

MINUTES OF THE SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2020

The City Council met in Work Session on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, in an Electronic Meeting, pursuant to Salt Lake City Emergency Proclamation No. 2 of 2020(2)(b).

Virtual Attendance: Council Members Chris Wharton, Analia Valdemoros, Daniel Dugan, Andrew Johnston, Amy Fowler, James Rogers, and Darin Mano.

Staff in Attendance: Cindy Gust-Jenson, Council Executive Director; Erin Mendenhall, Mayor; Jennifer Bruno, Council Executive Deputy Director; Rachel Otto, Mayor's Chief of Staff; Benjamin Luedtke, Council Public Policy Analyst; Nick Tarbet, Council Senior Policy Analyst; Mayara Lima, Principal Planner; Mary Beth Thompson, Chief Financial Officer; Lisa Shaffer, Mayor's Deputy Chief of Staff; Russell Weeks, City Council Senior Advisor; Ashley Ogden, Redevelopment Agency Project Manager and Wayne Mills, Planning Manager; Nick Norris, Planning Director; Ben Kolendar, Economic Development Acting Director; Felicia Baca, Arts Division Director; Lani Eggertson-Goff; Division Director of Housing and Neighborhood; Jennifer Schumann, Deputy Director of Housing and Neighborhood; Tony Milner, Housing and Neighborhood Program and Policy Manager; Katherine Lewis, City Attorney; Cindy Lou Trishman, Council Office Policy Analyst; Scott Crandall, Deputy City Recorder; and Kory Solorio, Assistant City Recorder, participated electronically.

Guests by Virtual Attendance: Bruce Baird (Item #3).

Councilmember Wharton presided at and conducted the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m. [4:06:05 PM](#)

AGENDA ITEMS

#1. [4:07:43 PM](#) UPDATE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION ABOUT THE MAYOR'S RECENT EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS RELATING TO COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) AND THE MARCH 18TH EARTHQUAKE IN THE SALT LAKE VALLEY. *As part of the update, the Council may discuss public health and other public safety, policy and budget issues stemming from the emergency declarations. The Council may also receive information or updates from organizations or experts related to the emergency responses and coordination, including but not limited, earthquake damage to City, the functioning of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC),*

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City response and aid, and the status of City buildings. [View Attachments](#)

Mayor Mendenhall provided an update on the following points:

- Mask project for City employees.
- Collaboration with the County and State for staffing requests.
- Expansion of the Emergency Food Program with Salt Lake City School District.
- Emergency Proclamation No. 7 of 2020 was issued on April 10, 2020, and addressed the following:
 - Business License Fees
 - Evictions
 - Assessments
 - Parking on Residential Streets
 - Outdoor Dining Permits
 - Non-Profit Tenants
 - Public Utilities Developed Recreation Sites
 - St. Vincent De Paul Overflow Shelter

Council Members requested the following items from Staff:
Provide information for Council Members to share regarding homemade mask donations from the public (for City employees).

#2. [4:18:39 PM](#) BRIEFING REGARDING A PROPOSED RESOLUTION THAT WOULD EXTEND THE MAYOR'S MARCH 18 PROCLAMATION DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATING TO A MAGNITUDE 5.7 EARTHQUAKE.

Rachel Otto, Lisa Shaffer, Mayor Mendenhall, Katherine Lewis, Ben Kolendar, and Felicia Baca briefed the Council. Discussion began with the topic of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursement and the timing of the extension of the emergency proclamation.

Discussion continued regarding the Arts Council grant funding and the Emergency Loan Program with Felicia Baca and Benjamin Kolendar. Arts Council grant funding was brought up by the Arts Council Foundation (non-profit arm of the Arts Council) to repurpose funding to support local artists. Economic Development requested a straw poll from the Council at next week's meeting.

Further discussion was held regarding original allocation of

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funding, similarity of other emergency loan distributions, application requirements (United States citizenship), event eligibility, and determined grant amount (per artist).

4:43:02 PM Ben Kolendar provided an update from Economic Development on the Emergency Loan Program (ELP) to assist small businesses immediately impacted by COVID-19. [View Attachments](#)

Council Members requested the following items from Staff:

- Provide comparison of Hispanic applicants (including complete/incomplete applications) with the total of received/selected applicants.

#3. 5:01:57 PM BRIEFING REGARDING A PROPOSAL TO REZONE A PARCEL AT APPROXIMATELY 1172 EAST CHANDLER DRIVE FROM OPEN SPACE DISTRICT (OS) TO FOOTHILLS RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (FR-3/12,000). *The intent of the rezone is to match the zoning of the property to the east, which is under the same ownership, to allow residential accessory uses on the property after the two lots are combined.* [View Attachments](#)

Nick Tarbet, Mayara Lima, and Bruce Baird (applicant) briefed the Council with attachments. Discussion was held regarding why the property was zoned OS (vertically situated), property ownership, if the property was the old Gardner home, Community Council concerns, and ownership/zoning of surrounding properties (OS).

#4. 5:13:40 PM BRIEFING ABOUT UPDATING THE CITY'S 2020-24 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AS REQUIRED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD). *The Consolidated Plan details the City's goals and objectives to build healthy and sustainable communities through four federal grants: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), Home Investment Partnerships, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA).* [View Attachments](#)

Benjamin Luedtke, Jennifer Schumann, Tony Milner, and Lani Eggertson-Goff briefed the Council with attachments. Discussion was held regarding strategies for funding consideration and the plan-covered areas. Councilmember Wharton suggested focus on the low-income areas to allow residents to see meaningful improvement in their neighborhoods.

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Council Members requested the following items from Staff:

- List the options in the strategy plan for geographic equity as an overlay on the map.
- Small group meetings to discuss options for overlay determination of the Consolidated Plan

#5. [5:47:00 PM](#) FOLLOW-UP BRIEFING ABOUT THE MAYOR'S FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS AND AN APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ONE-YEAR ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 THAT INCLUDES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDING, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FUNDING, EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) FUNDING, HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) FUNDING, AND APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN SALT LAKE CITY AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD). [View Attachments](#)

Ben Luedtke, Lani Eggersten-Goff, Jennifer Schumann, and Tony Milner briefed the Council with attachments. Discussion was held regarding ESG, HOME, and HOPWA funding recommendations.

Councilmember Wharton emphasized the schedule at the next discussion to be prepared for straw poll actions for any changes or recommendations.

Council Members requested the following items from Staff:

- Small group meetings requested in relation to the Journey of Hope and the Inn Between (specifically why a recommendation was not included for funding)

#6. DINNER BREAK

#7. [7:03:46 PM](#) BRIEFING REGARDING A NEW PROPOSAL THAT WOULD REDEFINE SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY (SRO) HOUSING TO SHARED HOUSING. *The proposed changes define Shared Housing as a residential building (or part of one) that contains smaller housing units of one or more sleeping rooms and would have either a private kitchen or private bathroom, but not both. This change would allow the developments to serve families. The proposal would extend Shared Housing as a permitted use to most areas zoned for commercial and multi-family use. [View Attachments](#)*

Russell Weeks, Nick Norris, Ashley Ogden, and Wayne Mills

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briefed the Council with attachments. Discussion was held regarding the proposed ordinance including the adjustment of the name, zoning district areas, and determining next steps for the City to consider.

Council Members requested the following items from Staff:

- Request for a revised ordinance on the language clarification of the universally accessible term in the ordinance and the requirement to meet HUD guidelines in all scenarios.

#8. [7:16:46 PM](#) DISCUSS REGARDING VARIOUS LEGISLATIVE TOOLS AVAILABLE TO ACCOMPLISH COUNCIL PRIORITIES AND INTERESTS, AS A FOLLOW-UP TO THE COUNCIL RETREAT DISCUSSIONS AND GENERAL REVIEW OF LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ROLES. [View Attachments](#)

Cindy Gust-Jenson and **Jennifer Bruno** briefed the Council with attachments. Discussion was held regarding tools and options for Council members. Council tools have adapted through time including the evolution of proactivity on issues of interest or concern.

STANDING ITEMS

#9. REPORT OF THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR.

Item not held.

#10. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, INCLUDING A REVIEW OF COUNCIL INFORMATION ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. *The Council may give feedback or staff direction on any item related to City Council business, including but not limited to scheduling items.*

Item not held.

#11. CONSIDER A MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION, IN KEEPING WITH UTAH CODE §52-4-205 FOR ANY ALLOWED PURPOSE.

Item not held.

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The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

COUNCIL CHAIR

CITY RECORDER

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