

**MINUTES OF LAYTON CITY
COUNCIL WORK MEETING**

FEBRUARY 2, 2023; 6:30 P.M.

**MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS
PRESENT:**

**MAYOR JOY PETRO, ZACH BLOXHAM, CLINT
MORRIS, TYSON ROBERTS, BETTINA SMITH
EDMONDSON, AND DAVE THOMAS**

STAFF PRESENT:

**ALEX JENSEN, GARY CRANE, CHAD
WILKINSON, ED FRAZIER, AND TORI
CAMPBELL**

The meeting was held in the Council Conference room of the Layton City Center.

Mayor Petro opened the meeting.

AGENDA:

COUNCILMEMBER REPORT

Councilmember Smith Edmondson informed the Council of the CTC (Communities That Care) luncheon earlier this week during which the organization expressed appreciation for the City's support and participation. She indicated Mayor Joy Petro, Police Chief Allen Swanson, and herself had attended the luncheon and were informed of upcoming events. She reminded the Council of the Annual Meeting scheduled for Friday, February 4 2023, at 9:00 a.m. She mentioned each Councilmember should have received their invitations to attend.

Mayor Petro reminded the Council of the luncheon for the Athena Awards scheduled for Thursday, February 23, 2023, at the Davis Conference Center for those that submitted their RSVP.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Petro turned the time over to Gary Crane, City Attorney, to share an update from the Legislative Session. He informed the Council there weren't many committees meeting and anticipated those would happen within the next two weeks. He reported and reviewed the following:

- Land Use – the proposed legislation correcting HB#462 and potential penalties, specific to Sales Tax Revenue, associated with non-compliance; of which 75% cities were deemed non-compliant. He indicated both Representative White and Harper had different bills respective to non-compliant penalties.
- Ombudsman Bill – penalty, Olene Walker Housing Fund, associated with non-compliance if the Court finds agreement with the Ombudsman.

He complimented Chad Wilkinson, Community and Economic Development Director, and believed he was brilliant in contacting the State to identify the text changes which needed to be made in order for the City's Plan to become compliant. A discussion took place regarding entities which blatantly violate legislation and the effect on the majority of municipalities.

Mr. Crane expressed concern about the possibility of making the street width 25 feet, the standard within the State, and encouraged the Council to directly email legislators and the Speaker of the House stating 25 feet width was inadequate and unacceptable. Alex Jensen, City Manager, believed this would result in a terrible Public Safety issue and a discussion followed. Mr. Crane believed the 'standard' shouldn't be based on an 'exception' such as the Daybreak Development and informed the Council about a video made by Spanish Fork City which focused on challenges with this width and emergency vehicles. He requested the Councilmembers focus on this issue with the Speaker and mentioned the bill sponsored by Senator Fillmore hadn't yet been numbered and the discussion continued.

He continued to express concern how this could potentially be used with other development infrastructure that developers would like to change and believed the legislature would like the development process to be faster. He pointed out the Land Use bills were extremely important. The Legislature would like to receive approval after four submissions and clarified this was specific to housing, not commercial. He also mentioned an appeal board would also be implemented to determine whether the City had delayed approval.

He mentioned small changes were proposed for the Annexation statute. He mentioned a bill was being proposed aimed toward Camp Williams, which would also be implemented and would include HAFB (Hill Air Force Base) specific to annexation. He indicated this would adversely affect the East Gate Project and the remaining properties would then need to be annexed into the City by May 23, 2023. He mentioned this bill would be heard in committee on Friday, February 3, 2023.

Mr. Jensen, inquired whether the City should ban all on street parking which will in turn cause developers to provide parking within the development which would mean not as many homes would be built and pointed out other issues resulting from the narrow road width standard.

Mr. Crane informed the Council he had also heard the legislature would like to take away parking requirements associated with ADU's (Accessory Dwelling Units) and further explained the proposal.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Tori Campbell, Deputy City Recorder