

# **Council Review of Legislative Intent for 2020**

## **1. Changes for the Solid Waste Program**

It is the legislative intent of the Council that the newly hired Executive Director should work with our Solid Waste Program partner, Salt Lake City, and the Landfill Council to ensure the following:

- No later than July 1, 2020, the so-called landfill dividends will no longer be determined by the tonnage of refuse added to the landfill; and

**Update: Newly signed interlocal derives “dividends” from non-fee generated funds.**

- Solid Waste staff, under the direction of the newly hired Executive Director, shall explore steps to reduce subsidies related to the landfill’s composting program. These subsidy-related changes should occur as soon as practical but no later than July 1, 2020. The changes may include the following: imposing higher tipping fees for green waste processed into compost; modifying composting practices to reduce operating costs; negotiating changes in Salt Lake City’s green waste bins; and obtaining a greater commitment from Salt Lake City to utilize compost from the landfill.

**Update: Changes in process and accounting save ~\$477K compared to 2019. Other changes planned for 2021.**

*Added December 17, 2019*

## **2. Benchmark Health Insurance Benefits and Practices**

It is the intent of the Council to form a working group to explore the health care market and related benefits along the Wasatch Front, in both the private and governmental sectors, and to report back to the Council with recommendations. The working group will consist of the Council’s fiscal staff, the SLCO Chief Financial Officer and his team, and the county’s health benefits consultant.

**Update: Final DRAFT distributed to Council, Mayor, and staff on Monday, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>.**

*Added December 03, 2019*

## **3. CWC Discussion Prior to Payment of \$100,000 Membership Fee**

It is the intent of the Council to meet with the Executive Director and other representatives of the Central Wasatch Commission (CWC). This meeting will occur prior to the SLCo. Office of Regional Development membership payment of \$100,000, which is the second half of the \$200,000 CWC contribution included in the Mayor’s budget for 2020. Mayor’s Finance will be informed when this requirement has been satisfied.

**Update: CWC met with Council on August 4<sup>th</sup>; total payment amount of \$192,000.**

*Added November 19, 2019*

#### **4. TAB Review of Clerk's Voting Equipment Proposal**

It is the intent of the Council that the county's Technical Advisory Board (TAB) prepare and present a full-project proposal plan for the new elections' voting equipment prior to the expenditure of any county funds toward that end. The SLCO Clerk and TAB representatives will present the plan to the Council.

**Update: Presentation re-scheduled for September 15<sup>th</sup>.**

*Added November 19, 2019*

#### **5. Funding for the Tax Modernization System**

It is the intent of the Council not to release funding for the modernization of the county's tax system until the Technology Advisory Board presents its analysis of the modernization plan to the Salt Lake County Council.

**Update: On January 14<sup>th</sup>, the Treasurer and CIO informed the Council the best approach for modernization was an internal county solution.**

*Added October 29, 2019*

#### **6. Salt Lake County Funding Requirements for the Proposed West Valley City Arts & Culture Division – Veterans Hall and Park**

It is the intent of the Council to require that, during the next three years, West Valley City raise at least 75% of the total cost for constructing a new West Valley Veterans Hall and Park in order for the project to be eligible for any county funds. Moreover, the City will be responsible for financing the initial drawings and studies associated with the project.

**Update: Because of the pandemic, the County rescinded the award for this project. Funding may be reconsidered when revenue sources stabilize.**

*Added October 29, 2019*

#### **7. Suicide Protection Task Force for County Youth**

It is the intent of the Council to work with the Mayor and her staff to develop and promote a Salt Lake County Youth Suicide Protection Task Force.

**Update: Because of the pandemic, the county has temporarily paused work on this initiative.**

*Added June 25, 2019*