

SALT LAKE COUNTY

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

2:15 PM

AMENDED AGENDA

Council Chambers, N1-110

Council Work Session

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Present**
 - Chair Laurie Stringham
 - Council Member Richard Snelgrove
 - Council Member Dave Alvord
 - Council Member Dea Theodore
- Call In**
 - Council Member Jim Bradley
 - Council Member Steve DeBry
 - Council Member Arlyn Bradshaw
 - Council Member Aimee Winder Newton
 - Council Member Ann Granato

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

2.1 Budget Adjustment: Community Services Request to Add Additional Funding to the Jordan River Trail - Parley’s Trail Connector Project [21-1484](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[23561 - Jordan River Trail - Parley's Trail Connector Construction](#)

Presenter: Brad Kendrick, Budget and Policy Analyst, Council Discussion/Direction

This agenda item was not discussed.

2.2 Salt Lake County Resolution: [21-1479](#)

Extension of the Public Health Emergency Declared by the Salt Lake County Mayor and the Executive Director of the Salt Lake County Health Department COVID-19 Pandemic

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Sixteenth Extension of Public Health Emergency \(1-11-22\)\(AATF\)](#)

Sponsor: Chair Laurie Stringham (Approx. 5 mins). Discussion/Direction

Council Member Alvord asked if the County received the money from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) monthly or how often it was paid.

Mr. Darrin Casper, Deputy Mayor of Finance & Administration, stated anything that happened in the past or in the next 30 days will be eligible for emergency under the declared emergency. All vaccinations become eligible for reimbursement for FEMA on a monthly basis. It is approximately \$8 million. It usually takes about a year to get reimbursed. The total reimbursement thus far is \$4.6 million. However, the total submitted to FEMA is \$39 million.

A motion was made by Council Member Snelgrove, seconded by Council Member DeBry, that this agenda item be approved and forwarded to the 4:00 PM Council meeting for ratification. The motion carried by the following votes:

Aye: Chair Stringham, Council Member Snelgrove, Council Member Bradley, Council Member DeBry, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Winder Newton, and Council Member Granato

Nay: Council Member Alvord, and Council Member Theodore

Council Member DeBry stated his vote is because these federal dollars coming to the County help the County and taxpayers. If the Council did not extend this emergency, the money would dry up.

2.3 Update on Salt Lake County's Coordinated Response to [21-1465](#) COVID-19

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Presenters: Mayor Jenny Wilson; Dr. Angela Dunn, Executive Director, Health Department; David Schuld, COVID Coordinating Officer (Approx. 30 mins).

Informational

Ms. Angela Dunn, Director, Salt Lake County Health Department, delivered a PowerPoint presentation of the COVID-19 Weekly Update, which included a vaccine terminology update; an overview; an incidence trajectory for Salt Lake County; in the recent surge, 83 percent of cases are unvaccinated or not up-to-date; statewide intensive care unit (ICU) utilization; Salt Lake County ICUs are at capacity today; hospitalizations are increasing; hospitalization hotspots from 12/20/21 - 1/3/2022; being up-to-date is protective against hospitalizations; distribution of up-to-date individuals; 39.9 percent of eligible

population has received a booster; and Salt Lake County Health Department continues to provide vaccinations. She also stated that testing is maxed out statewide, so if cases plateau, it is because of the inability to test.

**2.4 Council Discussion on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) [21-1477](#)
Priorities**

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Sponsors: Council Member Aimee Winder Newton and Council Member Steve DeBry (Approx. 30 mins).

Informational

Council Member Newton stated she sent each of the Council Members a list of suggested priorities for using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. She wanted the Council to have a process in place as it makes decisions regarding these one-time funds. She asked that Council Members notify her of any verbiage it might want to add.

Council Member DeBry reviewed the list of criteria that is in no particular order: quantifiable returns on investment (ROI) that would derive from ARPA expenditures; improvement of quality of life outcomes; joint initiatives that result in additional funding and buy-in from state and local governments; investments in Salt Lake County's future; and public health.

2.5 Release of ARPA Funds for COVID Response [21-1491](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Presenter: Dr. Angela Dunn, Executive Director, Health Department (Approx. 5 mins).

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Angela Dunn, Director, Salt Lake County Health Department, stated there are currently 351,300 masks available. Since Friday, the Health Department has distributed nearly 126,000 masks and addressed 55 individual requests. Masks have gone to all branches of the Salt Lake County Library Division, city libraries, all senior centers, some community organizations, other County agencies, and long-term care facilities. The County can also request more from the State. It has a lot of N95 masks, but

not a lot of KN95 masks. The N95 masks are about 25 cents a mask. She recommended waiting to see if the demand for masks continues as it has been, which has been about 42,000 masks per day. In addition, KN95 masks have been distributed to schools.

2.6 Approval of County Revised Precincts

[21-1473](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[County Council Districts](#)
[County Council 1](#)
[County Council 2](#)
[County Council 3](#)
[County Council 4](#)
[County Council 5](#)
[County Council 6](#)

Presenters: Sherrie Swensen, County Clerk; Lannie Chapman, Chief Deputy Clerk; Charlotte Kuhn, Election Manager; and Stephen Moore, Data Analyst (Approx. 5 mins).

Discussion/Direction

Council Member Snelgrove stated all Council Members have had the opportunity to review the maps the last few months. He asked if a presentation was needed from the Clerk before the Council approves the maps.

Mr. Mitchell Park, Legal Counsel, Council Office, advised the Council to vote on this today so it can timely submit the maps to the Lieutenant Governor's Office.

A motion was made by Council Member Snelgrove, seconded by Council Member DeBry, that this agenda item be approved and forwarded to the 4:00 PM Council meeting for ratification. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

3. CONSENT ITEMS:

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Alvord, that the consent agenda be approved and forwarded to the 4:00 PM Council meeting for ratification. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

3.1 Animal Services Advisory Committee Reappointment:

[21-1467](#)

Scott Baird, Public Works Director

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[SCOTT R BAIRD - RESUME_Redacted](#)
[Baird Application](#)
[Board Appointment Approval form Scott Baird](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

3.2 Appointment of Danielle Wallace as the Council's Representative on the Salt Lake County Property Tax Committee [21-1490](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

4. ITEMS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**4.1 Internal Business**

Notice of Cancellation of the Tuesday, January 18, 2022 Council Work Session

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.1 Approval of December 14, 2021 Council Work Session Minutes [21-1440](#)

Attachments: [121421 - CWS Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Alvord, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

6. CITIZEN PUBLIC INPUT

The following citizens spoke in opposition to the mask mandate order, which was issued by Angela Dunn, Director, Salt Lake County Health Department, on Friday, January 7, 2022. The reasons given were because the mental health of children is being affected; masks cause anxiety and depression; children are afraid to go to school; children are being isolated, bullied, and humiliated by teachers and other children for not wearing

masks, even those with mask exemptions; relationships between children and teachers are strained; some medical associations oppose the KN95 masks, while others oppose masking children entirely; masks are contaminated with pathogens and dangerous levels of carbon dioxide, which can cause headaches, sleepiness, poor concentration, loss of attention, increased heart rate, and nausea; masks prevent communication and social interaction, and impair learning and language skills; wearing masks while exercising vigorously has caused deaths or loss of consciousness; mandates are unconstitutional and government overreach; and masks have not been shown to reduce transmission of Covid. Citizens also spoke in opposition to the vaccines and the inconsistencies of the numbers, including lies about the numbers of people hospitalized and actual reasons they were hospitalized, and Pfizer’s inconsistent statements made about the effectiveness of the vaccines; the Covid virus cannot be isolated - symptoms of Covid are also symptoms of the flu; vaccine mandates are affecting the economy because people are not willing to work for companies that are requiring that; and people are being asked to give up their civil liberties.

Stephanie Grant
Joshua Garcia
Mike Tyler
Laurie Wein

Mario Ruiz
Robin Barnhill
Noel Nielsen
David Larsen

ADJOURN 3:45 PM for Board of Equalization

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.

SHERRIE SWENSEN, COUNTY CLERK

By _____
 DEPUTY CLERK

By _____
 CHAIR, SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL