

# Murray City Municipal Council Chambers Murray City, Utah

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**T**he Municipal Council of Murray City, Utah, met on Tuesday, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 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 - Excused
Krista Dunn,	Council Member
Darren Stam,	Council Member
Jared Shaver,	Council Member - Conducting
Jim Brass,	Council Member

Others who attended:

Dan Snarr,	Mayor -excused
Jan Wells,	Chief of Staff
Janet Lopez,	City Council Office
Carol Heales,	City Recorder
Frank Nakamura,	City Attorney
Pete Fondaco,	Police Chief
Doug Hill,	Public Services Director
Blaine Haacke,	General Manager
Tim Tingey,	Community Economic Development Director
Gil Rodriguez,	Fire Chief
Patricia Wilson,	Finance Director
Mark Riet,	City Forester
Citizens	
Boy Scouts	

## A. OPENING CEREMONIES

1. Pledge of Allegiance - Adam Barrows, Boy Scout
2. A. Approval of minutes of September 07, 2010

Mr.Stam made a motion to approve the minutes.

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

Call vote recorded. All Ayes.

B. Approval of minutes of September 21, 2010

Mr. Stam made a motion to approve the minutes.

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

Call vote recorded. All Ayes.

3. Mr. Shaver 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.

4. Special Recognitions:

Recognition of Jason Sollis for completion of the 2-year Utility Arborist Apprenticeship

Staff presentation: Mark Riet, Forestry Division

Mr. Riet introduced Mr. Sollis as the City's newest utility arborist; he has been with the City for about four years, and has just completed his training program at UVU.

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

None given

**Public comment closed**

**C. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Consider a Resolution approving the Mayor's appointment of the City representative and Alternative representatives to the Utah infrastructure Agency Board of Directors.**

Staff presentation: Jan Wells, Chief of Staff

Ms. Wells stated that the City has been asked to participate in this new entity, and has agreed to do so; the Mayor has asked that she take that position and that each of the Council members serve as alternates in that capacity as well.

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

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales

  A   Ms. Dunn  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam  
  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver

Motion passed 5 – 0

Ms. Dunn said that just as they have not been given a place on the Executive Committee, she would like to see the Council Members be removed as alternates for now, until the time that they are possibly given a position on the Executive Committee.

Mr. Brass said that they would want to have an alternate, for those meetings that Ms. Wells would not be able to attend.

Ms. Dunn said that they could attend anyway, but as far as votes are concerned.....

Mr. Brass said that it did not really matter.

Mr. Shaver asked how they would have this read.

Ms. Dunn said that it would read as follows: *Hereby approves the Mayors appointment of Jan Wells as the representative to the Board of Directors of the Utah Infrastructure Agency (UIA.)* Ms. Dunn said that they could discuss putting an alternate in and voting on that at a later date, or talk about it now, but for the reason being that if they want to attend the Executive Committee meetings, she does not want to create a quorum there, so there may be a problem with them doing that; they would not be able to attend executive committee meetings, whereas now they can.

Ms. Dunn made a motion to amend the motion to approve the Resolution,  
with the changes described above.

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

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales

  A   Ms. Dunn  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam  
  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver

Motion passed 5 – 0

Mr. Shaver called for a vote to approve the Resolution as it is now contained.

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

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales

  A   Ms. Dunn  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam  
  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver

Motion passed 5 – 0

**D. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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

1. **Consider an Ordinance amending relating to zoning; amends the Zoning Map for properties located at 307 and 313 East Winchester Street, Murray City, Utah, from R-1-8 (Single-Family Low Density Residential District) to R-N-B (Residential Neighborhood Business District.).**

Staff presentation: Tim Tingey, Community Economic Development Director

Mr. Tingey stated that this item was presented at the Planning Commission on September 02, 2010; they forwarded a positive recommendation to approve this zone change. There is a title company adjacent to this property that is owned by the same individuals, and they are requesting that this area be zoned so that they may use a portion of this property for parking. It is allowed in the General Plan under future land use, and the city sees this area as going to General Office, and staff recommended approval, and are recommending approval on this tonight.

Council consideration of the above matter to follow Public Hearing.

**Public Hearing opened for public comment.**

None given

**Public comment closed.**

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

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales

- A   Ms. Dunn
- A   Mr. Dredge
- A   Mr. Stam
- A   Mr. Brass
- A   Mr. Shaver

Motion passed 5 –

2. **Consider an Ordinance amending Section 17.168.080(A) of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to first-floor ceiling height in the Transit Oriented Development District.**

*Item Removed from agenda*

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None scheduled

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

**Consider an Ordinance amending Section 13.32.060(A)(1) of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to sewer rates.**

Staff presentation: Doug Hill, Public Services Director

Mr. Hill recognized Ms. Von Weller, Public Services Deputy Director and Danny Astill, Water Superintendent. Mr. Hill stated that two weeks ago, the Council had a presentation from a consultant that the City hired to look at the wastewater rates. The rate analysis also looked at our Capital Facilities Plan and identified projects that they need to construct relatively soon; they looked at some of the bonding needs and determined that our existing rates that the City is charging the residents and businesses for sewer would not cover the costs of doing those projects. They recommended that the City change their sewer rates beginning November 01, 2010, so that they can cover the costs of bonding and implementing a number of these projects.

Mr. Hill said that the Ordinance that is before you tonight, implements a new rate schedule for the next five years; it increase rates on November 01, 2010 approximately 6.15% this year, and for the next three years it is a little over 3%, and then in the fifth year, it is anticipated that Central Valley will have a large project that we will need to help fund, so there is a little over 6% included in the fifth year. To put that into perspective, that will increase the rates approximately \$1.59 per month to our average residential customer.

Ms. Dunn stated that this is an Enterprise Fund, and your tax dollars do not pay for this; this is a City owned business for participation in a sewer project. In an Enterprise Fund, you basically just pay for what the cost is of doing the business, and this is what Mr. Hill has just explained- that the cost of doing the business at this point, the rates don't cover that.

Mr. Brass said that other than the future Central Valley project, there could be other Central Valley project that could happen; one of the things that the State of Utah and the Federal Government are looking at is how to address storm-water run off. They are trying to stay ahead of that, and if they can keep our run off under control and not treat it, it could save the city tens of millions of dollars. If we can keep our sewer systems and our storm-water systems up, it could stave off some major expenses in the future.

Ms. Dunn added that we have to meet the mandates of the federal and state governments and most of the time, those mandates are not funded; we have to fund them ourselves.

Ms. Dunn made a motion to adopt the Ordinance.

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

Call vote recorded by Carol Heales

  A   Ms. Dunn  
  A   Mr. Dredge  
  A   Mr. Stam  
  A   Mr. Brass  
  A   Mr. Shaver

Motion passed 5 – 0

Frank Nakamura, City Attorney stated that there was an item that was noticed for a Public Hearing, item #2 on today's agenda, and we are not proceeding with that item because the sponsor withdrew their application for that item.

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

Mr. Hill stated that the Mayor is vacationing in Disneyland with his family this week, and is probably celebrating the successful Utah football season.

Mr. Hill said that the City will be hosting a meeting at Murray High School, on Wednesday, November 03, 2010 from 6 – 8 p.m. This will be a public meeting, and the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Downtown Ordinance changes and design guidelines for the Murray City Center District. Also, the City has undertaken an environmental assessment for the extension of Cottonwood Street and between Vine Street and 4500 South. There have been a number of neighborhood meetings thus far, but they do have a web site up and running for anyone to visit where it explains the work that is being done on that environmental process. It has comment forms and other pertinent information for the project, and that web site address is: [www.cottonwoodstreetstudy.com](http://www.cottonwoodstreetstudy.com).

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

None

Mr. Shaver said that over the past several months, the City has had several discussions with the neighborhood just south of 5300 South, between State Street and approximately 500 West. Just last week they put in that turn signal just west of 5300 South; he has received some phone calls from the people in that area thanking the city for remembering them, and although we do not control that, they know that your input and that of your staff and the Mayor's Office had a lot to do with influencing that, and they are grateful for that and wanted him to express their thanks.

## **ADJOURNMENT**