

Salt Lake County Council of Governments

AN ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN SALT LAKE COUNTY, UTAH

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SL County Government Center
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2 pm

MINUTES

WELCOME

Mayor Wall welcomed all to the Council of Governments meeting. He expressed appreciation to John Freeman of the DABC for hosting today's meeting. Mr. Freeman invited all to stay after the meeting for a tour of the Alcohol and Beverage Control warehouse. He also introduced Bob Springmeyer, consultant to the DABC, who gave some basic information about the DABC and answered questions.

Cottonwood Heights has the highest performing liquor store. Holladay and Murray stores have increased sales right now because Cottonwood Height's store is under construction. 2000 to 2009 sales tax is up by 94% while population increase was only 25% during the same time frame. DUI's are up 9%, but liquor law violations are down.

Largest sales item: Jagermeister at \$4.2 million; Jack Daniels at \$4 million and Ice House Beer at \$1 million. Overall beer sales are down while flavored malt and wine sales are up as well as local beers.

State liquor sales have resulted in \$28 million going to the school lunch program, \$15 million in sales tax to cities, \$16 just to Cottonwood Heights this past year. The smallest store is the Park City Swede Alley store with sales at \$1.3 million, but a net profit of \$250,000.

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Mayor Pollard made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Seghini, to approve the minutes of June 2, 2011, as written. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING – Mayor Seghini

Homeless Services for Youth, Kathy Bray, Exec. Director, Volunteers of America

Mayor Seghini spoke of the concerns noted for homeless youth who age out of foster care. They don't go to adult shelters. There is a small youth drop in center but it has no over-night facilities.

Kathy reported that the Volunteers of America did a study and now has three recommendations to help:

1. Prevent youth from becoming homeless by working with DHS to help keep foster kids from becoming homeless with a stronger safety net such as the Drop-In Center. (25% have aged out of the system) The LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual and Questioning) group was 42% of the group surveyed. They are being provided with education.

The Employment and Housing Plan that the VOA has will focus on a transition home for homeless males. There is presently a transition home for 7 girls. VOA has received a HUD grant of \$833,000 to acquire, rehabilitate and open a transition home for 14 young men between the ages of 18 and 24 years. This grant and other resources total to more than \$1 million to support the project. The hope is to open in the summer of 2012.

2. The VOA will need a capital campaign. They need about \$250,000 more. They have done a survey to determine their growing needs which includes a new drop in Center (they presently serve 50-60 youth a day). They will partner with Employment Services on site as well as help with housing. They want about 20,000 square feet which will include an emergency shelter.
3. VOA is looking to expand their detoxification services. They presently have 56 beds and will be adding more in the next year or so.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Councilman Anderson

State Fireworks Statute – Brent Halladay, State Fire Marshall, Chief Del Craig, Taylorsville PD

Brent spoke about the new fireworks ordinance which now lists ‘cake’ fireworks as legal. All other illegal fireworks are still illegal. Cakes go straight up and down. The estimate is that the sale of fireworks doubled from last year which was a business of about \$12 million.

The new ordinance allows purchase of fireworks from June 26 to July 26. His concern is that this time frame is too long. The noise was more than expected as well as being later in the evening than anticipated.

Chief Craig said their number one complaint was the length of time people could use fireworks. He felt the complaints were double this year over last year. They also had complaints about after hour’s noise as well as debris falling from the fireworks.

Both men indicated the agencies were lucky because it has been a wet year. The police chiefs will be meeting throughout the state to review the complaints received.. Overall injuries due to fireworks are down, but the most injuries come from sparklers. Their recommendation is that the ordinance be changed to 14 days sale of fireworks. It was suggested perhaps hours could be limited to 11 am to 11 pm.

Rep. Dunnigan, sponsor of the legislation that allows the ‘cakes’ has indicated he would be willing to look at revising the ordinance if there were problems.

It was mentioned that air quality could be impacted by the amount of fireworks discharged.

It was the consensus of the group that we send a letter to Rep. Dunnigan showing support of the fire and police chiefs in re-vamping the fireworks ordinance. Mr. Halladay was asked to draft the letter and send it to Barbara. It was also suggested this could be a topic at the annual legislative luncheon in December.

Barbara was asked to get air quality monitoring results from the month of July.

HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING – Mayor Seghini

Commit to be Fit – Terri Sory, SL Co Healthy Lifestyles Program

Terri indicated this was a follow up visit with information about the Commit to be Fit program within the County. Cities were asked to put the link on their city websites to encourage their citizens to sign up. The county goal is to be the fittest county in the nation. They have banners available to put in city halls which are also in Spanish. Cities were encouraged to develop competitions between neighboring cities. **www.slfit.org**

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS – Mayor Wall

Mayor Wall indicated he had asked Janice Auger Rasmussen, chair of the SL County Redistricting Commission, to give a brief report to the COG. She reported that the commission has developed three maps to present to the County Council on August 30:

Map 1 changes the political boundaries very little but does equalize the number of residents in each district. No council members are displaced.

Map 2 focuses on communities of interest being lumped together, but one council member is out of his present district.

Map 3 is the most compact of the maps, but once council member is out of his present district.

The software being used is available for residents to access and draw their own proposals:

<https://slco-redistricting.esri.com/districting/districting.html>

Mayor Wall has been serving as the COG representative to the SL Valley Board of Health. He has completed a two year term and has time commitments that make it difficult to meet with this group. After surveying the COG, Mayor Timothy has indicated he would be willing to serve as the COG representative.

Mayor Cullimore made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Applegarth, to submit Mayor Derk Timothy to the County Mayor's office for Council ratification. The motion was unanimous. The letter has been sent as of the writing of these minutes.

The date of the Annual General Assembly was decided on **Monday, November 14, 2011 at 6:30 in Taylorsville.**

Mayor Wall reviewed the calendar of meetings listed on the agenda.

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Smith, to adjourn the meeting. It was unanimous. Several of the attendees went on the tour of the DABC warehouse.

PRESENT

Bryant Anderson (Exc)	Sandy	Corey Rushton	WVC
Mayor William Applegarth	Riverton	Mayor JoAnn Seghini	Midvale
Mayor Ralph Becker (Exc)	SLC	Mayor Darrel 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	Taylorsville
Michael Jensen	SL County	Cnclwmn Pat Pignanelli	Holladay
Mayor Melissa Johnson (Exc)	WJ	Cnclmn Randy Horiuchi (Exc)	SL County
Mayor Josh Mills	Herriman	Irvin Jones	So SL
Cnclwmn Kathy Johnson	SJ	Cnclmn Don Christensen	WVC
Mayor Tom Pollard	Alta	Barbara Thomas	Staff

OTHERS PRESENT

Janice Jardine	SLC Cncl	Nicole Christensen	Rep. Matheson
Kimberly Bennett	SLCo Mayor	John Hiskey	Sandy City
Gary Whatcott	SJ	Nicole Martin	Herriman
Zachery Fountain	Murray	Kathy Bray	VOA
Rob Wall	SJ	Randy Fitts	Holladay
Brent Halladay	State Fire	Del Craig	Taylorsville Police
Chuck Gates	ULCT/UTA	Gary Edwards	SLV Health Dept
Rita Lund	SL Co	Christopher Strong	WFRC Intern
Terri Sory	SLVHD		

Alta – Bluffdale – Cottonwood Heights – Draper – Herriman – Holladay – Midvale – Murray – Riverton – Salt Lake City
Salt Lake County – Sandy – South Jordan – South Salt Lake City – Taylorsville – West Jordan – West Valley City

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