

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH
WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2010

The City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, met in a Work Session on Tuesday, June 1, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 326, City Council Office, City County Building, 451 South State Street.

In Attendance: Council Members Carlton Christensen, Van Turner, Stan Penfold, Luke Garrott, Jill Remington Love, JT Martin and Søren Simonsen.

Also in Attendance: Cindy Gust-Jenson, Executive Council Director; Mayor Ralph Becker; David Everitt, Mayor's Chief of Staff; Jennifer Bruno, Council Deputy Director/Senior Legislative Auditor; Karen Halladay, Policy Analyst; Sylvia Richards, Policy Analyst/Constituent Liaison; Lehua Weaver, Policy Analyst/Constituent Liaison; Janice Jardine, Council Land Use Policy Analyst; Edwin Rutan, City Attorney; Lynn Pace, Deputy City Attorney; Frank Gray, Community and Economic Development Director; Mary De La Mare-Schaefer, Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development; John Naser, Deputy City Engineer; Dan Mulé, City Treasurer; Tim Harpst, Transportation Director; Gordon Hoskins, Chief Financial Officer; Nancy Boskoff, Arts Council Director; Kim Thomas, YouthCity; Justice Court Presiding Judge Virginia Ward; Bill Haight, Director of Information Management Services; Kim Edman, IMS Accounting and Budget Analyst and Chris Meeker, City Recorder.

Councilmember Martin presided at and conducted the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 2:07 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS

#1. [2:07:37 PM](#) RECEIVE A BRIEFING ON COLLECTIONS STRATEGIES, AND WILL ALSO HOLD A POLICY DISCUSSION. THE FOLLOWING GROUPS/INDIVIDUALS WILL PARTICIPATE:

Mr. Everitt said the Utah State Legislature had made changes to the way Justice Courts operate and in the way Judges were selected and retained. He said the justice process was not influenced by revenue considerations.

- a. [2:10:12 PM](#) The administration will brief the Council on current status of citywide collection efforts, potential areas of improvement and recommendations.**

Gordon Hoskins and **Mary Beth Thompson** briefed the Council with a power point presentation. Mr. Hoskins said the City had a total of approximately \$17 million dollars in receivables. [View Attachments](#)

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- b. [2:59:18 PM](#) Jim Lehman from the office of Court Administration/Collection Division will brief the Council on the Texas State Court System's Collection Improvement Program.
- c. [3:40:56 PM](#) Tom Norton from Ogden City will brief the Council on Ogden's collection programs.
- d. [4:06:48 PM](#) Gold Cross Ambulance staff will discuss their collection program strategies.

#2. [4:22:09 PM](#) RECEIVE A BRIEFING REGARDING THE MAYOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR JUSTICE COURT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011. [View Attachments](#)

Presiding Judge Virginia Ward, Mary Johnston and Sylvia Richards briefed the Council with the attached handout. Ms. Ward said a City jail would help enforcement.

#3. [5:17:43 PM](#) RECEIVE A BRIEFING REGARDING THE MAYOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET RELATING TO THE INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SERVICES (IMS) DEPARTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011. [View Attachments](#)

Bill Haight, Kim Edman and Sylvia Richards briefed the Council with the attached handout. Ms. Richards said the Department of Information Management Services was an internal service fund that provided citywide computer and network service, maintenance, software development, telephone service and repair. She said for fiscal year 2011 the proposal was for a decrease of 1.5% and the proposed revenue budget would decrease by 6.4%.

#4. [5:32:49 PM](#) [9:08:09 PM](#) THE COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS UNRESOLVED ISSUES IN RELATION TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 BUDGET. [View Attachments](#)

Jennifer Bruno, Sylvia Richards, Karen Halladay, Scott Freitag, Frank Gray, Rick Graham, Nancy Boskoff, David Everitt, Kim Thomas and Lehua Weaver briefed the Council with the attached handout. Ms. Bruno said the Administration had submitted a proposal with some changes. She said the first item in the revenue was the **Emergency Services Double Taxation on Property Tax with the Unified Fire Authority**. She asked if the Council wanted to keep the item in the budget. All members were in favor of keeping it in.

Ms. Bruno said the second item was **Public Facility Parking Taxes**. She asked if the Council wanted to recognize the additional collections revenue and expenditures. All members were in favor of the recommendation from the Administration. Councilmember Simonsen said he wanted to review it again with regard to staffing positions.

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Ms. Bruno said **Item 5** was the **charge for fire false alarms**. A straw poll was taken to explore a registration fee and charge a false alarm fee. Council Members Christensen and Turner were opposed and Council Members Simonsen, Love, Martin, Penfold and Garrott were in support.

Ms. Bruno said **Item 6** was to reimburse the **General Fund for Airport Fire services**. All Council Members were in favor of keeping this in the budget.

Ms. Bruno said **Item 7** was **snow removal fines**. All Council Members were in favor of keeping this in the budget.

Ms. Bruno said **Item 8** was **permit fees for fences and accessory structures**. All Council Members were in favor of keeping this in the budget.

Ms. Bruno said **Item 11** was a **transfer from Insurance and Risk Management for Government Immunity Funds for the Streets Response Team**. All Council Members were in favor of talking about the issue at a later date.

Ms. Bruno said the first **expense item was the restoration of the 1.5% salary suspension Citywide**. All Council Members were in favor of restoring the salary suspension except Councilmember Simonsen who wanted to clear up County charges for the emergency services double taxation on property tax with the Unified Fire Authority and Public Facility parking taxes first.

Ms. Bruno said **Item 13** was to **restore merits for non-topped out union employees**. All Council Members were in favor.

Ms. Bruno said **Items 14 through 16** related to **career ladder adjustment for the Attorney's Office and Police Department**. All Council Members were in favor of keeping this in the budget.

Ms. Bruno said **Items 17 through 23** related to permit **outsourcing reduction and eliminating an FTE**. All Council Members were in favor of eliminating the Fire Protection Engineer position.

Ms. Bruno asked the Council to straw poll **Items 20 through 23, Permit Counter Service improvement of a Public Utilities Engineer if necessary**. All Council Members were in favor.

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Ms. Bruno asked the Council to straw poll **the one-time user friendly documentation and template funding for approximately \$62,000.** All Council Members were in favor.

9:08:24 PM Ms. Bruno asked the Council to straw poll **Item 24, funding for Master Plans and Small Area plan updates.** Councilmember Penfold asked Mr. Gray if they had looked at the costs associated with accelerating this with additional staff or consulting. Mr. Gray said he could bring that information back to the Council. All Council Members were opposed to funding at this time.

Ms. Bruno asked the Council to straw poll **Item 25, reconfiguring of Capital Asset Management (CAM) a and b, eliminate CAM Director position, Senior Administration Analyst position and add a Deputy Director position in HAND.** All Council Members were in favor.

The Council took a straw poll regarding **restoring the Real Property Agent position.** All Council Members were in favor of gathering more information.

Ms. Bruno asked the Council to straw poll **one-time funding for Neighborhood Business Grant Program.** All Council Members were in favor gathering more information.

Ms. Bruno asked the Council to straw poll **Collection Staffing.** All Council Members were in favor.

Ms. Bruno said **Items 29 through 35** were **Green House related.** Councilmember Martin asked Mr. Graham to prioritize what gardens would be the most costly to bring back. Mr. Graham said the largest and most expensive to bring back would be the Peace Gardens. Councilmember Penfold proposed the adoption of Plan B and the restoration of \$120,000 to the water budget. Councilmember Martin said the Sugar House Monument, Washington Square and the Peace Gardens should be maintained and were priority.

10:19:36 PM Ms. Bruno said the administration was proposing restoration of \$157,596 for **Item 36, the Streets Response Team,** which would then only respond during critical hours. She asked the Council to straw poll two FTE's and critical hours only. All Council Members were in favor. Council Members Penfold and Garrrt were also in favor of funding with one-time money. Mr. Graham said he would do a time study for the amount of call numbers each department got and report back to the Council.

10:32:42 PM Ms. Bruno said **Items 38 thru 45, Global Artways,** the Administration proposed adding funding back into the program for a

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total of \$134,930 of on-going money and \$27,474 for one time money. Councilmember Simonsen suggested maintaining funding through the rest of the year and setting aside funding for a new program or continue the existing program. Councilmember Love suggested funding half the year through December and giving six months to find partners and get organized, with the idea that in January if Global Artways was not self sufficient the Council would grant money from a budget opening. Councilmember Christensen suggested following the Administration's proposal with the caveat that they could come back to Council for funding.

Councilmember Martin asked the Council to straw poll the Administration's proposal with the addition of \$200,000. All Council Members were opposed except Councilmember Simonsen who was in favor.

Councilmember Martin asked the Council to straw poll the Administration's proposal, to eventually dissolve Global Artways program, allow current programming to continue through August, and allocate \$150,000 in grant funding at that time and fund a full time position to work with programming and the Imagination Celebration under the Arts Council. All Council Members were in favor except Council Members Garrott and Simonsen who were in opposition.

#5. RECEIVE AN UPDATE REGARDING THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT STATEMENT FROM LAST FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010, INTERIM STUDY ITEMS AND DISCUSS POSSIBLE LEGISLATIVE INTENT STATEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011.

This issue was not discussed.

#6. RECEIVE A BRIEFING REGARDING THE MAYOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET RELATING TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011.

This issue was not discussed.

#7. CONSIDER A MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE § 52-4-205 (1)(b); FOR THE PURPOSE OF STRATEGY SESSION TO DISCUSS THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY (INCLUDING ANY FORM OF WATER RIGHT OR WATER SHARES) WHEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF THE TRANSACTION WOULD DISCLOSE THE APPRAISAL OR ESTIMATED VALUE OF THE PROPERTY UNDER CONSIDERATION OF PREVENT THE CITY FROM COMPLETING THE TRANSACTION OR THE BEST POSSIBLE TERMS, PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE ANN. §52-4-205(1)(d), STRATEGY SESSIONS TO DISCUSS PENDING REASONABLY IMMINENT LITIGATION, PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE ANN. §52-4-205(1)(c); FOR THE PURPOSE OF STRATEGY SESSIONS TO DISCUSS THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY (INCLUDING ANY FORM OF WATER RIGHT OR WATER SHARES) IF (1) PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF THE TRANSACTION WOULD

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DISCLOSE THE APPRAISAL OR ESTIMATED VALUE OF THE PROPERTY UNDER CONSIDERATION OR PREVENT THE CITY FROM COMPLETING THE TRANSACTION ON THE BEST POSSIBLE TERMS, (2) THE CITY PREVIOUSLY GAVE NOTICE THAT THE PROPERTY WOULD BE OFFERED FOR SALE, AND (3) THE TERMS OF THE SALE ARE PUBLICLY DISCLOSED BEFORE THE CITY APPROVES THE SALE; AND FOR ATTORNEY-CLIENT MATTERS THAT ARE PRIVILEGED, PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE §78B-1-137.

This issue was not discussed.

#8. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, INCLUDING A REVIEW OF COUNCIL INFORMATION ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

See File M 10-5 for announcements.

The meeting adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

Council Chair

City Recorder

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