

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

MINUTES

January 8, 2009

2 PM

County Government Center

WELCOME

Vice President Money welcomed all to the meeting and excused Mayor Corroon who was unable to attend today's meeting.

MINUTES

Mayor Cullimore made the MOTION, seconded by Councilman Jensen, to accept the minutes of the December 4 COG meeting. The motion passed unanimously

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mayor Money reviewed the following meeting announcements:

- Jan 10: Assoc of Municipal Councils – Cottonwood Hts 8 am
- Jan 13: LRP Homeless – Utah Housing Corporation 12:30 pm
- Jan 15: Regional Growth Committee WFRC 9:30 am
- Jan 22: Conference of Mayors 11:30 am WVC Cultural Celebration Center
- Jan 22: WFRC 2 pm
- Jan 28: Transportation Committee WFRC 2:30 pm
- Jan 28: Elected officials day at the legislature. Lunch and a speaker in the theater west of the Conference Center

Mayor Seghini asked Mayor Applegarth if he would attend WFRC in her place this month.

CITIZEN INPUT

Jeff Salt asked if he could save his comments till the Blueprint Jordan River topic was addressed. Mayor Dolan introduced County Councilman Max Burdick to the Council.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

Mayor Money stated the Nomination Committee had presented a slate of officers for this next year:

- Mayor Money – President
- Mayor Cullimore – Vice President
- Mayor Wall – Secretary

He asked if there were other nominations from the floor. Mayor Seghini made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Crane, that the COG accept by acclamation the three nominees. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion was held about the subcommittee membership.

Mayor Money will be chair of the Intergovernmental Relations committee. The Public Works Subcommittee will meet on the Mondays at 2 pm prior to COG meetings. The first scheduled meeting will be February 2, 2009 and the committee will meet every other month if needed.

COG appointments to the WFRC and its subcommittees will change as follows:

Trans Com: Mayor Nordfelt as a member
Mayor Crane will continue as chair of the Committee as an appointee from WFRC

Mayor Dolan made the MOTION, seconded by Councilman Jensen, to include Mayor Applegarth as an alternate on the Transportation Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

RGC: Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Smith, to maintain the RGC as is. The motion passed unanimously.

JPAC: Stays the same

WFRC: Members are as follows:
Mayor Ralph Becker
Mayor Peter Corroon
Mayor Lynn Crane
Mayor Tom Dolan
Councilman Michael Jensen
Mayor Kent Money
Mayor Dennis Nordfelt
Mayor JoAnn Seghini

Alternates are as follows: (all other members of COG)

Mayor Tom Pollard
Mayor Claudia Anderson
Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore
Mayor Darrell Smith
Mayor Dennis Webb
Mayor Daniel Snarr
Mayor William Applegarth
Councilman Carlton Christensen
Councilwoman Jenny Wilson
Mayor Tom Dolan
Councilman Bryant Anderson
Mayor Robert Gray

Mayor Russ Wall (ULCT apptee to WFRC)
Mayor David Newton
Councilwoman Kathy Hilton
Councilman Russ Brooks

Mayor Seghini made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Dolan to reappoint Mayor Dolan as one of the WFRC appointments from COG. The motion passed unanimously

TRCC: Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Webb, to leave the TRCC member appointments the same which are: Mayors Money, Wall, Seghini, Pollard and Cullimore. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayors Smith and Applegarth indicated they would like to serve on the WFRC at some point.

Mayor Seghini indicated she would contact the ULCT and encourage them to reappoint Mayor Wall as their appointee to the WFRC. The COG would like that appointee to be a Salt Lake County appointee. There was concern voiced that the UAC has not ever appointed a SL County appointee to the Regional Council.

CDBG Update:

We did not discuss this item.

PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE

Riverton City Corridor Preservation Applications – Barbara Thomas, WFRC

Mayor Crane reported that the public works subcommittee had met to review two applications from Riverton City for Local Transportation Corridor Preservation funds which would help with a realignment of a signalized interchange at 4000 West and 13400 South. Once UDOT puts a signal on Bangerter Highway at 13400 South, the existing light at 4000 West will be too close to meet state regulations.

The Subcommittee recommended approval of \$423,000 to purchase property from the Jordan School District. This would include moving some of their parking stalls farther west on their property. The appraisal included a cost of that replacement, but if the cost is over the appraised amount, Riverton City indicated they would pay that difference.

The subcommittee also recommended approval of \$556,500 to purchase just over an acre from the Deluca family. The appraisal includes moving costs, but the city is still negotiating on reimbursing the family over and above this approved amount. The city indicated they would pay any difference between that negotiated amount and the amount approved today.

The question was asked about potential vacation of 4000 West itself. If the property is vacated and sold, the funds would come back to the Local Transportation Corridor Preservation Fund.

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Webb, to recommend to the County Council approval of the two applications. The motion passed unanimously.

PHYSICAL RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE

Blueprint Jordan River Initiatives Resolution Discussion - Gabe Epperson, Envision Utah

Mayor Dolan introduced Gabe Epperson, Envision Utah, to follow up on discussion about the Blueprint Jordan River Initiatives that had been presented to the COG in December. Gabe indicated he had been meeting with city councils to discuss the proposed resolution. Not all cities had received the presentation. He asked if the COG would consider voting to support the resolution and having the cities vote individually at a later date. County Councilman Wilde spoke about the need we have to preserve open space.

The summary of discussion was that the individual cities should be asking COG to support the initiative after they have heard the presentation and had time to discuss the issue. This would involve the 16 cities that border the Jordan River.

Mayor Seghini made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Applegarth, to support the preservation concept of development of a regional park along the Jordan River. After some discussion, Mayor Seghini asked to withdraw the motion.

Each city was asked to put the resolution on their agendas for discussion and action. Salt Lake City indicated they would try to put on their agenda in February.

Councilwoman Wilson asked that we look at establishing the commission and what it should look like and give guidance to the Department of Environmental Health about what COG would like to see along the river.

Jeff Salt, Great Salt Lake Keeper, stated that we need to look at what implementation of the initiatives would do along the River.. He suggested keeping in mind the history of development around the River and consider what has and has not worked.

Mayor Nordfelt made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Cullimore, that, in anticipation that the COG will pass the initiatives resolution, the COG encourage Envision Utah and the Division of Natural Resources to create a subcommittee to oversee the initiative movement along the River. Councilwoman Hilton asked that the committee function as a discussion format only. Each COG member was directed to go back to their Councils and get their direction. The motion passed unanimously.

Envision Utah wants the following from the COG:

1. Ask each city to vote on the resolution
2. Select an elected representative from each city to serve on a committee that will discuss how the commission should be set up

Councilwoman Wilson handed out a letter from Ted Wilson, Executive Director of the Utah Rivers Council, endorsing the Blueprint Jordan River initiatives. The letter asked the COG to support an environmental study of the river. The Council also encourages public representation on the Jordan River Initiatives oversight committee, as well as representation from the COG and state governments. (copy on file)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

RTP Flow Chart Report – Chuck Chappell

Chuck Chappell, Executive Director of WFRC, reported that in October of 2008, the WFRC adopted the process for involvement of COGs in the RTP and TIP process. This will give the COGs a greater role and responsibility in approving projects on the Regional Transportation Program and to be funded in the Transportation Improvement Program. This process will now be followed for RTP and TIP approvals and revisions. More information can be found on the WFRC website at www.wfrc.org under Planning and Programming Process.

Vita – Sheila Walsh McDonald, Utah Community Action Program

Ms. McDonald spoke to the group about the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). She indicated that the volunteers are IRS certified and trained. There are 14 sites in the county where they have served 5000 households. She reviewed some of the ways tax savings can be obtained. She indicated when there are informed tax forms completed and prepared, there has been as much as \$7 million dollars that have come back to citizens. Funding comes from the legislature, local businesses as well as public and private resources.

Brochures were handed out for Mayors to take to their city halls. She suggested making employees as well as residents aware of the program. More information can be obtained by calling 211 or Kori Shaw at 413 9137.

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Cullimore, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 3:30.

PRESENT

Mayor Claudia Anderson	Bluffdale	Michael Jensen	SL County
Bryant Anderson (Exc)	Sandy	Mayor Kent Money	South Jordan
Mayor William Applegarth	Riverton	Mayor Dave Newton	West Jordan
Mayor Ralph Becker (Exc)	SLC	Mayor Dennis Nordfelt	West Valley City
Russ Brooks	WVC	Mayor Tom Pollard	Alta
Carlton Christensen (Exc)	SLC	Mayor JoAnn Seghini	Midvale
Mayor Peter Corroon (Exc)	SL County	Mayor Darrell Smith	Draper
Mayor Lynn Crane	Herriman	Mayor Dan Snarr	Murray
Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore (Exc)	Ctnwd Hts	Mayor Russ Wall (Exc)	Taylorsville
Mayor Tom Dolan	Sandy	Mayor Dennis Webb	Holladay
Mayor Bob Gray (Exc)	So Salt Lake	Jenny Wilson	SL County
Kathy Hilton	West Jordan	Barbara Thomas	Staff

ALSO PRESENT

Jan Wells	Murray City	John Guldner	Town of Alta
Janice Jardine	SLC Council Staff	John Hiskey	Sandy City
Karen Wiley	CRD – SLCo	Jeff Salt	Great SL Keeper
Aaron Falk	Deseret News	Max Burdick	SL Co Council
Rita Lund	East Side rep SL Co	Greg Schulz	West township rep
Kara Trevino	SL County	Sally Jacobsen	SL Co Council
Dave Wilde	SL Co Council	Gabe Epperson	Envision Utah
Chuck Chappell	WFRC		