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THE KEARNS METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, MET ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020, AT 6:05 P.M. VIA ZOOM.COM.

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

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Mayor Kelly Bush, Chair, presided.

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Council Business

Mayor Kelly Bush referred to the temporary conduct of electronic meetings of the Kearns Metro Township Council that is consistent with the Utah Open and Public Meeting Act. This allows the Council to hold electronic meetings without a physical location.

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Citizen Public Input

Adriana Caro read a letter, which requested the township to address a traffic issue by her parent's house located at 5416 South Sarah Jane Drive. In the 14 years that her parents have lived on this corner there has been several accidents with one fatality. This is a busy intersection and she asked that a wall be built along 5400 South. If this is not possible, then the speed limit should be reduced.

Madeline Franciso-Galang, Transportation Engineering Manager, Salt Lake County, asked that Ms. Caro forward the letter to her so that it can be documented and forwarded to the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) because 5400 South is a state road. Her office will work with UDOT to address this concern. She asked that contact information be included in the letter.

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Olympic Park Subdivision Plan Amendment

Julia Freeman, Planner, Municipal Services District, stated Randy Moore, applicant, is requesting to amend the plat for the Olympic Park Subdivision located at 5944 South Cougar Lane by removing the park strip, replacing it with a wider sidewalk (approximately 5 feet)

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along the southern part of 5950 South. The Municipal Service District Planning Staff was concerned about the maintenance of the park strip and felt this was a good solution.

Mayor Bush asked if this change would address the grade of the property relating to water runoff.

Ms. Freeman stated it would create a gentler grade so water could runoff easier.

Council Member Snow asked if this addressed the problem with the neighbor's property where some of it was taken.

Ms. Freeman stated with this change it would not be an issue anymore.

Randy Moore, applicant, stated the proposed change would get rid of the park strip on the south side of the road, which backs on four or five homes. Essentially, the park strip and sidewalk would be cemented in eliminating the need for maintenance by the township.

Council Member Schaeffer, seconded by Council Member Peterson, moved to approve the Olympic Park Subdivision (#30670) amendment. The motion passed unanimously.



Coronavirus, Aid, Relief, & Economic Security (CARES) Act Funds

Mayor Kelly Bush stated Kearns Metro Township was given the opportunity to receive a second tranche of \$1.15 million in CARES Act Funds. The Council is having a difficult time trying to get this money out into the community in a way that would help businesses and the community. The deadline to use these funds is December 3, 2020. Currently, the United States Congress is the only ones that can extend the deadline and with everything going on in Washington relating to the election, she did not see where it would be extending the deadline. After talking with all Council Members, it was decided to return these funds to the County with the stipulation that if the deadline was extended by six months to a year then Kearns would like the opportunity to use the funds.

Council Member Schaeffer, seconded by Council Member Snow, moved to ratify the decision not to accept the second tranche of CARES Act Funds. The motion passed unanimously.



Unified Police Department (UPD) – Coronavirus, Aid, Relief, & Economic Security (CARES) Act Fund Agreement

Mayor Kelly Bush stated this agreement allows UPD to accept CARES Act Funds in the amount of \$258,474.17 with the understanding that it is responsible to pay back any funds not used. Also included in the agreement is a new item of \$29,652, which would authorize UPD to purchase gym equipment for the Kearns Precinct. Officers within UPD have a fitness

requirement that must be meet. However, with COVID-19 officers have not been allowed to workout at the gym; this equipment will help.

Council Member Snow, seconded by Council Member Schaeffer, moved to approve the expenditure of \$29,652 to allow UPD to purchase gym equipment for the Kearns precinct. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Snow, seconded by Council Member Schaeffer, moved to disburse \$258,474.17 in CARES Act Funds to the UPD to be used by the Kearns precinct. The motion passed unanimously.



Process to Set Up Development Agency

Adam Long, Attorney, Smith Hartvigsen, delivered a PowerPoint presentation on Redevelopment Agencies. He highlighted what a Redevelopment Agency is, how it works, and locations where it has been used. He stated the Council might want to create a project area for the Kearns Town Center.

Nathan Bracken, Legal Counsel, Kearns Metro Township, stated one of the recommendations in the Kearns General Plan is to create a redevelopment agency to help develop the warehouse district particularly for the town center.

Mr. Long stated if the Council would like, he could put together a proposal for a redevelopment agency.

All Council Members indicated it would be a good idea.



Process Needed to Adopt Impact Fees

Nathan Bracken, Legal Counsel, Kearns Metro Township, presented an overview of what impact fees are, and the process the Council would need to go through in order to adopt them. He stated impact fees are highly regulated and can only be used to maintain the current level of service. If the Council decided it wanted to investigation this possibility, it should be done in conjunction with the creation of a Redevelopment Agency (RDA) and code updates. He asked the Council for its input if he should start work with the Municipal Services District (MSD) on this possibility.

All Council Members thought it was a good idea to move forward with this.



Upcoming Ordinance Changes and General Plan Implementation

Nathan Bracken, Legal Counsel, Kearns Metro Township, stated as part of going process he would like to update the Kearns Land Use Ordinance so that it incorporates what was adopted as part of the Kearns General Plan. These are all long-term changes that will take approximately one year to complete. He would like to have the Land Use Ordinance adopted all together once it is completed, but he will provide updates to the Council throughout the year. However, there are a few changes that will need to be make as soon as possible. These changes include:

- 1) Change the density level in the character areas to correspond with what is recommended within the General Plan.
- 2) Make necessary changes to the Tobacco Ordinance to incorporate State changes.
- 3) Update Title 1 of the Kearns Code.



Unified Police Department (UPD)

Chief Levi Hughes updated the Council on the following:

- Scale back of the less critical areas that his office covers such as traffic details due to the rise of COVID-19 cases within the Kearns precinct.
- Office is currently closed, but appointments are available.
- Parking enforcement was done this week with 185 cars tagged.
- Time to rebid shifts for patrol officers. He is looking for ideas to let his officers know they are appreciated.
- Calls have gone up. Last year at this time, there was just under 1,300 calls. This year there has been 1,600 calls. He has seen an increase in family related calls.
- In the month of October there were no drive-by shooting reported. This is the first time in a long time.



Kearns Oquirrh Park Fitness Center (KOPFC)

Patti Hansen, Kearns Oquirrh Parks Fitness Center, (KOPFC), updated the Council on the following:

- Due to Governor Herbert's executive order, all high school swim meets have been cancelled for the next couple of weeks.
- She is hopeful that the Kearns Oquirrh Park Fitness Center can qualify for CARES Act Funds since revenue has been greatly reduced at the facility.
- Kevin Schmidt will be the new director of KOPFC starting December 2, 2020. She will be retiring on December 16, 2020.
- Breakfast with Santa has been cancelled this year.



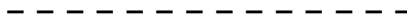
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Kearns Community Council Budget

Paula Larsen, Chair, Kearns Community Council, presented the budget. She stated the proposed budget shows the actual expenditures of the Kearns Community Council to the end of October and what is projected for November and December. COVID expenses are listed separately. The Community Council is asking to be made whole from the reduction it took due to COVID. The amount it is asking for is \$22,762.58.

Mayor Bush stated this budget will be formally adopted during the November 30th, 2020, budget hearing, unless the Council has any changes it would like to make. The COVID Funds, which are listed separately on the budget handout, in the amount of \$5,372.00 was mailed today.

Roger Snow, Kearns Community Council, stated he has been working with Mayor Bush on two surprises for the lighting of the Christmas tree. It is hoped that this will bring Christmas joy to the residents of Kearns.



COVID-19 Update

Mayor Kelly Bush stated she would like to use some of the CARES Act Funds to issue grocery vouchers to the most vulnerable population in Kearns. The vouchers would be for \$50 and handed out by the two food banks in Kearns as well as the senior center. She asked what the Council Members thought about this idea.

Council Member Peterson stated he would like to give a few of the vouchers to the American Legion to hand out to some of the veterans in Kearns who are in need. These vouchers could be included in a bag with the hand sanitizer and a mask.

All Council Member agreed that this would be a good idea.

Mayor Bush stated she was thinking of getting 600 of these vouchers.

Council Member Snow suggested this amount be increase to 650 vouchers. She asked how these would be distributed to ensure that only one voucher per household was received.

Mayor Bush stated the vouchers would be given out on one day. The vouchers should also be made available to the HOME center in Kearns.

Council Member Peterson suggested the number of vouchers be increased to 700 to make sure there was enough.

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Council Member Snow, seconded by Council Member Schaeffer, moved to give out 700 vouchers at \$50 a voucher of CARES Act Funds to the most vulnerable populations in Kearns. The motion passed unanimously.

Nathan Bracken, Legal Counsel, Kearns Metro Township, stated it should be noted the Kearns Metro Township Council is able to do this distribution because it meets the restrictions placed on the funds by the U.S. Treasury Department.

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Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the August 10, 2020 and September 14, 2020 minutes were approved during the October 22, 2020 meeting.

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

SHERRIE SWENSEN
METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

By _____
Deputy Clerk

CHAIR, KEARNS METRO TOWNSHIP

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