

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

MINUTES

January 7, 2010
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County Government Center

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Mayor Money welcomed all present and introductions were made for each member of COG.

MINUTE: November 5, 2009
December 1, 2009 Legislative Luncheon

Mayor Cullimore made the MOTION, seconded by Carlton Christensen, to approve the minutes as presented with the following addition to the Legislative Luncheon minutes:

‘Time was given to Tom Guinney, Gastronomy Restaurants, to address the Restaurant Tax discussion. He was invited by Mayor Peter Corroon and wanted to express general concern over the tax and felt it was inequitable since it singled out a particular industry. He stated the restaurant industry would be lobbying for repeal of the tax and invited dialog with all stakeholders on the issues.’

The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Mayor Money

January 8: Assoc of Municipal Councils – Murray, 12 pm
January 12: Long Range Planning Comm for the Chronically Homeless 12:30, WJ
January 21: RGC – WFRC, 9:30 am
January 21: WFRC Air Quality Meeting, WFRC
January 21: Mobility Management Summit, 8:30-2, Capitol Auditorium
January 28: Mayor/council member caucus in Capital Copper Room at 7 am
January 28: Conference of Mayors – Taylorsville, 11:30 am
January 28: Regional Council – WFRC offices, 2 pm

Nominating Committee Report and Elections – Mayor Money

Mayor Money reported that the nominating committee, Mayors Corroon, Money, Wall and Cullimore recommended Mayor Applegarth, Riverton, be the nominee for the Secretary/Treasurer position. There were no other nominations from the floor.

Council member Wilson made the MOTION, seconded by Council member Christensen, that the COG accept Mayor Applegarth as the Secretary/Treasurer. The motion passed unanimously.

As per the Articles of Association, the Vice President (Mayor Cullimore) moves to the President position and the Sec/Treasurer (Mayor Wall) moves to the Vice President position.

Mayor Money presented the gavel to Mayor Cullimore and turned the meeting over to him. Mayor Cullimore expressed appreciation for the service of Mayor Money as President of COG during 2009. He presented a wide mouth shovel to Mayor Money who was thrilled!

Proposed Budget – Mayor Wall

Mayor Wall presented the proposed COG budget for 2010-2011. The total amount of the budget remained at \$85,000, but the percentage of dues has changed somewhat for cities due to the changes in taxable property values in 2009. The County portion totals \$10,030 and the Non-entitlement cities total \$29,242. The Entitlement cities have a subtotal of \$45,728 among them. With the \$30,000 from the Local Transportation Corridor Preservation Fund, the total budget amount is \$115,000. (See attached copy of budget)

Mayor Seghini made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Winder to approve the budget. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Cullimore asked members of COG to sign a sympathy card for the family of former COG member, Mayor Bill Levitt, town of Alta. Barbara will mail it to Mrs. Levitt.

COG/WFRC Committee Appointments – Mayor Cullimore

After accepting nominations and conducting elections for the various open positions, the COG took the following actions:

Regional Growth Committee: Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Dolan, to accept Mayor Timothy as a member and Mayors Johnson and Webb as alternates. The motion passed unanimously.

Transportation Committee: Mayor Smith made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Money, to appoint Mayor Applegarth as a member and Mayor Seghini as an alternate. The motion passed unanimously.

WFRC: Mayor Wall made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Corroon, to appoint Mayor Smith and Mayor Winder to the WFRC. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Applegarth, that the COG indicate to the ULCT that we support Mayor Wall in his appointment to WFRC as their appointee. The motion passed unanimously. (A letter has been sent)

It was suggested that the COG express support of the SL COG members on JPAC and that they be recommended for reappointment by the members of WFRC. Mayor Seghini made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Wall, that COG recommend Mayors Winder and Corroon be appointed by WFRC to JPAC. The motion passed unanimously. (A letter has been sent)

Attached to these minutes is the newly revised committee membership of COG subcommittees for 2010.

There was discussion and a consensus reached to eliminate the Air Quality subcommittee of COG and add that topic to the Physical Resources Subcommittee. The topic of Air Quality has now been incorporated into a committee of the same name under the Wasatch Front Regional Council.

Mayor Cullimore indicated that he would like to discuss updating or revising the COG Articles of Association at the February meeting. It was asked that the WFRC Air Quality subcommittee make a report to COG as well as reviewing the amended County Cooperative Plan.

Mayor Seghini made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Money, that the COG encourage the Utah Local Government Trust to look into insuring canines for counties and municipalities. The motion passed unanimously. (in process)

PUBLIC WORKS

Proposed RTP Amendments (Sugarhouse Streetcar) – Ned Hacker

Mr. Hacker, WFRC, reported that this RTP amendment would move the Sugarhouse Street Car project into Phase I of the RTP from Phase 3. The Environmental Impact Statement will be completed in March of 2010. The streetcar is proposed to run from 2200 South Trax lines to 1100 East. UTA already owns the railroad line. It will be funded by Federal grants and may need some local match. UTA's match will be the property for the line.

Factors favoring the street car over other forms of transit are that the corridor is permanent and people like fixed routes. A negative was that BRT was an option only as a fixed guide way. Operating costs are less for a streetcar than a bus or a rail line. The stimulus funds required that the project start in 2010.

Mayor Money made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Seghini, that the COG give a positive recommendation for the Sugarhouse Transit Corridor for a streetcar. The motion passed unanimously.

AIR QUALITY

Clear the Air Resolutions for 2010 – Michele Straube, SL Solutions

Ms. Straube reviewed some of the results of this past summer's Clear the Air program which included residents who signed up and challenged themselves to drive less and try to impact the air less. 50% of air pollution comes from vehicles. 4,500 people participated over a six week period. 100,000 plus vehicle trips were eliminated, with more than a million miles saved. Estimations are that they reduced their emissions by 1,800,000 pounds.

Ms. Straube indicated pledging to clear the air is a life style change. She challenged each Mayor to personally commit to 'drive down their miles' as a New Year's Resolution. She would like the cities to put the 'Clear the Air Challenge' on their websites. Information can also be found on Facebook and Twitter.

PHYSICAL RESOURCES – Mayor Dolan

County Cooperative Plan Resolution Discussion and possible Vote – Ann Ober, SL Co.

The cooperative plan has been a collaboration of city planners meeting during this past year. They have identified bike trails and created maps that distinguish municipal boundaries from street center lines. Several cities still have questions about the resolution and have asked Elli Cosky or Ann Ober to make some wording changes in the resolution. Ms. Ober indicated they would like to have city resolutions, but if the Mayors would get their city councils' consensus, then one resolution signed by the COG members would suffice.

The amended version should be sent to Barbara who will then disseminate the newly worded version to each city for their review.

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Wall, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.

PRESENT

Bryant Anderson (Exc)	Sandy	Mayor Tom Pollard	Alta
Mayor William Applegarth	Riverton	Corey Rushton	WVC
Mayor Ralph Becker	SLC	Mayor JoAnn Seghini	Midvale
Carlton Christensen	SLC	Mayor Darrell Smith	Draper
Mayor Peter Corroon	SL County	Mayor Dan Snarr	Murray
Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore	Ctnwd Hts	Ben Southworth	WJ
Mayor Tom Dolan	Sandy	Mayor Derk Timothy	Bluffdale
Michael Jensen	SL County	Mayor Russ Wall	Taylorville
Mayor Josh Mills	Herriman	Mayor Dennis Webb	Holladay
Mayor Melissa Johnson	WJ	Jenny Wilson	SL County
Mayor Cherie Wood (Exc)	So SL	Mayor Mike Winder	WVC
Mayor Kent Money	South Jordan	Barbara Thomas	Staff

OTHERS PRESENT

Nicole Martin	Herriman	Brett George Wood	Herriman
John Guldner	Alta	Greg Schultz	SL Co
Jon Cox	Sen. Bennett	Chuck Chappell	WFRC
Sam Klemm	WFRC	Ned Hacker	WFRC
Randy Fitts	Holladay	Ann Ober	SL Co
Jan Wells	Murray	Michele Straube	SL Solutions
Lynn Pace	SLC	Ben McAdams	SLC
Michele Baguley	UTA	Liane Stillman	Ctnwd Hts
Gary Whatcott	S J	John Hiskey	Sandy