

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

May 25, 2017

Noon

Salt Lake County Government Center

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rob Dahle and introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Zach Jacob noted that a name needed to be corrected on the attendee list of the draft January 25, 2017 minutes. Mayor Ted Eyre then made a **MOTION** to approve them as amended which was seconded by Councilmember Mike Jensen. The vote in favor was unanimous.

CITIZEN COMMENT

There were none.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Public Safety Grants Distribution Policy

Jackie Nicole from the Salt Lake County gave a [power point presentation](#) in which she proposed some changes to the grant distribution policy for Homeland Security Department public safety grants. Most of the changes are minor in nature. There are a few major changes including the proposal that the Executive Director of the Grants Council will be selected from the cities rather than the County. The new rules also propose reducing Grants Council participation of the special service districts from four to two. The Metro Townships will also have a seat on the Council along with the City of Millcreek. Lastly, if money is not spent by the grantee, it will revert to the Grants Council for re-distribution.

There is typically \$300,000 available annually for distribution. Twenty five percent of the grant must be spent on law enforcement activities. The rest can be used for equipment or training. Distribution will change somewhat due to the addition of Millcreek City and the Metro Townships.

Councilmember Mike Jensen made a **MOTION** to approve the draft changes which was seconded by Mayor Seghini. The vote in favor was unanimous.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Utah League of Cities and Towns Governance

Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) President Steve Hiatt (Kaysville City Mayor) and Vice-President Beth Holbrook (Bountiful City Council) addressed the members of the COG on the issue of transformation in the ULCT office which has seen many changes this past year. The Board of Directors was made aware of some possible irregularities in the financial accounts last year. They

quickly asked the Utah State Auditor for a full review of ULCT accounts which has been done. This resulted in the departure of the financial secretary and the executive director. The Board is presently in the process of a national search for a replacement executive director.

The Board is also looking at adjusting the bylaws to reflect the contribution of the larger cities which are mostly along the Wasatch Front.

ULCT staff member Cameron Diehl said that they are actively following potential legislation for the 2018 Session of the Legislature. So far, they are tracking 241 possible bills. Local control continues to come under attack. The issues they are following include:

- The impact of the 2015 Justice Re-Investment Act on cities
- Modification of the local referendum statute
- Solid waste fee schedule
- Transportation reform taskforce
- Sales tax distribution
- Property tax reform

Millcreek City Councilmember Bev Uipi asked if there is any legislation that may affect the ability of cities to enforce laws. Answer: Senator Thatcher is looking at the question as to whether city police should have the power to arrest persons for misdemeanor offences.

Councilmember Holbrook concluded the discussion by emphasizing that the ULCT leadership wants to have all the cities feel that they have a voice on the Board.

UTA Board Appointment

Mayor Cherie Wood mentioned that the mayors from the cities of Millcreek, Murray, South Salt Lake, Holliday and Taylorsville held a conference call in which they discussed candidates for appointment to the UTA Board. They settled on Holladay City Manager Gina Chamness.

Mayor Seghini made a **MOTION** to recommend Gina Chamness to the Salt Lake County Council for final approval. Mayor Timothy seconded the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mayor Walker who is a UTA Board member commented that the agency is in good shape and many of the recommended reforms have been implemented. However, they are not in a position to increase service until there are additional financial resources.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Mayor Cullimore introduced the subject of corridor preservation funding for administrative functions and suggested that \$25,000 be appropriated for that purpose. Mayor Timothy made a

MOTION to that effect which was seconded by CouncilmemberJensen. The vote in favor was unanimous.

2017 COG BUDGET

Andrew Gruber introduced the [draft 2017 COG budget](#) and schedule for [individual city dues](#). He noted that this item had been discussed at COM already and was a maintenance budget that showed only a small increase from the previous year. Councilmember Jensen made a **MOTION** for approval which was seconded by Mayor Walker. The vote in favor was unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS

Martin Jensen from the Salt Lake County Division of Parks and Recreation introduced a grant opportunity from the State.

Council of Governments Secretary Sam Klemm announced that he will be leaving the COG and WFRC for a position with Salt Lake County.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Jensen made the **MOTION** to adjourn. The vote in favor was unanimous.

COG MEMBERS PRESENT

Bluffdale	Mayor Timothy	Herriman	Mayor Freeman
South Salt Lake	Mayor Wood	West Jordan	Councilmember McConnehey
Sandy	Mayor Dolan	S.L. County	Mayor McAdams
South Jordan	Mayor Alvord	S.L. County	Councilmember Wilson
Murray	Mayor Eyre	Taylorville	Mayor Johnson
West Jordan	Councilmember Jacob	West Valley City	Mayor Bigelow
Cottonwood Heights	Mayor Cullimore	Draper	Mayor Walker
Millcreek	Councilmember Uipi	Salt Lake County	Councilmember Jensen
West Jordan	Councilmember Jacob	Midvale	Mayor JoAnn Seghini

OTHER PERSONS PRESENT

WFRC	Andrew Gruber	Salt Lake County	MaryAnn Martindale
Alta City	John Guldner	Salt Lake City	Russell Weeks
Salt Lake City	Patrick Leary	Sandy City	Nicole Martin
ULCT	Cameron Diehl	Midvale City	Robert Hale
ULCT	Steve Hiatt	ULCT	Beth Holbrook
Salt Lake County	Rita Lund	South Jordan City	Gary Whatcott
Rep. Mia Love Office	Barry Mclerrin	UTA	Matt Sibul
Salt Lake County	Kara Trevino	West Jordan City	Councilmember Burton
Salt Lake County	Councilmember Winder-Newton	COG Staff	Sam Klemm