

**MINUTES OF LAYTON CITY
COUNCIL WORK MEETING**

MAY 4, 2023; 5:46 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, STEVE GARSIDE, CHAD WILKINSON, TERRY COBURN, TRACY PROBERT, ED FRAZIER, SCOTT MAUGHAN, DAVID PRICE, MICHELLE HOWARD, JOELLEN GRANDY, LAYNE JENKINS, AND KIM READ

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 updated the Council on changes with Communities that Care (CTC):

- Alysa Stuart, Davis Behavioral Health (DBH), CTC Coordinator, had accepted a new job opportunity
- The merge with the three cities: Farmington, Syracuse, and Fruit Heights wouldn't be taking place.
- DBH was requesting a commitment from the City to increase its contribution to \$0.30 per resident to offset costs associated with hiring a full time coordinator position. The City had until July 2024 before it would be effective.
- DBH was now prepared to solidify responsibilities by entering into an agreement with the City.
- She identified the contribution from DBH for the CTC Program in Layton City.

She expressed her opinion the CTC Program was valuable to the community and the City needed to provide an answer how the City would like to proceed by the end of May.

She mentioned she received an email from resident Ross Worthington requesting a letter of support for an appointment to the Utah Wildlife Northern Region Advisory Council. She suggested the item could be discussed during a future work meeting.

She also received a request from the local POW/MIA (Prisoner of War/Missing in Action) group requesting a larger United States flag for City Hall. She mentioned it appeared to be similar size as the POW flag and there were protocols which stated it should be the larger of the flags.

Mayor Petro requested further explanation regarding the CTC request and Councilmember Smith Edmondson explained DBH needed to post a job announcement; however, it needed to know what the City's investment would be moving forward and if a full-time position would be needed. She informed the Council the City's current contribution identified in the budget was approximately \$10,000 and the cost for the full-time coordinator would be \$28,000. She pointed out the programs which wouldn't be offered if funding wasn't recognized for the full-time coordinator position.

Councilmember Roberts reported the Parks and Recreation Commission was currently planning Liberty Days activities and parade applications opened this week. He mentioned there was a reimbursement program available for an exceptionally well designed float. He informed the Council the Davis Chamber

Legislative Affairs met earlier today and stated he understood why the Legislature's leadership came from Davis County. He requested the Council inform him of its priorities.

UPDATE – DAVIS COUNTY

Randy Elliott, Davis County Commissioner, provided an update from County Commission and mentioned the following:

- The reason for the lack of water in the ponds at Davis County Park.
- The Agriculture Heritage Center being constructed in Kaysville.
- The sports complex construction project at the old Davis County Fairgrounds and stated the project was funded from the Tourism Tax.
- He indicated ongoing discussions were continuing to take place specific to Animal Care and Control and identified its importance to the county. He mentioned the county needed buy-in from the cities.

He responded to questions from the Council specific to the fifth of the fifth Sales Tax as it related to UTA (Utah Transit Authority).

Mayor Petro expressed appreciation to Commissioner Elliott for his attendance and the update.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORT

Councilmember Bloxham mentioned he had received citizen emails regarding speed bumps for Celia Way and another location in the City. Terry Coburn, Public Works Director, explained why the City didn't install speed bumps in its roads. Councilmember Bloxham also mentioned the landscape incentive and Chad Wilkinson, Community and Economic Development Director, responded it would come before the Planning Commission at its next meeting.

RECREATION, ARTS, MUSEUM, AND PARKS (RAMP) COMMISSION RECOMMENDED FUNDING

Alex Jensen, City Manager, announced Cameron Cross, RAMP Commission Chair, was unable to attend tonight's meeting and asked the Council if it would like to postpone to a future meeting or allow David Price, Parks and Recreation Director, to present the recommendation. The Council was in agreement to postpone to a later date.

ADOPT THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 – RESOLUTION 23-27

Tracy Probert, Finance Director, pointed out the following highlights associated with the Tentative Budget:

- Property Tax rate would decrease by the amount, approximately 4.4%, the City was previously paying to the County for animal control services within the City. The County had agreed to provide animal care and control services to all municipalities.
- Personnel – Police Detective, Fire Training Captain from part-time to full-time, Master Officer program in Fire Department
- Cost of Living increase of 4.5 %
- Merit increase of 4%
- \$2.8 million for Equipment across all funds
- \$26.6 million for Projects across all funds. Key projects include: New Public Safety Dispatch and Records Center, Parks Shop and Facilities. He identified the dollar amounts specific to respective funding sources.
- \$17.9 million of Reserve funding to accomplish projects and identified the respective funding sources.

He explained approving the resolution would approve the Tentative Budget and set a Public Hearing for

Thursday, June 1, 2023. He mentioned between now and adoption of the Final Budget, the City would continue moving forward with the consolidation of dispatch, which could include bringing on additional employees.

He announced Staff recommended approval of the resolution and asked if there were any questions and a discussion followed about the dispatch consolidation. Mr. Jensen mentioned productive discussions had taken place and progress was being made regarding the dispatch consolidation as it related to software and programming. He expressed his opinion positive discussions would continue. He mentioned this would greatly benefit residents within the County specific to response time. He pointed out although the City was moving forward, there were a lot of pieces which had to come together and reviewed those with the Council.

SURF'N SWIM POOL CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT REPORT

Mayor Petro introduced JoEllen Grandy, Parks Planner, and Layne Jenkins, Aquatics Manager, and announced they would be presenting the Surf'n Swim Pool Conditions Assessment Report.

Mr. Jensen reminded the Council of concerns regarding the condition of Surf'n Swim in addition to requests from the public for the City to construct a new aquatic facility. He mentioned Staff had prepared an assessment, at the Council's request, of the City's current aquatic facilities and was prepared to share it with the Council.

Ms. Grandy suggested the Councilmembers review the report, in its entirety, each on their own time, then participate in a discussion. She mentioned the assessment report was based on four separate tasks:

- Task 1 – Surf'n Swim Background Overview

Mr. Jenkins reported on the following:

- Total visitations
- Yearly usership by different user groups
- Monthly visitations

Ms. Grandy reported on facility costs for the past 10 years:

- Annual expenses
- Annual revenue
- General Fund transfers

Mr. Jenkins reviewed major improvements and repairs at Surf'n Swim for the previous 10 years and identified a few of them with the Council.

- Task 2 – Pool Conditions Assessment Summary

Ms. Grandy explained this portion of the Study had been divided into four separate categories for organizational purposes: wave pool, small pool, main building, and outdoor areas. She indicated eight different consultants had been invited to participate and were assigned a task based on their respective expertise, and explained the process implemented by Staff with each consultant and reviewed those specifics. She stated the Council would receive a detailed report by each consultant identifying descriptions of each analysis.

- Task 3 – Cost Summary and Repair Priorities Analysis
- Task 4 – Possible Alternatives, Implementation, and Costs

Ms. Grandy updated the Council with the facility evaluation completed by the eight different consultants in order to determine costs for the facility to remain operational. She further explained how the information was identified in the report and briefly summarized the information from the report. She identified and reviewed the different options for consideration regarding the pool facilities:

- Retain facilities. Make repairs.
- Retain wave pool. Demo small pool.
- Closed pool services. Demo wave and small pool.
- Remove and replace w/new pool facility – City-services emphasis
- Remove and replace w/new pool facility – joint-services emphasis (Davis School District)

Ms. Grandy announced Staff's recommendation would be to proceed with Option 2 – retain the wave pool and demolish the small pool based on the following:

- Small pool was leaking
- Was not efficient
- Cost of repairs for an aged facility
- Continue working with school district on partnering for a new facility.

David Price, Parks and Recreation Director, informed the Council of safety hazards identified with the small pool, which were identified in the report, and suggested discussing the issue during a future meeting.

Councilmember Smith Edmondson inquired whether swim lessons would continue to be accommodated if the City closed the small pool and Mr. Jenkins responded the number of lessons would significantly decrease.

Mayor Petro and the Council expressed appreciation to Staff for its efforts and work compiling the report.

CLOSED MEETING TO DISCUSS THE CHARACTER, PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE, OR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH OF AN INDIVIDUAL

CLOSED MEETING:

MOTION: Councilmember Bloxham moved to adjourn the meeting and convene in a closed meeting at 6:52 p.m. to discuss the Character, Professional Competence, or Physical or Mental Health of an Individual. Councilmember Smith Edmondson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

MOTION: Councilmember Thomas moved to open the meeting at 6:59 p.m. Councilmember Roberts seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Petro provided an update regarding the Wasatch Integrated facility. She reminded the Council about the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District's water tour scheduled for Thursday, June 22 and encouraged participation. She announced DARE Graduation would soon be taking place at the elementary schools and indicated she would be sending an email of the schedule. She requested those interested in attending the Davis Education Foundation GALA scheduled for Wednesday, June 7, to let her know. She added the City had 10 seats.

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Kimberly S Read, City Recorder

SWORN STATEMENT

The undersigned hereby swears and affirms, pursuant to Section 52-4-205(1) of the Utah Code Annotated, that the sole purpose for the closed meeting of the Layton City Council on the **4th day of May, 2023**, was to discuss the Character, Professional Competence, or Physical or Mental Health of an Individual.

Dated this 17th day of August, 2023.

ATTEST:

JOY PETRO, Mayor

KIMBERLY S READ, City Recorder