

# SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

June 5, 2014

2 pm

Salt Lake County Government Center

## Approved Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Timothy and introductions were made.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Jensen made the MOTION, seconded by Mayor Dahle, to approve the minutes of May 1, 2014 as written. The vote in favor was unanimous.

### CITIZEN COMMENT

There was none.

### BOARD APPOINTMENTS

#### Board of Health

Mayor Timothy explained that his appointment to the Salt Lake County Board of Health would expire at the end of June and asked if any of the COG members would be interested in serving in the upcoming term.

Mayor Seghini mentioned that it was a very worthwhile committee to serve on if one had the time.

Mayor Dahle volunteered to serve. There were no other volunteers.

Chairman Timothy said that we would need to ratify the appointment at the August COG meeting because the issue had not been placed on the Agenda and properly noticed.

### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

#### Economic Development District Board

Chairman Timothy then turned the time over to Mayor Cullimore as Chairman of the Public Works Committee who noted that another representative was needed to sit on the Economic Development District Board. Mayor Cullimore introduced Carlton Christensen who said that there was one more spot open on the Board and it was felt that it should be a government representative from Salt Lake County.

Mayor Cullimore noted that this is not a COG appointment and that the decision would be made by the District Board. Mayor Applegarth said that he would be interested. Mr. Christensen said that he would take Mayor Applegarth's name back to the Board.

### Corridor Preservation Funding

Mayor Cullimore mentioned that an additional \$15,000 would be needed from the Corridor Preservation Fund for administrative purposes.

Mayor Applegarth moved for approval of the appropriation and Mayor Jensen seconded the motion. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Mayor Cullimore noted that the previous allocation of corridor preservation funds had been approved by the County Council. He also said that the next round of applications would probably be moved up to September 1<sup>st</sup> to accommodate a prioritization process.

### Car Share

Mayor Cullimore introduced Jan Maynard from UTA who was present to discuss the Car Share program sponsored by UTA. UTA is in partnership with the University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah Valley University and Enterprise Rent-a-Car. Enterprise administers the program. The program allows patrons to rent cars by the hour. This facilitates transit usage by giving users first and last mile options for their trip origins and destinations. There is 24 hour access using a smart phone or a tablet. There are presently 30 cars available with Salt Lake City being the northern extent of the program. There are similar programs in Washington, D.C., Houston and Denver.

The Car Share program was launched in November 2013 and currently has 800 members who can rent cars for 3 ½ hours at a time. Mayor Anderson asked what the hourly rate for a rental is. Mr. Maynard replied that the current rate for a small car is \$8.00 per hour and \$14 per hour for a pick-up truck. There is a late fee. Membership is free.

Councilman Stoker asked, "Does the car have to be returned to its' original station? The answer is yes.

### Additional Economic Development Board Discussion and Motion

Carlton Christensen mentioned that he needed an alternate for himself on the Economic Development District Board. He recommended Christina Oliver. Councilman Jensen made the motion to approve Ms. Oliver as the alternate for Mr. Christensen. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rappleye. Mayor Cullimore called for the vote. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

### Emergency Dispatch Consolidation

Chairman Timothy introduced John Morgan who as the Valley Emergency Communications Center Executive Director is spearheading the effort to consolidate the Salt Lake Valley dispatch centers. Mr. Morgan noted that they began this process in February 2014 by looking for a consultant to prepare a request for proposal (RFP) to help in this effort and to solicit proposals from computer aided dispatch (CAD) vendors.

Funding that had been going to the Poison Control Center will help pay for the common CAD system. It could amount to several million dollars. Salt Lake County has also pledged some funds. The Salt Lake Valley emergency dispatch agencies would only be eligible for the funding if they entered into a contract to have a common CAD system.

The time period for the preparation of the consultant contract has been extended. The attorneys are working on the language to finish it before the end of June.

The consultant will look at potential costs. Upon completion of that task, the consultant will assist the parties to solicit bids from vendors and look at implementation strategies and possible challenges.

Mayor Cullimore commented that the VECC Board was the first committee he was asked to serve on when he was elected ten years ago. He then asked if the goal of the bill passed by the Legislature was to get everyone in the State on the same system. Mr. Morgan replied that the goal is to have state wide interoperability. Mayor Cullimore then said in order to achieve that, one group of users must convert to the other system or vice versa. The report from the consultant will, therefore, frame the two options and the advantages and disadvantages of each.

Mayor Cullimore then asked if there was a third option somewhere that would allow us to obtain the interoperability we desire without one side or the other being forced to change operating systems. Mr. Morgan said we presently achieve that through a software bridge between the two systems which works "relatively well at some level" but could be improved.

Mayor McAdams commented that he did not believe that Rep. Dee's bill was an attempt to force us all onto one system. Rather, he is seeking interoperability.

Mayor Cullimore noted that there has been confusion in emergency responses when a cell phone call from Cottonwood Heights hits a Sandy City cell tower.

Mayor Applegarth said that he is happy that we have a June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline because the software bridges are not as effective as they should be. "We are risking lives because we cannot agree."

Mayor Timothy stated that if we are not willing to take the recommendation of the consultant, then why have one?

Mayor Cullimore recalled that Cottonwood Heights has been the only city to have used both systems. His Police Chief prefers Versaterm but says that Spillman is not that far behind. He would be happy with either system.

Councilman Jensen said that in the 25 years of existence of VECC, this is the closest we have ever been to solving this problem.

Mayor Applegarth asked if he (Councilman Jensen) had a time frame. Councilman Jensen replied that we (VECC) would like it sooner rather than later and either system would work for them.

Mr. Morgan said that the money from the State had a time limitation and that Weber County was also trying for some of the money. He emphasized that "Timing is of the essence."

Mayor Bigelow asked if the issue was about jurisdictions or software. Mr. Morgan replied that, "We will always be transferring calls. It is the software that facilitates that."

Mayor Bigelow further asked, "If we spend the money, will we be saving lives? Should we have a separate system for police and fire agencies?" Mr. Morgan responded that the RFP was being written for both the fire and police agencies. Mayor McAdams said he "has never talked to a public safety professional who has said that we would not be better off with a unified system." He further said that we would save money from a unified system.

Mayor Bigelow wondered whether there is additional work being done on procedures. Mr. Morgan said that he was working on standard operating procedures for VECC and his counterpart with Salt Lake City was doing the same.

Chairman Timothy asked if the entities are being made whole financially, what is the drawback? Mr. Morgan replied that training cost and system familiarity would still be issues. Mayor McAdams noted that the County has offered to cover those costs.

Chairman Timothy asked "When can we expect the next action?" Mr. Morgan answered that the two parties need to execute the agreement and put it into action. June 30<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to have the agreement in place. The parties will then jointly issue the RFP to select a consultant who will then, in turn, evaluate the vendor proposals. There will be representatives from each dispatch center to evaluate the bids with the consultant's assistance.

Lynn Pace from Salt Lake City said the real issue is what is the fully loaded cost? The assumption is that both sides would help with the costs. How will those costs be divided? He said we are not there yet on answering those questions, but we are getting close and that this year is the window of opportunity.

Mayor Dahle emphasized that if it is not done this year then funding will go away.

Mayor Cullimore noted that, "If the consultant can help us identify costs, it will help us make a decision."

## **PHYSICAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

### Local Planning Resource Program

Mayor Applegarth introduced the topic and noted that the Local Planning Resource Program (LPRP) has started out as a very favorable program to help cities with their planning and zoning needs. Carlton Christensen mentioned that the County had discussed this issue with the Wasatch Front Regional Council as the program sponsor and had decided to participate financially with them.

Mayor Applegarth then introduced Ted Knowlton, Deputy Director for the Wasatch Front Regional Council. Mr. Knowlton expressed the pleasure of the Regional Council with Salt Lake County's participation in the program. He then gave a brief presentation on the LPRP and noted that eight cities in Salt Lake County are award recipients from the Program.

The eight recipient cities in Salt Lake County are: Draper, Holladay, Cottonwood Heights, Millcreek Township, Riverton, South Salt Lake, Salt Lake City, and West Jordan.

Mr. Knowlton briefly described each of the grants and their individual purposes and grant amounts. Mr. Knowlton then invited the Mayors and/or City Councilman present from those cities to comment on their individual grant funded projects. He then noted that there will probably be a second year for this program.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### Board Appointments

Mayor Seghini stated that an alternate member was needed to Trans Com. Mayor Dahle agreed to be that representative.

Jeremy Keele from Salt Lake County noted that the Legislators were being invited to attend the next Council of Mayors meeting in Draper. He asked the mayors to call their individual legislators and encourage them to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:33 PM.

## **COG MEMBERS PRESENT**

Bluffdale	Mayor Timothy	Salt Lake County	Councilman Jensen
Cottonwood Hts.	Mayor Cullimore	Salt Lake County	Mayor McAdams
Draper	Councilman Rappleye	Sandy	Kris Nicholl
Holladay	Mayor Dahle	Taylorville	Mayor Johnson
Midvale	Mayor Seghini	West Jordan	Mayor Rolfe
Murray	Mayor Eyre	West Jordan	Councilman Stoker
Riverton	Mayor Applegarth	West Valley	Mayor Bigelow
Salt Lake City	Councilman LaMalfa	Staff	Sam Klemm

**OTHER PERSONS PRESENT**

Jamie Clark	Enterprise Car Share	David Dobbins	Draper City
Nicole Martin	Sandy City	Ted Knowton	WFRC
Gary Whatcott	South Jordan City	Justin Miller	Salt Lake County
John Inch Morgan	VECC	Paula Melgar	South Salt Lake City
Lynn Pace	Salt Lake City	Dama Barbour	Taylorsville
Jeff Gravier	Salt Lake County	Carlton Christensen	Salt Lake County
Jan Maynard	UTA		