

**MINUTES OF LAYTON CITY
COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

FEBRUARY 6, 2024; 7:39 A.M.

**MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS
PRESENT:**

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

STAFF PRESENT:

ALEX JENSEN, CLINT DRAKE, AND KIM READ

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

Mayor Petro opened the meeting. She announced the agenda and stated the proposed resolution's intended purpose was meant to illustrate to Wasatch Integrated Waste Management District (WIWMD) the City wasn't opposed to implementation of a recycling program and mentioned the Resolution identified how the City would like it to be put forth.

AGENDA ITEMS:

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 24-04 REGARDING MANDATORY RECYCLING IN THE CITY

Alex Jensen, City Manager, stated as a result of many internal discussions regarding Layton City's position in regard to recycling, Staff suggested the City's position would be best articulated in a formal resolution. He emphasized the City had no opposition or objection to participating in a robust recycling program; rather, it was with the mandatory approach as opposed to voluntary participation. Staff had drafted a resolution based on what it believed the Council's position was; however, it was a working document which allowed open discussion and input. The final resolution would be derived via collaborative effort of the Council.

Clint Drake, City Attorney, shared a visual illustration of draft Resolution 24-04 and invited the Council to provide direction or corrections it deemed appropriate. He read the draft resolution.

Mayor Petro requested input from the Council.

Councilmember Bloxham expressed appreciation to Mr. Drake and indicated the language was appropriate and didn't believe any material changes were needed.

Councilmember Smith Edmondson indicated some grammatical errors needed to be corrected. She believed the resolution had captured the Council's concerns regarding mandatory participation and penalties for non-participation.

Councilmember Roberts requested clarification specific to the language of participation rates similar to what other member jurisdictions had achieved. Mr. Drake responded this was based on the information provided by Wasatch Integrated Waste Management District (WIWMD).

Mr. Jensen added other municipalities had achieved participation rates without a mandated program and expressed his confidence Layton City could achieve a similar result when collaborating with residents similar to water conservation efforts in the past.

Councilmember Thomas expressed agreement with the resolution and also believed encouragement from the City would increase recycling participation rates without a mandate.

Councilmember Morris expressed appreciation to Mr. Drake for capturing what the elected body desired and expressed agreement Layton residents would be receptive to a recycling program. Councilmember Bloxham agreed with Councilmember Morris this was a decision which should be up to the elected body.

Mayor Petro expressed her support for the resolution; however, she expressed concern with language item #3 and how the resolution would be received by the WIWMD Board of Directors and a discussion followed.

Mr. Drake believed the resolution simply stated Layton City didn't believe any City should be mandated, that each individual council should determine what was appropriate for their residents, and that a 'one size fits all approach' for all cities didn't work. He suggested the mandate was similar to decisions made by the Legislature which eliminated authority of the elected body.

Mayor Petro called for a motion.

MOTION: Councilmember Bloxham moved to approve Resolution 24-04, removing the last six words from #3 of the draft resolution and correcting any grammatical errors. Councilmember Morris seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 a.m.

Kimberly S Read, City Recorder