



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 15, 2024

5:15 PM

City Hall & Online

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 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
Shane Pace, CAO
Lynn Pace, City Attorney
Ryan McConaghie, Fire
Greg Severson, Police
Tom Ward, Public Utilities
Dan Medina, Parks and Recreation
Ryan Kump, Public Works
James Sorensen, Community Development
Brian Kelley, Administrative Services
Kasey Dunlavy, Economic Development
Martin Jensen, Deputy CAO
Kim Bell, Deputy Mayor
Brian McCuiston, Community Development

Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and Introductions

Council Chair Zach Robinson welcomed those in attendance.

Council Member Ryan Mecham offered the Prayer.

Kim Bell, Deputy Mayor, led the Pledge.

Council moved to Item 1 on the Agenda.

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

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

Public comment opened.

Mr. Craig Ulrich expressed support for the city to conduct an Environmental Impact Study (EIS) on Highland Drive. Funds have already been set aside for this study which will take two years to complete. He encouraged both Sandy and Draper cities to fund their portion of the study costs. The study results can be used as a blueprint for future planning and can assess the impact. The study may also come back with a no build recommendation. He felt it would be irresponsible to do nothing or delay the decision and lose the 3.4 million dollars set aside for this study. He felt this should have been included in the General Plan which should be a visionary document. He thanked his fellow residents for their help and mentioned that he was also attending the Draper City Council meeting to present on this concern.

Ms. Pat Jones thanked the Public Works department for their efforts to reduce the costs of the Phase 2 capital project. She thanked the Fire Department staff for the update on Fire Station 31. She supported conducting the EIS study on Highland Drive and thought it made sense and will help guide the city on future transportation decisions. There is a heavy flow of traffic each day in Sandy and there needs to be a way to diffuse it. At least a study can help guide us towards resolutions. She also thought the strongest reason to consider this study is the impact on the emergency response time to residents in need. She urged the council to support this study.

Mr. Craig Eaton expressed concerns about the proposal to conduct the EIS study. Be careful what you ask for. UDOT will build anything and if you build it, they will come. If we proceed with the EIS study, we are asking for the buildout of Highland Drive. He expressed concerns about noise, pollution and more traffic. Other studies indicate there may be an impact on the water table in Dimple Dell which may be damaged or contaminated by salt used on the roadway. He also spoke about the expense to build the road.

Jillinda and Ken Bowers live in the Dimple Dell area expressed concerns about the traffic in the area causing dangers to people and animals. They expressed support for the Highland Drive study. The study completed in the early 2000's concluded that Highland Drive needed to be pushed through and included designs for the project. Sandy City has the right-a-way to do this project.

Ms. Tashinah Buchinsky agrees with prior comments. She expressed concerns about the noise pollution from the train horns from the trax lines. The noise pollution is persistent and impacts the health of residents near by and also reduces the value of their homes. She advocated for organizations to work together to reduce the noise from the train horns.

Public comment closed.

Council Business**Informational Items**

1. [24-365](#) Sandy City Capital Projects Update

Attachments: [Station 31 PW Fleet Build Update October 2024 final](#)

Fire Chief Ryan McConaghie provided an update on the Station 31 capital project. The Chief shared with the Council a detailed rendering of both the interior and exterior of the new station. The two story station located off Monroe Street, will house living quarters for fire personnel, administrative offices, and will be fitted with state of the art safety features that support the health and welfare of our fire personnel. A time elapsed camera has been installed to monitor the progress of the construction.

Ryan Kump, Director of the Public Works Department, provided an update on the Phase 2 construction project, the Fleet Building. He reviewed the project schedule and timeline. Expected completion is scheduled for July 2025. Mr. Kump provided details regarding the value engineering done to keep within the budget and cost savings resulting from utilizing in-house employees for some of the work. Council comments followed. Council Members expressed their thanks and appreciation to the Public Works staff for their efforts to work within the budget and keep costs down.

2. [24-364](#) Police Department presenting the renewal of the School Resource Officer Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Sandy City and Canyons School District

Attachments: [SRO ILA 2024](#)

Police Chief Greg Severson presented an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Canyons School District to provide school resource officers to the district. We currently have nine School Resource Officers (SRO) and one police sergeant assigned to the schools. The ILA is effective July 1, 2024 and will continue through a period of five years with an automatic renewal annually following the five-year term. The district will pay \$75,000 per SRO with incremental increases over the five year term. This is an information item and will be on the Council agenda next week for consideration and action.

3. [24-363](#) City Council Office and Public Utilities Department notifying the council of a vacancy on the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake and Sandy Board of Trustees

Attachments: [Notice of Vacancy MWB 24](#)

Justin Sorenson, Deputy Council Director, presented a formal notice of vacancy to the board of the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake and Sandy Board of Trustees. He reviewed the process for the appointment of a new member to the board. The interviews are tentatively scheduled for December 10th. Council questions followed. The board trustees can receive up to \$200 per meeting for their services.

Consent Calendar

Approval of the Consent Calendar

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

4. [24-367](#) Fire Department presenting the Council with a UFSA United Fire Service Area ILA amendment for its consideration

Attachments: [Interlocal Agreement](#)
[Resolution 24-45C Interlocal Agreement](#)

Item adopted.

Public Hearing(s)

5. [24-366](#) Administrative Services Department requesting a public hearing and council action on budget carryover, increasing total appropriations and reappropriating unexpended funds with the proprietary and governmental funds, and; amendments to the Sandy City Fee Schedule for FY 24-25

Attachments: [FY 2025 Carryover Presentation](#)
[24-46 C Proprietary Funds Carryover](#)
[24-47 C Governmental Funds Carryover](#)
[24-48C Fee Amendments](#)

Public Hearing: Brian Kelley, Administrative Services Director, requested Council consideration and action on resolutions related to budget carryover, increasing total appropriations and reappropriating unexpended funds with the proprietary and governmental funds, and amendments to the Sandy City Fee Schedule for FY 24-25. This is part of the annual fiscal year-end process.

Public Hearing comment period opened.

Mr. Steve Van Maren had a question on a line item contained in Exhibit A.

Public Hearing comment period closed.

A motion was made by Ryan Mecham, seconded by Cyndi Sharkey to adopt Resolution 24-46C, a resolution increasing total appropriations and reappropriating unexpended funds within the proprietary funds...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

A motion was made by Ryan Mecham, seconded by Cyndi Sharkey to adopt Resolution 24-47C, a resolution increasing total appropriations and reappropriating unexpended funds within the governmental funds...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

A motion was made by Ryan Mecham, seconded by Cyndi Sharkey to adopt Resolution 24-48C, a resolution amending the Sandy City Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2024-25...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

6. [24-358](#) Recess City Council and convene a meeting of the Sandy City Redevelopment Agency

Attachments: [10-15-24 RDA Agenda](#)
[RD 24-04 RDA Carryover](#)
[10.1.24 Minutes\[34\]](#)

Council convened a meeting of the Redevelopment Agency of Sandy City at approximately 5:49 pm.

A motion was made by Ryan Mecham, seconded by Alison Stroud to convene a meeting of the Redevelopment Agency of Sandy City...The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 Alison Stroud
Zach Robinson
Marci Houseman
Cyndi Sharkey
Ryan Mecham
Brooke D'Sousa
Aaron Dekeyzer

The Council meeting reconvened at 5:53 pm.

Council moved to Item 7 on the Agenda.

Council Voting Items

7. [CA09032024-0006835\(CC 2\)](#) Amendments to Title 1 and 19 of the Sandy City Code to make minor text amendments clarifying applicability of the City's administrative code enforcement process to violations of local ordinances and State statutes.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[24-18 Ordinance](#)
[Exhibit "A" Title 1 and 19 amendments](#)

Brian McCuiston presented amendments to Title 1, and 19 of the Land Development Code related to clarifying applicability of the City's administrative code enforcement process related to violations of local ordinances and State statutes. This item was presented as an information item at a prior City Council meeting and is presented this evening for Council consideration and action.

Public comment opened.
Public comment closed.

A motion was made by Cyndi Sharkey, seconded by Alison Stroud, to adopt Ordinance 24-18, an ordinance amending the Sandy City Municipal Code Title 1, "The Code; Ordinances; Ethics", Chapter 4, "Administrative Code Enforcement", and Title 19, "Property Maintenance", Chapter 1, "Administration" to make minor text amendments; also providing a saving clause and effective date for the ordinance...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

8. [CA09032024-0006833\(CC 2\)](#) Amendments to Title 21 of the Land Development Code related to removing fines from the Land Development Code (Chapters 11 and 15)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[24-17 Ordinance](#)
[Exhibit A](#)

Public Meeting: Brian McCuiston presented amendments to Title 21 on the Land Development Code related to removing fines from Chapters 11 and 15 of the Land Development Code. The fines are being removed in preparation of the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) process. The Planning Commission has forwarded a positive recommendation.

Public meeting comment opened.
Public meeting comment closed.

Following the motion, Council moved to General Citizen Comment.

A motion was made by Marci Houseman, seconded by Cyndi Sharkey to adopt Ordinance 24-17, and ordinance revising Title 21 of the Sandy City Municipal Code, Chapter 11, "Special Use Standards", Section 26, "Residential Short-Term Rentals (STR)" and chapter 15, "Sensitive Area Overlay Zone", Section 7, "Violations, Enforcement and Penalties" also providing a savings clause and effective date for the ordinance...The ordinance carried by the following roll call vote:

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

9. [24-368](#) 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

Following Standing Reports, Council convened a closed session at 6:33 pm in the Council conference room. The Council meeting adjourned immediately following the closed session.

A motion was made by Cyndi Sharkey, seconded by Ryan Mecham, 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

Standing Reports

Agenda Planning Calendar Review & Council Office Director's Report

Dustin Fratto, Council Director, mentioned that the Council meetings on October 29th and November 5th were cancelled. At the October 22nd Council meeting there will be a tour prior to the meeting in the Chambers of area park strips from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. He updated the Council on other upcoming agenda items. Our council meetings will resume on November 12th.

Council Member Business

Council Member Alison Stroud provided an update from the Historic Committee and addressed their concerns regarding historic preservation. As the liaison to the Sandy Service Ambassadors, Ms. Stroud presented information on the Noal Bateman Award program to the service ambassadors.

Council Member Cyndi Sharkey provided an update from the staff at Visit Salt Lake. She serves on the Salt Lake Convention Advisory Board with them. They felt the addition of the Smith Entertainment Group (SEG) ice rinks and practice facility currently under construction in Sandy will provide an excellent opportunity for growth in sporting events in Sandy City.

Mayor's Report

Kim Bell, Deputy Mayor, spoke about the Volunteer Appreciation dinner recently held to acknowledge the volunteers at the Sandy Amphitheater. Their service saves the city over \$88,000 per year. This Thursday wear purple to acknowledge Domestic Violence month. A member from the National Miss Royalty Voice for Autism thanked the city and council for their efforts to hold an autism community event.

CAO Report

Shane Pace, CAO, mentioned an upcoming press event with UDOT regarding a new program to inspect your cars before heading into the canyons this winter to ensure safer travel in the canyons. He also mentioned that more annexations are moving forward and there is a police swearing-in this week. Our fire fighters will be returning from Idaho tomorrow. They have been helping with the wildland fire there and have gotten great experience.

Following the CAO report, Council moved to a closed session.

Adjournment

Council convened a closed session at 6:33 pm. The Council meeting adjourned immediately following the closed session.