

**Board Appointment: Community Development Advisory Committee
J. Shawn Foster**

INTRODUCTION:

Mayor Anderson is recommending that J. Shawn Foster, resident of District 5 be appointed to the Community Development Advisory Committee. If elected, Mr. Foster would serve a term extending through July 6, 2009 and will be replacing Jim Fisher whose term has expired. Mr. Fisher who is now the Liberty Wells Community Chair has recommended Mr. Foster for his replacement along with Council Member Jill Love.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

J. Shawn Foster works as an attorney for the Law Offices of J. Shawn Foster and he believes that Community Development Block Grant's are a benefit to communities and enhances the quality of life.

RESPONSE DEADLINE:

If you have any objections to this appointment, please let Vicki know by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 5, 2006.

CURRENT COMPOSITION:

The Salt Lake City Code requires at least one member to be appointed from each Council district. The Code states that "although members of the committee serve only in an advisory role, their involvement is necessary in order to obtain the opinions of those people who live and work in various neighborhoods to aid the city in identifying the needs within those areas, and projects to be completed with the city's community development funds."

Current members are: Robert "Toby" Alires, District 2; Ronald Lee Bartee, District 7; Joana "Joey" Behrens, District 1; Michael Bettin, District 4; Elmer Bullock, District 2; Arturo Gamonal, District 6; Ellie Muth, District 3, Samuel Straight, District 7; Gregory J. Valdez, District 7.

BOARD STRUCTURE:

CDAC, which can have a maximum of fifteen members, provides citizens an opportunity to participate in the City's planning and assessment of its community development program. CDAC makes recommendations to the Mayor regarding projects that should be completed with Community Development Block Grant funds, evaluates the effectiveness of CDBG program activities, and assures that CDBG goals are consistent with the housing assistance goals of the City.