Affairs, Holland & Hart, LLP) and Angela Price thanked Council, Mayor, City Departments/Directors, the City's Lobby Team, and many other contributors for their support and work during the recent Legislative Session, provided an overview of the Legislative synopsis recently provided to Council Members that included information about session statistics, reviewed high-level bills that impacted the City, and detailed next steps for the Legislative Affairs Division.

2. **Ordinance: Zoning Map Amendment at Approximately 273 East 800 South** ~ 5:30 p.m.
20 min.

The Council will receive a briefing about a proposal that would amend the zoning for the property at approximately 273 East 800 South from I (Institutional District) to RMF-45 (Moderate/High-Density Multi-Family Residential District). The proposal would enable a deeply affordable housing project development with 34 one-bedroom apartments available to those with 30% Area Median Income (AMI) or lower. The property currently contains a vacant office building. Consideration may be given to rezoning the property to another zoning district with similar characteristics. The project is within Council District 4. Petitioner: Harold Woodruff, on behalf of First Step House.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing - Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Set Public Hearing Date - Tuesday, March 25, 2025

Hold hearing to accept public comment - Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 7 p.m.

TENTATIVE Council Action - Tuesday, May 6, 2025

Council Members Petro and Puy were absent for this agenda item.

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Brian Fullmer provided a brief introduction.

Cassie Younger provided information regarding details of the request, proposed project details, existing conditions, allowed uses, comparison of zoning standards (Institutional and RMF-45), and public input.

Harold Woodruff (Architect/Planner) and **Shawn McMillen** (Executive Director, First Step House) provided information regarding the agency's history of service, permanent supportive housing definition, details of the proposed new building and how it compared to another First Step House property located on Denver Street in Salt Lake City.

Council Members, Nick Norris, and Shawn McMillen discussed:

- Members of the community who would benefit from the development and how many were on the waiting list
- If First Step House would be amenable to a development agreement to include security measures (fencing, security, etc.)
- What could be included in a potential development and if the Central City Community Council could be involved in the discussion
- Who would be involved in the development agreement
- Community benefit as an affordability component for the project

Straw Poll: Support for asking Staff to work with Planning Department to create a development agreement that was inclusive of the suggestions from the Police Department review (regarding security/safety) and other possible suggestions arising from further public comment. All Council Members present were in favor. Council Members Puy and Petro were absent for the poll.

3. Ordinance: Alley Vacation Near 1409 South Edison Street ~ 5:50 p.m.
20 min.

The Council will receive a briefing about a proposal to vacate a portion of City-owned alley adjacent to properties at approximately 1409 South Edison Street and 1404 South 200 East. If approved, the alley segment property would be divided and transferred to the abutting property owners. The Planning Commission forwarded a negative recommendation. Located within Council District 5. Petitioner: Davis Oatway, an adjacent property owner.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing - Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Set Public Hearing Date - Tuesday, March 25, 2025

Hold hearing to accept public comment - Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 7 p.m.

TENTATIVE Council Action - Tuesday, May 6, 2025

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Council Members Petro and Puy rejoined the meeting during this agenda item.

Brian Fullmer provided a brief introduction.

Diana Martinez provided information regarding details of the request, Planning Staff's recommendation for approval of the vacation, Planning Commission having forwarded an unfavorable recommendation, and viable access points of the alley.

Davis Oatway and **Brianna Binnabose** (Property owners/applicants) provided information regarding status and clarification of the existing gate (being present before them taking ownership), surrounding property owners being in support of the request, both Fire and Police Departments not having objections to the request, and no known access issues for utilities.

4. Dinner Break ~ 6:10 p.m.
30 min.

FYI – Project Timeline: (subject to change per Chair direction or Council discussion)

Briefing -

Set Public Hearing Date -

Hold hearing to accept public comment -

TENTATIVE Council Action -

5. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Funding Allocations for One-year Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant & Other Federal Grants ~ 6:40 p.m.
45 min.

The Council will receive a briefing on recommendations for allocating grant funding provided through four federal Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD) programs. The recommendations are from a local-resident advisory board, as well as the Mayor, and are based on in-depth review of applications submitted by local organizations. These organizations, which are mostly non-profits, specialize in providing services to Salt Lake City's most economically vulnerable residents. For fiscal year 2025-26, approximately \$7.7 million dollars is expected to flow through the Division of Housing Stability to the organizations ultimately selected by the Council. The HUD programs that provide this funding and oversee activities of grant recipients are: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnership Program, Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). The resolution under consideration would also approve an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Salt Lake City and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), as well as the new fiscal year 2025-29 Consolidated Plan.

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For more information visit www.tinyurl.com/annualhudgrants.

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Set Public Hearing Date - Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Hold hearing to accept public comment - Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 7 p.m.

TENTATIVE Council Action - Tuesday, April 15, 2025

Allison Rowland provided a brief introduction.

Council Members requested further information regarding items on the list of recommended uses for FY26 federal funding (Attachment C-1), including:

- Moving funding from South Valley Services (Item 24) to YWCA (Item 32)
- Reasoning for Neighborworks not being funded
- Adding to the funding table which items were also being funded by non-CDBG dollars
- How many apartments/homes would be served for Items 5 through 8

Tony Milner confirmed he would provide information on the requested items.

6. Ordinance: Budget Amendment No.4 for Fiscal Year 2024-25 Written Briefing -

The Council will receive a written briefing about Budget Amendment No.4 for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget. Budget amendments happen several times each year to reflect adjustments to the City's budgets, including proposed project additions and modifications. The proposed amendment includes a grant to mitigate lead paint hazards.

For more information visit tinyurl.com/SLCFY25.

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Set Public Hearing Date - Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Hold hearing to accept public comment - Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 7 p.m.

TENTATIVE Council Action - Tuesday, April 1, 2025

Written briefing only. No discussion held.

Standing Items

7. Report of the Chair and Vice Chair

Report of Chair and Vice Chair.
Item not held.

8. Report and Announcements from the Executive Director

Report of the Executive Director, including a review of Council information items and announcements. The Council may give feedback or staff direction on any item related to City Council business, including but not limited to scheduling items.

Jennifer Bruno provided clarification on agenda Item #6, as to its status of a written briefing and not a full briefing.

9. Tentative Closed Session

The Council will consider a motion to enter into Closed Session. A closed meeting described under Section 52-4-205 may be held for specific purposes including, but not limited to:

- a. discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual;
- b. strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining;
- c. strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation;
- d. strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, if public discussion of the transaction would:
 - (i) disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration; or
 - (ii) prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms;
- e. strategy sessions to discuss the sale of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, if:
 - (i) public discussion of the transaction would:
 - (A) disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration; or
 - (B) prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms;
 - (ii) the public body previously gave public notice that the property would be offered for sale; and
 - (iii) the terms of the sale are publicly disclosed before the public body approves the sale;
- f. discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems; and
- g. investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct.

A closed meeting may also be held for attorney-client matters that are privileged pursuant to Utah Code § 78B-1-137, and for other lawful purposes that satisfy the pertinent requirements of the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.

Motion:

Moved by Council Member Petro, seconded by Council Member Dugan to enter into closed session for strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining; and for attorney-client matters that are privileged pursuant to Utah Code 78B-1-37, and for other lawful purposes that satisfy the pertinent

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requirements of the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act.

AYE: Victoria Petro, Daniel Dugan, Chris Wharton, Alejandro Puy, Darin Mano, Sarah Young, Eva Lopez Chavez

Final Result: 7 – 0 Pass

Motion:

Moved by Council Member Dugan, seconded by Council Member Lopez Chavez to exit the Closed Meeting.

AYE: Victoria Petro, Daniel Dugan, Chris Wharton, Alejandro Puy, Darin Mano, Sarah Young, Eva Lopez Chavez

Final Result: 7 – 0 Pass

Closed Session started at 6:00 PM

Held in the Work Session Room (location) and online via Zoom

Council Members in Attendance: [Council Members Dugan, Lopez Chavez, Wharton, Puy, Mano, Petro, Young](#)

City Staff in Attendance: Mayor Mendenhall, Rachel Otto, Lindsey Nikola, Megan Yuill, Jennifer Bruno, Nick Tarbet, Mark Kitrell, Keith Reynolds, Matt Brown, Chief Brian Redd, David Salizar, David Buchanan, Johnathan Pappasideris, Lisa Hunt, Benjamin Luedtke, Austin Kimmel

Closed Session ended at 6:44 PM

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Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Minutes Approved: July 8, 2025.

City Council Chair – Chris Wharton

City Recorder – Keith Reynolds

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