

# Murray City Municipal Council Chambers Murray City, Utah

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**T**he Municipal Council of Murray City, Utah, met on Tuesday, the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010 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 - Excused
Darren Stam,	Council Member - Conducted
Jared Shaver,	Council Member
Jim Brass,	Council Member

Others who attended:

Doug Hill,	Mayor Pro-Tem
Jan Wells,	Chief of Staff
Michael Wagstaff,	City Council Director
Carol Heales,	City Recorder
Frank Nakamura,	City Attorney
Tim Tingey,	Community & Economic Development
Scouts	
Citizens	

## A. OPENING CEREMONIES

1. Pledge of Allegiance - Joshua Coomons
2. Mr. Stam stated that there is a tradition in Murray City to have the Boy Scouts in attendance stand and introduce themselves, their troop leaders, and which Merit Badges they are working on.

The Scouts introduced themselves and their leaders.

3. Approval of minutes of July 20, 2010.

Mr. Brass made a motion to approve the minutes.  
Mr. Shaver 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales.

All ayes.

Mr. Stam excused Ms. Dunn from the 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 and public comment prior to Council action on the following matter:

**Consider an Ordinance relating to zoning: amends the General Plan from Commercial Retail to Residential Single Family Low Density and amends the Zoning Map from C-D-C to R-1-8 for the property located at approximately 30 East Stauffer Lane, Murray, Utah; and amends the General Plan from Public, Quasi-Public to Commercial Retail and amends the Zoning Map from R-1-8 to C-D-C for a portion of the property addressed 5750 South Nena Way, Murray, Utah.**

Staff presentation: Tim Tingey, Director of Community and Economic Development

Mr. Tingey stated that this issue was brought before the Planning Commission on July 15, 2010; they provided the notices for that meeting and held the public hearing, and the Planning Commission provided a recommendation for approval as outlined in the packet,

and staff also recommends approval. The primary purpose of this is to square up property, to provide additional property for the car dealership, as well as provide property to the church and square up the properties. In the General Plan, it does not have this referenced as something that would occur, but where you are squaring up property, where you are making a more conducive environment for the business and the residential area with this church, staff has recommended approval to the Planning Commission and is also recommending it to the Council; as previously mentioned, the Planning Commission recommended approval as well.

Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing.

Mr. Dredge asked Mr. Tingey to help him understand a little clearer exactly where this property is located.

Mr. Tingey explained that there is a portion that is on Stauffer Lane, which is the portion that the Larry H. Miller Group owns, that will transact that piece of property to the church facility; then there is the church facility, to the south of Stauffer Lane, the portion that is triangular, that portion will go from the church to Larry H. Miller Group.

**Public Hearing opened for public comment**

None given

**Public comment closed**

Mr. Shaver made a motion to adopt the Ordinance.  
Mr. Brass 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales.

  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam

Motion passed 4-0

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None scheduled

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Consider a Resolution approving marketing, sponsorship, and professional development assistance match grant applications to the Economic Development Corporation of Utah.**

Staff presentation: Tim Tingey, Director of Community and Economic Development

Mr. Tingey stated that they have been requesting these grants for several years, And particularly the sponsorship match grant that they just requested for the first time last year, they have a line item in the budget that has been approved to match these grants, and so they feel it is something that will enhance their economic development efforts, and are recommending approval of the attached Resolution.

Mr. Dredge made a motion to adopt the Resolution.  
Mr. Shaver 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales.

  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam

Motion passed 4-0

- 2. Consider an Ordinance amending Chapter 12.30 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to Park Center fees.**

Staff presentation: Doug Hill, Public Services Director

Mr. Hill said that he is acting Mayor Pro-Tem, and that Mayor Snarr is attending power meetings and is out of town.

This Ordinance before the Council tonight, increases the fees at the Park Center, approximately 15%; there are two other changes in this Ordinance: one is that the Ordinance implements a one month and a three month unlimited group fitness pass; there is currently already a one year unlimited group fitness pass. It also changes the definition of families. Limiting the family pass up to six dependent children, and charges an additional fee for each additional dependent child.

So that the Scouts are aware, this is not the first time that the City Council has seen this, we discussed this at their last City Council meeting, and in one of their work sessions, and there was a quite lengthy discussion as to why we are increasing fees, and various philosophies about fee increases. He did not want

them to think that this is the first time that the City Council has seen these proposed changes; they have had some time to think about them.

Mr. Hill continued: As you know, the Park Center was opened in 2002, and there has not been a fee increase except for a small one in 2006; the City currently subsidizes the operation of the Park Center with tax dollars, and so most tax payers in the city are already sending some of their money to help operate those recreation programs and to keep that facility open.

The fee increase that they are proposing would generate an additional \$100,000, approximately, of new revenue to help offset some of those expenses that the tax payers are paying for. This Ordinance was reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and comes with a positive recommendation.

Since our last discussion two weeks ago, they did put in an effective date of December 01, 2010, of when these fees would go into effect; they do not take place immediately. That gives them an opportunity to let people know in advance that the fees are going into effect, and if they want to renew their memberships, they would be able to do so at the current rate. This is also one of our biggest times for membership drives, so many people are renewing their memberships now and wouldn't be affected by these increases.

Another thing that they have talked about doing, which the Ordinance gives us them the authority to do, is various marketing schemes. One of the things that they are talking about doing is putting together some marketing programs which would encourage people to purchase memberships prior to the fee increases, so that can get people on board between now and December 01, 2010, as well.

Mr. Shaver made a motion to adopt the Ordinance.  
Mr. Brass 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales.

  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam

Motion passed 4-0

**3. Consider a Resolution approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City and Salt Lake County (“County”) that provides for the transfer and use of \$1,500,000 of County bond proceeds as prescribed by the Utah State Legislature to the City to pay for all or part of the costs of improvements to 4800 South.**

Staff presentation: Doug Hill, Public Services Director

Mr. Hill said that the City worked hard to get \$1.5 million from this past legislative session, to go towards the improvements of 4800 South, east of State Street. If anyone has driven 4800 South, you know that road is very bumpy and in need of repair. The funds will be generated by Salt Lake County, they are actually the ones that have to bond for these funds, and they will do the bonding if they haven't already; the agreement says that Murray City will do the engineering and cost estimate of the project.

If you approve this agreement tonight, the City will get a consultant on board to start designing that project right away; when we have a cost estimate and a design, they will go to the County and get their approval. Once they approve of the project, then they will transfer to the City, \$1.5 million, which would then allow us to reimburse ourselves the cost of the design, as well as any construction costs. Obviously, if the cost goes over \$1.5 million, then the City has to come up with those additional funds; if it is under \$1.5 million, then we will have to reimburse the County for any unspent funds that we have in that project.

Our plan is that we would start construction on this project in 2011; and it would probably take most of that construction year to complete that project.

So, this is the agreement with Salt Lake County that obligates those funds. We don't yet have those funds in the budget, and that is what we are proposing to do on September 7, 2010; there will be a proposed budget opening and one of the items on that opening is to put the money in the budget so that they can start spending it, so this is really a two-step process that we need to go through. This is the first step, which gets everything going with the County.

Mr. Dredge asked, before they actually begin, they will be able to see what the estimated cost is going to be of the work; so that they will have a better idea of whether they are going to ask for more funds or give some back.

Mr. Hill said that was correct.

Mr. Brass made a motion to adopt the Resolution.

Mr. Shaver 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales.

  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam

Motion passed 4-0

**4. Consider a Resolution to request that State Legislators and the Governor of Utah take action to prevent excessive payday or similar type lending interest rates in the State.**

Presentation: Jim Brass, Council Member

Mr. Brass stated that he was approached on this about interest rates for check cashing facilities and pay-day loans; they had a Council initiative workshop on this, went over the details on this, and having been in meetings all day, he won't bore you on it. As a city, they have looked at limiting these businesses, and how many you can have within a certain distance, and how many total; so this is nothing new.

The other thing is, we are not enacting legislation, we are simply asking that our State Legislators take a look at it.

Mr. Shaver asked how this would be delivered.

Mr. Brass asked Mr. Wagstaff how they would go about doing that.

Mr. Wagstaff stated that it could be taken up in person; (Other comments inaudible.)

Mr. Shaver asked if they would want our legislators to be a part of that presentation, or if that would be done as a city only.

Mr. Brass said we could always talk to them, the more support we get from up there, the better.

Mr. Stam said that he had received an e-mail from someone about this, who was in the banking industry, and went through and showed several banks and comparisons of what they would be. The interesting thing is that he had spoken to one, and they won't lend money on a short term basis like that, so he doesn't know where they can come up with those kind of fees.

Mr. Brass said he had seen that same e-mail, and had a discussion with them.

Mr. Brass made a motion to adopt the Resolution.  
Mr. Dredge 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales.

  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam

Motion passed 4-0

**G. MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Hill stated that there will be a road closure on Sunday at 700 west, south of Winchester Street to the city limits of Midvale. That road will be over-laid by City crews.

The Park Center swimming pool is currently closed, because the chlorinator has malfunctioned, so if you hear anything from your constituents, they are hoping to get that re-opened by tomorrow; however, they will have an approximately two week closure starting next week of the Park Center for its annual cleaning. They have been able to accommodate most of the groups over at the outdoor pool. Mr. Hill thanked Soni Hirasuna for being in attendance tonight, she is one of the great employees over at the Park Center.

**H. QUESTIONS OF THE MAYOR**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**