

SALT LAKE COUNTY

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

1:45 PM

Room N2-800

County Council

1. CALL TO ORDER

Present: Council Member Suzanne Harrison
Council Chair Laurie Stringham
Council Member Jim Bradley
Council Member Arlyn Bradshaw
Council Member Dave Alvord
Council Member Aimee Winder Newton
Council Member Ann Granato
Council Member Sheldon Stewart
Council Member Dea Theodore

Invocation - Reading or Thought - Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Granato led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT**3. REPORT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS:****3.1. County Council Members**

Council Member Stringham stated she had met with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) this last week. She took everyone on a tour of the Utah Olympic Oval facility, where she was able to share the legacy of the facility and explain what it has done for the community. Conversations about bidding for the Olympics in 2034 are underway.

3.2. County Mayor

Mayor Jennifer Wilson delivered her weekly report.

- Mayor Wilson stated she was around for the beginning and the end of the IOC visit. She hoped to have a conversation with Council Member Stringham offline to discuss opportunities in Kearns. The IOC was very happy with where the County is as a community, and it even felt the quality of the venues had been underreported. The Committee was happy to see students, children, and families utilizing the facilities. It was also pleased that the venues are so close in proximity.

- Registration has begun for Parks & Recreation's My County Rec pass. In the past week, 6,800 children have registered.
- This year, at the Utah Recreation and Parks Association (URPA) Conference in March, Brad Pitcher and Jan Donchess of Parks & Recreation both received Lifetime Achievement awards. The County's Central City Recreation Center's warming center received the Innovation of The Year award. Ashlin Stephens of Parks & Recreation was awarded the Fred and Judy Tamagawa Professional Development Scholarship. Susan Spicer, who manages the Library Services Division's Early Learning program, received the Sullivan Award from the American Library Association for 2024.

3.3. Other Elected County Officials

4. WORK SESSION

4.1 Proposed Hire Report / Incentive Plans - \$3,000 and Under / [24-1575](#) Weekly Reclassification Report

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Proposed Hire Report 04-10-2024](#)
[Incentive Plans Under \\$3,000 4-10-2024](#)
[Weekly Reclassification Report 4-10-2024](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst. (Approx. 2:00PM, 5 Min.)

Informational

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget and Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the new hires. There were no reclassifications, nor incentive plans.

4.2 Budget Adjustment: Internal Emergency Management [24-1589](#) requests to recognize \$315,000 in Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant to be passed through to Jordan School District. The grant will be used to conduct a seismic retrofit scope of work at five Title I schools.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[30789 - BRIC Grant for JSD Earthquake Study](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst.
Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget and Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment.

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Council Member Alvord was absent for the vote.

- 4.3 Budget Adjustment: Public Works Engineering requests to add \$520,000 to their budget for two projects in Kearns. This is budget neutral to the County because the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (GSLMSD) will reimburse all project expenses.** [24-1597](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[31165 - New Funding for Kearns Projects](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst.
Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget and Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment.

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Council Member Alvord was absent for the vote.

- 4.4 Budget Adjustment: Human Resources requests an appropriation unit shift of \$6,200 from operations to capital expenditures to replace the fingerprint machine.** [24-1598](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[31163 - Fingerprint machine purchase](#)

Presenter: Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst.
Discussion/Direction

Ms. Hoa Nguyen, Budget and Policy Analyst, Council Office, reviewed the budget adjustment.

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Winder Newton, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Council Member Alvord was absent for the vote.

4.5 Discussion of 2024 Contra Accounts Under the Direction of David Delquadro, Council Fiscal Manager and Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst. [24-1581](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Assessor's Final Council Presentation - April 16 2024](#)

Presenter: Chris Stavros, SLCo Assessor. (Approx. 2:05PM, 20 min.)
Informational

Mr. David Delquadro, Chief Financial Manager, Council Office, reminded everyone that a contra account is an offset or reduction in an appropriation. In the 2024 budget, for organizations funded by the General Fund, there was a 3 percent contra account applied to the personnel appropriation unit and a 2 percent contra account applied to the operations unit. In the case of the Assessor, there were also contra accounts in the 2023 budget. The \$45,000 contra account for personnel was waived, but the \$333,000 contra account for operations was carried over.

Mr. Chris Stavros, Assessor, delivered a PowerPoint presentation entitled Assessor's Office Update - April 16, 2024. He reviewed what is happening at the Assessor's Office; the 2023 Personal Property Audit program; what the Assessor's Office has been asked to do in 2024; covid cuts in the amount of \$332,869 that still remain in the Assessor's Operations contra account; and collection costs for motor vehicles.

Mr. Delquadro explained it costs about \$3.50 per transaction to collect motor vehicle taxes. The County and the State split that cost equally. The Assessor pays the County's portion on behalf of the County.

Council Member Harrison asked if the County loses money on motor vehicle costs.

Mr. Delquadro explained the County gets that money back in transportation dollars, but that revenue does not go back to the Assessor.

Mr. Stavros concluded the presentation reviewing the following talking

points: In 2023, the Assessor's Office gave up one FTE; the Office currently has six vacant positions; and upcoming June requests.

Mr. Delquadro stated all the elected officials will have an opportunity to present, but the calendar is getting tight. There will not be a meeting on April 30, 2024, because of the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) conference, so this will need to be done during May.

TIME CERTAIN 2:25PM

4.6 Update on SLVLESA Funding Request for Law Enforcement Bureau [24-1584](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Presenter: Sheriff Rosie Rivera. (Approx. 2:25PM, 10 Min.)
Informational

Sheriff Rosie Rivera stated the letter she sent to the Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA) the week prior, requesting \$5.839 million to provide safety services in unincorporated areas of Salt Lake County, was not well-received. SLVLESA has since had two meetings, which she attended, but there is still not much to report. Everyone is still engaging in discussions.

Council Member Granato asked what SLVLESA's disagreement is primarily based on.

Sheriff Rivera stated there was disagreement regarding the canyons. There was also disagreement about what the Sheriff's Office needed for law enforcement. She had asked for one extra Officer position than what was currently allotted. She needs more than that, but has been taking into consideration that every law enforcement agency needs funding right now. This model was built considering that unincorporated areas will go away.

Ms. Brittany Karzen, Communications Director, Sheriff's Office, stated the Sheriff's Office is using the same level of staffing, but must increase its coverage hours from 2:00 AM to 6:00 AM in the canyons. SLVLESA believes the County should be funding these areas. Realistically, however, the County has never solely funded those areas because it always received

contributions from the areas of Brighton and Emigration. SLVLESA has traditionally born about 35 percent of the cost, while the County has born around 65 percent.

Council Member Bradley stated he felt, as a member of the Board of SLVLESA, was that an agreement would be coming soon as time was running out. He sensed the Board was softening toward the County's needs and point of view.

Sheriff Rivera stated SLVLESA has committed to trying to take a vote by the next meeting on April 25th.

4.7 Law Enforcement Bureau Hiring Roster

[24-1601](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Presenter: Presenter: Sheriff Rosie Rivera, Chief Deputy Jason Ackerman, and HR Division Administrator Carita Lucey. (Approx. 2:35PM, 10 Min.)
Informational

Sheriff Rosie Rivera stated she is building a hiring roster, but she does not intend to make any offers. This will let the Sheriff's Office know if it can fill positions with those who are on the roster. It will also help the Unified Police Department (UPD) to know where to assign people starting July 1st. The split is going to be very complicated and will involve a lot of shift bids.

Ms. Carita Lucy, Human Resources Division Director, Sheriff's Office, stated the sworn hiring process is governed by the County's Peace Officer Merit Commission, which requires that a register be created before the Sheriff's Office could make any offer.

4.8 Presentation Update on the 2024 Runoff Ready Preparedness and Current Snowpack Conditions for Spring

[24-1588](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Snowpack and RunoffReady](#)

Presenter: Catherine Kanter, Deputy Mayor. Lisa Hartman, Associate Deputy Mayor. Kade Moncur, Director of Flood Control. Robert Thompson, Watershed Section Manager. (Approx. 2:45PM, 25 Min.)
Informational

Ms. Lisa Hartman, Associate Deputy Mayor of Regional Operations, stated the Mayor asked for a presentation on the current snowpack conditions. She let everyone know the Runoff Ready website is still up and running.

Mr. Kade Moncur, Director, Engineering and Flood Control Division, delivered a PowerPoint presentation entitled 2024 Runoff Ready Update. He reviewed the 2023 spring runoff recap and 2024 current snowpack conditions.

Mr. Robert Thompson, Watershed Section Manager, Engineering and Flood Control Division, continued the presentation, reviewing western United States precipitation water year (WY); western United States drought monitor; Utah snow water equivalent (SWE); Northern Utah Basins SWE; Jordan Basin SWE; City Creek SWE at Lookout Peak; Parley's Creek SWE at Parley's Summit; Big Cottonwood SWE at Mill D; Big Cottonwood SWE at Brighton; Little Cottonwood SWE at Snowbird; monthly precipitation forecast; seasonal precipitation forecast; monthly temperature forecast; seasonal temperature forecast; seasonal streamflow forecast; Wasatch reservoirs percent full as of April; and Utah Lake at compromise.

Mr. Moncur concluded the presentation reviewing a comparison from 2023 to 2024; response in 2023 supports 2024 efforts; 2024 Runoff Ready preparation; typical peak runoff date ranges by waterway; and current status.

Council Member Theodore asked for an update on the Willow Creek area in Draper that was a concern last year.

Mr. Moncur stated this area had been rerouted over the years. It was not designed well. It is concerning to residents, but is functioning like it should. The area received some maintenance last year.

Ms. Hartman stated the County does not own vector trucks, so it relied on the emergency management team to call on other cities that do own a vector truck for help. Draper was one such city.

Ms. Erin Litvack, Deputy Mayor of County Services, stated as the creeks are filling, she felt it was important to campaign with the community to pay

close attention to children and animals to avoid potential tragedies.

Ms. Hartman stated this was a legitimate concern, as even though flooding would be a lower risk this year, the creeks would be running faster.

Mayor Jennifer Wilson thanked the flood control team and the Council for its work. The County is in an ideal position this year because it is very well-prepared.

4.9 Presentation of the Financial Audit of the Salt Lake County Council [24-1572](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Council Financial Audit Presentation to Council FINAL](#)

Presenter: Chris Harding, SLCo Auditor. (Approx. 3:10PM, 15 Min.)
Informational

Mr. Richard Jaussi, Chief Deputy, Auditor, delivered a PowerPoint presentation entitled: A Financial Audit of the Salt Lake County Council. He reviewed the following talking points: Audit Team Members; Audit Report; Attendance; Findings and Recommendations; Critical Risks; Significant Risks; Moderate Risks; and Low Risks. The Audit report is available on the County website.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ISSUANCE OF PUBLIC NOTICES

6. PENDING LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

7. CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Alvord, that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

7.1 Consideration of a \$5,500 In-kind Donation from Project Glimmer to the SLCo Health Department Home Visiting Programs [24-1570](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Over \\$5000 Donation Form April 2024](#)

The vote on this consent item was approved.

8. APPROVAL OF TAX LETTERS

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Alvord, that the tax letters be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

8.1 Personal Property Tax Exemption Summary [24-1571](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[24-9006 Personal Property Tax Exemption Summary](#)
[4.10.24](#)

The vote on this tax letter was approved.

8.2 Refunds of Overpaid Personal Property Taxes [24-1583](#)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[MA 0011 Personal Property Tax Refund DMV Vet \\$795.00](#)

The vote on this tax letter was approved.

9. ACCEPTANCE OF ETHICS DISCLOSURES**10. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES****10.1 Approval of March 19, 2024 County Council Minutes [24-1566](#)**

Attachments: [031924 Council Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Alvord, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

11. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL**12. PROCLAMATIONS, MEMORIALS, AND OTHER CEREMONIAL OR COMMEMORATIVE MATTERS****12.1 A Memorial Proclamation of the Salt Lake County Council Honoring the Life of Former Salt Lake City Mayor Ted Wilson [24-1603](#)**

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
 [Honoring Ted Wilson Proclamation](#)

Sponsors: Council Chair Stringham and the County Council. (Approx. 3:25PM, 5 Min.)

Informational

Council Member Stringham read the proclamation.

A MEMORIAL PROCLAMATION OF THE SALT LAKE
COUNTY COUNCIL HONORING THE LIFE OF FORMER SALT
LAKE CITY MAYOR TED WILSON

WHEREAS, Ted Wilson was born May 18, 1939, in Salt Lake City to working-class parents. His mother was a hospital switchboard operator, his father owned a tent and awning shop, and he grew up steeped in Democratic politics, listening to FDR's fireside chats; and

WHEREAS, Ted was well educated, graduating from South High School in 1957, from the University of Utah with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science in 1964, and a Master's Degree in Education from the University of Washington in 1969; and

WHEREAS, Ted received many scholarly awards including an honorary Doctorate of Laws from Westminster College of Salt Lake City, a fellowship from the John F. Kennedy Institute of Politics at Harvard University, and numerous education awards including Merit of Honor from the University of Utah Emeritus Alumni Board; and

WHEREAS, Ted also served in the Utah Army National Guard during the Berlin Crisis; and

WHEREAS, Ted was a consummate teacher, working as instructor at the Leysin American School in Switzerland, an Eagle, teaching economics at Skyline High School in Salt Lake City, and the founding member of several climbing schools; and

WHEREAS, Ted loved the outdoors and the mountains, especially Utah's Little Cottonwood Canyon, who worked as a park ranger and mountaineer in Grand Teton National Park. In the summer of 1967, Ted and six others

heroically rescued another climber who had broken a leg scaling the north face of the Grand Teton. Ted also had extensive hiking experience in the Alps, Alaska, and the Andes; and

WHEREAS, Ted, always drawn to public service, served as Chief of Staff to U.S. Congressman Wayne Owens; and

WHEREAS, Ted also worked for Salt Lake County as the Director of Social Services in 1975, and had a deep commitment to and interest in mental health, mentoring then Assistant Director Karen Shepherd who took his place after his election; and

WHEREAS, Karen Shepherd also told a story about a river trip their families took together in which Karen's son Dylan got caught in the rapids of the river, and Ted leapt from his raft, crossed the river and an island to get ahead of Dylan, and leapt into the water to rescue him; and

WHEREAS, Ted served as Mayor of Salt Lake City from 1976 to 1985, during which time he presided over an election to change the at-large commission form of government to a council district form of government to increase the representation and responsiveness of Salt Lake City. Ted used to comment that because all of the commissioners lived within a block of each other, there was no representation for the rest of the city. These efforts brought enhanced transparency and accountability to Salt Lake City; and

WHEREAS, Ted's administration had many accomplishments, including the reconstruction of the Salt Lake City International Airport, expanding the green space in the city's parks, new efforts to preserve the Salt Lake City and County Building when it began to crumble, the construction of a new sewage treatment plant, the initiation and passage of the first historical and foothill preservation ordinances in the city's history (which helped to lay the groundwork for the Bonneville Shoreline Trail); and

WHEREAS, Ted's stewardship during difficult times is perhaps best remembered in how he provided leadership during the flooding of 1983, when a massive sandbagging operation was used to divert City Creek, turning State Street into a temporary river. It is no wonder Ted also served as the Executive Director of the Utah Rivers Council; and

WHEREAS, Ted was the Democratic nominee for US Senate in 1982, and

was the Democratic nominee for Governor of Utah in 1988; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 1985, Ted left the Mayor's office to become the Director of the Hinckley Institute of Politics at the University of Utah during a period of critical growth for that academic institution, leaving a legacy that will continue to impact generations of students. A gifted educator, he taught and inspired thousands of students in courses on American government, presidential politics, and the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, under Ted's leadership, the Hinckley Institute expanded internship opportunities in Utah and Washington, D.C., increasing participation significantly, laying the groundwork for the Hinckley Global Internship Program, leading dozens of students on civic learning expeditions to India, prioritizing students and their development, securing academic scholarships, and founding the student-run Hinckley Journal of Politics; and

WHEREAS, Ted, upon retiring from the Hinckley Institute in September 2003, retained status as Professor Emeritus of political science and continued to teach classes at the university; and

WHEREAS, because Ted did not understand what the word "retirement" meant, he continued working in the areas he was passionate about, including serving as an environmental advisor to Gov. Gary Herbert and on the board of the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance; and

WHEREAS, Ted's greatest joy was adventuring with his five children, two stepchildren, and his thirteen grandchildren, and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2024, Ted Wilson passed away at the age of 84; and

WHEREAS, Ted leaves behind a legacy of leadership in Utah, and at Salt Lake County and Salt Lake City, including through the continued service of his daughter, Salt Lake County Mayor Jenny Wilson; and

WHEREAS, the best tribute can be summed up by his family, who said, "As the eternal optimist, he loved people and they loved him back. We are honored that his memory will live on in the legacy he built as Salt Lake City Mayor, through the countless people he has taught and mentored, his decades of humanitarian service, and his mountaineering accomplishments.

Ted's lifetime priorities were his family and public service. He built and nurtured many deep and meaningful friendships and would remind us all to 'never sweat the small stuff.'"

NOW THEREFORE, be it proclaimed by the Salt Lake County Council that the life and memory of former Salt Lake City Mayor Ted Wilson be honored and remembered by the government and residents of Salt Lake County; and

Be it further memorialized that the Salt Lake County Council encourages Salt Lake County government take all appropriate steps to honor Mayor Ted Wilson's life, including flying flags at half-mast.

We would like to thank Mayor Ted Wilson's family for generously sharing him with us these many years, and share our condolences with his loved ones.

SIGNED AND PROCLAIMED this 16th day of April, 2024.

By /s/ LAURIE STRINGHAM
At-Large A, Chair

By /s/ SUZANNE HARRISON
At-Large B

By /s/ JIM BRADLEY
At-Large C

By /s/ ARLYN BRADSHAW
District 1

By /s/ DAVE ALVORD
District 2

By /s/ AIMEE WINDER NEWTON
District 3

By /s/ ANN GRANATO
District 4

By /s/ SHELDON STEWART
District 5

By /s/ DEA THEODORE
District 6

Mayor Jennifer Wilson stated she and her family were overwhelmed by the support they have received since her father's passing.

Ms. Holly Mullen shared a few stories of her late husband's life.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURN

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM until Tuesday, April 23, 2024.

LANNIE CHAPMAN, COUNTY CLERK

By _____
DEPUTY CLERK

By _____
CHAIR, SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL