

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

MINUTES

February 4, 2010
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SL County Government Center
2 pm

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WELCOME

Mayor Cullimore welcomed all to the meeting and introductions were made. Mayor Seghini asked that an updated list of mayors' contact information be distributed to COG members.

MINUTES

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Smith, to approve the minutes of January 7, 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Mayor Cullimore reported that the COG's Articles of Association had not been reviewed since March 2002 and there were several items that needed to be discussed with the group as a whole.

There were several questions asked of the group for their consensus:

1. Should we amend the General Assembly to exclude School Board members or other elected county officials and state/national Senators and Representatives as noted in Article II-E?
2. Should we allow Executive Committee members to appoint a designated alternate to attend the Executive Committee or subcommittee as a substitute? Should it be a city manager/administrator or elected official only? Would they vote?
3. Should we require the General Assembly to be held only in November as noted in the Articles?
4. Should the COG meet monthly or bi-monthly?
5. Should we elect the Executive Committee officers at the General Assembly meeting?
6. Should we change the definition of the General Assembly to include only Mayors and Council members or should we identify the COG General Assembly as all elected

officials in the County (includes school boards, national, state congressional representatives?)

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Seghini, to ask the Intergovernmental Relations subcommittee to meet and make recommendations to the COG. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS

2010-2016 Project Evaluation Concept Report List – Ben Wuthrich, WFRC

Ben reported that letters of intent were submitted by cities last fall for transportation projects. That list was reviewed and recommendations were given to the cities who then prepared a concept definition of the project. The list presented is to make sure mayors are aware of the projects that have been submitted and none are missing. (See handout)

Ben also presented a list of potential projects in the event there were more stimulus funds available. (See handout) These proposals for legislation would require that 40% of projects funded by the second stimulus package be under contract within 90 days.

Regional Vision Update/Socioeconomic Forecast – Ned Hacker/Scott Festin, WFRC

Ned indicated that the Wasatch Choices 2040 draft document has gone out for public comment and will be open for input until March 12, 2010. In 2005, the Wasatch Front Regional Council, led by 18 mayors and elected county officials, decided to precede the long range transportation plans with a visioning process called Wasatch Choices 2040. Different growth patterns and the transportation systems planned can help maintain quality of life. That vision continues to be refined in consultation with city and county planners, engineers and local elected officials. This comment period is open for discussion about how the regional transportation plan should develop. During the next 30 years, the Wasatch Front urban area of Weber, Davis and Salt Lake Counties will have a 70% increase in population. Morgan and Tooele counties will grow even higher. The Wasatch Front Regional Council's mission is to develop transportation plans that cost-effectively meet the mobility needs of these existing and future residents while enhancing the quality of life in the region.

During the past two and a half years there has been input from cities, staff, councils, planning directors and staff regarding the Growth principles. There have been two workshops with all city planners and they reviewed each city's General plan and helped develop the vision and the map as presented today. The Long Range Transportation plan is updated every four years. (handout on file)

Mr. Hacker asked for a resolution of support from COG regarding the draft vision.

Scott Festin, WFRC, reported that population forecasts were sent to city staff, asking for their feedback by February 12, 2010. The 2040 forecast is based on information from city staff, a

forecasting model at WFRC and is refined by the WFRC staff and then distributed. (handout on file)

SL County Water Source Protection Ordinance – Royal DeLegge/Ron Lund, SLVHD

Dr. DeLegge reported that the legislature has mandated that cities have an ordinance in place to protect groundwater sources of public drinking water. It also provides for the regulation of land uses within protection zones to prevent pollution.

All municipalities and counties are impacted. HB 40 was passed in 2008 and required that by May 30, 2010, the county had to have adopted an ordinance. It does not change zoning, but the county is encouraging cities to pass an ordinance with a public hearing which considers zoning impacts. The county's ordinance could be used as a model. (see handout)

Mayor Money stated that if a city uses culinary water for outside irrigation they must have a back flow preventer in the hose line. South Jordan is having difficulty enforcing this requirement. Businesses and new homes are in compliance, but older home owners are not aware of this issue.

PHYSICAL RESOURCES

WFRC Air Quality Report – Kip Billings, WFRC

Councilwoman Wilson had asked for an update from the WFRC Air Quality Committee. Kip Billings, WFRC, gave a brief report. He stated that Box Elder and Tooele counties have filed a lawsuit with EPA because they have been designated as a 'Non-attainment area'. Beginning in December, 2011, WFRC must demonstrate conformity for PM 2.5. This conformity test requires that future emissions not exceed 2005 or 2008 emissions. Current emissions modeling indicates that WFRC can pass this interim conformity test.

EPA has disapproved SL and Ogden City PM10 SIPs; until one is approved, WFRC will continue to use the same procedures as in recent years.

The EPA proposed ozone standard will be between 60-70 parts per billion (ppb). Final standards will be issued by EPA by August 31, 2010. At 60 ppb, 98% of the counties in the US with air quality monitors would be in violation, including several national parks: Grand Canyon, Mesa Verde, Great Basin, Yellowstone, Canyonland and Zion. The EPA is also proposing a secondary standard in a new form. Except for Yellowstone, all of the previously noted parks would also violate this new secondary standard.

EPA has released a new MOVES2010 model for estimating vehicle emissions. WFRC staff is still testing that model which was released December 23, 2009. The model requires more processing time and will impact scheduling transportation plans.

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Kip indicated WFRC is sending a response to the EPA asking for more realistic targets. The State must show how they are going to meet the Air Quality standards as transportation funding is impacted. We should consider individual polluters such as buildings and cars.

County Cooperative Plan – Elli Cosky, SL County

Elli reviewed the resolution that had been sent to COG members and outlined the changes that had been made.

Mayor Corroon made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Seghini, to approve the resolution as written. The motion passed with Mayor Johnson, West Jordan, in opposition.

OTHER

EQAC

COG needs to appoint someone to take the place of Mayor Crane who has been representing COG on the EQAC committee. This committee looks at environmental issues that impact cities and municipalities.

Mayor Money made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Smith, to appoint Councilwoman Wilson for the remainder of her term (10 months). The motion passed unanimously.

Jail Reimbursement

The County Council requested that the COG have a discussion about the jail reimbursement rate from the State for inmates in the County facility. Undersheriffs Carver and Cook stated that the state jail reimbursement rate has been cut back; it was already only 25-30% of the daily rate paid at the State prison.

The county has 270 inmates on a daily basis that are incarcerated ‘on condition of probation’, which means that they serve one day less than a year so the County has no control over them. Prisoners are placed in the County jail if the crime occurred in this county. Mr. Carver stated that even with opening the Oxbow jail, the county will have to turn prisoners away. The County is asking for support from the Mayors to talk to their legislators and ask them to maintain the present day level of funding, rather than a reduction. Salt Lake, Utah, Weber and Davis counties have passed a jail input ordinance which would cap what is provided for state prisoners.

Over \$5-7 million has been spent over the last several years in maintaining state prisoners. There is continued discussion about who really has jurisdiction over inmates. At present the state states that it will pay the county 50% of what the state rate is for paying for care of inmates if funds are available. In 2009, the state reduced the county pay rate to 40%. The county feels the state should pay at least half of what it costs to maintain prisoners at the state prison.

County options are to absorb the hit, turn prisoners away, take city prisoners only; or limit the number of days the prisoners are incarcerated. Prisoners are sent to the county jail because county programs are more accessible. Cities are competing with state prisoners for space in the county jail.

The County is asking for COG to show support of the county council in this decision. The County Council will send information to the COG members and ask for letters or resolutions of support from the cities.

Members of COG were reminded that the Utah League of Cities and Towns' policy committee meets weekly during the legislature and this issue could be brought up then. This issue should have the support of the Utah Association of Counties as well at the ULCT. Mayors Cullimore, Seghini and Councilman Anderson stated they would be willing to support the County Council in approaching the Executive Appropriations Committee.

Sen. Niederhauser is sponsoring SB 45, Fit Communities, which may impact landlords and attendance in the Good Landlord program. Cities may want to review the bill to see if they are impacted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mayor Cullimore reviewed the scheduled meetings on the agenda and made one change. The Conference of Mayors will meet in West Jordan on February 25th and South Jordan in April.

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Winder, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm.

PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Greg Schulz	SL Co	John Guldner	Alta
Dama Barbour	UTA	Royal DeLegge	SLVHD
Teresa Gray	SLVHD	Debra Riddle	Planning
Ron Lund	SLVHD	Randy Williams	SLVHD
Wilf Sommerkorn	SLC	Randy Fitts	Holladay
Nicole Martin	Herriman	Marian Hubbard	SL Co
Bob Thompson	SL Co	Mark Reid	Bluffdale
Chuck Chappell	WFRC	Justin Jones	UTA
Scott Festin	WFRC	Ned Hacker	WFRC
Ben Wuthrich	WFRC	Jim Winder	SL Co
Rollin Cook	SL Co	Parley Davis	SL Co
Rita Lund	Twنشp Rep	Kip Billings	WFRC