



Sandy City, Utah

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Ryan Mecham, District 1
Alison Stroud, District 2
Zach Robinson, District 3
Scott Earl, District 4
Brooke D'Sousa, At-large
Marci Houseman, At-large
Cyndi Sharkey, At-large

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

5:15 PM

City Hall & Online

Work Session

5:15 Council Meeting

Present: 7 - Council Member Alison Stroud
Council Member Zach Robinson
Council Member Marci Houseman
Council Member Cyndi Sharkey
Council Member Ryan Mecham
Council Member Brooke D'Sousa
Council Member Scott Earl

Council Staff in Attendance:

Dustin Fratto, Executive Director
Justin Sorenson, Assistant Director
Christine Edwards, Council Clerk
Liz Theriault, Policy & Comms Analyst
Tracy Cowdell, Council Attorney

Administration in Attendance:

Shane Pace, CAO
Kim Bell, Deputy Mayor
Lynn Pace, Deputy City Attorney
Jeff Bassett, Fire Chief
Greg Severson, Police
Tom Ward, Public Utilities
Dan Medina, Parks & Recreation
Mike Gladbach, Public Works
James Sorenson, Community Development
Kasey Dunlavy, Economic Development
Jared Gerber, Deputy CAO

Prayer / Pledge of Allegiance

Council Chair Alison Stroud welcomed those in attendance.

Scout Troop 20 offered the Prayer and led the Color Guard and Pledge.

Council Chair Stroud and Council Vice Chair Mecham presented US Flags flown at the Sandy City Healing Fields to the members of Scout Troop 20.

Council moved to Item 2 on the Agenda.

Citizen Comment Procedure

1. [23-248](#) General Citizen Comment Period (No earlier than 6:00 PM)

Attachments: [Click here to eComment on this item](#)

Council Chair Stroud invited the public to participate in General Citizen Comment.

Mr. Bruce Blanchard expressed concerns with aging infrastructure in the city, the prioritization on how the city spends money, and utilization of citizen surveys to continue to gather feedback and information from the city's residents.

Ms. Nicole Weiss, Community Engagement Coordinator for Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, shared with the Council and Administration information about community services their church sponsors. Good Shepherd has recently partnered with Utah Food Bank and provides families in need with food. The service is offered every other week. Good Shepherd is located at 8575 South 700 East. Please help get the word out to the community.

Public Comment closed.

Council moved to Item 4 on the Agenda.

Work Session Items

2. [23-245](#) Sandy City Fire Department providing the Council with an update on fireworks for 2023.

Attachments: [2023 Fireworks Info Sheet.pdf](#)
[Map and Current Ordinance.pdf](#)

Sandy Fire Marshall Gerald Strelbel provided an overview of the restricted areas in the City for fireworks discharge and the dates for legal sales of fireworks as well as the discharge of fireworks. Fireworks can be legally discharged from July 2nd - July 5th from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm (with extended hours for July 4th). Fire Marshall Strelbel also showed the map of Prohibited Areas for fireworks discharge in Sandy. All areas East of 1300 East are prohibited areas for the discharge of fireworks. Please see the city website for more information and the non-emergency number to call to report illegal fireworks discharge is 801-799-3000. Council questions followed.

3. [23-249](#) Community Development Department presenting a draft of the second survey associated with the General Plan update process and requesting City Council input prior to release.

Attachments: [Sandy City General Plan Survey #2-draft](#)

Jake Warner, Long-Range Planner, presented to Council on the General Plan update process and requested Council feedback on the proposed survey. Kyrene Gibb, with Y2 Analytics spoke about the survey process and the feedback yielded from the first survey that went out to residents. The purpose of the second survey is to yield information related to the resident priorities and to better understand the "why". This information will help to develop strategies. They asked the Council for feedback regarding the survey questions. Please email Jake Warner with any comments or feedback. Once the survey goes live, the survey results should be available in mid-August.

Following the presentation, the Council moved to Item 5 on the Agenda.

4. [23-246](#) Administrative Services Department providing options and a recommendation for the implementation of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget

Attachments: [Memo Implementation of FY24 Budget.pdf](#)

[Exhibit A.pdf](#)

Brian Kelley, Administrative Services Director, reviewed the budget process and timeline with the Council. Mr. Kelley reviewed recommendations for the implementation of the FY 2023-24 budget and he asked the Council for direction. A lengthy discussion followed. Council discussed various options for the FY24 budget implementation. The discussion included whether to implement the budget based on the proposed tax increase or to operate the budget without utilizing the revenues generated from the tax increase until after the Truth in Taxation Hearing. Following the Council discussion, a motion was made.

A motion was made by Ryan Mecham, seconded by Zach Robinson to direct Administration to begin implementing the FY 2024 Budget as amended, authorizing expending funds up to the \$5.124 million dollars, and to allow Administration discretion with regard to the utilization of those funds...The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 4 - Alison Stroud
Zach Robinson
Ryan Mecham
Scott Earl
- No:** 3 - Marci Houseman
Cyndi Sharkey
Brooke D'Sousa

5. [23-247](#) Salt Lake County Council Member Suzanne Harrison presenting on available tax relief programs

Attachments: [Flyer.pdf](#)

County Council Member, At Large, Suzanne Harrison presented information regarding available resources to the community for tax relief programs and assistance programs provided by Salt Lake County. There are tax relief programs for lower income families, seniors, and veterans. Please go to the Salt Lake County website to get more information on assistance programs offered by the county. Please help raise the awareness of these programs.

Council moved to Item 1 - General Citizen Comment.

6. [23-251](#) Possible Closed Session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.

Council motioned to convene a closed session at approximately 7:37 pm. and adjourn the Council meeting immediately following the closed session.

A motion was made by Ryan Mecham, seconded by Zach Robinson to convene a closed session in the Mayor's Conference Room to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation and to adjourn the Council meeting immediately following the closed session...The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Alison Stroud
Zach Robinson
Marci Houseman
Cyndi Sharkey
Ryan Mecham
Brooke D'Sousa
Scott Earl

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Zach Robinson, seconded by Ryan Mecham, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Consent Calendar

7. [23-243](#) Approval of the May 30, 2023 City Council Draft Minutes

Attachments: [May 30, 2023 Draft Minutes](#)

Item approved.

8. [23-244](#) Approval of the June 6, 2023 City Council Draft Minutes

Attachments: [June 6, 2023 Draft Minutes](#)

Item approved.

Standing Reports

Agenda Planning Calendar Review & Council Office Director's Report

There is no Council meeting on Tuesday, July 4th.

Council Member Business

Council Member Brooke D'Sousa shared information with the Council about an upcoming community event bringing together the city's first responders and families with an autistic family member. The goal of the event is to promote positive interaction with first responders at a fun, family style barbecue event. Please help spread the word and join us on August 15th. There is no Council meeting on Tuesday, August 15th.

Council Member Marci Houseman thanked all involved with the planning and coordination of the upcoming July 4th event. This year's fourth of July has special meaning to her, as her son-in-law was recently deployed. Let us come together and honor our country as a community.

The Council thanked Chair Stroud for serving as the Council Chair and for navigating a tough budget process.

Mayor's Report

Kim Bell, Deputy Mayor, thanked the Council for their work on the budget. Administration appreciated the collaboration. On behalf of the Mayor, Ms. Bell also thanked all the volunteers helping with summer community events in the city.

CAO Report

Shane Pace, CAO, mentioned that Administration and Fire has toured other cities' fire stations and they learned a lot. The city is making good progress. He acknowledged the Public Works crews for all their hard work on behalf of the city. He also wanted to make the Council aware that the bid for Phase 2 of the Public Works capital project came in \$2 million dollars higher than what the project was originally budgeted - due to rising inflation costs.

Adjournment

The City Council meeting adjourned immediately following the closed session.