

SALT LAKE COUNTY

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

6:00 PM

Public Hearing

Council Chambers, N1-110

County Council

1. Call to Order - Welcome- Council Chair Laurie Stringham

Present: Council Member Suzanne Harrison
Council Member Jim Bradley
Council Member Arlyn Bradshaw
Council Member Dave Alvord
Council Member Aimee Winder Newton
Council Member Ann Granato
Council Member Dea Theodore

Excused: Council Chair Laurie Stringham
Council Member Sheldon Stewart

2. Mayor's Budget Comments

Mayor Jennifer Wilson thanked those who participated in the budget process; it was a collaborative effort. Thousands of hours went into reviewing programs and priorities throughout this process. The process is critical to good government.

3. Open Public Hearing - Public Comment

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Harrison, to open the public hearing. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Steve Van Maren stated the audio was delayed so he had not heard the introduction to the public hearing, but he had no comment on this topic.

4. Council Comments**5. Close Public Hearing**

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Harrison, to close the public hearing. The motion carried by a unanimous vote

6. Discussion and Approval of Salt Lake County Budget Resolution, 2025 Budget, and 2024 Budget Adjustments

Council Member Alvord stated he had an amendment to the 2024 budget adjustments. Earlier, the Council voted on a \$47.5 million appropriation, which was intended to supplement a \$1 million deposit the County made for a real estate transaction. However, that \$1 million was never appropriated.

A motion was made by Council Member Alvord, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw,

that the Council approve the full \$48.5 million for the real estate transaction. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 6.1 Consideration of a Resolution of the Salt Lake County Council Adopting a Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025 for Salt Lake County Offices, Departments, and Agencies, Including Proposed Tax Revenues, Budget Appropriations, and Personnel Allocations; Adopting Compensation Adjustments for County Officials and Employees; Adopting Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget; Certifying Compliance with Certain Requirements of Utah Statute and Salt Lake County Ordinance; and Related Matters** [24-2357](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Final 2025 Budget Resolution](#)

Council Member Theodore stated the Mayor's Office and Council worked diligently together on the budget, spending a lot of hours on it. It was a challenging and tight budget year, and while cuts were made here and there, the County did a lot of good things throughout the year.

RESOLUTION NO. 6257

A RESOLUTION OF THE SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL ADOPTING A FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 FOR SALT LAKE COUNTY OFFICES, DEPARTMENTS, AND AGENCIES, INCLUDING PROPOSED TAX REVENUES, BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS, AND PERSONNEL ALLOCATIONS; ADOPTING COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENTS FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES; ADOPTING ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET; CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF UTAH STATUTE AND SALT LAKE COUNTY ORDINANCE; AND RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Council, as required by Salt Lake County's Budget Process Ordinance, Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 2.95, is required to adopt by resolution a final budget for Salt Lake County on or before December 10 of each year for the following calendar fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County, as required by the Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Counties, Utah Code Ann. § 17-36-15, shall adopt by resolution the final budget for fiscal year 2025 on or before December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Mayor and the County Council have caused to be prepared the Mayor's proposed 2025 budget and the Council's recommended final 2025 budget, each of which have been reviewed and discussed in public meetings, and which have met all legal requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Council provided timely public notices for a public hearing on the adoption of Salt Lake County's final budget for fiscal year 2025 on December 10, 2024, at the hour of 6:00 p.m., as required by Utah Code Ann. § 17-36-12; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2024, at the hour of 6:00 p.m., the Salt Lake County Council held a public hearing on Salt Lake County's final budget for fiscal year 2025 that conformed with all necessary requirements of Utah Code Ann. § 17-36-13; and

WHEREAS, at the December 10, 2024, public hearing the Salt Lake County Council received public comment on the recommended budget, and all interested persons had an opportunity to be heard for or against the estimates of revenue and expenditures and performance data or any item in any fund; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Council has reviewed the recommended budget, has considered any adjustments or revisions to that recommended budget, and now desires to adopt Salt Lake County's final budget for fiscal year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Council has reviewed a financial plan for the expenditure of bond proceeds and funds for capital improvements projects and related matters, which plan includes reimbursement to the County from bond proceeds for expenditures made or incurred on those projects prior to the issuance of their related bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Council also now finds it expedient to adopt a salary plan which will provide for compensation adjustments to County employees and which will fix salary and compensation for County

elected officials for the 2025 fiscal year, and which plan is and has been a part of the budget discussion and public hearings and notice; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Council desires to make contributions to certain non-profit entities to assist those entities in providing services to Salt Lake County residents; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake County Council desires to adopt and ratify certain adjustments to the 2024 fiscal year budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Salt Lake County Council, acting as the County Legislative Body for Salt Lake County, that:

- 1) The Salt Lake County Council hereby adopts an overall final budget for fiscal year 2025 for Salt Lake County offices, departments, and agencies, as more specifically described in Attachment A to this Resolution, including specific budgets for fiscal year 2025 for Salt Lake County's particular funds and accounts, and also adopts proposed tax revenues for fiscal year 2025 for the funds and accounts indicated above. Attachment A is hereby incorporated into this Resolution by reference.
- 2) The Salt Lake County Council hereby adopts personnel allocations for County offices, departments, and agencies, effective for fiscal year 2025 as more specifically provided in Attachment A.
- 3) The Salt Lake County Council hereby adopts salary compensation adjustments for County employees and fixes salaries for Salt Lake County elected officials, effective for fiscal year 2025, as more specifically provided in Attachment A.
- 4) The Salt Lake County Council hereby approves and adopts fee changes presented and approved during its budget meetings and hearings, and as reflected in the revenue totals set forth in Attachment A.
- 5) The 2025 budget adopted as provided in paragraph 1, above, shall be in effect for the next fiscal year, 2025, subject to further amendments as provided by law, and the County Mayor is directed to file, with the Utah Auditor not later than thirty (30) days hence, certified copies of these final budgets and amendments. Copies of these budgets shall be available at the offices of the County Council, County Mayor, and County Clerk for

inspection by the public during business hours, and shall also be posted on the Salt Lake County website.

6) The Salt Lake County Council has provided for monetary assistance to certain non-profit entities in the community in exchange for which the County will receive fair and adequate consideration in that the assistance, individually and collectively, will contribute to the health, safety and welfare of the community at large through the preservation of its cultural heritage, the encouragement of economic development and tourism, the encouragement of the arts, the increase in capacity for services to the disabled, the disadvantaged, the needy, and those receiving social and human services from county supported agencies, and the development of resources to assist and mentor youth. All such assistance has been approved in a manner consistent with Utah Code Ann. § 17-50-303(3) and shall be administered in a manner consistent with Salt Lake County Ordinance, Policy, and the Council's legislative intent.

7) The Salt Lake County Council hereby adopts final year-end adjustments to the 2024 fiscal year budget, as more specifically described in Attachment B, which attachment is hereby incorporated into this Resolution by reference. The final year-end adjustments to the 2024 fiscal year budget shall be effective for fiscal year 2024.

8) The Salt Lake County Council certifies that it has, to the best of its knowledge, exercised due diligence in complying with all public notice and hearing requirements established by the Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Counties, Utah Code Ann. § 17-36-1, et seq. and Salt Lake County's County Budget Process Ordinance, Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2.95.

9) The tables of revenues and expenditures and other budgetary data contained in Attachments A and B are hereby approved in substantially final form, subject to any revisions that may be necessary to correct purely technical inaccuracies, or to update and memorialize the votes of the Salt Lake County Council, including any votes taken at the public hearing concerning the 2025 budget held on December 10, 2024. County budget staff are hereby authorized to make any such necessary revisions prior to the final publication of the budget as described in paragraph 5, above.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 10th day of December, 2024.

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST (SEAL)

By /s/ DEA THEODORE

Vice Chair

By /s/ LANNIE CHAPMAN

Salt Lake County Clerk

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Council Member Harrison, Council Member Bradley, Council Member Bradshaw, Council Member Winder Newton, Council Member Granato, and Council Member Theodore

Nay: Council Member Alvord

Excused: Council Chair Stringham, and Council Member Stewart

Council Member Alvord stated during the budget process, his office was able to identify what it thought were appropriate cuts totaling \$28 million; however, most of those cuts were not agreed upon. The Council also eliminated some senior policy advisors to the Council, which he felt was destructive to the County. He had found his senior policy advisors to be invaluable and help serve his district better. He voted against the budget for those reasons.

Adjourn for RDA & MBA

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM until Tuesday, December 17, 2024.

LANNIE CHAPMAN, COUNTY CLERK

By _____
DEPUTY CLERK

By _____
CHAIR, SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL