



Sandy City, Utah

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

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

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

4:30 PM

City Hall & Online

Tour will begin at 4:30PM and the Regular meeting will begin at 5:30PM

Web address to view complete packet: <http://sandyutah.legistar.com>

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 Aaron Dekeyzer

1. [24-380](#) City Council conducting a tour of Park Strips in Sandy City

This bus tour will have no stops. Interested parties may follow the City bus and/or listen to the audio stream of the tour via the regular Zoom Webinar Link

Sponsors: Sharkey

Attachments: [Park Strips Bus Tour Route](#)

Council participated in a tour to view park strips in the city. The Council discussion on the tour was recorded and is part of the record.

Following the tour, Council convened a short recess at approximately 5:35 pm and reconvened in the Council Chambers and continued the meeting.

5:30 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 Aaron Dekeyzer

Council Staff in Attendance
Dustin Fratto, Council Director
Justin Sorenson, Assistant Director
Chris Edwards, Council Clerk
Liz Theriault, Sr. Policy and Comms Analyst
Tracy Cowdell, Council Attorney

Administration in Attendance
Mayor Zoltanski
Shane Pace, CAO
Lynn Pace, City Attorney
Ryan McConaghie, Fire
Jon Arnold, Police
Tom Ward, Public Utilities
Dan Medina, Parks and Recreation
Ryan Kump, Public Works
James Sorenson, Community Development
Kasey Dunlavy, Economic Development
Martin Jensen, Deputy CAO
Susan Wood, Public Affairs/PIO
Jake Warner, Community Development

Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and Introductions

Council Chair Zach Robinson welcomed those in attendance and thanked them for accommodating this evening's Council Tour of area park strips. The tour was streamed on Zoom and is part of the Council record.

Council moved to Item 2 on the Agenda.

General Citizen Comment Period (No earlier than 6:00 PM)

Chair Robinson invited the public to participate in General Citizen Comment.

Public comment opened.
Public comment closed.

Council moved to Item 3 on the Agenda.

Council Business

Informational Items

2. [24-379](#) The Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) providing the City Council with a presentation on Town Center Modeling

Attachments: [Wasatch Choice Vision Centers Sandy CC 10222024](#)

Mayor Zoltanski and Council Member Alison Stroud introduced Andrew Gruber and Byron Head with Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) who presented on the Wasatch Choice Vision: City and Town Centers. WFRC is an Association of Governments comprised of elected officials from surrounding counties. WFRC facilitates collaboration with community partners and brings together stakeholders from around the region to evaluate growth trends and transportation needs. In their presentation, they provided an overview of city centers. Successful centers are walkable, mixed uses, and more intense than surrounding areas. They reviewed neighborhood centers, city centers, urban centers, metropolitan centers and provided center details and redevelopment opportunities. Benefits of centers include increased biking and walking transit use and increased property and sales tax revenue. Centers help residents to feel a "sense of place". Council comments and questions followed. Council and the Administration thanked WFRC for their presentation.

Council moved to General Citizen Comments.

3. [24-372](#) Community Development Department presenting Sections 1 & 2 of the draft Pace of Progress: Sandy General Plan 2050.

Attachments: [Planning Commission Staff Report \(10/17/2024\)](#)

[Sandy GP Section 1](#)

[Sandy GP Section 2](#)

[Exhibit H \(revised\)-Other Substantive Changes \(10.18.24\).pdf](#)

[GP Sections 1-2 Presentation](#)

[City Council Presentation No 1 \(JW rev\) 1](#)

Jake Warner, Community Development, presented on Section 1 and 2 of the Pace of Progress: Sandy General Plan 2050. The process to update our general plan began two years ago. The draft Pace of Progress: Sandy General Plan 2050 document is a comprehensive update to the City's current general plan and includes goals, objectives, policies, and other tools intended to help guide future growth and development of the City in a manner consistent with community needs and values. Mr. Warner, along with project team member Christine Richman, with GSBS Consulting, reviewed section one and two with the Council. They also reviewed proposed changes to the draft plan forwarded to the Council by the Planning Commission. This section by section review of the draft general plan with the Council will continue over the next several Council meetings. The final adoption by the Council is tentatively scheduled for December 17th. Council questions and comments followed.

Council convened a recess at 7:47 pm

Council reconvened at 7:53 pm and moved to Item 4 on the Agenda.

4. [24-377](#) First Reading: Council Member Sharkey recommending the Council hold a discussion on park strip in future residential Developments

Sponsors: Sharkey

Attachments: [Park Strip Memo](#)
[Code Enforcement Data](#)
[Park Strip Presentation](#)

Council Member Cyndi Sharkey thanked the Council and Administration for attending the tour this afternoon. She provided a presentation to the Council on area park strips and discussed the unique challenges associated with park strips. Park strips have been identified as water wasters. In an effort to conserve water, programs like the "flip your strip" have been offered to the public. She also discussed the problems caused by planting trees in the park strips and the resulting impact to the sidewalks. In her presentation, Council Member Sharkey showed pictures of many park strips that are filled with weeds due to lack of water or maintenance. She asked the Council for their feedback on whether park strips should be required in our area developments going forward. As we move towards potentially more dense developments on smaller lots, how essential are park strips. Council Member Sharkey has met with consultants, homeowners, business owners, and residents to gather their feedback regarding the use of park strips. She asked the Council for feedback. Do we need park strips? Is this an amenity that could be optional for future developments? She also spoke about the need to discuss this idea more in depth with the department heads. Council expressed support for Ms. Sharkey to work with staff and continue to gather information about options for park strips and the impact to our city and city crews.

Shane Pace, CAO, appreciated the discussion on park strips and the focus on conservation. He mentioned that some of our city department heads had expressed concerns. They will forward their concerns via a memo to the Council and include and attach the memo to the agenda when this item is discussed at a future meeting.

5. [24-375](#) Second Reading: Council Members Robinson and Houseman proposing that the council conduct a Fiscal Year 2025-26 council budget priorities workshop on December 3, 2024

Sponsors: Houseman and Robinson

Attachments: [Robinson Houseman Proposal 10.22.24](#)

Council Members Robinson and Houseman asked the Council for feedback on their proposal to hold a budget workshop before the end of the year. They suggested the December 3rd meeting to hold this workshop. The meeting is currently listed on the schedule as cancelled and would need to be reinstated. The purpose of the workshop is to develop a cohesive set of high-level city council budget priorities for the upcoming FY2026 budget. The workshop would be led by an outside facilitator. The majority of the Council expressed support for the workshop, but also suggested holding the budget workshop in January. Council questions and comments followed.

A motion was made by Marci Houseman, seconded by Brooke D'Sousa, directing Council Members Robinson and Houseman to coordinate with Council staff in preparing a FY 26 budget priorities workshop for December 3, 2024 as proposed this evening... The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Alison Stroud
Zach Robinson
Marci Houseman
Cyndi Sharkey
Brooke D'Sousa

No: 2 - Ryan Mecham
Aaron Dekeyzer

Nonvoting: 0

Consent Calendar

Following the motion on the Consent Calendar, the Council moved to Standing Reports.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Marci Houseman, seconded by Alison Stroud, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

6. [ANX1014202](#)
[4-006869\(R\)](#) The Community Development Department is recommending the City Council adopt Resolution #24-51C indicating the intent to annex a contiguous unincorporated area located at Shoshone Avenue, Shoshone Circle and Shoshone Court (approximately 10.23 acres), setting a public hearing date to consider such annexation, and directing publication of a hearing notice.

Attachments: [24-51c ANNEXATION RESOLUTION-Shoshone](#)
[Vicinity Map](#)

Item adopted.

7. [ANX1015202](#)
[4-006870\(R\)](#) The Community Development Department is recommending the City Council adopt Resolution #24-50C indicating the intent to annex parcels of contiguous unincorporated area located at 10175 S. Dimple Dell Road plus a portion of Dimple Dell Road (approximately 2.64 acres), setting a public hearing date to consider such annexation, and directing publication of a hearing notice.

Attachments: [24-50c ANNEXATION RESOLUTION-Bay](#)
[Vicinity Map](#)

Item adopted.

8. [24-382](#) Police Department requesting Council authorization to execute the renewal of the School Resource Officer Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Sandy City and Canyons School District

Attachments: [Resolution 24-53C](#)
[SRO ILA 2024](#)

Item adopted.

9. [24-381](#) Proclamation of the City Council and Mayor of Sandy City recognizing November 1, 2024 as Extra Mile Day

Attachments: [Extra Mile Day 2024](#)

Item adopted.

10. [24-373](#) Approval of the September 24, 2024 Draft Minutes

Attachments: [September 24, 2024 Draft Minutes](#)

Item approved.

11. [24-376](#) Approval of the October 1, 2024 Draft Minutes

Attachments: [October 1, 2024 Draft Minutes](#)

Item approved.

12. [24-374](#) Approval of the October 8, 2024 Draft Minutes

Attachments: [October 8, 2024 Draft Minutes](#)

Item approved.

13. [24-383](#) Approval of the October 15, 2024 Draft Minutes

Attachments: [October 15, 2024 Draft Minutes](#)

Item approved.

Council Voting Items

14. [24-378](#) Possible Closed Session to discuss one or more of the following topics:

- The purchase, exchange or lease of real property
- Pending or reasonably imminent litigation

Council convened a closed session in the Council Conference Room at 9:29 pm.

A motion was made by Zach Robinson, seconded by Marci Houseman to convene a closed session to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real property and/or 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
Aaron Dekeyzer

Nonvoting: 0

Standing Reports

Agenda Planning Calendar Review & Council Office Director's Report

Dustin Fratto, Council Director, mentioned that the next two Council meetings were cancelled.

Council Member Business

Council Member Marci Houseman thanked Ms. Sharkey for organizing this afternoon's tour and field trip for the Council. It was great to be out in the neighborhoods of the residents we serve. She expressed a desire to engage in more field trips in the future. She found the information very worth while.

Council Member Cyndi Sharkey provided an update from the Legislative Policy Committee (LPC). She spoke about upcoming legislative issues related to the homeless mitigation funds, water conservation and infrastructure costs, and the use of fees or taxes to pay for future water infrastructure needs. Also discussed at LPC was the impact of short term rentals on housing costs and accessory dwelling units. She also spoke about attending the recent UDOT press conference unveiling the UDOT Cottonwood Canyons sticker program. The goal of the program is to increase vehicle safety and preparedness by pre-inspecting vehicle tires before traveling in the canyons this winter. For more details, go to the UDOT website.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Monica Zoltanski spoke about visiting the manufacturing plant in Wisconsin to inspect the city's new fire engine which will be delivered to Sandy in a few weeks. She provided an update from the Council of Mayors meeting and spoke about the use of overflow shelters to help the unsheltered community. She spoke about the traffic mitigation program for Little Cottonwood Canyon, a program which was led by Sandy City and partner organizations. She spoke about communities working together for a common good. New this year, vehicles can be pre-inspected and receive a sticker that allows them entry in the canyons on traction control days without being stopped. This will help to streamline the flow of traffic in the canyons this winter. Mayor Zoltanski encouraged all to vote in the upcoming election. She also invited the community to attend the Visual Arts Show at the Sandy Senior Center.

CAO Report

Shane Pace, CAO, provided an update to the Council regarding the distribution of the Sandy newsletter. The Communications Department is looking into new ways to distribute the newsletter and will update the Council as details are confirmed.

Following the CAO report, Council moved to Item 14 on the Agenda and convened a closed session.

Adjournment

The Council convened closed session at 9:28 pm. The Council meeting adjourned immediately following the closed session.