

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

May 6, 2010
County Government Center
2001 S State Street

MINUTES

WELCOME

Mayor Cullimore welcomed all and called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

Councilman Christensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Applegarth, to approve the minutes of April 1, 2010. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

CONSENT AGENDA & VOTE

- A. Corridor Preservation recommendations
 - 1. Application
 - 2. Application Process policy
 - 3. Prioritization Work Sheet
 - 4. Regionally Significant definition
- B. RTP Goals and Performance Measures
- C. RTP Alternatives Development and Phasing Criteria
- D. RTP 2040 Socio-Economic forecast
- E. WFRC vision

There was not a quorum present at the April meeting so the above topics were presented today for a vote without discussion. Councilman Christensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Seghini, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Christensen indicated that the Public Works Subcommittee would meet May 27th at 9:30 am to review the corridor preservation applications that were submitted though April 30.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Mayor Cullimore reviewed the revised Articles of Association which were presented in the March, 2010, COG meeting. 30 days are required for posting before a vote could take place. The basic changes involve the following:

1. Changing the date of COG election to January of each year.
2. The membership was defined to include alternates being designated to represent the existing members of COG. An elected official may vote and count toward a quorum, whereas an appointed city official may sit at the table, but not be able to vote to count towards the quorum. Alternate names should be given to Barbara. (Two per COG member, maximum)
3. The General Assembly invitees were defined more narrowly and the meeting schedule is more flexible.

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Seghini, to approve the recommended changes to the Articles of Association. The motion passed unanimously.

EQAC Appointment

Mayor Cullimore indicated that Councilwoman Jenny Wilson had been appointed to represent COG on the Environmental Quality Advisory Council. The Salt Lake County Council has since asked her to represent them on the same council. It was suggested that Mayor Corroon be appointed to the Advisory Council to represent COG, and if he is unable to attend, Kim Barnes, SL County staff could represent him. Mayor Seghini made the MOTION, seconded by Councilman Jensen, to appoint Mayor Corroon to the EQAC. The motion passed unanimously.

HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING

Children's Healthy Study Update – Dr. Edward Clark

Mayor Seghini introduced Dr. Edward Clark, Principle Investigator for the National Children's Health Study. The Children's Health Study is a 21 year study of the environmental impacts on children and families. Salt Lake County was selected as one of 7 vanguard sites in the United States. The field work began a year ago in April, 2009. There are presently 190 families in the study, with 53 children born into the program.

There are medical concerns about obesity, autism, asthma and today's children being less healthy than their parents. Dr. Clark reported there will be usable data from this study in the next two years. This summer the study will move into Cache County.

The study is using Federal funds which are considered sustainable. There will be \$3 million spent in SL County. The hope is to reduce the illness noted above by 3%. In the future it is estimated that we will save annually what is being spent now for the study.

Homeless Update/Goals and Accomplishments – Lloyd Pendleton, DCC, Kerry Steadman, SLCo

Mr. Pendleton reported that a Point in Time count of the homeless was taken in January and it showed that the night count was down 143 people from 2009. The chronic homeless count was down 10% from 2009. The homeless count in SL County is down 6.2% from 2009.

The count shows that the number of homeless families continues to rise. Statewide there are 15,126 homeless individuals; 47% of these are persons in families. This is up .07% from 2009. Family homeless have increased from 37.2% in 2007, to 42.8% in 2008 and 45.7% in 2009. \$9 million in stimulus funds are being used in a rapid re-housing program to help these families get back into homes. The homeless in Salt Lake County is .88% of the population. Statewide, Utah's homeless population is half that of the national average. (Detailed information is on file)

Housing for the homeless has a 15% turnover, some due to death. There is now a 30% employment rate; 70% of these housed can now qualify for other forms of income such as Social Security, VA funds, etc.

Kelly Benson Apartments for chronically homeless seniors is now open and has 11 residents. They estimate it will be full by the end of this summer.

Kerry Steadman presented the goals of the Long Range Planning Committee for the Chronically Homeless. The committee has a 10 year plan to end homelessness. The committee updates their goals yearly rather than present the entire plan to the COG. The goals are on file. One of the most significant accomplishments is the plan for and continuance of developing affordable housing. They also have a data system which gathers information on services offered, clients served, costs incurred or avoided and progress made in serving the homeless.

PUBLIC SAFETY

SL Valley Homeland Security Grant Council Update – Jeff Gravier, SL County

Mr. Gravier reported that the Grant Council has 13 members from the Council of Governments, the remaining 11 come from special district appointments, health department appointments and public safety agencies (Membership list on file).

Mr. Gravier introduced the leadership of the Homeland Security Grant Council and reported there are two areas of funding: Urban Area Security and State Homeland Security Grants. There is about \$650,000 to \$1 million to protect critical infrastructure as well as first responders. The subcommittees of this Council have followed national homeland security priorities. In 2008, a \$291,000 Homeland Security grant was used for planning initiatives which involved taking all city emergency plans and unifying them. They then created a process for cities to respond to a disaster and utilize neighboring communities.

Mr. Gravier indicated the Council continues to complete the unifying of all city plans. There still needs to be an assessment done. He estimated the County plan should be done by June 30, 2010. In 2009, there was a grant of \$678,000 split among communities to provided 72 hour kits for first responders. The rest of the funds went for community sustainment projects (i.e. maintaining equipment, measuring chemicals or certifications)

In 2010, the Council received \$948,000 which was divided among cities in order to become compliant with regard to using the National Incident Management System. Cities are to report

information into this system in order to receive future funds. The remaining \$352,000 was for cities throughout the valley to use in areas such as the following:

- Water supply in the event of an earthquake, so portable water trailers were purchased
- Upgrading the reverse 911 capability at VECC through improved software
- Provide water and food caches for fire department first responders
- Recovery planning after catastrophe (housing, work force, etc)

The 2011 Phase II of the grant begins the training and exercise portion of planning done in Phase I. This training will be done with local officials. A time will be determined at the August COG meeting.

In 2012 there will be a Tier 3 earthquake exercise to test the valley's emergency response capabilities. Some of the areas tested will include responders, EOC, communication, community response, mass casualties and rubble care. This will take place March 26-28, 2012.

Councilman Christensen indicated the secondary schools should be included as shelters in the planning process. Mr. Graviet stated that the school districts are involved on the Council. West Jordan stated that their fire department representative on the Council has retired and the COG should appoint someone else.

Mr. Graviet asked if COG members were comfortable with the spending balance. The Council will provide a yearly report for ratification of their funding. When questioned about involvement of the Metropolitan Police and the Unified Fire departments, it was noted that they will participate as members of the Operations subcommittee of the Council.

PHYSICAL RESOURCES

Jordan River Commission / Inter-local Agreement – Gabe Epperson, Envision Utah

Gabe reported that Envision Utah is proposing a Jordan River Inter-Local Commission with a full time staff of two people. The Commission is suggesting a funding need of \$200,000. This would aid in purchase of lands, boat launches, and protect wetlands. The Commission will be a resource to bring funds into communities that border the Jordan River. This Commission is modeled after the Utah Lake Commission (see handout on file)

The funding is based on a formula considering city land, river frontage and population. The distribution would be established in the Inter-local agreement.

Several issues were noted: 1) zoning implications 2) allowing the Commission to bond 3) this is another layer of government 4) ex-officio members

Gabe stated that this Commission has no political power, but will function via consensus voting. The group is still working with cities to clarify the inter-local agreement. All comments should be forwarded to Gabe. Any commonalities could come back to the COG, if needed.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Mayor Cullimore reviewed the announcements listed on the agenda:

May 7: AMC - noon, Murray City Hall

May 11: Long Range Planning Committee for Chronically Homeless – 12:30 Murray

May 17: Water Suppliers Meeting, 10 am, WFRC

May 20: RGC – 9:30 am, WFRC

May 20: Air Quality – 11 am, WFRC

May 27: Conference of Mayors - 11:30 am, SL County

May 27: WFRC - 2 pm WFRC

Mayor Winder made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Smith, to adjourn. It passed unanimously.

PRESENT

Bryant Anderson	Sandy	Corey Rushton	WVC
Mayor William Applegarth	Riverton	Mayor JoAnn Seghini	Midvale
Mayor Ralph Becker (Exc)	SLC	Mayor Darrell Smith	Draper
Carlton Christensen	SLC	Mayor Dan Snarr	Murray
Mayor Peter Corroon (Exc)	SL County	Ben Southworth	WJ
Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore	Ctnwd Hts	Mayor Derk Timothy	Bluffdale
Mayor Tom Dolan	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 (Exc)	So SL
Mayor Kent Money (Exc)	South Jordan	Mayor Mike Winder	WVC
Mayor Tom Pollard	Alta	Barbara Thomas	Staff

OTHERS PRESENT

Greg Schulz	SL County	Dale Carpenter	SL Co
Rita Lund	SL County	Parley Davis	SL County
Sally Jacobsen	Co Council	Ryan Perry	Co Council
Jeff King	JVWCD	Warren James	Midvale Fire
Jeff Gravier	SL County	Tina Giles	Herriman
Nicole Martin	Herriman	Brett Wood	Herriman
Mark Reid	Bluffdale	John Hiskey	Sandy
Liane Stillman	Ctnwd Hts	Randy Fitts	Holladay
Pam Silberman	U of U	Bill Barnes	PCMC
Gary Whatcott	SJ	Chuck Chappell	WFRC
Jan Wells	Murray	Gabe Epperson	Envision