



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, April 27, 2021

5:15 PM

Online Meeting

Work Session

Rollcall

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:

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
Brian Kelley, Finance Director
Nick Duerksen, Economic Development Director
Brett Neuman, Budget Services Director

5:15 City Council Meeting

Council Chair Cyndi Sharkey welcomed those in attendance.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Zach Robinson led the Pledge.

Work Session Items

Informational Items

1. [21-151](#) City Administration providing the Council with a report on the Wattsmart Communities Program

Attachments: [Wattsmart Memorandum](#)
[Wattsmart Presentation](#)
[Sandy Wattsmart Communities Energy Action Plan](#)

Kim Bell, Deputy CAO, spoke about the Wattsmart Communities Program which is a facilitated, data-driven planning process that empowers our community to plan for and achieve energy goals. She provided an overview of the program, goals and objectives and reviewed the various aspects of the program. Lin Alder and Becca Stock with Rocky Mountain Power spoke about their partnership with Sandy City and the collaborative effort in the creation of this plan, the planning process and outcomes, and the energy action plan.

Council comments and questions followed.

2. [21-160](#) Administrative Services Department providing a monthly sales tax and budget update.

Attachments: [FY 2021 YTD Sales Tax](#)
[FY 2021 Q3 Budget Update](#)

Brett Neuman, Budget Services Director, reviewed the sales tax revenues received through April 2021. Revenues exceeded budgeted projections by over 20%. Big box retailers, auto sales, construction, and online sales account for much of the sales tax revenues received. Council questions and comments followed.

Mr. Neuman also provided a General Fund Overview through March 2021. Revenues are exceeding budget by approximately 13% with expenses under budget by approximately 7%. Council members expressed their thanks and acknowledgement to the finance staff for their quarterly reports to Council.

Council moved to Time Certain Items on the Agenda and heard General Citizen Comments.

3. [21-161](#) Administration presenting the Mayor's Tentative FY 2021-22 Budget.

Attachments: [FY22 Tentative Budget Presentation](#)
[FY2022TentativeBudget](#)

Chair Sharkey reviewed with the Council the upcoming budget review timeline and schedule of department budget presentations to Council. Brian Kelley provided an overview of the FY 2022 Tentative City Budget. He reviewed the priorities and goals, the process for the tentative budget adoption, the work sessions and timeline for the budget approval process. He highlighted how the Council priorities and feedback were taken into account when preparing the City's budget. He reviewed General Fund revenue sources and expenditures and included a historic look-back. Mr. Kelley also reviewed the guiding principles used to develop the recommended compensation plan. He detailed the budget priorities by department and gave an overview of the interactive budget tools available to the Council and the general public to assist them in the budgeting process.

Council questions and comments followed.

Brian Kelley acknowledged and thanked his finance team, Administration and department heads and staff for their efforts in putting together the FY 22 budget.

Council convened a 5 minute recess at approximately 6:59 pm.
Council reconvened at approximately 7:04 pm.

4. [21-152](#) First Reading: Council Member Zoltanski presenting an amendment to the temporary sign ordinance.

Attachments: [Temporary Sign Memo](#)
[21-26-8 Temporary Signs Red line \(2\)](#)

Council Member Zoltanski presented on a proposed amendment to the City's temporary sign ordinance which would allow the display of temporary signs on fences located on private property. She provided an overview of the current sign ordinance, the background, history of the development of the city sign ordinance and the potential benefits resulting from an amendment to the sign ordinance. A lengthy Council discussion followed. The City Attorney and Community Development Director provided additional perspective and insight. Council members expressed concerns about sign violations, amending an ordinance during an election year, imposing time limitations on political signs and potential risks.

There was a discussion regarding Council procedures and process to move forward with the proposed amendment. Council staff weighed in with their understanding of the Council process and read the Council policy and process adopted by the Council.

A motion was made by Monica Zoltanski, seconded by Brooke Christensen to direct staff to take the next steps and take the red line version through the Planning Commission process for public hearing and return to the City Council for consideration and a final vote.

Ms. Zoltanski withdrew her motion and offered a new motion.

A motion was made by Monica Zoltanski, seconded by Brooke Christensen, for the Council to indicate their support for moving the proposed amendment forward to a second reading to the City Council at the meeting next week... The motion failed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 3 - Zach Robinson
Monica Zoltanski
Brooke Christensen
- No:** 4 - Alison Stroud
Kristin Coleman-Nicholl
Marci Houseman
Cyndi Sharkey

5. [21-153](#) First Reading: Council Member Zoltanski presenting a concept for a Master Transportation and Economic Corridors Plan.

Attachments: [Transportation and Economic Corridor Plan](#)
[Draft Outline for Potential Master Plan 4.16.21](#)
[LCC Memo 4.23.21](#)

Council Member Zoltanski requested the City Council consider a long-term strategy for the creation of a Sandy-specific transportation and economic development plan that encompasses the areas adjacent to the triangle at Little Cottonwood Canyon and the key corridors used by the public to access Little Cottonwood Canyon. Ms. Zoltanski proposed to the Council the funding of a Canyons Transportation fund with the goal of developing our own transportation and economic development corridor plan. Ryan Kump, James Sorenson, and Nick Duerksen provided insight and information regarding the process of developing a master transportation and economic corridor plan. They discussed the process and sequence of developing a the plan, the impact of the UDOT decision on a regional transportation plan and the multi-faceted approach necessary to create the proposed plan. A lengthy Council discussion ensued. The Council and staff provided feedback on conducting and funding proposed studies.

6. [21-154](#) First Reading: Council Member Stroud presenting a concept for a Comprehensive Residential Traffic Safety Plan.

Attachments: [A Comprehensive Traffic Safety Proposal for Sandy City](#)

Council Member Stroud presented on a comprehensive residential traffic and safety proposal for Sandy City. She provided an overview of the program which included a city-wide communication plan, driver feedback boards, residential speed survey, and deployment of temporary speed hump/cushion devices. Ms. Stroud discussed the concerns with rising traffic speeds in Sandy and the need to address the issue with the goal of slowing down drivers who are speeding. City staff provided insight and perspective to the effectiveness of the proposed speed humps, driver feedback boards and citizen education plan. Council discussion, comments and feedback followed.

Standing Reports

Agenda Planning Calendar Review & Council Office Director's Report

Mike Applegarth updated the Council on upcoming agenda items. At next week's Council meeting there will be a resolution to adopt the tentative budget.

Council Member Business

Council Member Christensen spoke about the South Valley Tourism Initiative and updated the council. She also spoke about an upcoming sporting event that is scheduled in June and the resulting positive financial impact to the City.

Council Member Zoltanski thanked the community and over 200 volunteers for their help with the Earth Day clean up event at Dimple Dell Park. She acknowledged her fellow Council members and City staff for their help with the event.

Mayor's Report

No report.

CAO Report

Matt Huish, CAO, gave a brief update on Google Fiber. Sandy City received the Healthy Utah designation. He spoke about the Well Being survey results. Scooters will be coming back to Sandy City. Fox 13 News did a story on the Bell Canyon Park area and interviewed city staff.

After 6:00 Time Certain Items

7. [21-162](#) General Citizen Comments

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

Chair Sharkey invited the public to participate in General Citizen Comments. Dustin Fratto provided instructions.

Ms. Tamara Foote spoke about three political signs that were taken down in front of her home and she wondered if any other residents in Sandy were having the same problem. Chair Sharkey suggested that she contact Code Enforcement for help and information.

Mr. Jim Edwards inquired about the public comment process to provide feedback to the consulting firm currently conducting a study on Alta Canyon Recreation Center. He also requested a presentation at a future city council meeting regarding the impact the census numbers may have on the city and the possibility of redistributing or adding to the current districts in Sandy.

Mike Applegarth read one statement into the record:

Ms. Dawn Sidwell stated that she would post any sign on her property. She also wondered when the City Council would be resuming in-person meetings. She was tired of calling the city and not getting a call back.

Public Comment closed.

Council moved to Item 3 on the Agenda.

Adjournment

Council unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:36 pm.