

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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PRESENT

Tom Pollard	Alta	Peter Corroon	Salt Lake County
Claudia Anderson	Bluffdale	Mike Jensen (Exc)	Salt Lake County
Kelvyn Cullimore	Cottonwood Hts	Jenny Wilson	Salt Lake County
Darrell Smith	Draper	Tom Dolan (Exc)	Sandy
Lynn Crane	Herriman	Bryant Anderson (Exc)	Sandy
Dennis Webb (Exc)	Holladay	Kent Money (Exc)	South Jordan
JoAnn Seghini	Midvale	Bob Gray	South Salt Lake
Dan Snarr	Murray	Russ Wall	Taylorville
Bill Applegarth	Riverton	Dave Newton	West Jordan
Ross Anderson (Exc)	Salt Lake City	Dennis Nordfelt (Exc)	West Valley City
Carlton Christensen	Salt Lake City	Russ Brooks	West Valley City

Natalie Rees	SL Co Engineering	Karen Nichols	Stantec Consulting
Terry Way	SL Co Engineering	Jory Johner	WFRC
Val John Halford	WFRC	Sam Klemm	WFRC
Michelle Baguley	UTA/Herriman	Lisa Ashman	SL Co
John Guldner	Alta	Jan Wells	Murray
Nichole Dunn	SL Co Mayor	Neal Stack	SL Co
Lynn Feveryear	SL Co	Karen Wiley	SL Co
Jim Winder	SL Co Sheriff	Barbara Thomas	WFRC

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Peter Corroon. Mayor Corroon explained that Mayor Nordfelt and Councilman Jensen were excused as they were testifying before the Transportation Committee at the Legislature.

MINUTES OF JAN 4, 2007

Mayor Gray made the **MOTION**, seconded by Mayor Wall, to accept the minutes of January 4, 2007 as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mayor Corroon reminded members of the Feb 13 meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee for the Chronically Homeless to be held in Holladay.

There was brief discussion about HB 332; Mobile Home Owner's Rights. This bill would use funds from the Olene Walker Trust fund to help with relocation costs of evacuated tenants from mobile home parks. This bill is sponsored by Rep. Phil Risen. HB 319 by Rep. Mark Wheatley, has to do with notice of sale of underlying mobile home park property.

Mayor Corroon also reminded the Mayors that the Technical Advisory Committees of both the Transportation Commission and the Regional Growth committee have not had full representation from each of the cities. COG members asked that a list of attendees at both these meetings be sent to them. **Barbara will send that out to each Mayor.**

INTRODUCTION – SHERIFF JIM WINDER

Sheriff Jim Winder was introduced to the members of COG. He stated that his hope was to develop and maintain a good relationship with each city in the county. The sheriff's office is a service provider to all the SL County even though it contracts with specific cities. Sheriff Winder stated that the common bond all cities have with his office is the jail.

Alternatives to incarceration are in response to a chronic population being booked into jail that is tying up a lot of bed space. This is a long term solution in redirecting people to other programs and these initiatives provide more immediate changes in bed space reduction. A few programs noted were: educational programs, inmate labor details and jail work programs.

Sheriff Winder noted **that he will be coming to individual cities** to explain the progress of the programs initiated. His hope is to become more visible to cities in his role as sheriff.

He stated that fraud investigation has been poorly coordinated. In the narcotics division he would hope to build relationships with the COP programs and neighborhood coordination. **Contract Mayors will be meeting to discuss a contract model.**

Concern has been voiced about the courts and the jails. There is a disconnect between the time a suspect is booked, the time (s)he is held and how long (s)he can be kept. At times suspects are lost. The Sheriff indicated that to avoid this in the future, more information is needed at the time of booking. He would like to see municipal officers and the sheriff's office working together as partners with more exchange of information between cities and agencies. The County is providing funds for a jail management system

Sheriff Winder also noted that it is vital that cities and the county communicate during emergency situations. A COPS grant will allow for purchase of a program which will interpret the different municipal systems. **Mayors will be invited to a meeting with VECC and SLC to meet with the contractors to learn about the system.** In response to a question, Sheriff Winder indicated that VECC and the County have E911 capability.

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Mayor Crane introduced Neal Stack, SL County, and Karen Nichols from Stantec Consulting, for an update on the Water Quality Stewardship.

Ms. Nichols indicated this is year 2 of a 3 year project. They will continue to make quarterly updates to the COG. They are presently involved in mapping and gathering land use and populations projections.

Maps were presented showing the 17 watersheds in Salt Lake County, without indication of political boundaries. The water flows to the Great Salt Lake or to Jordan River. Management strategies make it necessary to break the watersheds into sub-watershed analyses as they consider issues such as private versus public properties.

There was a brief discussion on impaired waters which refer to water which doesn't meet beneficial capability, such as metals in the water in Little Cottonwood because of the mines. Jordan River has segments that have issues such as salinity, e coli, and dissolved oxygen.

Ms. Nichols stated it was difficult to match information with city planning cycles and zoning categories. **The County stated they will be asking cities for their master plans in an effort to coordinate future planning** as some land uses impact watershed more than others.

There have been two stakeholder workshops held with treatment plant employees, water districts and city planners, with more planned. **The goal for 2007 is to coordinate and identify the 2030 population and develop consistency in the planning process.** There will be a watershed analysis coordination with the Jordan River Watershed Council and development of an atlas of opportunities.

There was a brief discussion about federal monies being withheld if air pollution is not improved. The Mayors stated that the Department of Environmental Quality needs support to avoid a budget cut during this legislative session.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Grants Coordinating Committee: Mayor Corroon introduced Lynn Feveryear, chair of the Grants Coordinating Committee of the COG. This committee is made up of representatives from the CDBG (Community Development Block Grants) entitlement cities, SSBG (Social Service Block Grants) representatives and other agencies who are concerned about human services, such as the United Way, Eccles Foundation, and

Intermountain Health Care. This group meets to review trends, share ideas and see how allocation programs are being used. They receive needs identification information from the county, cities and contributing agencies. HUD provides information on a variety of grants available, a sample of which was given to each of the Mayors.

Mayor Corroon extended congratulations to Mr. Feveryear on his impending retirement as Lynn introduced the new chair of the Committee, Karen Wiley, of SL County.

Legislative Update: Sam Klemm, WFRC, reminded the members of several bills. The repeal of sales tax on food will impact transit and ZAP funds as they are recipients of about \$17 million. WFRC has sent a letter to legislators asking that those ZAP and UTA funds be held harmless.

Rep. Lockhart has a bill which would dedicate 100% of auto related sales tax to the transportation fund (about \$140 million). These funds would be ongoing, subject to appropriations.

SB 69 would require the corridor preservation process to prioritize projects, but the spending would not have to be based on that prioritization.

SB 12 will allow the state to bond \$500 million for corridor preservation. It will require UDOT to determine needs and set funds aside for corridor preservation.

HB 108 was for a study of east-west corridors. It has been amended so that UDOT would have to list other areas in the state that have transportation needs.

Rep. Lockhart has another bill, not yet numbered, which would remove the cap on B & C road funds. This would add \$5 million to the present \$18 million and allow for a 1/16th of a cent to grow.

HB 158 by Rep. Harper has a bill which would change the gas tax by reducing it to 15 cents a gallon. Sales tax would be added and it would go to the transportation fund. It would also require the original ¼ of a ¼ as well as the \$10 vehicle registration fee be dedicated to preservation of the Mountain View Corridor.

Legislative Update: Lincoln Shurtz was unable to attend. There was discussion about SB 130 which allows disconnection of property by a neighboring city which owns property in a contiguous municipality.

SB 64, known as the Restaurant Tax, drew considerable discussion about the impact on SL County if the tax is changed to the point of sale. The county representatives asked that the Mayors oppose the bill. Some Mayors felt that the tax should rightfully go to the point of sale.

SB 41 will eliminate the form of government known as city manager by ordinance. It recommends that the suggested change go to a vote of the citizens.

Regional Transportation Update: Val Halford and Jory Johner, WFRC, reviewed the draft 2030 RTP highway and transit maps for Chuck Chappell.

There will be public input hearings in March and the projects will then be phased. The plan should be ready for adoption in May. There will be an open house March 6 at the 2100 S TRAX station for transit planning which is directed more towards developers or contractors.

OTHER

Mayor Wall reported that the underage drinking town hall that was held in Taylorsville is now on video. If any city would like to borrow it, it is available. They are distributing it to their schools.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 pm.