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City of Taylorsville
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes

Wednesday, June 7, 2023
Council Chambers, Room No. 140
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd.
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

BRIEFING SESSION

Attendance:

Mayor Kristie Overson

Council Members:

Council Chair Bob Knudsen
Council Vice Chair Curt Cochran
Council Member Anna Barbieri
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Meredith Harker

City Staff:

John Taylor, City Administrator
Scott Harrington, Asst. City Administrator/CFO
Jamie Brooks, City Recorder
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Richard Rich, UFA Fire Captain
Ben White, City Engineer

Others: Barbara Riddle and Gordon Willardson

6:00 BRIEFING SESSION

Chair Bob Knudsen conducted the briefing session, which convened at 6:00 p.m. A roll call was conducted wherein all council members were present.

1. Review Agenda

The agenda for the regular city council meeting was reviewed by Chair Knudsen.

The council members discussed plans for participating in the Taylorsville Dayzz parade. Councilmember Burgess expressed a desire to have more candy available this year as they had run out the previous year. The prohibition against *throwing* candy to children was mentioned.

There was a discussion about plans for council members' participation in the Taylorsville Dayzz parade and whether they would attend as current councilmembers or as candidates. City Attorney Tracy Cowdell reminded them of the importance of ensuring there was a very marked delineation between council business and campaign business, explaining that it was not appropriate to attend a city-sponsored event (he used the example of *Starry Nights on the Plaza*) dressed in a campaign shirt or to campaign in any way at the event.

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Regarding the parade, if someone wished to attend it as a candidate, it was important that the campaign or candidate register as an entry separate from the city council or the city in general.

2. Adjourn

Chair Knudsen declared the briefing session adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Attendance:

Mayor Kristie Overson

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Council Member Anna Barbieri
Council Member Ernest Burgess
Council Member Meredith Harker

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Scott Harrington, Asst. City Administrator/CFO
Terryne Bergeson, Planner
Jamie Brooks, City Recorder
Tracy Cowdell, City Attorney
Kristy Heineman, Council Coordinator
Kim Horiuchi, Communications Director
Brett Miller, Deputy Police Chief
Richard Rich, UFA Captain
Jim Spung, Senior Planner

Other Present: Mark Chalk, Lynn Handy, Ben James, Jody James, Marv Mackey, Tyler Peil, Barbara Riddle, Gordon Willardson, and Susan Yadeskie

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Chair Knudsen called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. A roll call was conducted wherein all councilmembers were present.

1.1 Opening Ceremonies – Pledge/Reverence – *Councilmember Burgess* (Opening Ceremonies for June 21, 2023 to be arranged by *Councilmember Cochran*)

Councilmember Burgess directed the Pledge of Allegiance before turning the time over to Pastor Tyler Peil of the Prince of Peace Lutheran church who offered some brief comments and a prayer.

1.2 Mayor's Report

 Mayor Overson mentioned a recent ribbon-cutting at Wasatch Pediatric Dentistry. As always, she loved to celebrate new businesses in the community.

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An *Evening of Art* had been held recently at Centennial Plaza. Renowned artist Ben Hammond had been an invited guest, as had teacher/artist Justin Wheatley. The mayor stated it was a very enriching and enlightening evening and she hoped to host a similar event sometime in the Fall.

Starry Nights on the Plaza was becoming more popular each week. She pointed out how exciting it was to watch the community interaction.

 She wished to thank the Parks and Recreation Committee for organizing the recent Ride Roll & Stroll event along the Jordan River. Those that participated in the event enjoyed it.

Let's Talk Taylorsville was held the previous week. In-home childcare and neighborhood safety were both discussed, and it was nice to have an opportunity for back-and-forth dialogue with residents.

Mayor Overson explained that she recently had the opportunity to meet with State Representative Brett Garner who had filled the vacancy left when Rep. Karen Kwan replaced Sen. Karen Mayne. Rep. Garner had asked to meet in order to share ideas of interest and concern in Taylorsville. She appreciated the opportunity to discuss topics of mutual interest.

An open house had been held the previous evening to discuss the City's General Plan and proposed updates to it. The event was a great opportunity to discuss the vision of the city from the residents' perspective and to hear their concerns and ideas. The elected officials were present not so much to comment but to listen to residents and hear what they had to say.

The Mayor and Chief Cottam both had the opportunity to speak at Arcadia Elementary's 5th grade graduation the previous week. She said there was a lot of great energy and excitement in the room, and she really appreciated the opportunity to interact with the kids.

Speaking of schools, Granite School District's Summer Lunch Program would begin the following Monday at Freemont Elementary and Vista Park. Children could attend with a parent and eat a meal on site. This program helped feed children who might not get enough to eat at home when school was not in session.

K-9 Ghost was the newest member of TVPD's K-9 team. He was deployed shortly after becoming certified. The Utah Peace Officers Association recently held their K-9 trials. Officer Moore and Turbo took first place and were named the Overall Top Narcotics Dog. They also took first place in the Open Area Narcotics competition and in Patrol Building Search for Humans. Sgt. Palmer and Koda took second in Patrol Building Search for Humans and first in Closest Call Off. Mayor Overson stated that TVPD's K-9 team were "Top Dogs."

The police department recently hosted a lunch to honor all the school crossing guards who helped protect children as they made their way to and from school. In particular, she wished to acknowledge Ladd Tanner who was retiring. Mr. Tanner was an icon at Fox Hollow Elementary School and would be missed.

Mayor Overson mentioned that Taylorsville Cemetery had looked beautiful over the Memorial Day weekend. She gave a shout out to Suzie Smith and the cemetery team.

Pickleball courts at Vista Park had been painted and would be ready for play the following weekend. A great deal of work still needed to be done *around* the courts, but the courts themselves were nearly done. Progress was being made on the courts at the Senior Center as well. The mayor took a moment to acknowledge the TRCC funding (Tourism Recreation Culture & Convention) that had made various city projects possible, including more pickleball courts.

Mayor Overson encouraged everyone to check the journal, social media, and the website for information on upcoming city events, particularly Taylorsville Dayzz.

1.3 Citizen Comments

 Chair Knudsen invited any member of the audience to step forward and address the Council on the topic of their choice. There was no one who expressed a desire to speak, so Chair Knudsen closed the citizen comment period.

2. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments on the agenda.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Historic Preservation Committee Report – *Susan Yadeskie*

 Committee Chair Susan Yadeskie expressed her appreciation to the other members of the Historic Preservation Committee. She pointed out that most were senior citizens, but they still did a phenomenal amount of work each year.

There were some unspent funds for FY22-23 only because there had been a challenge securing a contractor to do some work. Grant funds had been secured to do some work on the Jones Dairy. The museum had been added to the National Historic Registry—only the second such building in Taylorsville.

Ms. Yadeskie looked forward to speaking to the public about the community's history during Taylorsville Dayzz. Additionally, the Fall festival was scheduled for September 23rd. The festival would include a pumpkin painting contest, games for kids, refreshments, etc.

There would be volunteer opportunities at the museum during the annual Day of Service event in September. As always, volunteers were critical to the museum's success.

Ms. Yadeskie expressed concern about recent thefts and vandalism that had taken place at the museum. She asked those gathered to contact the committee with any ideas on combatting the crime.

The committee was seeking younger volunteers who could commit to taking part in educating the public on the city's history. Plenty of people were willing to volunteer for one or two events but they really needed people willing to commit longer term.

3.2 Chamber West Report – *Barbara Riddle*

 Chamber West President and CEO Barbara Riddle reviewed the various activities that the organization had hosted or was planning to host during the coming months. These activities included:

- Women in Business
 - Professional Growth Series Luncheons
 - Annual Spring Conference – April 11
 - Women's Golf Clinic – May 23
- Professional Development Series Luncheons

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- Business Success Series
- Leadership Institute Program
- Ambassador Program
- Friday Connections (Speed Networking)
- Job Fairs in April (Jordan School District) and October (Granite School District)
- West Region Tourism program and committee
- Annual Breakfast Meeting (new this year)
- Annual Golf Classic – June 21
- Business Leaders' Trips to Washington D.C. and Italy
- Fall Conference – November 14
- Annual Awards Gala – August 30

The council members thanked Ms. Riddle for all that she and her team accomplished for the west side of the valley in general and for Taylorsville in particular.

3.3 Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District Report – *Mark Chalk*

 Mark Chalk, General Manager and CEO of Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District greeted the City Council and reported on current reservoir conditions. He explained some unique facts about the Great Salt Lake and discussed its optimal level. He pointed out that despite the record water year, it was still important for everyone to be mindful of water usage. All reservoirs along the Wasatch Front, including Utah Lake, were expected to fill completely.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Meeting Minutes of the May 17, 2023 City Council Meetings

MOTION: Councilmember Cochran moved to approve the minutes from the May 17, 2023 City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Burgess.

Chair Knudsen	Yes
Councilmember Burgess	Yes
Councilmember Harker	Yes
Councilmember Barbieri	Yes
Councilmember Cochran	Yes

The motion passed 5-0

5. PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 Ordinance No. 23-06 An Ordinance of the City of Taylorsville approving a Zoning Map Amendment for the property located at 5758 South 1300 West in Taylorsville, Utah from Single-Family R-1-40 to Single-Family R-1-15 and R-1-20 – *Terryne Bergeson*

 Ms. Bergeson displayed an aerial photo of the property in questions as well as a zoning map of the surrounding neighborhoods. She explained that the applicant sought to create a flag lot to build an additional home for her father. The planning commission had reviewed the application and forwarded a positive recommendation to the city council. This was only a rezone. The applicant would still need to apply for a subdivision amendment. Ms. Bergeson explained that although the application was initially for R-1-20 on one lot and R-1-15 on another, it was later learned that there was enough land for each parcel to be zoned

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as R-1-20. She explained that the City Council could approve the ordinance as currently written or they could amend the application to R-1-20 for both parcels.

The council invited the applicant to address the topic of potentially zoning both lots to R-1-20. She had no objection to that change.

Councilmember Harker spoke in favor of approving the same zoning for both parcels.

Mr. Cowdell asked that if the council wished to amend the ordinance to R-1-20 for both parcels, they approve the ordinance "as amended" and allow staff some time to make the necessary changes to the text.

MOTION: Councilmember Harker moved to adopt Ordinance No. 23-06, an ordinance of the City of Taylorsville approving a Zoning Map Amendment for the property located at 5758 South 1300 West in Taylorsville, Utah from Single-Family R-1-40 to Single-Family R-1-20 as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Burgess.

Councilmember Cochran	Yes
Councilmember Barbieri	Yes
Councilmember Harker	Yes
Councilmember Burgess	Yes
Chair Knudsen	Yes

The motion passed 5-0

5.2 Ordinance No. 23-07 An Ordinance of the City of Taylorsville approving a Zoning Text Amendment to Taylorsville Municipal Code Section 8.12.140, related to Placement of Chicken Coops on Irregularly Shaped Parcels – *Terryne Bergeson*



Ms. Bergeson explained that this ordinance proposed allowing the Community and Economic Development Director to make exceptions under certain conditions to the requirement that chicken coops always be in a rear yard rather than a front yard. The planning commission had forwarded a positive recommendation to the city council.

Councilmember Cochran wished to confirm that the proposed ordinance would allow residents to keep chickens in their front yards when their lot was oddly shaped/size. Ms. Bergeson responded that was correct.

MOTION: Councilmember Barbieri moved to adopt Ordinance No. 23-07, an ordinance of the City of Taylorsville approving a Zoning Text Amendment to Taylorsville Municipal Code Section 8.12.140, related to placement of chicken coops on irregularly shaped parcels. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Burgess.

Councilmember Harker	Yes
Chair Knudsen	Yes
Councilmember Barbieri	Yes
Councilmember Cochran	No
Councilmember Burgess	Yes

The motion passed 4-1

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

There were no financial matters on the agenda.

7. OTHER MATTERS

There were no "other" matters on the agenda.

8. NEW ITEMS FOR SUBSEQUENT CONSIDERATION (No Action)

8.1 Councilmember Burgess – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.2 Councilmember Barbieri – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.3 Council Chair Knudsen – nothing for subsequent consideration.

8.4 Councilmember Harker – inquired about the fact that the fountain at Centennial Plaza had not been on for several weeks. City Engineer Ben White explained that there was a leak under the fountain that had gone undetected for quite some time. Councilmember Harker asked that the grate be moved down until the repair could take place. She also asked that a sign be added to the fountain prohibiting playing in the water.

8.5 Council Member Cochran – nothing for subsequent consideration.

9. NOTICE OF FUTURE PUBLIC MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING)

9.1 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, June 13, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

9.2 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, June 13, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

9.3 City Council Briefing Session – Wednesday, June 21, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

9.4 City Council Meeting – Wednesday, June 21, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.

9.5 Planning Commission Work Session – Tuesday, June 27, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.

9.6 Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, June 27, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

10. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

(For more Details on Events, Visit the City's Website)

10.1 "Starry Nights on the Plaza" Food trucks and live entertainment at city hall every Friday beginning at 5:30 p.m.

10.2 City-wide Cleanup Saturday, June 10, 2023, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Taylorsville High School

10.3 Taylorsville Dayzz – June 22-24, 2023

11. CLOSED SESSION (Conference Room 202)

- For the Purpose(s) Described in Statute U.C.A. 52-4-205

There was no need for a closed session.

11. ADJOURNMENT

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MOTION: Councilmember Cochran moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barbieri and Chair Knudsen declared the meeting adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Jamie Brooks, City Recorder

Minutes Prepared by: Jamie Brooks, City Recorder