

# Murray City Municipal Council Chambers Murray City, Utah

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**T**he Municipal Council of Murray City, Utah, met on Tuesday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 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
Pat Griffiths,	Council Member
Robbie Robertson,	Council Member
Jim Brass,	Council Member - Conducted

Others who attended:

Daniel Snarr,	Mayor
Jan Wells,	Chief of Staff
Michael Wagstaff,	Council Director
Carol Heales,	City Recorder
Frank Nakamura,	City Attorney
Doug Hill,	Public Services Director/Mayor Pro-tem
Patricia Wilson,	Finance Director
Tim Tingey,	Economic Development Director
Pete Fondaco,	Police Chief
Craig Burnett,	Assistant Police Chief
Janie Richardson,	MIS Department
Dan Barr,	Library Director
Daniel Pacheco,	US Census Bureau
Rebecca Palmer,	Deseret News
Erin McShay,	Valley Journals
Robert Orrigoni,	Board of Realtors
Citizens	

**A. OPENING CEREMONIES**

1. Pledge of Allegiance - Police Chief Fondaco
2. Approval of Minutes for May 19, 2009:

Approval of Minutes were deferred until the next Council meeting.

**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 an Ordinance adopting the Final 2009 - 2010 Fiscal Year Budgets for Murray City including the Library Fund Budget.**

Staff Presentation: Krista Dunn, Council Member

Ms. Dunn stated that over the course of the year to date, the Council and Mayor's office have gone through a process of the Mayor and his staff going through the budget for this year, presenting a budget to the Council. The Council then takes that budget, makes any changes or adjustments they see necessary, and they are now at the point where they allow the public to take a look and give the Council their concerns or thoughts on the budget. It will allow the Council two weeks to consider what has been said tonight and in between, now and the next meeting of June 16<sup>th</sup> 2009, by the citizenry, to make any adaptations that they may see a need for. They will then adopt a budget on the 16<sup>th</sup> of this month.

At this point in time, the budget that they have received and they have made adaptations to, is about \$800,000 less than last years budget; they are just under \$39 million. Last year, it was over \$39 million, but due to the economic downturn, they as a Council, the Mayor's Office and the Departments have tried to budget very frugally for the upcoming year to cover the short fall in revenue that the City is seeing. They have worked diligently to reduce the budget to what they project very conservatively. With that, our Finance Director has provided copies for the public, and you may look that over and ask for further information if you would like to, but this is essentially an outline of what the budget will look like in the upcoming fiscal year, unless there are a few adaptations made subsequent to tonight.

Frank Nakamura, City Attorney

Mr. Nakamura added that there is an addendum to the budget, where it shows distributions to non-profit entities, under Section 10-8-2 of the Utah Code; it serves a dual purpose; we are also holding a Public Hearing in regards to any comments to that addendum and those distributions to any non-profit organizations.

Pat Wilson, Finance Director

Ms. Wilson expressed her appreciation for everyone's help on this budget; it has been a challenge with the economic situation being what it is. She feels that the City has put together a reasonable budget. We certainly will be watching it closely, to see if their projections are realistic as time passes, but at this point, she is comfortable with what they have.

### **Public Hearing opened for public comment**

None Given

### **Public comment Closed**

#### Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing

Ms. Dunn commented for the record: The Mayor's Office and his staff put many, many hours in to putting together the budget for the City Council, and since receiving that budget, this Councils individual members have put in many, many hours looking at the budget. The most important thing she can say is, when they receive the budget, as a Council, they decided it was important that they cut back even further. They asked the department heads to go back and cut their budgets again; on behalf of the Council, she wanted to say thank you to every one of the

department heads for taking a really hard task of taking their budgets, and really reducing them past that point. After three years of reducing, reducing, and reducing, thinking they could not reduce anymore, and then they cut back once again, to the bone this time. The Council can only give their thanks and say thank you for participating in the process and in supporting the Council in where they were trying to go with this, and thank you for the jobs that they do, it is truly appreciated. As they said in the budget process, if you get to a point where you have cut so far that you can't make it, they will reconsider it in the mid-year if more funds have come in than was expected.

Mr. Brass clarified the process, saying that public comment would be closed, and the decision would be continued to the 16<sup>th</sup> of June, 2009.

Mr. Nakamura agreed, saying that the decision is being continued, the public hearing will be allowed if there are other comments on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June, at which time the decision will be made.

Mr. Dredge made a motion to continue the process of adopting the Ordinance until the 16<sup>th</sup> of June, 2009.

Ms. Dunn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

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

Motion passed 5-0

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

2. **Consider amending Ordinance #07-10 adopting the Fireclay Redevelopment Area Street Network, Circulation Plan, and Street Design Cross Sections as part of the Transit Oriented Development District Design Guidelines.**

Staff Presentation: Tim Tingey, Community & Economic Development Director

Mr. Tingey stated that the Planning Commission and Redevelopment Agency have taken the opportunity to review this proposed modification to the Transportation Master Plan for the Fireclay Area. It is really very simple: it is to take a portion of Edison Street, and move it so it goes towards the back of a property line and does not cut a property in half. The vision for the area is to have an area where there are connectable streets, making it easier for pedestrian walkability in this area, as well as to work towards maintaining that configuration for a transit oriented development.

This minor modification of Edison Street, as the Planning Commission and Redevelopment has reviewed it, they feel that this modification still adheres to the vision for this area and for the Transportation Master Plan. They have both recommended approval of this modification, and Community and Economic Development is recommending approval as well.

Mr. Brass added that they shifted over the other street as well, which is yet to be named. Mr. Tingey agreed, saying that it shifts in the same pattern as Edison Street.

**Public Hearing opened for public comment**

None Given

**Public comment Closed**

Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing

Mr. Robertson made a motion to adopt the Ordinance.  
Ms. Griffiths 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

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

Motion passed 5-0

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None scheduled

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Consider a Resolution supporting the United States Census Bureau's need to conduct a complete and accurate count of all City residents as of April 1, 2010.**

Staff presentation: Tim Tingey, Community & Economic Development Director

Mr. Tingey stated that they are putting forth this Resolution to show their commitment as a community to working with the United States Census Bureau's efforts for the 2010 census. This Resolution basically outlines the importance of the census; we will do all we can, as a community, to support the efforts by the Census Bureau.

Mr. Tingey added that the City is constantly working with the Census Bureau throughout the ten year period, to make sure that they understand the annexation processes, building permits, etc. The City feels that this is very important, as we get funding for programs through accurate counts. The staff is recommending approval at this time for this Resolution.

Mr. Tingey introduced Daniel Pacheco with the U.S. Census Bureau, who has been meeting with the City on the census.

Mr. Pacheco stated that he is the partnership specialist for Utah with the Census Bureau; and offered to answer any questions that anyone has.

Mr. Pacheco said that the role for the census for 2010 is critical for them to count as many people as possible, as it becomes the City's baseline for funding. It impacts the individuals; the census determines the reallocation or the reapportionment of Congress. That data is then used for all elected offices in the nation; so your voting districts will be changed according to that data; your schools use that data; your non-profit organizations use that data to secure funding and grants. The big thing is that some people are afraid to fill out the census, for one reason or another, so the whole purpose of this proclamation is to seek the City's support, as leaders of this community, to encourage your residents to fill out the form. Over the coming year, they will do numerous events in Murray, in the County, throughout the State, just to encourage people to fill out the form.

Ms. Griffiths made a motion to adopt the Resolution.

Ms. Dunn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

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

Motion passed 5-0

2. **Consider a Resolution adopting a Housing Market Study and setting forth the findings of the Biennial Review of the General Plan Moderate Income Housing element.**

Staff presentation: Tim Tingey, Community & Economic Development Director

Mr. Tingey said that this Housing Study was brought before the City Council several months ago, and they are very excited about the study itself, and what they were able to find, and also the recommendations of goals and objectives that they are putting forth to the Council for adoption. One of the main purposes of this study is to really understand what the housing needs are today for the low to moderate income residents of Murray. In addition to that, they have requirements through the State, which are submitted biennially through reports on how the City is addressing housing needs for low to moderate families and individuals in our community.

This really addresses these two issues; it gives information which will be submitted to the State, related to how the City is addressing housing needs in our community, and it sets forth goals and objectives for the future. Those goals and objectives include education, rental housing, goals and objectives for dealing with home ownership for low to moderate income families, and rehabilitation of housing. Based upon all of this, Community and Economic Development staff is recommending approval of the Resolution which includes the study, goals and objectives, and authorization to submit this to the State of Utah.

Mr. Brass asked if, when this is all done, is there a way to summarize that and put it on the website. He felt that the information was really interesting.

Mr. Tingey said that they could, and will put it on the website.

Ms. Griffiths added that she felt it was very well done and that she was really impressed with the people who conducted the study. The manner in which they acquired the information, and their presentation, was outstanding.

Ms. Dunn made a motion to adopt the Resolution  
Mr. Robertson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

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

Motion passed 5-0

3. **Consider a Resolution adopting the Regular Meeting Schedule for the Murray City Municipal Council for July through December 2009.**

Mr. Brass asked if anyone had concerns regarding the meeting dates as listed.  
No objections were noted.

Mr. Robertson made a motion to adopt the Resolution.  
Ms. Griffiths 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales:

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

Motion passed 5-0



## **G. MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Snarr stated they have done a great job on the realignment of 300 West, where it interconnects with 6400 South and Winchester Street. For right now, they have removed the existing asphalt where 300 West used to T-up against 6400 South. They will be back sometime later, probably next year, when they get the realignment and that spur line moved out of there, and then they will create an additional parking resource.

Mayor Snarr said that the Engineering Department is doing a great job; he has spoken with Trae Stokes about some projects that he feels are critical, and he wanted to thank everyone- the budget process has been tough, and they have asked everyone to look at it hard and sacrifice, and at the end of the day, everyone is trying their best to do what is best for our citizens. He appreciates everyone's hard work and effort on this.

Mayor Snarr noted that 5290 is going right out of the chute; they are trying to get that ready to bid now. That is the road that goes from 900 East to 1300 East; it is in terrible shape and has been for several years. There are a couple of other roads in that area that are also in dire need for repair, and they are doing their best to get these things done. When he receives calls, he lets them know that the City is working hard to try to address, appropriately, those streets that are in need of repairs. They have tried to spend money to rehabilitate those roads to the east, which were not in the best shape when they became part of Murray City. It is not that the City is neglecting, or trying to create divisiveness between old Murray and new Murray, it is all Murray and we are trying to do all that we can to take care of the needs of the entire community and address the roads that are critical.

The Mayor again thanked all of the Engineering Department, expressing his appreciation for all of the staff; he also said that we have good contractors, and good bids coming in, and he thanked everyone for looking at the opportunity, while the bidding climate is good, to do some additional road projects. He is grateful that they had some good bids come in on the Storm Drain Project; It will be a first class project and Allendale will look great once its completed.

## **H. QUESTIONS OF THE MAYOR**

Ms. Griffiths commented on the speed of the completion of Woodoak. They did a great job with minor disruptions, and expressed her thanks for the efficient manner in which that project was done.

Mayor Snarr said that with good contractors, and good people supervising the projects from the City, and the Engineering Department makes a good team for the City. It is an excellent time to be doing work, and it is ironic that in good times, it is difficult to get

good bids, and in tough times it is great to get great bids, although it is difficult to get the resources to do them. But to your credit, thank you for the proposal allowing the proposal to take the money out of the reserves and utilize those where we will get a lot more bang for the buck at this time.

Ms. Griffiths complemented the Mayor on his mustache, saying that it looks really nice. The Mayor said that it has killed a lot of birds with one stone, but the best that has come from it is that his wife no longer complains each night about the mustache.

He added that the money raised for the Children's Miracle Network than they had thought, and it made him laugh that there was so much made of his mustache. It was the American Mustache Institute who put his mustache on the map, worldwide.

## **ADJOURNMENT**