

SALT LAKE COUNTY

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

2:35 PM

Room N2-800

County Council

1. CALL TO ORDER

Present: Council Member Suzanne Harrison
Council Chair Laurie Stringham
Council Member Jim Bradley
Council Member Arlyn Bradshaw
Council Member Dave Alvord
Council Member Aimee Winder Newton
Council Member Ann Granato
Council Member Sheldon Stewart
Council Member Dea Theodore

Invocation - Reading or Thought - Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Stringham led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bill Clayton, Granite Community Council, presented a history of the Wasatch Resort, a small residential community of private land in the lower portion of Little Cottonwood Canyon surrounded by Forest Service land, stating the Wasatch Resort has been part of the Granite Community Council since it was organized in 1974. The Granite Community Council heard the County Council was considering removing the Wasatch Resort from the Granite Community Council, and has collected 40 signatures from the Wasatch Resort residents asking that the Council keep the Wasatch Resort within the Granite Community Council when it reconsiders the boundaries of the Granite Community Council.

Ms. Mary Young, former member of the Granite Community Council, reviewed the districts of the Granite Community Council and the history of when it created District 6 to represent the Wasatch Resort residents.

Mr. Vaughn Cox, Chair, Granite Community Council, stated he had concerns with the Council's proposed resolution to modify the boundaries of the Granite Community Council. The Council is considering this because of HB 330, requiring the Granite Community Council either annex to Sandy City or incorporate. He asked the Council to table a decision on the map until the legislation passed and come up with a compromise that maintained the integrity of the community and met the needs of the County. The compromise would be to allow the Granite Community Council to keep the Wasatch

Resort within its boundary, but it would exclude the National Forest and the ski resorts. Right now, Granite includes all the canyon ridge to ridge, except Snowbird and the town of Alta. If Wasatch Resort remained in Granite, that would be less than 2 percent of the canyon, so it would not have a significant effect on the County's ability to control what happened in the rest of the County. Wasatch Resort is a half-mile long and a quarter-mile wide area, with 40 homes and 10 building lots within it, and it is in the bottom half of the canyon. It has been part of Granite for over 150 years, and it is the last remaining pioneer community in the Salt Lake Valley.

Mr. Jim Eakins, Member, Granite Community Council, stated he and his wife moved to Granite in 1974, and built a home in Wasatch Resort. Wasatch Resort has a special identity, and it has always been part of Granite.

Ms. Susie Albertson, Representative, Wasatch Resort, stated the residents of the Wasatch Resort and the Granite Community Council were blindsided by the County's resolution, which took away citizens' representation for its community and seemed tyrannical.

Ms. Kim Zacherson asked that the Council change the four-horse maximum in the County's proposed ordinance amendments to the Forestry and Recreation (FR) Zone and the Foothill Agriculture (FA) Zone, which it will consider next week. She lived in Rose Canyon and this ordinance would greatly impact her family's lifestyle, as they go on family rides on their horses, and they would be unable to do that without having to share a horse or take turns. She also asked to be scheduled on next week's agenda to deliver a presentation as a representative of the Rose Canyon community.

3. REPORT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS:

3.1. County Council Members

Council Member Alvord stated he requested a copy of an audit regarding the Utah Division of Water Quality mandating that Salt Lake County implement regulatory best management practices to improve water quality. The Utah Division of Water Quality did not require an ordinance change. In reading the audit, he was not sure whether the County was fined because of animals in the area. However, there likely is a relationship between animals and E.coli in the water, although the number of horses were probably dwarfed by the number of wild animals in the area. He would like to know how many horses were in the area. He also suggested convening a meeting with the Utah Department of Water Quality to find out exactly what the County's options were for dealing with this.

Council Member Theodore stated she had received a lot of emails from High Country Estates residents on this matter. She also attended the Granite Community Council Town Hall. Then, she participated in the Point in Time Count, along with Council Member Stringham, and Katherine Fife, Associate Deputy Mayor. It was an informational and interesting experience, and what she got out of that was the County needed to put a lot more funding into homelessness. However, she wanted to fund programs that would make a difference for these individuals, and not programs that were not showing accountability.

Council Member Stringham stated she spoke to two people while participating in the Point in Time Count, both of whom were on a waiting list for housing. She wanted to learn more about that wait time. She was also impressed by the number of people who volunteered to help with that count.

Council Member Harrison stated she also went to the Point in Time Count on Friday, as did Mayor Jennifer Wilson. The Point in Time Count was important for securing funding and improving services.

3.2. County Mayor

Mayor Jennifer Wilson stated she always learned a lot participating in the Point in Time Count. It was one thing to look at this from a budget and program perspective, and another to go out and engage with homeless individuals. What she learned was the County needed to move forward with housing and support services around that housing. She also made the following announcements:

- A gathering will be held on February 20th, from 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM, at the Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, to address some questions from the business community around the homelessness issue. It is an opportunity to look at a broader system and solutions, and ensure resources are being targeted in the right way. She invited Council Members to attend, stating there will be limited seating. If Council Members could not make it to that meeting, she would set up a briefing the day or week after.
- The County's Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) Youth Leadership Program is in Washington, D.C. attending a national conference, where a student from the Kearns Metro Township will be receiving the 2024 CADCA Youth Leader Award.

- The Clark Planetarium is hosting Legislator Family Night on Monday, February 5th, and the Women and Girls Science Event on Friday, February 9th.
- The Housing and Community Development Division is moving forward with five requests for proposals (RFP) for the Home Investment Partnership Program to build more housing, and three requests for applications (RFA) targeting lead-based paint hazards and health homes.
- The Parks and Recreation Division received the Associated General Contractors of Utah 2023 Award of Excellence, in the category of Transportation/Utility Infrastructure Division Project of the Year for the official completion of Parley's Trail.
- The Animal Services Division just had a successful fundraiser - the Betty White Challenge.
- A patron of Parks and Recreation's Fairmont Park, who is blind, sent a letter to the County commending employee Timmian Jeffress for helping him work through lap issues there and staff for recognizing the need for adaptive accommodations.

3.3. Other Elected County Officials

4. WORK SESSION

4.1 Proposed Hire Report / Incentive Plans - \$3,000 and Under / [23-1262](#) Weekly Reclassification Report

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Proposed Hire Report 1-24-2024](#)
[Incentive Plans Under \\$3000 1-24-2024](#)
[Weekly Reclassification Report 1-24-2024](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst (Approx. 2:40PM, Less than 5MIN)
Informational

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget & Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the new hires and reclassifications. There were no incentive plans this week.

4.2 Budget Adjustment: The County Jail requests to utilize a [23-1267](#)

\$4M grant from the Byrne Discretionary Grants Program to install mesh suicide barriers at the Salt Lake County Adult Detention Center.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[30743 - Grant - ADC Suicide Barriers](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst (Approx. 2:40PM, Less than 5MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget & Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment.

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

- 4.3 Budget Adjustment: The Health Department has been awarded a 5-year federal grant from the Partnerships for Success program in the amount of \$97,000 per year. The Department requests to utilize the grant for a 0.75 FTE time-limited Health Educator position and related operating budget to enhance the implementation of community centered evidence-based prevention programs.** [23-1268](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[30745 - HLT_0.75 TL FTE_Partners for Success Grant](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst (Approx. 2:40PM, Less than 5MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget & Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment.

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

- 4.4 Budget Adjustment: Data and Innovation requests to re-budget \$271,036 for the 4 Smart Government Fund** [23-1269](#)

Projects approved in 2023 by the Smart Government Fund Committee.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[30731 - Smart Gov Fund Projects Re-budget](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst (Approx. 2:40PM, Less than 5MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget & Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment.

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

- 4.5 Budget Adjustment: The County Jail requests to utilize [23-1270](#) \$1,372,721 in under-expend budget from the Adult Detention Center (ADC) roof repair project to replace 3 air handler units at the ADC kitchen.**

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[30744 - SHF116 ADC Roof Top Units](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst (Approx. 2:40PM, Less than 5MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget & Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment.

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

- 4.6 Budget Adjustment: This budget adjustment is to allocate [23-1247](#) \$251,716 from the \$3M set aside and \$154,502 from other funding sources to satisfy the Council's compensation adjustment recommendation from Jan 9th to address 3 compensation issues: the \$15/hour minimum compression issue, the alignment issue with Flood Control positions, and**

the internal equity issue with IT Software Engineers.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst (Approx. 2:40PM, Less than 5MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget & Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment, noting the amount being allocated from the \$3 million set aside is wrong on the agenda. The agenda says it is \$251,716, but it should have been \$244,000, which is the net amount after the 3 percent contra account.

A motion was made by Council Member Granato, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried 8 to 1, with Council Member Stewart voting “Nay.”

- 4.7 Budget Adjustment: This budget adjustment is to allocate \$424,744 from the \$3M set aside and \$60,472 from other funding sources for the salary market adjustment to satisfy the Council’s compensation adjustment recommendation from Jan 23rd.** [23-1274](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst (Approx. 2:40PM, Less than 5MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget & Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment, noting the amount being allocated from the \$3 million set aside is wrong on the agenda. The agenda says it is \$424,744, but it should have been \$412,000, which is the net amount after the 3 percent contra account.

A motion was made by Council Member Granato, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried 8 to 1, with Council Member Stewart voting “Nay.”

- 4.8 Consideration of Amendments to HR Policy 4-600 Family and Medical Leave Act** [23-1265](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[HR Policy Change 4-600 Council 013024](#)
[4-600](#)
[4-600 Family and Medical Leave Act DRO 12Jan24](#)
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Presenter: Nilsa Carter, Associate Human Resource Director (Approx. 2:50PM, 10MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Nilsa Carter, Associate Director, Human Resources Division, delivered a PowerPoint presentation entitled, “HR Policy Revision,” reviewing Policy 4-600 - Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and the current policy order in which an employee on FMLA must take accrued leave: 1) parental, 2) personal preference day, 3) administrative leave, 4) compensatory time, 5) sick leave, and 6) vacation; the proposed policy to change the order in which an employee on FMLA must take accrued leave: 1) parental, 2) personal preference day, 3) sick leave, 4) vacation, 5) administrative leave, and 6) compensatory time; and an explanation that making the changes would reduce the manual processing to manage those leave balances, as well as an analysis of employee leave balances.

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

4.9 2024 Legislative Session Update

[23-1276](#)

The Council May Vote to Take Positions Concerning 2024 Legislation and Other Related Actions

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Presenter: Kara Trevino, Legislative Director (Approx. 3:00PM, 60MINS)

Discussion/Direction

Ms. Kara Trevino, Intergovernmental Relations Manager, Council Office, reviewed the following legislation and provided a handout of all the bills to be discussed:

- HB 366 Criminal Justice Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which conflicted with the County's Criminal Justice Advisory Council's bylaws.

Ms. Alexandra Allen, Associate Director, stated this bill would mandate there be Criminal Justice Coordinating Committees (CJCC) across the state, and require that the Chair rotate between a County Commissioner or a Council Member. While Salt Lake County's Criminal Justice Advisory Council (CJAC) is a CJCC, its bylaws state that the chair shall rotate between a Council Member, the Mayor, the Sheriff, and the District Attorney; and the Vice Chair shall rotate between a Council Member or the Mayor, depending on the rotation of the Sheriff and District Attorney as Chair. Having the Chair rotate provides collaboration for the justice system, and it has proven effective. The bill would also change the crime for escape to a second-degree felony; change the crime for aggravated escape to a first-degree felony; and prohibit the court or decision maker from making a decision based on an algorithm or risk assessment alone.

Sheriff Rosie Rivera stated she supported the County's current bylaws for rotating the Chair. By participating as Chair, the Sheriff and District Attorney stay more involved, and CJAC is a criminal justice focus committee.

Mayor Jennifer Wilson stated CJAC is unusually collaborative, and having that forum creates regular conversation and helps move the needle. Having equal representation by each of the elected officials has been great. There was also an administrative cost to staff time every time the chair changed.

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Bradley, to oppose the provision in HB 366 that the Chair be a commissioner or council member, and to work with the sponsor. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Ms. Trevino suggested the County work with other stakeholders to see how they felt about the other provisions of the bill.

- Request for Appropriation - \$8 million for Medicaid Match

Ms. Trevino reviewed the request for an \$8 million appropriation to the local mental health authorities for contribution to the Federal Medicaid program.

Mr. Tim Whalen, Director, Behavioral Health Division, stated about \$4 million of the \$8 million appropriation would come to Salt Lake County. He explained about the Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMAPs), which are used in determining the amount of Federal matching funds for State expenditures for assistance payments for certain social services, and State medical and medical insurance expenditures. The Federal Government uses a formula based on how many household members there are in each state, per household, and income, and since the income in Utah has risen for the last five years, the County's local Medicaid match has increased from 30 to 35 percent. The State will not adjust the County's FMAP, so the County is now in the hole. This appropriation would help the County keep its Medicaid system whole for 2025.

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Winder Newton, to support the appropriation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- HB 80 Conflict of Interest Disclosure Modifications

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would require certain disclosures be filed with the State. The bill has been assigned to the House Political Subdivisions Committee, but it has not been put on the agenda yet.

Mr. Mitchell Park, Legal Counsel, Council Office, stated this bill would require enhanced reporting regarding conflicts of interest and personal business, and require filing with the State, similar to what was required of legislators and County elected officials.

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Winder Newton, to support HB 80. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Council Member Theodore was absent for the vote.

- HB 354 Truth in Taxation Revisions

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would require voter approval for taxing entities to raise taxes in 2024, 2025, 2026.

Mr. Darrin Casper, Deputy Mayor of Finance and Administration, stated one of the five major criteria for bond ratings is flexibility to deal with the budget on the revenue side. Taking that away would hurt the County, and possibly cause it to lose its AAA bond rating.

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Granato,

to oppose HB 354.

Council Member Alvord stated this would make the process for raising taxes more democratic by allowing voters to decide. Voters supported Zoo, Arts, and Parks increases, so they might support other tax increases as well if they were informed of the need for the tax increase. He thought there might be another way to satisfy the rating agencies, such as passing a resolution saying the County would balance the budget and pay debts even if it had to curtail other expenses.

A substitute motion was made by Council Member Alvord, seconded by Council Member Stewart, to support HB 354. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Council Chair Stringham, Council Member Alvord, Council Member Stewart, and Council Member Theodore

Nay: Council Member Harrison, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Winder Newton, and Council Member Granato

Council Member Winder Newton stated she could not support this bill. If the County's bond rating was downgraded and its interest rates changed, it would cost taxpayers money.

Council Member Bradley stated when the County raises taxes, it does explain the reason why to the public. Having the County's bond rating downgraded was not worth the risk.

Council Member Harrison stated the County does communicate with its constituents and supports keeping taxes low. It did not need the Legislature to tell it how to run its business. This was over-reach by the State.

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Granato, to oppose HB 354. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Council Member Harrison, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Winder Newton, and Council Member Granato

Nay: Council Chair Stringham, Council Member Alvord, Council Member Stewart, and Council Member Theodore

- HB 289 Property Rights Ombudsman Amendments

Mr. Zachary Shaw, Deputy District Attorney, reviewed the bill, which would expand the Property Rights Ombudsman statute. Currently, the Property Rights Ombudsman statute says if the Ombudsman provides an advisory opinion and either party litigates in District Court, attorney's fees would be awarded to the prevailing party. This bill would expand that to also include consequential damages be awarded to the prevailing party. Consequential damages could be such things as lost profits on a project denied, and that could be millions of dollars, which would impact the County financially.

A motion was made by Council Member Stringham, seconded by Council Member Granato, to oppose HB 289.

Council Member Alvord stated he felt this was a good bill, as there may be times a constituent has an unjust quarrel with its government. In fact, he knew of a constituent who had a quarrel with a school district and had to incur significant legal expenses. He was willing to accept some losses if the County was ever on the wrong side of a lawsuit.

Council Member Stewart stated this bill would create additional accountability.

A substitute motion was made by Council Member Alvord, seconded by Council Member Stewart, to support HB 289. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Council Member Alvord, Council Member Stewart, and Council Member Theodore

Nay: Council Member Harrison, Council Chair Stringham, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Winder Newton, and Council Member Granato

A motion was made by Council Member Stringham, seconded by Council Member Granato, to oppose HB 289. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Council Member Harrison, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Alvord, Council Member Winder Newton, Council Member Granato, and Council Member Stewart

Nay: Council Chair Stringham, and Council Member Theodore

Later in the Meeting:

Council Member Stewart asked to reconsider the last vote, as he advertently voted the opposite of how he had intended to.

Council Member Stringham asked that both Council Member Stewart and Council Member Alvord's votes be changed.

A motion was made by Council Member Stringham, seconded by Council Member Granato, to oppose HB 289. The vote for the motion to oppose HB 289 was changed as follows:

Aye: Council Member Harrison, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Winder Newton, and Council Member Granato

Nay: Council Chair Stringham, Council Member Alvord, Council Member Stewart, and Council Member Theodore

- HB 306 Residential Housing Amendments

Mr. Zachary Shaw, Deputy District Attorney, reviewed the bill, which would require that starter homes be on a minimum lot size of 5,400 square feet, although jurisdictions could require a lot size larger than 5,400 square feet. Also, the only impact fees that would be allowed for these starter homes would be for roads, sewer, and fire. Impact fees could not be imposed for such things as parks and stormwater. Currently, Salt Lake County does not impose impact fees, but if it chose to in the future, this would limit its ability to fund infrastructure parks and stormwater.

Council Member Winder Newton stated she was torn on the bill. She did not like the State telling local governments what to do with land use, but more starter homes were needed.

Council Member Granato stated investment companies were buying entire swaths of homes and renting them out at excessive prices. She would err on the side of more starter homes over local control.

Council Member Stewart stated he was opposed to the bill. He thought it would price out these individual homes and cause the housing crisis to deepen.

A motion was made by Council Member Stringham, seconded by Council Member Harrison,

to monitor HB 306. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- HB 243 Riparian Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would require counties and cities to include a riparian area element in their general plan.

Mr. Robert Thompson, Watershed Section Manager, Engineering and Flood Control Division, stated he spoke with one of the sponsors of the bill who told him language was going to be changed from “shall” to “may,” and there would be a funding package attached to the bill, which could provide resources to smaller cities if they chose to go this direction.

Council Member Stewart stated he was opposed to this bill, as it would just add another requirement to general plans. It was hard enough for residents to understand current general plans.

The Council elected not to take a formal position, but it would continue to monitor the bill.

- HB 12 Tax Incentive Revisions

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which addressed concerns that arose from a performance audit of Tax Increment Financing in 2022. The Council took a position to support it last week and worked with the sponsor who made some technical amendments for the County Auditor.

- 1st Sub HB 36 Open and Public Meetings Act Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would modify definitions applicable to the Open and Public Meetings Act. The Council took a position to support the original bill. The substitute would still allow the County the flexibility it needed to do its internal matters.

Mr. Mitchell Park, Legal Counsel, Council Office, stated the substitute was in light of an audit of another county where communications had been taking place among members of a commission. This latest version of the bill would provide additional scrutiny to that type of conduct. The bill would require public bodies of the state, including the County Council, to be more conscientious about messages exchanged back and forth between

members, particularly on items that would be on upcoming agendas, so there was not inadvertently a meeting created. Some of the media were concerned with how it would affect purely administrative discussions about internal business.

- SB 116 Eviction Notice Requirements Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would impose requirements in relation to a companion animal on the premises when enforcing an order of restitution. The Council took a position to support the bill. The Animal Services Division supported it conceptually, but it wanted to work with the sponsor to get some amendments. The sponsor has since removed the cap on fees charged for keeping a companion animal taken from the premises when enforcing an order of restitution. The substitute bill is now supported by apartment associations and animal groups, and it has passed from the second to the third reading.

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Granato, to support 1st Sub SB 116. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 1st Sub HB 256 Military Compatible Land Use Amendments

Mr. Zachary Shaw, Deputy District Attorney, stated a bill was passed in a prior legislative session that required a county to adopt a compatible use plan around military use installations by 2025, and notify the military. Then, HB 256 required a county to consider that plan in processing land use applications impacted in that area. He had been concerned that the County would be put in a tough spot if an applicant met land use ordinances, but they were not compatible with the compatible plan. The 1st Sub HB 256 would allow for an exception to that requirement, whereby if a land use application was otherwise vested, then the county or city would not need to consult the compatibility plan; and vested basically meant if the land use application met county or city ordinance. With that added language, he was comfortable with the bill.

- 1st Sub SB 67 Public Thoroughfare Amendments

Mr. Zachary Shaw, Deputy District Attorney, reviewed 1st Sub SB 62, which said if a private road had 10 years of continuous public use on it, it would become a public thoroughfare; and if the public stopped using it for 10 years, it would revert back to private ownership. He had wanted clarification that just meant roads that had 10 years of continuous public use and not every road the county had through plats or any other

mechanism, but he was comfortable that was the intent.

- 1st Sub SB 30 Property Transaction Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which limited non-public disclosure of commercial property sales to assessors. The Council took a position to support. This passed out of committee yesterday.

- SJR 2 Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution – Prohibition on Real Estate Transfer Tax

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which proposes to amend the Utah Constitution to prohibit the State, or a political subdivision of the State from imposing or authorizing a new tax or fee on the transfer of real property. The Council took a position to monitor the bill. This passed out of committee yesterday.

- 1st Sub HB 288 Rollback Tax Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which excluded land acquired by governmental entities from rollback tax requirements and related fees. The Council took a position to work with the sponsor on the bill, as it had concerns with how the original bill was written. Tim Bodily, Deputy District Attorney, worked with the sponsor and got a substitute. The Council's concerns were addressed in the substitute, and the Assessor was comfortable with it. The Committee and the Utah Farm Bureau had some concerns, so it was held in Committee.

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Winder Newton, to support 1st Sub HB 288. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- HB 84 School Safety Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would establish a system for school safety incidents by requiring school resource officer training to be developed by the state security chief; establish duties of the state security chief and a county security chief in relation to school safety initiatives; and establish a school guardian program. The Council took a position to monitor the bill and work with the sponsor, due to the financial costs associated with this. There will be a substitute bill.

- SB 86 Local Government Bonds Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would prohibit local government entities from issuing a lease revenue bond unless the purpose of the bond was to pay for a correctional facility. The Council took a position to oppose the bill. Darrin Casper, Deputy Mayor of Finance and Administration, had concerns with it and worked with the sponsor on those concerns. There will be a substitute bill, which should address Mr. Casper's concerns and set the limit at \$90 million, but it is not public yet.

- HB 330 Unincorporated Areas Amendments

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would provide for unincorporated islands within a county of the first class to be automatically annexed to an adjoining municipality; allow a community council area within a county of the first class to incorporate as a municipality; and modify provisions relating to a feasibility study for a proposed incorporation. The Council took a position to monitor the bill and work with the sponsor to make sure the feasibility study was accurate. Reid Demman, County Surveyor, also wanted an amendment to the bill regarding how roads would be moved over to a city if an annexation took place. There was also a question on how a new city would impact a service area.

Council Member Winder Newton suggested asking the sponsor to add language that if these islands did incorporate, then the special service districts could reevaluate whether they still wanted to provide services because that would add additional costs.

The Council elected to continue working with the sponsor.

- 5th Sub HB 257 Sex-based Designations for Privacy, Anti-bullying, and Women's Opportunities

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would establish a standard regarding distinctions on the basis of sex and would apply the standard in certain facilities and opportunities where designations on the basis of sex addressed individual privacy, bullying, and women's opportunities. This bill has passed both the House and the Senate.

- 4th Sub HB 261 Equal Opportunity Initiatives

Ms. Trevino reviewed the bill, which would prohibit an institution of higher education,

the public education system, and a governmental employer from taking certain actions and engaging in discriminatory practices. This bill has passed both the House and the Senate.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ISSUANCE OF PUBLIC NOTICES

6. PENDING LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

- 6.1 **First Reading of An Ordinance of The Legislative Body of Salt Lake County, Utah, Amending Chapter 2.36 Of the Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances, 2001, Entitled “Steering Committee,” To Rename the County’s Steering Committee as The Executive Coordinating Committee, To Clarify the Purpose and Functions of The Executive Coordinating Committee, And to Make Related Changes** [23-1272](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Steering Committee Amendments Ordinance\(RAFL\)](#)
[Countywide Policy 2 - Redline Changes Alvord Substitute](#)

Sponsors: Councilmembers Dave Alvord and Laurie Stringham (Approx. 4:00PM, 15MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Council Member Alvord introduced an ordinance, which would rename the County’s Steering Committee to the Executive Coordinating Committee, to clarify the purpose and functions of the Executive Coordinating Committee. This went to the Steering Committee, which unanimously approved it. He and co-sponsor Stringham wanted to amend one word. Originally, the ordinance said, the Executive Coordinating Committee “shall” be established as a standing committee. Now it would read the Executive Coordinating Committee “may” be established as a standing committee.

A motion was made by Council Member Alvord, seconded by Council Member Winder Newton, to amend the ordinance to say, “The Executive Coordinating Committee may be established as a standing committee,” and forward the ordinance to the February 6, 2024, meeting for final consideration. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 6.2 **Consideration of a Resolution of the Salt Lake County Council Adopting an Updated Map of the Granite Community Council’s Boundaries Consistent with Salt Lake** [23-1277](#)

County Ordinance

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Granite Community Council Resolution 2024\(RAFL\)](#)
[GraniteCommunityProposal 3](#)

Sponsors: Councilwoman Aimee Winder Newton, Councilwoman Ann Granato
(Approx. 4:15PM,15MIN)

Discussion/Direction

Council Member Winder Newton reviewed the resolution adopting an updated map of the Granite Community Council consistent with Salt Lake County Ordinance. This came about because of HB 330, which would allow non-contiguous areas to become cities. The current map of the Granite Community Council area goes all the way up to Snowbird and the canyons, and that would be incredibly expensive for the Granite community to maintain if it were to incorporate. The updated map would keep the Granite Community Council area at the base of the canyon. The Granite Community Council had asked the council to include the Wasatch Resort, but she was opposed to that. There are 75 parcels within the Wasatch Resort, and only 30 or those are primary residences. The rest are secondary residences.

Council Member Bradshaw stated the County has managed these areas since pioneer times, and it was appropriate that it continue to do that. The updated boundary of the Granite Community ending at the Forest Service land was appropriate and he would support that.

Council Member Alvord stated if the County included the Wasatch Resort, that would create another little island that the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD) would have to service.

Ms. Catherine Kanter, Deputy Mayor of Regional Operations, stated if Granite incorporated, it would have to become a member of the MSD or contract with it, as that is the entity that would provide services, if it accepted a new town. Otherwise, Granite would have to provide its own services.

Council Member Theodore the Granite Community Council has been around for a long time, and this map would detach the community. She would like to figure out a way to keep this community together.

Council Member Harrison stated she was supportive of the resolution.

The canyons were an important regional asset for all residents in the County, and the Granite Community Council's boundaries were very different than what a potential town's boundaries should be.

Council Member Stewart asked if Granite were to become a city and the residents of the Wasatch Resort wanted to annex into it, whether it could go through that process.

Mr. Mitchell Park, Legal Counsel, Council Office, stated yes, it could, but it would probably be difficult for Granite to do that because of who owned the property and because it was non-contiguous. HB 330 creates a special exception from existing law to allow islands to incorporate together.

Ms. Kanter clarified there were two pieces to the legislation - the first forces annexation for all islands, and the second piece allows for the ability of a non-contiguous area to incorporate, which is an exception to the forced annexation. Therefore, the annexation rules in statute would not apply in this instance because the annexation would be subject to this exception.

A motion was made by Council Member Winder Newton, seconded by Council Member Granato, to approve the resolution.

A substitute motion was made by Council Member Theodore, seconded by Council Member Alvord, to table the resolution until the legislation passed.

Council Member Stringham stated the County went through the process of creating the Granite Community Council's map with the Granite Community Council, and making this change would disenfranchise that community. There are 43 registered voters in the Wasatch Resort area, and 30 of those households have signed a request to remain within the Granite Community Council boundaries. The Council would have time to make changes to the map once the legislation passed. She asked if it was the intent of the Council to permanently change the map regardless of whether the legislation passed.

Council Member Winder Newton stated creating this map would help with the passage of the bill and still protect the canyons. If this legislation did not pass, the Council could pass a resolution making the Wasatch Resort residents honorary members of the Granite Community Council.

Council Member Granato called for the question.

A substitute motion was made by Council Member Theodore, seconded by Council Member Alvord, to table the resolution until the legislation passed. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Council Chair Stringham, Council Member Alvord, Council Member Stewart, and Council Member Theodore

Nay: Council Member Harrison, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Winder Newton, and Council Member Granato

A motion was made by Council Member Winder Newton, seconded by Council Member Granato, to approve the following resolution. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Council Member Harrison, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Winder Newton, and Council Member Granato

Nay: Council Chair Stringham, Council Member Alvord, Council Member Stewart, and Council Member Theodore

RESOLUTION NO. 6167

A RESOLUTION OF THE SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL ADOPTING AN UPDATED MAP OF THE GRANITE COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONSISTENT WITH SALT LAKE COUNTY ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances, 2001, Chapter 2.56, provides a mechanism by which the Salt Lake County Council formally recognizes community councils in the unincorporated area of the county upon demonstration of compliance with certain requirements; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2023, the Salt Lake County Council approved Resolution No. 6086, which Resolution formally recognized the Granite Community Council pursuant and subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.56 of the Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances; and;

WHEREAS, among the supporting materials provided by the Granite Community Council was a map of the Granite Community Council’s boundaries, which map was approved by

the Salt Lake County Council and incorporated by reference in Resolution No. 6086; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Council now finds it expedient to update the previously adopted map of the Granite Community Council’s boundaries in order to better update and clarify their precise and accurate dimensions; and

WHEREAS, an updated map of the Granite Community Council is also necessary to accurately inform decisions concerning the potential future incorporation of certain geographic areas in unincorporated Salt Lake County as they may be affected by Utah House Bill 330, which bill is currently being considered in the 2024 general session of the Utah Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Surveyor has prepared an updated map of the Granite Community Council’s boundaries, which the Salt Lake County Council now intends to adopt in a manner consistent with Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances, 2001, Chapter 2.56, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Salt Lake County Council, acting as the legislative body for Salt Lake County, that:

- 1) The map of the Granite Community Council adopted by Salt Lake County Council Resolution No. 6086 is hereby replaced with an updated map prepared by the Salt Lake County Surveyor which updated map is attached to this resolution and incorporated by reference herein, and made effective as of the date that this resolution is adopted. The updated map of the Granite Community Council adopted by this Resolution constitutes the cumulative area within the geographic boundary of the Granite Community Council as it is formally recognized by Salt Lake County pursuant to Salt Lake County Ordinance.
- 2) All other provisions of Salt Lake County Resolution No. 6086, formally recognizing the Granite Community Council, remain in full force and effect unless otherwise amended herein.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 30th day of January, 2024.

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST (SEAL)

By /s/ LAURIE STRINGHAM

Chair

By /s/ LANNIE CHAPMAN

Salt Lake County Clerk

7. CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, that the consent agenda be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 7.1 Nominations of Kathryn Calderon and Alecia Williams to the Salt Lake County SMART Gov Committee and the nomination of Abby Evans to the Salt Lake County SOAR Committee** [23-1275](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

The vote on this consent item was approved.

- 7.2 Council Acceptance of a Donation from the Salt Lake County Foundation in the Amount of \$58,400** [23-1271](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Declaration of Donation Intern Program 2023 \(002\)](#)

The vote on this consent item was approved.

- 7.3 Consideration of a Resolution of the Salt Lake County Council Approving and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Purchase, Sale, And Earnest Money Agreement and A Right-Of-Way and Easement Grant With Dominion Energy Utah** [23-1264](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Resolution for Sale of Property and and Easement to Questar - 3900 South - RAFL](#)

RESOLUTION NO. 6168

A RESOLUTION OF THE SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE, SALE, AND EARNEST MONEY AGREEMENT AND A RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENT GRANT WITH QUESTAR GAS COMPANY DBA DOMINION ENERGY UTAH

RECITALS

A. Salt Lake County (the “County”) owns a parcel of real property located at approximately 1015 West Meadowbrook Expressway (Parcel No. 15-35-400-007-6001) in South Millcreek, Utah (the “County Property”).

B. Questar Gas Company dba Dominion Energy Utah (“Questar”) would like to acquire a portion of the County Property in fee (the “Station Property”) to install and construct a lift station and related facilities for the distribution of natural gas.

C. Questar would also like to acquire an access easement across an adjacent portion of the County Property to access the Station Property and install underground gas pipelines and related facilities (the “Easement”).

D. Questar has offered to purchase the Station Property and the Easement for \$200,000.00, which has been reviewed and approved by Salt Lake County Real Estate Division as a fair market value for this transaction.

E. The County and Questar have prepared a Purchase, Sale, and Earnest Money Agreement (the “Agreement”) wherein the County agrees to sell the Station Property and the Easement to Questar.

F. It has been determined that the best interests of the County and the general public will be served by selling the Station Property and the Easement to Questar as provided in the terms and conditions of the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The execution of the Agreement and related documents will be in compliance with all applicable state statutes and county ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Salt Lake County Council that the real property constituting the Station Property is hereby declared available for disposal.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED by the Salt Lake County Council that the attached Agreement is accepted and approved, and the Mayor is authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of Salt Lake County.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED by the Salt Lake County Council that the

Mayor and County Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Special Warranty Deed and Right-of-Way and Easement Grant attached to the Agreement and to deliver the fully executed document to the County Real Estate Section for to Questar upon receipt of the agreed upon purchase price at Closing.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 30th day of January, 2024.

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST (SEAL)

By /s/ LAURIE STRINGHAM
Chair

By /s/ LANNIE CHAPMAN
Salt Lake County Clerk

The vote on this consent item was approved.

8. POTENTIAL CLOSED SESSION

9. APPROVAL OF TAX LETTERS

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, that the tax letters be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

9.1 Tax Administration's Requests for Waiver or Refund of [23-1248](#) Penalty and Interest

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[5.0 Waiver and Refund Requests.pdf](#)

The vote on this tax letter was approved.

9.2 Tax Administration's Request for Charitable Tax Exemption [23-1251](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[3.1 Utah Food Bank.pdf](#)

The vote on this tax letter was approved.

9.3 DMV Registration Refunds [23-1273](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[MA 003 Personal Property Tax Refund DMV Vet \\$4,858.00](#)
[MA 004 Personal Property Tax Refund DMV \\$701.00](#)

The vote on this tax letter was approved.

10. ACCEPTANCE OF ETHICS DISCLOSURES

10.1 Ann Granato 2024 Disclosure [23-1260](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Ann Granato 2024 Disclosure](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, that this agenda item be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

10.2 Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office 2024 Disclosure Forms [23-1259](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Chamness, Ralph](#)
[Cordero, Gabrielle](#)
[Halulic, Andy](#)
[Houtz, Natalie](#)
[Johnson, Brad](#)
[Montalvo, Haref](#)
[Nelson, Cortney](#)
[Peterson, Joyce-1](#)
[Peterson, Joyce-2](#)
[Sanders, Nathaniel](#)
[Vedejs, Morgan](#)
[Weir, Bryce-1](#)
[Weir, Bryce-2](#)
[Weir, Bryce-3](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, that this agenda item be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

11. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

- 12. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL
- 13. PROCLAMATIONS, MEMORIALS, AND OTHER CEREMONIAL OR
COMMEMORATIVE MATTERS
- 14. OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURN

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM until Tuesday, February 6, 2024.

LANNIE CHAPMAN, COUNTY CLERK

By _____
DEPUTY CLERK

By _____
CHAIR, SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL