

Murray City Municipal Council Chambers Murray City, Utah

The Municipal Council of Murray City, Utah, met on Tuesday, the 3rd day of March, 2009 at 6:30 p.m., for a meeting held in the Murray City Council Chambers, 5025 South State Street, Murray, Utah.

Roll Call consisted of the following:

Jeff Dredge,	Council Chair
Krista Dunn,	Council Member - Conducted
Pat Griffiths,	Council Member
Robbie Robertson,	Council Member
Jim Brass,	Council Member

Others who attended:

Daniel Snarr,	Mayor
Jan Wells,	Chief of Staff
Michael Wagstaff,	Council Director
Carol Heales,	City Recorder
Frank Nakamura,	City Attorney
Pete Fondaco,	Police Chief
Gilbert Rodriguez,	Fire Chief
Tim Tingey,	Community Development Director
Doug Hill,	Public Services Director
Patricia Wilson,	Finance Director
Danny Astill,	Water Superintendent
Anne von Weller,	Deputy Director, Public Services
Dustin Matsumori,	V.P., George K. Baum & Company
Randall Larsen,	Ballard, Spahr, Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP
Alex Buxton,	Underwriter, Zions Bank
David Wilde,	Councilman, Salt Lake County
Citizens	

A. OPENING CEREMONIES

1. Pledge of Allegiance - Tim Tingey, Economic & Community Development Director

2. Approval of Minutes for February 17, 2009:

Ms. Griffiths made a motion to approve the minutes with changes as noted.
Mr. Robertson 2nd the motion.

Voice vote taken; All Ayes

3. Ms. Dunn stated that Murray City has a tradition where they ask the Boy Scouts in attendance to stand and introduce themselves, their troop leaders, and which badges they are working on.

The Boy Scouts and leaders introduced themselves.

B. CITIZEN COMMENTS (Comments are limited to 3 minutes unless otherwise approved by the Council.)

None Given

Public Comment closed.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

None scheduled.

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Staff and sponsor presentations, public comment, and discussion prior to Council action on the following matter:

1. **Consider a Resolution of the Municipal Council of Murray, Utah (“The Issuer”) finalizing the terms and conditions of the issuance and sale by The Issuer of its Sales Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2009 in the aggregate principal amount of approximately \$6,155,000; awarding and confirming the sale of said Series 2009 Bonds; authorizing the execution and**

delivery by The Issuer of a Third Supplemental Indenture of Trust, a Bond Purchase Contract and other documents required in connection therewith; authorizing and approving a Preliminary Official Statement and Final Official Statement; and authorizing the taking of all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transaction contemplated by this Resolution; providing a severability clause; repealing resolutions and orders in conflict; providing an effective date; and related matters.

Staff Presentation: Tim Tingey, Economic Development Director
Patricia Wilson, Finance Director

Frank Nakamura, City Attorney

Mr. Nakamura stated that there were some minor changes to this because of the Federal Stimulus package last week. They have separated out the bonds as described.

Ms. Wilson recognized Dustin Matsumori, Financial Advisor, G.K Baum & Company, Randall Larsen, Legal Counsel, Alex Buxton, Zions Bank, Doug Hill, Public Services Director, Tim Tingey, Economic and Community Development Director and Frank Nakamura, City Attorney for all of their work on this issue.

Ms. Wilson said that this is to finalize the sale of the 2009 bonds, series A for sales tax revenues bonds in the amount of \$4,580,000, and series B which are the refunding bonds for \$1,535,000. Basically, the purpose of these bonds is to purchase land and also to save some money by refunding the existing 2002 sales tax bonds. The City went to the market with a AA rating, which was very helpful, and were able to sell the bonds and achieved a borrowing rate of 3.8%. We achieved a savings of roughly \$58,000 on the refunding of the bonds, and will generate approximately \$4.5 million in proceeds for acquisition purposes. They feel very good about the results of this bond, it was an interesting market, and they feel good that they achieved the things they were hoping to achieve.

Dustin Matsumori, Financial Advisor, G.K. Baum & Company

Mr. Matsumori explained a summary booklet that had been distributed to the Council. He stated that the first section gives the actual reports on the credit rating that Ms. Wilson had referred to; when they were able to discuss with the rating agencies, the City not only maintained their outstanding rating, but actually received an even higher rating from one of the other rating agencies. That had a significant impact on the borrowing today. The second section gives you a bit of the market color - where the interest rates are, the amount of bonds that were in the market; the final section gives you a summary of the interest rates, as well as the City's savings.

Mr. Nakamura asked if Mr. Matsumori could describe the reason for the split in the issuance, as they did not notice it as such previously.

Mr. Matsumori said that this Resolution has been updated for two things: first, they have put in the final numbers based on the final pricing, and second, it references two series of bonds. Initially, when they came before the Council, they had spoken of selling one series of bonds for approximately \$6 million. Between that period of time, with the passage of the Economic Stimulus package, they included some tax law provisions that affect the bond disclosure side of it; in other words, it doesn't affect your economics, it doesn't affect the way you budget, but in the way that Ballard Spahr disclose and prepare the bond documents, they had to separate out between the refunding and new money bonds. There really is no change other than giving them separate names so that they can be tracked individually.

Alex Buxton, Zions Bank underwriter

Mr. Buxton said that they were the underwriters for the bonds, and said that first and foremost, it has been a pleasure to work with professionals such as Mr. Matsumori, Mr. Larsen, and Ms. Wilson on this issue. It is also a pleasure to be able to go out and try to sell these Murray City bonds, the City having excellent credit and a well known name out in the marketplace. They went out this morning with a 2 ½ - 3 hour order period and were able to sell the majority of the bonds in the open market. However, in some of the middle maturities, those bonds were unsold, so they took those bonds into their own portfolio and now Zions Bank is a proud owner of about \$2.5 million in Murray City bonds. As Murray City Council members Murray City residents, if you are interested in owning some Murray City bonds, he can direct you towards buying some of those bonds, which are excellent to own.

Public Hearing opened for Public Comment

None given

Public Comment closed

Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing

Mr. Dredge made a motion to adopt the Resolution.
Mr. Brass 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

A Mr. Dredge
A Mr. Robertson
A Mr. Brass
A Ms. Griffiths
A Ms. Dunn

Motion passed 5-0

Staff and sponsor presentations, public comment, and discussion prior to Council action on the following matter:

2. Consider a Resolution allocating 35th Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds for Calendar Year 2009.

Ms. Dunn remarked that in years such as this, she has worked in the non-profit world before, and in tough economic times, we all understand how hard it hits all of you. It seems like the first thing everyone cuts from their budgets are the things that help others. The first thing that the legislature and Congress cuts are the same thing. The City understands the pain that everyone is going through; unfortunately, the City only has a little money to spread around, but they will do the best that they can.

Staff Presentation: Tim Tingey, Community Economic Development Director

Mr. Tingey stated that the Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) are very important, and he feels a lot of gratitude for the receipt of these funds in this community. He recognized Karen Wiley with Salt Lake County; for the public's understanding, the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, D.C. has allocated through Congress, in the decisions they make, gives funding through the budget process each year for the Community Development Block Grants each year. These are nationwide, cities from New York, to counties and counties receive these funds. We are fortunate that we receive the funding through Salt Lake County, so we have to adhere to the processes that they have set up, and he appreciates Karen and all of her support.

This year, as with others, has been an interesting year; it has been a challenging process. This year it has been a slightly different process, having all the applicants, either via phone or coming in, presenting their programs. He will be the first to say that all of these programs are wonderful, and important to the citizens of the community. The great thing about the CDBG funds is that they are there to help people and to help communities, and the City appreciates the applicants, each one who presented and submitted an application, and he wanted to recognize the importance of these programs.

Mr. Tingey said that they went through a process where they received applications, and an administrative committee made up of representatives of his department and the Mayor's office heard presentations from hard cost applicants, and soft cost applicants were heard via telephone interviews. The challenging prospect here is that they have approximately \$259,000 available based on last year's allocation, and requests this year totaled \$429,000, for a total difference of \$169,000 requiring reductions as part of this process. In addition, soft cost applications are capped at 15%, so there is only \$38,000 that they can allocate to soft cost applicants. That is a H.U.D. rule, and the programs for soft and hard costs have to be separated; also, administrative costs are capped via H.U.D. program guidelines at 20%, for a total allocation of \$51,000 for administration.

The recommendation by the committee was based on needs, and how those needs tie to the consolidated plan adopted by the County, the number of low to moderate income residents served, which is an important guideline that H.U.D. set, goals and outcomes that each applicant discusses in their application, leveraging of other funds coming into the community and leverage what we provide, and equity in funds requested from Murray versus other communities.

There are about five areas of soft cost issues that they have to address; the committee looked at a variety of issues, and these were the things that helped them to determine the recommendations:

1. What funds were being requested from other communities. Therefore, they didn't necessarily want to subsidize other communities, they wanted to make sure that these other communities that are receiving services from these programs are providing their funding as well, as part of this process.
2. Serving the proportion of low to moderate income residents, versus the funding requested. They looked at that very closely, and if there was a proportion that did not work out very well, then they looked at recommending reducing the funding.
3. The standard of level funding based on last year was also looked at. You did not receive more than was received last year in the

recommendations.

4. There were new programs as well, and there was one applicant where there was minimal funding, of \$400 in soft costs that they recommended the full funding, because if you cut \$400 down to \$250, it is very minimal.

As the Council has seen this, line item by line item, Mr. Tingey did not want to go through it again, but there were a number of communities based on those standards, that they are recommending a reduction in funding, and the Council has seen that. (Mr. Tingey showed a chart showing the agency, the description, the grant request, the recommended funding and the reasoning on why they did the recommended funding.)

Mr. Tingey continued with the hard costs: they look at these costs completely separately from the soft costs. They are not competing against the soft costs, they are competing only against the other applicants. They looked at a variety of items. They looked at each of the applications, and all of the programs and projects are very important. They wanted to make sure that the projects were ready to go from day one. If there was funding requested and the project started tomorrow or the next day, could it go and could the funding go forward. For the most part, these applicants could do that, and so they looked again at level funding issues; there were two applicants that they recommended reductions. The rest of the applicants received full funding, and these are the reasons for the reductions:

1. Assist Inc.: They are doing an emergency housing rehab for low to moderate income families program and have been doing this for a number of years. They recommended level funding for them, and if the need is greater later on in the year, the City could possibly look at an amendment from some of the City's rehab money to address those needs. The City recommended a reduction there.
2. Murray Heritage Center: They wanted to put forward a new, covered enclosed entry into the facility. This request was \$130,000, which although this is an important project, they did not feel that this was an emergency situation that constituted the need for the project right now. There is also a need to take necessary steps through planning and zoning processes to make sure that the project is ready right now; there would need to be a variance that would need to go through, so there are discretionary approvals that have to occur. If for some reason those discretionary approvals are

not granted, going through the public process, then this funding would not work out this year for them. The recommendation was that, this year, they receive funding for the architectural fees, and getting the project designed, and then coming back once they have gone through those processes.

In addition to that, there were some other funding recommendations; there was an administrative cost that they have as staff, administering the program, following up with all of the things that they need to, the \$14,000 is in line with what they just received as part of an amendment from the Council in this past program year, and they feel that this is approximately the same amount; it is a little bit more because of training needs for staff, for H.U.D. programs and projects. They also really wanted to start gearing up, as part of their housing market analysis, into looking into some other programs. They are looking at funding sources from the R.D.A. through some of the 20% housing, and they feel that they have some good capital needs, but they also have needs to start gearing up some of the programs to assist housing for low to moderate income families in the community.

1. Housing rehabilitation marketing: getting out, letting people know about some of the program the City is funding. Just under \$3,000 is recommended for that.
2. First-time home owner down payment and closing assistance: The City has, several times over the last few months, first-time home owners contact the offices, and there really isn't any funding availability for them. This would provide some funding for that, and they would like to look at having this be a revolving fund that will eventually come back to them.

Salt Lake County Council of Governments are being paid from the Salt Lake County administrative funds, but they needed to go through a formal public process, so none of their funding is coming out of Murray's proceeds, but there is a recommendation based on them going through this process.

Based on all of that, these are the reasonings for their recommendations. Mr. Tingey expressed his appreciation for the applicants, for the good work and the important programs that are provided. Community and Economic Development staff is recommending approval of these recommendations as the Council has them.

Karen Wiley, Community Development Co-ordinator for Salt Lake County

Ms. Wiley expressed her appreciation for Mr. Tingey and his staff, stating that they did very well and are wonderful to work with. She said that Mr. Tingey is

delightful, with very innovative ideas, and she appreciates the process that was used this year with the review of the applications and making it such a public and inclusive process.

Ms. Wiley stated that they will be starting a new process for the consolidated plan, which will be a five year consolidated plan, and this next year it will end in 2010 so they will be gearing up for meetings to be very inclusive and making sure that the needs of Murray City are included in the consolidated plan, along with the other ten cities that are a part of the urban county.

Ms. Wiley added that tomorrow, the County will be having a housing meeting, where they have invited all of the representatives from the cities. They will be presenting all of the housing programs that are available, that the County is working with, such as with Rocky Mountain Power and their rebate programs, Thermwise through Questar, the three-tier housing program that is in place with the CDBG program, to make sure that all of the entities are aware and that they can make their residents aware of the services that are provided by the non-profit agencies, as well as the cities themselves; this is to make sure that the housing stock remains viable and that the residents can stay in their homes.

Ms. Dunn stated that it has been a different process this year for everyone, including the Council members, they will continue in the manner that they have in the past to allow each applicant to speak in the public comment portion of the public hearing.

Everyone speaking will be given two minutes. The Council has read all of the applications, so the information that they are asking for is something above and beyond what is on the application, but some suggestions that she would have for the applicants, is to please reiterate to the Council how much they do for the community, how they determine how much is asked from each of the cities that have CDBG funds, how they arrived at the amount that they are asking the City for, and if they did not ask others for funding, why they did not.

Mr. Dredge disclosed that his CPA firm does the accounting work for the Rape Recovery Center, so he will exclude himself from the decision on that portion.

Ms. Dunn disclosed that her husband is the Director of the Boys and Girls Club, and she will not be making recommendations or voting on that portion.

Ms. Dunn asked that those two items be taken separately. She said that when the motions are made, that they be taken together, but when voting, those will be done separately.

Public Hearing opened for Public Comment

Ms Dunn stated that they would continue by going down Mr. Tingey's list of recommendations, allowing each applicant a chance to speak.

Stephanie Jensen, Executive Director, Salt Lake Donated Dental
1383 South 900 West #128, SLC

Ms. Jensen stated that Salt Lake Donated Dental Services have been serving the community for nearly 20 years. With the amount recommended from Murray City, it will help them to cover a portion of staff wages for the dental assistants, as well as supplies for patient care and some of the day to day operating expenses. The amount that was recommended will allow them to provide nearly \$2,900 in dental services; for every dollar that the City invests in their services, it will reflect \$3 in patient care, which will help them serve approximately 100 individuals and Murray City residents. Last year, they were able to provide services for 104 Murray residents.

What they look at to determine if they are Murray residents, is the addresses, to insure that they are from Murray. When they are applying for other CDBG funds, they look at the number of individuals that they are serving from each community and apply accordingly, based on the number of individuals, and the amount that has been funded in the past.

Ms. Dunn asked stated that on the application, they show quite a few from Salt Lake City, but she did not see that funds were applied for there. Ms. Jensen said that they had applied to Salt Lake City, but that it was separate from the County.

Velda McDonald, Director, Sandy Counseling Centers,
8184 S. Highland Drive, #C8 Sandy

Ms McDonald stated that traditionally, they provide an on-site therapist at the Murray Boys and Girls Club. Last year, their funding was severely cut and that they had to pull that person from there. They were hoping that this year they would be able to re-instituted so that they could establish a therapist on-site in the Club, so they could help families that are in these crisis modes to cope with the issues that they are dealing with. They would ask that the Council re-visit that issue; they base their proposal on the number of hours and the cost that it would take to put someone in that program. They do have staff in the Kearns, Midvale, and Sandy Boys and Girls Clubs, and service other areas as well. Last year, they saw approximately 100 client hours for Murray; the year before, it was closer to 200 client hours when they were right in the Club.

Pam Sanders, Executive Director, Big Brothers, Big Sisters
151 East 5600 South, Murray

Ms. Sanders said that their request is to serve new children in their program; this year is a rough one, as everyone knows. In speaking to the committee, they had said that their major concern this year is, is that they will be able to keep their matches open and continue to support those kids with the volunteers through their school based programs. They are serving children through Parkside and Horizon elementary schools. Last year, they served 99 kids here in Murray, and 60 volunteers who are participating as Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

Ms. Sanders stated that they have applied to several of the areas, that are not listed on the applications. They base their funding request on the number of children that they are serving in each community, and do their best to ensure that kids are safe and secure with their volunteers. It makes a big difference in their lives to have kids involved with an adult who cares about them.

Ms. Sanders stated that she will provide the Council with a list of agencies that her agency has applied for funds with.

Mr. Brass disclosed that he rents to Big Brothers, Big Sisters so he will not be voting on this one.

South Valley Sanctuary - No one present

Celeste Eggert, Development Director, The Road Home
210 S. Rio Grande St. SLC

Ms. Eggert thanked the Mayor and the Council for their past support of their agency, stating that it is greatly appreciated. She understands that these are not easy choices in these CDBG hearings.

Ms. Eggert said that last year, they had 90 people who reported being from Murray City, either as their last place of permanent residency, or their place of birth. They are applying for funding for their main shelter, as well as for their overflow winter emergency shelter. They also have a very, very old HVAC system that they are asking some hard cost dollars for.

English Skills Learning Center - No one present

Roselynn Aagard, Paralegal, Legal Aid Society,
205 N. 400 W. SLC

Ms. Aagard stated that their request is based on the number of Murray residents that they have helped; last year they assisted 88 residents of Murray, with an average cost of \$210.00 per case, or \$18,480 in services.

Diane Spencer, Development Director, Family Support Crisis Nursery
777 West Center Street, Midvale

Ms. Spencer remarked that she had received an interesting statistic today from the Division of Child and Family Services: "there were over 10,000 allegations or suspicions of child abuse reported this year in Salt Lake County." Out of those cases that were investigated, there were 4,430 children who were actually victims of child abuse. That is way too many, even one child is too many. However, that number is down by about 300 children from the previous Salt Lake County count. This indicates that the efforts of the Child Abuse Prevention Network is truly working and this is not the time to cut child abuse prevention support.

She thanked the City for the recommendation of level funding for them, and said that they will probably treat between 75 - 80 residents of Murray in counseling and in the crisis nursery; these come in at multiple times, not just one shot, and the funds are very well invested with the Family Support Center, Crisis Nurseries, and counseling.

Ms. Dunn asked how they determined the amounts that were requested from each City. Ms Spencer said that it is determined by the number of people that the serve in each city and in the programs. For example, if they take the \$3,000 that they receive from the City, and divide 75 clients into that, that would be \$40 per client; however, they always treat people more than once and one counseling session is about \$80. They take all of the funding sources that they have together, and look at the number of people that they serve in this community, and that is how they come up with the amount that they request.

Beth Ehrhardt, Chief Development Officer, YWCA
300 E. 300 S. SLC

Ms. Ehrhardt expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to speak with the

Council, and to have her proposal considered. Last year, the YWCA spent approximately \$15,000 to provide crisis shelter and supportive services for 23 women and children who live in Murray City. That was for a total of 476 days of service. One of the things that they are seeing right now, is people who are coming in with much more severe trauma and injuries, and she feels that is of significance, perhaps because of the economy; people may be staying longer in their homes and experiencing domestic violence silently, until it becomes too obvious. The battering that is happening on their faces, the strangulation, is unbelievable at the moment.

As a learning curve, they hadn't applied to all of the cities for which they had people come from, which they will do next year.

Rape Recovery Center - No one present

Phil Weimer, Grant Writer, Community Health Centers
1798 S West Temple, SLC

Mr. Weimer stated that the closest center to Murray is in Midvale; they served 265 Murray residents with a little over 1,100 visits last year, offering medical, dental, and mental health, as well as health education services. 89.2% of those individuals were uninsured. The way they came up with a formula for the number of people they serve and how much money they ask for, is that they look at each community that they serve, take that number of patients and multiply that by the cost and 1.5%. The City's CDBG funds are being matched with a little over 98.5% of other funds.

Sharron Bigland, Emergency Services Manager
CAP Home Program Case Management 764 S. 200 W, SLC

Ms. Bigland stated that here in Murray, they have a location which provides emergency food and utility assistance. She noted that she has passed out a flyer on foreclosures, and the expected outcome of what Utah is up against. This is presented by James Wood, Economist, University of Utah. The national trend is about 3%, which will be reached this summer. Utah has been behind the national trend, but the prediction is that we will be right along with the national trend with 3% increase; that represents 13,000 homes in Utah in foreclosure.

Ms. Bigland said that she does not know what we are going to do, there are not

enough counseling agencies out there. Between yesterday and today, their office received over 100 phone calls between the reverse equity mortgage for seniors, and foreclosure. They appreciate the recommendation that has been made by the CDBG committee, and ask for the City's support; she thinks we will all need it.

Ms. Dunn said on the population served portion of the application, they had indicated "0" served in Murray, and "210" for Unincorporated Salt Lake County. Is that because they are just starting in Murray?

Ms. Bigland explained that they break it down by zip code, then by the address. Quite frankly, there were not that many from Murray; but, from Murray and south of the valley, they are receiving the phone calls and they are rising. From what they have seen in the past, this does not represent what they think they will see in the future.

Ms. Dunn stated that for future applications, that information, showing the numbers indicating other communities, will be very helpful.

Computers For Kids - No one present.

Julie Adams Chatterley, Representative, Utah Food Bank Services
1025 S. 700 W. SLC

Ms. Chatterley is speaking to Senior Services Home Repair Services, as well as to the 2-1-1 information and referral programs. With the senior services program, they are asking for \$25,000, which was what was granted last year. What they do is go into senior's homes, these are low income seniors who are unable to take care of minor repairs in their homes, and they are able to go in with outreach workers and assess what is needed for them, such as handrails, weatherization, etc. at no cost to them, so they are still able to pay for prescriptions, as well not going without food when unexpected repairs come up. Last year, they were able to respond to, and accomplish, 213 repairs in the Murray area, which is 10% of their total, which was 2,215 repairs statewide.

With their 2-1-1 information and referral program, they were able to answer over 87,000 calls last year, where 5,241 were taken from Murray, which is about 15% of the calls. With this, they are not only able to give people information over the phone in 140 different languages, but they are also able to give them information on their website as well as their human services directory. With that directory, they also go out into the community and do training.

Ms. Dunn encouraged Ms. Chatterley, as to the others, to apply in all of the

communities that they serve.

Multi-Cultural Legal Center - No one present.

Ms. Dunn stated that this was the end of the soft costs. For the time being, Public Comment was closed, discussion by the Council was allowed before continuing on to the hard costs.

Public Comment closed

Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing

Mr. Brass made a motion to accept the recommendations and fund accordingly for all but Rape Recovery and Big Brothers, Big Sisters, which will be handled separately.

Mr. Dredge 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

A Mr. Dredge
A Mr. Robertson
A Mr. Brass
A Ms. Griffiths
A Ms. Dunn

Motion passed 5-0

Ms. Griffiths made a motion to accept the recommendations and fund accordingly for Big Brothers, Big Sisters.

Mr. Robertson 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

A Mr. Dredge
A Mr. Robertson
- Mr. Brass - abstained
A Ms. Griffiths
A Ms. Dunn

Motion passed 4-0

Ms. Griffiths made a motion to accept the recommendations and fund accordingly for The Rape Recovery Center.

Mr. Brass 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

- Mr. Dredge - abstained
A Mr. Robertson
A Mr. Brass
A Ms. Griffiths
A Ms. Dunn

Motion passed 4-0

Public Hearing opened for Public Comment on the hard cost portion of this Public Hearing

Ms. Dunn stated that the same rules would apply; she noted that they did not receive as much information on who they are serving across the valley, and asked that the applicants provide that information to the Council.

Roger Borgenicht, Director, Assist, Inc. 218 E. 500 S., SLC

Mr. Borgenicht stated that all of the funds that they receive from Murray City go to low-income households in Murray. They applied, this year, to nine different cities, and the unincorporated areas of Salt Lake County, to provide emergency home repair and accessibility design services. Those funds pay fully for those services within their own communities. This year, they are just about out of money, and appreciate that Murray has always been a strong supporter of their programs that work in concert with Services for Seniors housing repair programs. They do only critical repairs as outlined in their application.

Mr. Borgenicht mentioned that they have worked with the utility companies to provide and be the facilitator for making homes more energy efficient, water conserving, and increasing accessibility so that people can age in place more safely and independently. They have gone with the "Idea Book", working with the County to publish and print these books that have the rebates on the back, and give homeowners a quick idea of how they can better their homes.

Ms. Dunn asked how quickly they run out of funds in Murray, and are unable to do any more repairs, in ours and other communities; or, do they continue to do the repairs?

Mr. Borgenicht stated that they monitor them each month, and send a billing and a report of the work done each month. This year, more than any other year, they are running out of funds by March. What they do then, is go on a “dire emergency” mode only; that is, if it is something that can wait until July, they do; but if it is something like a furnace going out, and there is not another agency that can do it, they will make that a priority. They had the largest month, two months ago, by 150%, than they have ever had. It’s Murray, Midvale, South Salt Lake, they are getting more requests.

Ms. Dunn asked how often they have to turn folks down. Mr. Borgenicht said that at the end of the year, they are turning them down quite a lot, and as you might imagine, as hard as it is to say, the people that they are helping understand, because they are living that way as well. They try to catch it before it goes to zero, so that at least they have some funds for those dire emergencies that need to be addressed. In some of the communities, they have been able to get additional monies towards the end of the winter, if other projects didn’t go ahead.

Sheryl Smith, Development Director, Camp Kostopulus
2500 Immigration Canyon

Ms. Smith stated that for 41 years they have provided recreational opportunities and good outdoor adventure for children, teens, and adults with disabilities, about five of their clients come from Murray. They are asking for \$750 in hard costs to keep the trails and cabins in top shape for those children.

Sam Stephens, Vice President, External Relations, Volunteers of America
511 W 200 S #160, SLC

Mr. Stephens said that their CDBG application is for their center for women and children, which is located here in Murray. This is a 30-bed residential detoxification facility for homeless women, who are addicted to drugs and alcohol, who may also have dependent children with them. They serve roughly 500 individuals a year: 400 women, 100 children. In a point-in-time survey conducted last fall, roughly 60% of the women reported having lived in Murray at some point in their lives. They leverage that fraction when requesting funds for this particular project.

Toni Geddes, Director of Development, Boys and Girls Club of South Valley, 244 E Myrtle Ave, Murray

Ms. Geddes thanked Murray City for their continual support over the years. She stated that the Boys and Girls Clubs of Murray the club has been in the area for 42 years, and has provided after-school and summer programming for kids in a safe, supervised, mentoring environment. They currently serve just under 1,700 Murray kids as club members each year, and an additional 3,300 youths and families, primarily from the Murray area. About 78% of those they serve are lower income individuals.

The CDBG application this year is directly related to two club expansion projects; the total they have asked for is \$50,000. One is to build an on-site storage facility, which they have never had, and is desperately needed for safety reasons, as well as for ease of storage. This would be built between the two buildings in a long narrow area, and will be accessible by a garage type door that will open from the big gym. The other expansion, or addition, is more of a renovation project, that will enclose a computer room for the walk-in kids, ages 8 -11. It will enclose an area specifically for classroom use for computers, so that kids can more easily concentrate and not be distracted by all of the other activities that are going on outside those walls.

Stephanie Mackay, Director of Development, Columbus Community Center - Jones Court 3495 S. West Temple, SLC

Ms. Mackay stated that the Jones Court Residential Group Home is located here in Murray, behind the City Building. They serve five people with severe disabilities, and they determined their funding request because everyone that they serve in this group home are residents of Murray, and they have run this program since 1981; two of the people have been there since 1981, and three have been there for about 15 years, and they anticipate that the residents will remain in the home their entire adult life.

They lease the property from the Salt Lake County Housing Authority, and when they created the request, they tried to anticipate some of the issues that they face, such as licensing for a group home, which does not fall under the requirements of the Housing Authority. They look for funds to take care of some of those issues, which the City has taken care of in the past for them.

They have collaborated with the Housing Authority to come up with the request, trying to be pro-active in doing some major remodeling of the home, as it has not been remodeled since it was built. This request will take care of some things that

desperately need to be done, and some things that they are anticipating needing to be done; these are remodeling items that will last 15 - 20 years, even with the heavy use that the group home receives. Ms. MacKay thanked the City for being such a big supporter of the group home, which goes back to 1981. She was reading through their scrapbook, and Murray was the first community to support a group home in Salt Lake County, and embraced them totally.

Celeste Eggert, Development Director, The Road Home
210 S. Rio Grande St. SLC

Ms. Eggert stated that they have a HVACC system that is over 20 years old, which they cannot even find parts for it anymore, and they are requesting funding for that. She also mentioned that they have asked for funding for this project from Salt Lake County and Davis County CDBG funds.

Tamara Rowe, Administrator & Development Officer
House of Hope, Utah Alcoholism Foundation
857 E. 200 S., SLC

Ms. Rowe thanked the City, the Council, and Mayor Snarr for their CDBG recommendations. Last year, they served 14 residents of Murray City, women and children, at the House of Hope program. Residents stay six months to a year. They have asked Salt Lake County, Taylorsville, Midvale, and West Jordan cities for CDBG hard-cost funding this year. They base this on the number of clients that they see from each community, and how much they have allocated in the past.

Leda Wright, Heritage Center
6150 S. 10 East, Murray

Ms. Wright thanked the City for allowing them to present tonight. The staff and the committees from the Heritage Center consider, very carefully, before they ask for CDBG funds, as they know how desperately it is needed. Their petition is being made this year, mainly because they feel this is a safety issue. The danger of a fall by a senior citizen on the sidewalk, is very real. She does not know what the City's liability is, as far as someone having a fall, but she does know that Medicare does not cover those costs. They feel that this may be a consideration for the City.

The Heritage Center has implemented a card system, so that everyone that comes to the center has to swipe their card. Since the first of the year, they have issued 750 cards; that is the number of attendees of the Center; on Thursday, Friday, and

Saturdays, there are over 200 people per day in the building. Preliminary plans have already been made, and discussions have been held in regards to the set-back, and the architect of those plans is present at tonight's meeting.

Ms. Griffiths stated that many people from other communities come to the Heritage Center because of the quality of the programs, and asked if the Center has applied to any of the other communities.

Ms. Wright stated that she did not know of any applications being submitted this year. Usually, they do not need to ask for this much, it is just such a large project this year.

Ms. Dunn suggested that it may be a consideration for the future. Historically, Murray City has funded their entire cost, but it would be a good idea for the future.

Ms. Griffiths noted that when she has attended activities there, people have mentioned that they live outside the community but come there because of the quality of the meals, the great programs, etc. So, she would also suggest that they apply for CDBG funds from those other communities in the future.

Mr. Robertson suggested that they could also do a survey to find out which other communities their clients are coming from. Ms. Wright stated that they have done that, and will provide those to the Council.

Mr. Brass commented: he has been to a great many events, and that it is a great facility. His wife requires the use of a wheelchair, and in the winter, it is a difficult experience to get from the parking lot into the building, so he does recognize the need.

Ms. Wright reiterated that this is a serious safety issue, and they do not feel that this is a frivolous request.

Julie Adams Chatterley, Representative, Utah Food Bank Services- Home
Repairs program
1025 S. 700 W. SLC

Ms. Chatterley said that this request is for the Services for Seniors home minor home repair project. The hard cost is for purchasing the supplies for this program, and for handy-man's salaries. With this program, they are able to keep seniors independent and part of their community for a long basis. According to an AARP study, nine out ten seniors would rather stay in their homes as long as possible,

rather than be placed in a rest home. They are able to assess their needs by going in with an outreach worker, who can assess their needs for not only minor home repairs, but for food, heat, etc. They are then able to help them in that area, and to send them to other community agencies to receive help in other areas. Because the program is able to help the seniors keep their properties up, this increases property values in the Murray area.

Public Comment closed

Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing

Mr. Brass stated that they have traditionally funded the Heritage Center, as it is a Murray facility. It is very well attended, as mentioned, it disturbs him that they are not doing that this year. He asked for information on the zoning issues, and why that would impact a building that already exists.

Mr. Tingey stated that right now, there is a public right-of-way that runs right in front of the Heritage Center; it looks like a parking lot area, but it is a public right-of-way that runs from State Street. Therefore, in order to address the issue of set-backs, they would either have to go through a variance, because they would need to build based upon their proposal, right up to the right-of way, or, they could request an abandonment or vacation of that right-of-way. Either way, they would need to do one or the other, and it would need to be approved before the project could move forward.

Ms. Dunn asked how long the process would take. Mr. Tingey stated that once an application is in, as far as the variance, it takes approximately a month - a month and a half for the process. The vacation for the right-of way would take longer because it would require a recommendation by the Planning Commission and then to the City Council. They would also need a site-plan review with staff, and sign off's with utility companies. There is a process there.

Ms. Dunn asked, in his opinion, which would be the better course for them to take. Mr. Tingey answered that, in his opinion, the vacation or abandonment of the road would be better because the road doesn't go through anywhere else, does not connect into anything; when you don't have that connecting issue it would be better. He honestly thinks that the standards of the variance, in his opinion, might be more challenging to have a set-back right up against the public right-of-way, even though it is a parking area.

Ms. Dunn asked for clarification: this property does not touch anybody else's property? For this to happen, this isn't going to impact any of their neighbors at all?

Mr. Tingey said that looking at that, on the north side, it is the parking area owned by the City, and the facility on the south side would not be impacted. They are the last stop on that right-of-way. West of that is the park.

Mayor Snarr asked if Mr. Tingey knows of any utilities that are underneath that. Mr. Tingey said he did not, but it would be something that they would need to look into.

Mayor Snarr stated that, a long time ago, when they built the facility, the road directly to the south that the City rehabilitated, that road used to go down and circle through, then they made part of that a parking lot. The City has cut off the access to that street on the south. The Mayor stated that this has been a hard one for everyone. He loves the Heritage Center and feels that it is an incredible facility that does a lot for the community. To Ms. Griffiths issue, they service a lot of people because they are recognized as one of the best senior citizen centers in the valley. The programs are excellent, and more programs are offered.

The City has funded many of their projects over the past several years; his biggest concern is that he has looked at just the bare necessities that we need to take care of the older residents in their homes, to keep them in their homes. At this point in time, he was looking at that, and it was a tough decision for him. From a building perspective, if someone comes in and stops, and the set-back isn't there, Bam! He has seen it happen in buildings that he has worked on, and has seen cars run into the buildings. This is a big concern for him; he needs to create some kind of physical barrier, whether it is rocks that are immobile or something else, to prevent that structure from being hit. He appreciates the architect, but feels that if they can go back and look at the possibilities of making this work, and work the right way the first go around.

Mr. Brass said that, as much as it pains him not to be able to do more, money is tight on this. It would be interesting to see it designed with those concerns addressed and, again, it is a tough budget year and will be for a long time, but it is also one of the better years to build things because bids are so low, and material costs are so low. Maybe it is something that could turn up as a one-time budget item. He would like this not to die. They may not fund it tonight, but he would like to see this as a line item in a budget.

Ms. Dunn added that with those safety precautions to protect it, it will add to the cost, and they may want to look at some of the other communities to help with the costs as well, instead of increasing the amount they would ask for next year. If the bid goes up and they are not able to fund it this year, looking at other communities to help with it as well. It is tough to say no to a Murray facility.

Mr. Robertson noted that we have always funded them in the past, and we may need to look at the reality of what we are doing right now.

Mr. Robertson made a motion to accept the recommendations and fund accordingly for all but the Boys and Girls Club.

Ms. Griffiths 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

 A Mr. Dredge
 A Mr. Robertson
 A Mr. Brass
 A Ms. Griffiths
 A Ms. Dunn

Motion passed 5-0

Mr. Brass made a motion to accept the recommendations and fund accordingly for the Boys and Girls Club.

Mr. Dredge 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

 A Mr. Dredge
 A Mr. Robertson
 A Mr. Brass
 A Ms. Griffiths
 - Ms. Dunn - abstained

Motion passed 4-0

Ms. Dunn thanked everyone, stating that she knows how hard all of this is, and how much work everyone puts into it. She knows the good that they all do in the community, having worked with many of the agencies, and she, along with the rest of the Council, appreciates all they do in the communities, and wishes they could fund all of them at 100%.

Mr. Tingey asked about the administrative portion of the funding.

Ms. Dunn stated that they need to consider the Murray City portion as recommended.

Mr. Tingey addressed C.O.G.: on the COG request, they had missed the CDBG process through the County, and typically that is funded through that process. In order to meet the standards that H.U.D. sets forth in public processes and in Salt Lake's Consolidated Plan, they needed to go through a public process on those funds; this is what that was for. It will not be allocated through our funding, it will be allocated through the County's, but this will be the public process in order for them to go through that.

Mr. Brass made a motion to fund per the recommendation.
Mr. Dredge 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

 A Mr. Dredge
 A Mr. Robertson
 A Mr. Brass
 A Ms. Griffiths
 A Ms. Dunn

Motion passed 5-0

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None scheduled

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Report on Murray City Water System and opportunity for public comment.

Staff presentation: Danny Astill, Water Superintendent

Mr. Astill noted that he is grateful for the opportunity to share information on the water system with everyone; the water trends and how that relates to conservation, our water funds, how the rates impact that, Master Plan and goals, our water quality issues, water supply outlook, and future water projects.

The trends on water sales started with a baseline in 2001, they set that as their standard as that is when the City and the state really started pushing conservation. The City has gone from 2.9 billion gallons to almost 2.4 billion gallons in 2004-2005; and then the trend started going backwards.

The City had done a rate study and an impact fee study, then in 2002 the City established with the Council and approved a conservation rate schedule, which had a summer volumetric rate, as well as a winter rate. There was a lot of effort, time and money put into conservation education through the state, and this was pretty good through 2005; the City actually built into their rate structure, a conservation safety factor in the event there was a lot of conservation. The City actually exceeded its safety factor that particular year (2002), seeing almost a 20% water decrease in usage from 2001, which they contributed to conservation efforts by the citizens and businesses. Then, in 2006, they saw that they were losing significant ground in individual conservation and those high use trends continued in 2007 until they actually went above the 2001 mark by almost 2%.

2001 is used as their baseline; 2002 went very well; 2003-2005 continued to decrease by almost 20%. Then in 2006, they dropped to 11 ½% from the baseline, and then 2007 they used almost three billion gallons. 2008 looks to be headed in the right direction again.

There are opportunities for conservation, and the City will continue supporting this “Slow the Flow” campaign. Jordan Valley and the State are planning on being more committed to it in the coming years. Jordan Valley has asked for contribution to their demonstration garden, and the City would like to participate with that, and educate our citizens about that beautiful garden and the opportunity to learn, our continued education with our fourth-grade class curriculum in the schools here in Murray, and then continued participation in civic and sponsored activities as well. Education materials in the bill inserts, and information on the City website will continue, and we will be adding much more on education on the website. What they are proposing, is creating a matching grant program to help update inside plumbing fixtures to both citizens and businesses, on a one-to-one basis. They know that the new toilets and new fixtures are a little more expensive, but if they match that through this program, it would become the same price as the older models. They would also like to change the City’s plumbing regulations to encourage that for new construction.

Mr. Astill continued: The good news is that they have built into the rate structure, a conservation safety factor, and along with that, they have been fairly frugal in their project management, and haven’t done any huge projects. They have had some things hit them, but overall, they have done very well with their funds. They have money in the bank to complete some of the larger projects that the Master Plan had identified, and to reach the goals they had planned to work on.

Mr. Astill explained that this is how the funds have been expended, the water sales revenues, and the total expenses have gone over the past few years. Since 2002, they have spent considerably less than what they have been taking in, which is part of that Master Plan that was put together to build up cash reserves to be able to complete some of the larger projects that cost a lot of money.

On water quality issues, he stated that there really haven't been any issues to report; last year they only tracked eight complaints from the general public regarding taste, odor or discoloration. They are concerned about a couple of the City's wells along the western boundary of the City, near the Jordan River, they are seeing some degradation in the water quality along there, it is not anything that they are overly concerned with, except that they believe it is from the pressure that is being put on the aquifer from not just ourselves, but the other agencies as well. They do have a hydrologist looking at the well at 360 West to give them an opinion of what needs to be done.

On the west side, just about everything, with the exception of the 4500 South well, is okay, but the 360 West well has been continually losing ground. They had some good recovery last year, and they are hopeful that the west side is actually coming back. They have a lot of wells on the east side of the City, and the trend line there is showing that they haven't lost a lot of ground and they are holding in there really well, and they are fortunate to have such good supplies there. The 900 East well, has settled down, and the 500 East and Millrace well are flowing wells and are still producing for the City.

In a comparison of February since approximately 1984, they are still right at average on the snow pack in the canyons, and things are looking good. This is an indication of how well the McGhie Springs will do this year. In the City's annual report to the Council, it has a trend of that well and it shows that for the month of February, the City was at approximately 36 million gallons coming from that spring, which is a considerable amount of water and money.

Recent projects that have been completed by the City include: the Vine Street pump house, which they are happy to have completed. It is become a really nice facility inside, and is the best looking facility that they have. It is one of the sites that they are required to put in fluoride to be distributed throughout the system; the fluoride acid is very corrosive to all of the equipment, and the heaters. They went to a floor heat system and boiler there, placing the boiler in another room, and they have not had any problems since they placed those there.

Another project that was unexpected and quite expensive last year, was a casing and 14" water line that went across I-215. This was a scary site when they looked at it, and it was fortunate that the water flooded out of that to alert the City of the

problem as there was extensive damage. At the time it was installed, the contractor did not put 'boots' or seals on the ends of the pipe, and there was an irrigation ditch on the other side that was leaking, and the water was coming through the select fill that was there, and going right into that pipe since it was not sealed. There the water would sit and slowly leak out, and it rotted out the pipe. The other half of the freeway was fine, but one side was completely destroyed; this could have very easily fallen and caused much more damage, so they were fortunate to have caught it in time.

They had a great project: the contractor that they had was very innovative, and the rollers that they sat on, the casing was actually crushing them and the contractor actually built a roller system that went underneath the steel decking that are under the bridge, and he rolled along there guiding the new casing in and putting the new rollers in place, never having to shut down the freeway or cause any problems with traffic. He did an excellent job on this project.

The Reservoir II dome was built in 1936, and every 10 - 12 years, the City needed to re-coat that; with the PVC coating that they have put on, it will last much longer. The coating is also so slippery that no one will be able to get up there and tag it anymore. The City had to get up there to the vent every so often, so they ended up having to put a track up the back side of it, so that they could get up there; this was the only downside of the coating.

Mr. Astill stated that they had some other water line projects that had to be completed; they did a new coat of paint on the cemetery building and the reservoir, which was called "Amazing Grey", which was a nice change.

For the coming year, the top projects that they would like to have considered for the budget year, include changing out the meters; they need to change about 2/3 of the meters, which is approximately 6,000 meters. Those meters are 25 years and older and they have a loss of 10 - 20%, depending on the brand. They have consolidated, and over the past ten years have only purchased one style of meter, and it has given them better performance. They would also like to automate the system to a radio read system.

The 16" steel line on 900 East has one section that is bad; there are two lines together on 900 East: a 20" which is a ductile line, and a 16" which is a steel line, and there is a section between Vine street and Woodshire that has giving them a lot of grief over the past few years, and they would like to change that. There is also a regulator station in there that needs to be rebuilt.

There is a section of line over on Fashion Blvd. that needs to be repaired; completion of the line from Vine Street through Mick Riley to the On The Greens P.U.D. subdivision; every time that they fix a break in the road, they end up replacing the road from side to side, about 40' long because the road and ground

are so bad that it destroys everything. Mr. Astill remarked that if that continues, he will probably have that road rebuilt in a few years!

Mr. Astill noted that they would also like to upgrade the McGhie Springs collection lines, as they currently get roots in them and should be sealed off.

Mayor Snarr remarked that some of the increase in the water usage over the past few years may have been caused by the new Intermountain Medical Center, as at the time the usage increased is the same time that the hospital came on line.

Mr. Astill stated that their growth information did account for some of that loss, but the trends still did not look good.

Mr. Astill said that the goals for the wastewater include cleaning the system each year, and they are close to that; they have an aggressive schedule for TV inspections, and they are hoping to soon have the entire system TV'd. They need to locate and map clean-outs, as they do not have it on there information, and this will be on-going until it is done as it is an labor intensive project. Through the Blue Stakes requirements, there are going to be some new legislative requirements dealing with data availability, so that is what they will be working on.

The Water department received a new sewer truck two years ago, and they are requesting one more new truck. They try to get the trucks to last ten years, but after that, they begin to go downhill quickly. The City's TV equipment: the van that they have now is almost 15 years old and has been retrofitted with the inside equipment three times, so they may be asking for a new van soon.

The proposed legislation, that Mr. Astill mentioned, could do one other thing to the City if it goes awry: it could add one nasty requirement, requiring the City to mark all *private* lines as well. They are watching this very close, as they have no clue where the clean-outs go on private property.

The Fire Clay sewer line project was long, but they are finished. The drill under the freeway was approximately 460' long, 36" diameter, and the casing was very large. They had to cross both sets of tracks, as well as drilling under the freeway, with some parts being 22' deep.

As far as future projects are concerned: they are working on the GIS integration, scanning all the clean-out cards into the database; the State Street sewer line is being worked on, as is the Walden Glen lift station. The S.C.A.D.A. system upgrades; trouble spots repairs, which are on-going, are budgeted in every year for line repairs; and pipe lining to control the in-flow and infiltration, which they still have; the old lines give up, and allow water to come in.

Mr. Astill remarked that Central Valley Operations had a team compete at the Water Environment Federation this year, where they took third overall. This was an amazing feat in and of itself, as it is an international conference. They have interceptor repairs going on right now, and they have the same problems that we have, only a little more exaggerated due to the amount of sewer that is coming in, and the slowness of that sewer. It releases the gases, and when they put the pipe in, they did not use PVC pipe lined or coated, they just used straight concrete which is being etched away. Slowly but surely, each year they budget for some of that stuff to be replaced.

Equipment purchasing is just an on-going project; the disinfection project: they are very happy with the total that came back; they had anticipated around \$12 million, and ended up just under \$6 million. The City's portion of that, which they have to come up with in cash, was only about \$132,000 which is in the budget year. Ownership capacity: this was a fun little informational item. The average usage is about 3.9 - 4 million gallons a day, 73,000 pounds of VOD, and about 65,000 pounds of TSS. When they say purchase capacity, they have capacity to take it all of the way to 6.5 million gallons a day if they chose to, and to deliver a lot of solids. They have the ability to take the flows all the way to 167%. There is a lot of capacity and the City is doing fine, and the City is in good shape.

2. **Consider a Resolution of the City Council encouraging the Utah State Legislature to utilize the current transportation funding distribution formula for any increase to the statewide gas tax so that the entire transportation network may benefit.**

Staff presentation: Krista Dunn, Council Member

Ms. Dunn stated that as the Legislature considers putting an extra tax on gas for the purpose of funding transportation, there have been rumors of the legislature removing the portion that goes to municipalities. We all know that we struggle; our B&C road funds only pay for about a third of our transportation repairs of roadways, and we need that portion since we are already way behind. When we annexed to the east, we got an area with not very good roads, plus we are behind all across the City now. If we lose that funding, it would really hurt us. This is just a Resolution encouraging them to keep that in there; we hate to get any further behind than we already are, and in economic hard times such as these, most cities have to manage their budgets, cutting into capital projects and particularly roads. Last year was a tough year, this year is going to be a tough year, we just don't want to get any further behind than we already are. This Resolution was actually voted on in the League of Cities and Towns Legislative Policy Committee, and all of the cities will be passing this Resolution, or at least most of them, sometime this week.

Ms. Griffiths made a motion to adopt the Resolution..
Mr. Robertson 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

 A Mr. Dredge
 A Mr. Robertson
 A Mr. Brass
 A Ms. Griffiths
 A Ms. Dunn

Motion passed 5-0

3. Consider an Ordinance amending Sections 6.08.080 and 6.22.030 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to Animal Control.

Staff presentation: Pete Fondaco, Police Chief

Chief Fondaco stated that this is an amendment to the Ordinance, in order to comply with State law. The State law now authorizes animal control facilities to charge people when they adopt dogs, for the spay and neutering. When they have that procedure done at their vets, they can come back, show proof of that, and they refund that deposit.

Mr. Brass made a motion to adopt the Ordinance.
Mr. Dredge 2nd the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

 A Mr. Dredge
 A Mr. Robertson
 A Mr. Brass
 A Ms. Griffiths
 A Ms. Dunn

Motion passed 5-0

G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Snarr took the opportunity to express his deepest appreciation to Tim Tingey, Chad Wilkinson, and Susan Dewey. The process that they went through this time was extremely thorough and they did an excellent job in reviewing, and helping you be aware of what these different entities are providing for our city. He added that he will require some hard numbers next year from some of these agencies: exact addresses and projects that are being done, and the dollars that were spent on specific projects, so that he will have a better understanding of what is being spent and billed by these contractors for these projects, to see if is in the ballpark he feels is acceptable. He wants the money to be allocated so that we help those that have really dire needs to be able to exist and stay in their homes. He is still not an advocate of the soft cost 15%, he feels that they can do more, and he would like to see that changed to more like 25%; he does not feel that it is fair.

Ms. Dunn interjected, disagreeing with the Mayor on that, as there are no other Capital Projects grants out there. Everyone can ask for soft costs, anywhere they want, but not for hard costs.

Mayor Snarr said that at times, we have brand new buildings and no costs to run the services or programs in the buildings. That is where he looks at it, and if you look at what the Boys and Girls Club can do, they need more soft cost money. The disagreement can be there, but he still looks at the fact that he doesn't think it allows the City to have the flexibility they need.

In his tour of the City this morning: they are really getting gunned up and ready to go for the grand opening of the Nordstrom building; they were down there thoroughly scrubbing the entire parking lot. They are going to make that place shine; it looks sharp, everything is in the store, and they finished the little bit of landscaping that was left.

Other projects in the City are making good progress, and hopefully we will have a good summer.

The Building Department has had several requests in for finishing tenant improvements in some of the shells at the food court in the mall, but some of the tenants have had to pull out. We are well aware that it is a tough economy. He has changed the "Murray Poem" to include 'buy a car or two' as that is where we are really hurting in our sales tax revenue.

H. QUESTIONS OF THE MAYOR

Ms. Dunn stated that the Nordstrom grand opening will be at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, and hopes that everyone will be there.

Ms. Dunn, addressing Karen Wiley on the new process: On the forms that were used on the soft costs, asking for who applicants are applying to and the number of cities, could she require that form in the hard costs as well?

Ms. Wiley stated that it is the next step in the application process, however, it hasn't come to all cities at this time.

Ms. Dunn stated that those pages are probably more helpful to the City than anything else.

Mr. Brass agreed with the Mayor, stating that he, too, would like to have an accounting as to what actually got built in Murray.

Ms. Dunn said that they actually get reports from citizens, saying they apply and apply, and they never give us anything. They don't know if it is true or not, they just hear it, and it would be helpful to have that information.

Ms. Wiley stated that the reports are on-line and she is able to pull reports for each one of the cities, so they will begin sending that information to the City so they will have those statistics for the residents. This was just completed in the past month, so it has taken a much longer time than they had anticipated to get the information compiled and into a usable format.

Mr. Brass stated that, all in all, this is one of their more painful evenings, and this process takes a lot of that pain out.

Ms. Griffiths agreed, and thanked Mr. Tingey and all of his staff, and the Mayors office for all of their hard work.

Mayor Snarr thanked the Scouts for staying the course for this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT