

**MURRAY CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Work Session Minutes of Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Murray City Hall, 10 East 4800 South, Poplar Meeting Room, Murray, Utah 84107

Attendance:

Council Members:

Paul Pickett	District #1
Pam Cotter	District #2 – Council Chair
Rosalba Dominguez	District #3
Diane Turner	District #4
Adam Hock	District #5 – Council Vice-Chair

Others:

Brett Hales	Mayor	Jennifer Kennedy	Council Executive Director
Kim Sorensen	Parks & Recreation Director	Crystal Brown	Council Administration
Brenda Moore	Finance Director	Matt Youngs	Assistant Power Director
Greg Bellon	Power Director	Joey Mittelman	Fire Chief
Brooke Smith	City Recorder	Craig Burnett	Police Chief
Steve Roberson	Fire Department	Phil Markham	CED Director
Camron Kollman	IT	Citizens	

Conducting: Council Chair Ms. Cotter called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Committee of the Whole – April 2, 2024

Ms. Turner moved to approve, and Mr. Hock seconded the motion. All in favor 5-0.

Discussion Items:

- **Prepayment for Red Mesa Solar.** Power Director Greg Bellon explained that Murray Power would like to enter into a prepayment plan with UAMPS (Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems) for the purchase of solar energy from Red Mesa Solar. Murray Power would still honor its existing purchase agreement with Red Mesa and receive five megawatts of solar generation, but UAMPS would issue a 30-year tax-exempt bond to purchase solar energy at a reduced rate. UAMPS would assign existing gas or electricity purchase agreements into the prepay transaction and a discount would be applied to contract prices under these new agreements. The prepayment plan would provide Murray Power with a cost savings of 8%. Currently Murray's cost for the resource including transmission, is approximately \$45 per megawatt hour.
- **Extension for the Trans-Jordan Landfill Contract.** Mr. Bellon said the contract Murray Power has with Trans-Jordan Landfill would expire this month. The 15-year term contract began in 2009 and Murray Power would like to extend it. Mr. Bellon explained how the landfill generates power from methane gas and Murray City is the only municipality in the State who receives energy from both Trans-Jordan and the Salt Lake County landfill. Assistant Power Director Matt Youngs confirmed that language in the new Trans-Jordan contract would also allow access to a new proposed generator that may be installed in the future; and noted that the contract with Salt Lake County landfill was recently renewed.
- **Reports from the ULCT (Utah League of Cities and Towns) Midyear Conference.** Pam Cotter, Paul Pickett and Jennifer Kennedy shared what they learned at the 2024 ULCT conference.

Adjournment: 6:12 p.m.

**Pattie Johnson
Council Office Administrator III**