



Sandy City, Utah

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Brooke Christensen, District 1
Alison Stroud, District 2
Kristin Coleman-Nicholl, District 3
Monica Zoltanski, District 4
Marci Houseman, At-large
Zach Robinson, At-large
Cyndi Sharkey, At-large

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

5:15 PM

Online Meeting

5:15 Council Meeting

Council Chair Cyndi Sharkey welcomed those in attendance.

Chair Sharkey read a statement regarding the continuation of virtual City Council meetings without an anchor location.

Roll Call

Present: 7 - Council Member Alison Stroud
Council Member Kristin Coleman-Nicholl
Council Member Zach Robinson
Council Member Monica Zoltanski
Council Member Marci Houseman
Council Member Cyndi Sharkey
Council Member Brooke Christensen

Council Staff Present:

Mike Applegarth, Executive Director
Dustin Fratto, Assistant Director
Liz Theriault, Policy & Communications Analyst
Tracy Cowdell, Council Attorney
Christine Edwards, Council Clerk

Administration:

Mayor Kurt Bradburn
Matt Huish, CAO
Lynn Pace, City Attorney
Evelyn Everton, Deputy Mayor
Kim Bell, Deputy CAO
Bruce Cline, Fire Chief
Greg Severson, Police Chief
Dan Medina, Parks & Recreation Director
Tom Ward, Public Utilities Director
Mike Gladbach, Public Works Director
James Sorenson, Community Development Director
Nick Duerksen, Economic Development Director
Blaine Botkin, Public Works
Craig Smith, Public Works

Prayer / Pledge of Allegiance

Mike Applegarth, Executive Director, offered the prayer.

Matt Huish, CAO, led the pledge.

Non-voting Items**Agenda Planning Calendar Review & Council Office Director's Report**

Mike Applegarth updated the Council on the upcoming agenda items. Agenda Planning will meet tomorrow at 10:30 am. There is required training on Target Solutions for the Council members to complete. Annual campaign financial disclosures are due this week. The ecomment feature on Legistar was expanded to allow for longer written comments by the public.

Council Member Business

Council Member Zoltanski was excited to see the roll out of the first phase of Covid vaccinations implemented and shared some details. Please see the Utah state website for more information. She also spoke of the recent event on Capitol Hill and shared with Council a resolution that she prepared for the Council's review and approval which denounces the violence that occurred last week at the Capitol.

Council Member Stroud gave an update from the Sandy Arts Guild.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Bradburn had no report.

CAO Report

Matt Huish, CAO, spoke about the success of the 35th Anniversary Virtual event of the Sandy Arts Guild. He updated the Council on the recent meeting with the state water board and thanked all those involved over the last two years in reaching a resolution of the matter with the water board. He also updated the Council on the clean-up effort at the Bell Canyon Preservation Trail.

Information Items

1. 21-007 Public Works Department recommending the City Council receive a financial overview of the Hazardous Concrete Program

Attachments: Council Presentation - Concrete #2

Mike Gladbach, Blaine Botkin, and Craig Smith with the Public Works Department presented information regarding the concrete repair and maintenance program. They provided detailed information on the various categories of concrete repair, the specifications used to identify the severity of the repair needed, and the costs associated with those repairs. They also provided a historic lookback that included a fifteen year history of budget requests and funding received for concrete repairs.

Council questions and repairs occurred throughout the presentation.

Following the presentation, Council moved to 6:00 pm Time Certain Items and Public Hearings on the Agenda.

2. 21-009 Police Department recommending the City Council receive a report on property crimes for 2020

Attachments: 2020 Property Crimes Report

Council Member Zoltanski introduced the item and expressed her concern about the uptick in property crimes in Sandy City and asked Chief Greg Severson, Sandy Police, to present on the topic and provide information about the type of property crimes occurring in Sandy City and the Police Department response.

Chief Greg Severson, Police, provided an analysis and breakdown of property crimes that occurred in Sandy during 2020. He included an analysis of the ten year history of property crimes occurring in the city and reviewed with Council the police department response. Chief Severson also reviewed with the Council the crime prevention programs that are run by the Police Department: Sandy Secure launched in 2020, Neighborhood Watch Groups, Volunteers in Police (VIPS), and CPTED - Crime Prevention through Environmental Design.

Council questions and comments occurred throughout the presentation. Sheriff Rosie Rivera also participated and responded to Council questions.

Council convened a five minute break at 7:23 pm.
Council reconvened at 7:28 pm.

3. 21-012 City Council Office presenting information on campaign contribution caps.

Attachments: Campaign Caps Presentation

Mike Applegarth, Executive Director of the Council Office, provided information regarding campaign contribution limits in Sandy elections. He reviewed the research and analysis he prepared related to campaign caps and the effects of these caps on local elections. Mr. Applegarth discussed the research and background information compiled on the topic and reviewed and summarized quantitative research the Council staff prepared based on the last two elections in Sandy City. Mr. Applegarth provided median and average campaign contributions. He summarized his research and provided guidance to the Council, and suggested that further analysis and research may be needed to measure the effect of campaign caps on municipal elections.

Council questions and comments occurred during and following the presentation.

A motion was made by Monica Zoltanski, seconded by Brooke Christensen to direct staff to return {to Council} a draft ordinance for future debate and discussion, with a candidate campaign contribution limit of \$2,500 per election with an effective date of April 1, 2021. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 4 - 3 with Marci Houseman and Cyndi Sharkey opposed and Kris Nicholl abstaining.

A lengthy discussion on the motion followed.

Lynn Pace, City Attorney, commented and provided a legal perspective regarding campaign contribution limits. He would like for the City Legal Department to review any ordinance the Council may create and shared his concerns with the effect and impact of the imposed limits on the election cycle. Mr. Pace also discussed the redistricting process and timeline with the Council.

The motion was restated by Council Member Zoltanski at approximately 8:49 pm. A friendly amendment was offered by Council Member Stroud regarding changing the effective date to August 1st. Council Member declined the amendment but offered her desire to work with the Council Members regarding the effective date of the proposed ordinance.

4. 21-011 City Council Office reporting on further development of the Community Connectors program

Attachments: Community Connectors Memo for 1-12-21

Council Member Houseman introduced the Community Connector Program and asked Council staff to present on the program. Mike Applegarth and Liz Theriault with the Council Office provided an overview of the proposed program which included details relevant to the job description, training, focus and outreach of the connector program participants.

Council comments and questions followed.

A motion was made by Brooke Christensen to approve the Community Connectors Program, under Mike Applegarth's supervision, and to look at the program a year from now or sooner if staff recommends, to reevaluate {the program} and make adjustments if needed. Discussion with Council, Council staff and the City Attorney followed and included the need for additional clarification of program details before moving forward with the implementation. This item was listed on the Agenda as an information item and the Council treated the item as such and did not move forward with a motion or a vote.

Voting Items

Consent Calendar

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Kristin Coleman-Nicholl, seconded by Marci Houseman, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

5. 21-006 Approval of the December 15, 2020 Minutes

Attachments: December 15, 2020 Minutes

Item approved.

6. 21-008 Council Member Nicholl recommending adoption of proclamation on Radon Action Month in Sandy City.

Attachments: Radon Action Month Proclamation

Council Member will sign the compact. Withdrawing it as a voting item for tonight. No objections to this

Item adopted.

Council Items

7. 21-010 Council Member Nicholl recommending adoption of the Utah Compact on Racial Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.

Attachments: [Utah Compact on Racial Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion - The Salt Lake Chamber](#)

Council Member Nicholl withdrew the agenda item.

8. 21-005 Mayor Bradburn requesting City Council advice and consent for the appointment of Dan Medina as Parks and Recreation Director.

Attachments: [Resolution 21-04c](#)

[Dan Medina's Resume](#)

[Dan Medina's employment history detail](#)

Matt Huish, CAO, reviewed the interview and selection process conducted for the Director position in the Parks and Recreation Department. Administration is recommending Dan Medina for this position and asked the Council for Advice and Consent of Mr. Medina's appointment.

Council comments and questions to Mr. Medina followed.

Public Comment:

Council Chair Sharkey invited the public to comment. Dustin Fratto provided instruction.

Ms. Brooke D'Sousa thanked Dan for his years of service and expressed her support.

Mr. Steve Van Maren congratulated Dan Medina on his appointment and commended Administration for hiring within.

Public Comment closed.

A motion was made by Zach Robinson, seconded by Kristin Coleman-Nicholl, to adopt Resolution 21-04C consenting to the appointment of Dan Medina as Parks and Recreation Director... The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Alison Stroud
Kristin Coleman-Nicholl
Zach Robinson
Monica Zoltanski
Marci Houseman
Cyndi Sharkey
Brooke Christensen

After 6:00 Time Certain Items and Public Hearings

Citizen Comments

Council Chair Sharkey invited the public to comment. Dustin Fratto provided instruction on how to participate in the public comment.

Mr. Mark Ciullo commented on the Farnsworth Farms project. He requested updates and is supportive of the Council and active participation in the process. He thanked the Council for receiving a Christmas card and thought that was great outreach. He thanked the Council for their commitment and service to Sandy City.

Ms. Ann McDonald expressed concern over the use of fireworks in restricted and banned areas that were set off over the New Year's holiday. She also mentioned that there were no signs posted to communicate to residents which areas were banned from fireworks.

Mr. Steve Van Maren shared comments about crime in Sandy and expressed concern.

Following Citizen Comments, Council moved to Item 2 on the Agenda.

Adjournment

Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:55 pm.