

SALT LAKE COUNTY

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

12:30 PM

Room N2-800

Committee of the Whole

1. CALL TO ORDER

Present Council Member Shireen Ghorbani
Council Member Arlyn Bradshaw

Call In Council Member Richard Snelgrove
Council Member Jim Bradley
Council Member Michael Jensen
Council Member Aimee Winder Newton
Council Member Ann Granato
Council Member Steve DeBry
Council Chair Max Burdick

2. CLOSED SESSION: Pending Litigation Discussion (Approx. 60 Mins).

A motion was made by Council Member Burdick, seconded by Council Member Jensen, to close the Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss pending litigation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Ghorbani, Council Member Snelgrove, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Jensen, Council Member Winder Newton, Council Member Granato, Council Member DeBry, and Council Chair Burdick

The meeting was reopened by motion during the closed session.

3. 1: 45 PM TIME CERTAIN: CITIZEN PUBLIC INPUT

This meeting will be conducted via Webex Events. Citizens wishing to comment must access the meeting using the Webex link below by the beginning of the Citizen Public Input portion of the meeting. Comments will be limited to three minutes per individual unless otherwise approved by the Council. If a citizen is unable to attend the meeting via Webex, they may email their comments to councilwebex@slco.org by 11:00 AM the day of the meeting to have those comments distributed to the Council and to have those comments read into the record at the appropriate time.

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Mr. Fred Cox stated he called in because he was interested in the County's budget. In regard to the protest this past weekend, he wanted everybody to be safe.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member DeBry, to add an item to the agenda, to allow the Mayor and Sheriff to update the Council on the County's involvement in the protest and response in Salt Lake City this past weekend. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Ghorbani, Council Member Snelgrove, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Jensen, Council Member Winder Newton, Council Member Granato, and Council Member DeBry

Absent: Council Member Bradley, and Council Chair Burdick

Mayor Jennifer Wilson updated the Council on the County's involvement in the protest over the death of George Floyd, who was killed by police in Minneapolis, on Saturday, May 30, 2020. The Emergency Management team assembled at the command center to monitor the event in case it accelerated.

Sheriff Rosie Rivera stated there is mutual aid agreement between law enforcement agencies that when one agency needs help, other agencies will be there. The Sheriff's Office was notified Saturday at 6:00 a.m. that officers may be needed, and when the Salt Lake City Police Department asked for help, police officers, corrections officers, and Public Safety Bureau officers all showed up in masses. One of the challenges with this continuing to go on, is that agencies have to work within their own budgets. There is no cost charged for mutual aid.

Chief Matt Dumont, Salt Lake County Jail, stated he was notified Saturday morning that the scheduled peaceful protest could turn violent. Throughout the day, members of his command were gearing up and making sure resources were in line anticipating a lot of people would be booked into jail. The Davis County Jail stepped up and booked 34 people into jail there. Then, Salt Lake County booked 7 people before things started to slow down. Security will also continue at the Oxbow Jail and surrounding buildings.

Council Member Newton asked how the Sheriff's Office and UPD were going to proceed in the future to address people's concerns.

Sheriff Rivera stated the Sheriff's Office and UPD are putting a list of the training being

done onto their websites for the public to see, and checking to see if they should be doing any other trainings. She will also put out how reviews and the uses of forces are done. She wanted to be as transparent as she could. A citizen's advisory board sits through the discipline and can provide feedback as well. There is probably a need to make sure all law enforcement agencies are on the same page.

4.1 Update on Salt Lake County's Coordinated Response to [20-0525](#) COVID-19

The Council may Take Action, Including Votes, on any Necessary Legislative Matters Related to the Ongoing State of Emergency

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Presenters: Mayor Jenny Wilson, Jill Miller, Associate Deputy Mayor; Clint Mecham, Salt Lake County Emergency Manager; Gary Edwards, Director, Health Department (Approx. 30 mins).

Discussion/Direction

Mr. Gary Edwards, Director, Salt Lake County Health Department, reviewed the statewide statistics relating to COVID-19, stating there were 583 cases the week of May 24-30, compared to 597 cases the week of May 17-23. Then, there were 11,524 tests done in Salt Lake County the week of May 24-30, and 11,022 the week of May 17-23. There are hotspots in Salt Lake County and increases in other communities.

Mr. David Schuld, Intelligence Section Chief for COVID-19, delivered a PowerPoint presentation showing a snapshot of the trends for the total number of cases, active cases, COVID-related facilities in Salt Lake County, recovered cases, tests in Salt Lake County, the hospitalization rate, the number currently hospitalized, case rate increases, doubling rate, and the positivity rate. He also displayed charts on the daily confirmed cases in Salt Lake County, the rolling seven-day confirmed case count, the rolling seven-day positivity rate, and an estimated active and recovered case count in Salt Lake County.

Council Member Newton asked if cases were expected to increase having gone to a yellow phase.

Mr. Edwards stated he expected to see a slight increase as things reopen and individuals get out more.

4.2 Salt Lake County Economic Impact Working Group Update for COVID-19 Response [20-0527](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[SLCO Consumer Sentiment Report - County Council_2020 June 2](#)

Presenter: Dina Blaes, Director of Economic Impact Working Group (Approx. 15 mins).

Informational

Ms. Dina Blaes, Chair, Economic Impact Working Group, delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the Salt Lake County Spring 200 Consumer Sentiment Survey reviewing the survey methodology; things to remember; COVID-19 impact regarding personal and community effects; policy perceptions on the current approach and future concerns; consumer behaviors as far as engaging in the economy and desirable precautions; an appendix showing full results and a supplemental analysis; COVID-19 impact regarding awareness, prevalence, and anticipated effects; consumer behaviors on shopping, dining, and commercial activities; predicting attitudes regarding the risk index scoring and related perceptions; and model summaries for extended results of Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) regression modeling.

Council Member Newton stated it has become political whether or not to wear a mask. She asked if there were any ideas to push people to wear masks.

Ms. Blaes stated the best thing to do is to remind people that wearing a mask protects them and those around them. It might also be helpful for them to see people they trust and admire wearing masks in public.

4.3 Revenue Update and Proposed Budget Adjustments [20-0526](#)

Presenters: Darrin Casper, Deputy Mayor of Finance and Chief Financial Officer; Rod Kitchens, Director of Budget and Planning, Mayor's Finance; Bob Reed, Senior Associate Budget Administrator; and Econowest Associates (Approx. 90 mins).

Discussion/Direction

Mayor Wilson stated the 2020 proposed June budget has been tricky with the added effects of COVID-related expenses. Once the County gets out of COVID crisis, the budget recovery should be swift.

Mr. Doug Macdonald, Econowest Associates, presented a PowerPoint reviewing the economic overview showing the October 2019 projection for the 2020 taxable sales and sales forecast; world real growth declines; U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) declines; consumer confidence falling, U.S. business equipment and software falling, U.S. motor vehicle spending dropping; what could go wrong if IHS Markit Ltd's pessimistic scenario played out; Utah seasonally adjusted unemployment rates; Utah's non-farm industry profiles and the numeric changes; unemployment claims; Utah unemployment growth; Utah wages declining; Salt Lake County new residential construction; the County economy regarding new residential construction; car and truck sales; seasonally adjusted sales tax; the County's first quarter sales; 2020 hits and shock impacts from COVID-19.

Council Member Snelgrove asked if the liquidity pumped into the economy in the last few weeks might trigger inflation.

Mr. Scott Smith, Econowest Associates, stated when there is slack in the economy, such as there is now, inflation has a hard time existing. The Federal Government has been trying to inject liquidity into the system and it can stop markets from seizing, but it cannot cure solvency. If it tries to cure solvency by printing money, it will get inflation. That is not where the country is now.

Mr. Macdonald stated the forecast is only 1 percent inflation this year, and similar going out a couple years.

Council Member Snelgrove asked if the situation in Salt Lake County and America could bring on negative interest rates as it has done in Europe.

Mr. Smith stated there seems to be some resistance to negative interest

rates.

Mr. Macdonald stated the Federal Reserve Bank concluded that was a mixed bag.

Mr. Rod Kitchens, Budget Director, Mayor's Finance and Administration, continued the presentation with the revenue update for the 2020 proposed June budget, which included the 2019 major revenues in the General Fund, 2019 actual sales taxes versus budgeted sales taxes, 2020 sales tax revenue, June 2020 sales tax projections, revenues and year to year growth rates for county option sales tax, county option sales tax projections, revenues and year to year growth rates for zoo, arts and parks tax, transient room tax, transient room tax - supplemental, car rental tax, restaurant tax, local option sales tax, and transportation sales tax, property tax and motor vehicle fee in lieu revenues, collection rates countywide, collection rates for the library, motor vehicle fee in lieu 2020 budgeted and 2019 actual, recorder revenue, interest income from the Transportation Fund, and operating revenues regarding revenue scenarios and a revenue summary.

Mr. Darrin Casper, Deputy Mayor of Finance & Administration, reviewed the 2020 June budget, including the 2020 budget goals, budget direction, highlights for June 2020, management flexibility/strategies, macro level decision groups, organization reductions in the Mayor's Office and departments, as well as elected offices, balance sheet/financing actions, a proposal for the TRCC Fund, parks and recreation appropriations versus General Fund County funding, capital project reductions/delays, major fund balance transfers, significant new requests, a new fund for COVID-19 response, FTE changes with regard to interim and June budget adjustments, 2020 ending fund balances and financing plans, and a 2020 budget recap for all funds.

5. CONSENT ITEMS:

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Granato, that the consent agenda be approved and forwarded to the 4:00 p.m. Council meeting for formal ratification. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Ghorbani, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Jensen, Council Member Winder Newton, Council Member Granato, Council Member DeBry, and Council Chair Burdick

Absent: Council Member Snelgrove

- 5.1 Constable Nominating Commission's Recommendation of Justin Lampropoulos as a Salt Lake County Constable for a Term of Six Years** [20-0506](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Justin L Appointment Letter](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

- 5.2 A resolution of the Salt Lake County Council approving the acquisition of a fee interest in certain real property from Mary Lindsay Stott as part of the surplus canal project and the transfer of the county's excess real estate interest in adjacent property to Mary Lindsay Stott.** [20-0507](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Surplus Canal - Mary Lindsay Stott - AATF \(1\)](#)
[ROW Stott Surplus Canal](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

- 5.3 A resolution of the Salt Lake County Council approving the acquisition of a fee interest in certain real property from Reyna Trujillo as part of the surplus canal project and the transfer of the county's excess real estate interest in adjacent property to Reyna Trujillo.** [20-0509](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Surplus Canal - Reyna Trujillo - AATF](#)
[ROW R. Trujillio Surplus Canal](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

- 5.4 A resolution of the Salt Lake County Council approving a transfer of certain real property interests held by Salt Lake County to, and approving the acquisition of fee interest in** [20-0510](#)

certain real property from, Sekitoa Pelaki Fehoko and Kymberlee Fehoko related to the surplus canal.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Surplus Canal - Fehoko - AATF](#)
[ROW Fehoko](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

- 5.5 A resolution of the Salt Lake County Council approving a transfer of certain real property interests held by Salt Lake county to and approving the acquisition of fee interest in certain real property from, Sergio Garcia Gomez, Oscar Garcia Hernandez and Sergio Garcia Hernandez related to the surplus canal. [20-0511](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Surplus Canal - Gomez - AATF](#)
[ROW S. Gomez Surplus Canal](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

- 5.6 A resolution of the Salt Lake County Council approving the acquisition of a fee interest in certain real property from Cirina Didericksen as part of the surplus canal project and the transfer of the county's excess real estate interest in adjacent property to Cirina Didericksen. [20-0512](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Surplus Canal - Cirina Didericksen - AATF](#)
[ROW Didericksen Surplus Canal](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

- 5.7 A resolution of the Salt Lake County Council authorizing the revocation of an easement to Rocky Mountain Power at the Daybreak Library. [20-0514](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Release of Easement - RMP - Daybreak Library - aatf](#)
[Release of Easement - RMP at Daybreak Library - AATF \(004\)](#)
[RMP Easement 5.27.2020](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

- 5.8 A resolution of the Salt Lake County Council approving and authorizing the grant of a temporary crane swing easement to Salt Lake City CH, LLC.** [20-0515](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Temporary Crane Swing Easement - With Exhibit - AATF](#)

This consent item was approved and forwarded.

6. ITEMS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

- 6.1. Internal Business

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 7.1 Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes for May 12, 2020** [20-0493](#)

Attachments: [051220 - COW Min.](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Granato, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Ghorbani, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Jensen, Council Member Winder Newton, Council Member Granato, Council Member DeBry, and Council Chair Burdick

Absent: Council Member Snelgrove

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 PM.

SHERRIE SWENSEN, COUNTY CLERK

By _____
DEPUTY CLERK

By _____
VICE CHAIR, SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL