

Fairfield Town

Utah County, Utah

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

The Town Council of Fairfield, Utah
Shall hold a Regular Session Meeting
On January 15, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.

At the Town Office 103 East Main Street Fairfield, Utah

Call to Order

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Prayer / Pledge Of Allegiance
- 3) General Public Comment (2-minute limit per person): Comments are for any matter not on the agenda and not related to a pending land use application.

Reports

- 1) Sheriff's Department Update.
- 2) Planning Commission Update.

Work Session

- 1) Utah Open Public Meeting Act training.
- 2) Conflict of Interest yearly paperwork

Consent Items

The Council may approve these items without discussion or public comment and may remove an item to the Business Items for discussion and consideration.

- 1) Approval of Minutes: December 18, 2024, and January 8, 2025.
- 2) Approval of Financials: November 30, 2024.

Business Items

The Council will discuss (without public comment) and may approve the following items:

- 1) Fairfield Industrial Park update with Tal Adair
- 2) Grant updates from the DEQ and MAG.
- 3) Discuss and approve RFP for grading of the Fairfield Park
- 4) Discuss upcoming budget items for fiscal year 2025-2026

Closed Session

Possible motion to enter into closed session for the purchase, exchange, or lease of property; pending or reasonably imminent litigation; the character, professional competence, or the physical or mental health of an individual; or the deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.

Adjournment

Supporting materials are available for inspection on the Town Website: <https://fairfieldtown-ut.gov/>. Questions and comments to Staff and/or Council may be submitted to sshelley@fairfieldtown-ut.gov.

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88207250867?pwd=NXBYcnhmaFNCSEdWOVB5NG9WMDgxZz09>

Meeting ID: 882 0725 0867

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Date

Stephanie Shelley Town Recorder/Clerk

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Open and Public Meetings Act Training

- Meetings
- Communications
- Public Comment
- Closed Meetings
- Conflicts of Interest

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Todd Sheeran, Town Attorney



Open and Public Meetings Act

- Public Policy:
 - Governmental entities exist to aid in the conduct of the people's business
 - The intention is for entities take their actions, and conduct their deliberation, openly
- Public Meetings:
 - All meeting are to be open to the public (with limited exceptions)
 - “Meeting” is the convening of a public body when a quorum is present
 - “Quorum” is a simply majority of the membership of a public body



Meetings

- Open Meetings. All meeting are to be open to the public (with limited exceptions)
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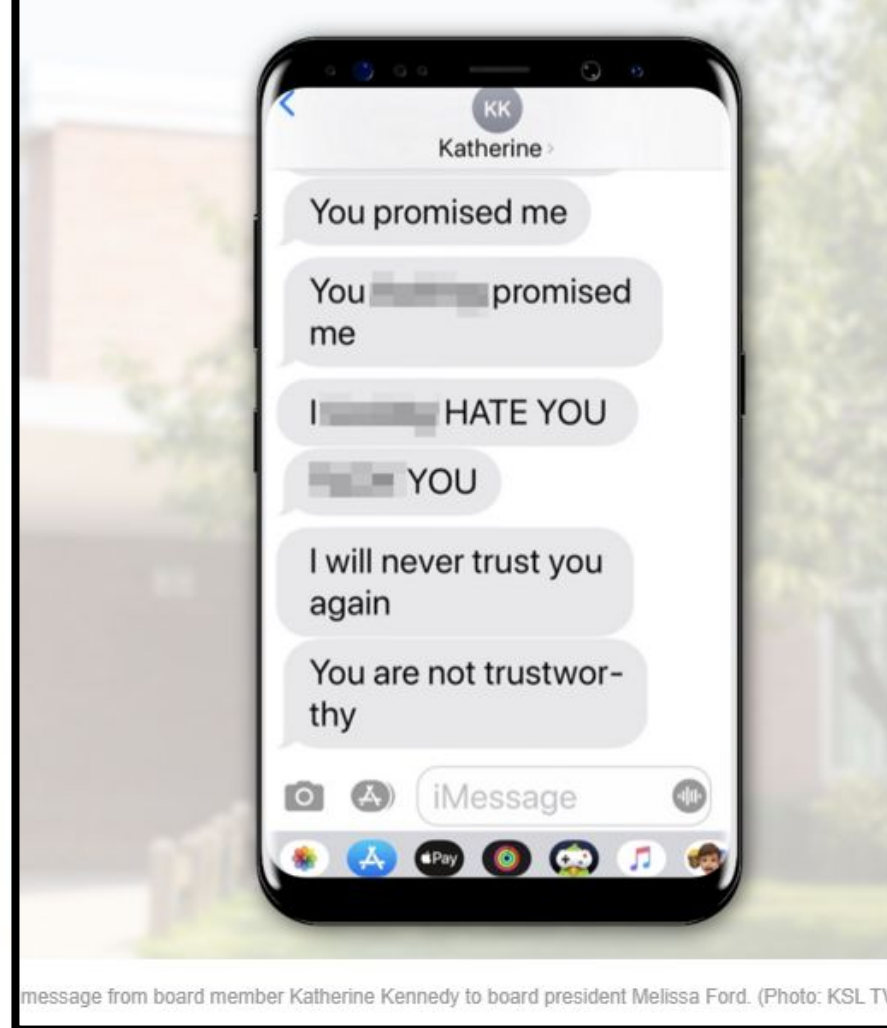


Beginning in May 2017, court records state that on at least four occasions Dilsaver convened illegal meetings, improperly closed an open meeting, engaged in discussions outside the scope of closed meetings, acted with a quorum of UTSSD board members to make decisions outside of public meetings, obtained outside counsel related to a personnel matter without consulting the UTSSD board, failed to notify the public about UTSSD meetings and deleted a recording of an illegal meeting.



Communications and Emails

- Anytime you have a quorum of board members discussing the Town policy it needs to have been noticed or you should separate.
 - Beware of meetings after/before meetings
 - Group emails, online collaboration
 - Social gatherings
 - Code vs. perception
- You can choose to use personal emails for communications. However, be aware of what this means for you as a board member
 - All emails are subject to GRAMA (i.e. anyone can ask for a copy of your emails)
 - Life is much simpler if you do school business through Town email
 - Town email records MUST be maintained. Most personal emails accounts are not used correctly.



message from board member Katherine Kennedy to board president Melissa Ford. (Photo: KSL TV)

Parent calls Salt Lake City School

B Nemelka wondered if open meeting laws were violated with official business being discussed behind the scenes.

'unethical'



Public Meetings and Public Comment

- Public must be allowed to attend public meetings
- There is no requirement to allow the public to comment unless required by Utah law (e.g., considerations of general plan, legislative land-use decisions, etc.)
- But...

Pocatello residents raise frustrations after public comments are eliminated from council meetings

Kalama Hines, [EastIdahoNews.com](https://www.eastidahoNews.com)

Posted - March 4, 2023 @ 9:47 PM





Public Comment and Discussions

- “At the discretion of the presiding member of the public body, a topic raised by the public may be discussed during an open meeting, even if the topic raised by the public was not included in the agenda...”
- But, “a public body may not take final action on a topic in an open meeting...”



Closed Meetings

- How to enter a closed meeting (which are not mandatory):
 - In a public meeting, a motion must be made to go into a closed session. The motion must include the reason for the closed meeting, which are limited to those purposes found in Utah Code § 52-4-205.
 - Roll call on motion and the motion must pass by two-thirds votes.
 - The chair must state who is participating in the closed session and where the closed meeting will be held.
- What may happen in a closed meeting?
 - Entities shall record the closed meeting (unless the discuss is about an individual's character, competence, or health, or security personnel or devices). The recordings may be disclosed by court order.
 - You may not vote in a closed meeting except to close the meeting (majority vote) and enter back into the public meeting.
 - Any actions resulting from the closed session must be voted on an open session.
 - Items from closed sessions are to be kept confidential and should not be discussed outside of the meeting.

1. Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
2. Strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining.
3. Strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
4. Strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, or to discuss a proposed development agreement, project proposal, or financing proposal related to the development of land owned by the state, if public discussion would:
 - disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration; or
 - prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms.
5. Strategy sessions to discuss the sale of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, if:
 - public discussion of the transaction would:
 - disclose the appraisal or estimated value of the property under consideration; or
 - prevent the public body from completing the transaction on the best possible terms;
 - the public body previously gave public notice that the property would be offered for sale; and
 - the terms of the sale are publicly disclosed before the public body approves the sale.
6. Discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.
7. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct.



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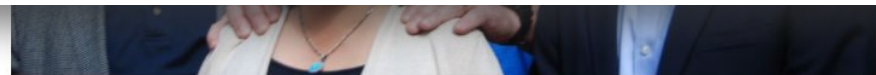
The Salt Lake Tribune

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Lawyers for SUWA, Kane County and San Juan County argue Open Meetings Act case before Utah Supreme Court

“These sort of meetings happen all the time where public policy is discussed on behalf of the citizens whom these bodies represent,” he continued, “and if public policy is being discussed, that’s exactly what this provision in this act is supposed to cover. You don’t get to have the meeting before the meeting and decide what you want to say ... [so] you don’t have to say it in the public’s view.”



(Brian Maffly | Tribune file photo) In this 2017 file photo, San Juan County Commissioner Rebecca Benally, center, joined Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke, in blue shirt, on a tour of Zion National Park. Benally is flanked by Utah congressmen Rob Bishop, left, and Chris Stewart. San Juan County was sued by the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance in 2017 under Utah's open meetings law after Zinke and Benally met behind closed doors with the two other San Juan County commissioners. The case is ...



Ethics – Conflicts of Interest

- What is a “Conflict of Interest?”
- Utah Code Section 10-3-1301 et seq. states that an officer or employee may not receive compensation for assisting any person or entity in any transaction with the city or town without making a written and oral disclosure to the mayor and public.
- After stating a conflict of interest, Utah Code does not require anyone who complies with the disclosure to abstain from voting or participating in the discussion. *It is good practice, however, to recuse yourself from voting if there is a conflict of interest.*



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Some Sandy residents cry foul over commissioner's alleged conflict of interest

By Christina Giardinelli, KSL | Posted - Sep. 8, 2019 at 3:03 p.m.

Though planning Commissioner Cory Shupe recused himself from a vote on Aug 1 — when the item came before the body he serves on — he presented an application for the rezone both to the Planning Commission and the City Council as a representative for the project's developer.

"I just don't think that is a good practice. I want our decisionmakers to be neutral (and) to have rigorous ethical standards," said Monica Zoltanski, a Sandy resident and candidate for City Council.

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Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form

The following disclosures are required to be made annually by all officers of Fairfield Town pursuant to Utah Code § 10-3-1301 *et seq.* ("Act"). Terms not otherwise defined in this form have the meaning ascribed to them in the Act. Notwithstanding this form or the information requested herein, it is ultimately the officer or employee's legal responsibility to ensure all necessary disclosures are made as required by the Act. If additional space is needed, please use a separate sheet of paper. Per statute, the information provided shall be kept on file with the Town and may be subject to disclosure to the public.

1. Name of the appointed officer, elected officer, or municipal employee ("Officer or Employee"): _____

2. Office or Position: _____

3. Name of person or business entity assisted or to be assisted by the Officer or Employee (or in which the Officer or Employee has an interest (see Sections 10-3-1304 to -1308): _____

4. If the Officer or Employee will receive compensation for assisting any person or business entity in a transaction involving the Town, please describe the transaction and the nature of the service performed (see Section 13-3-1305): _____

5. If the Officer or Employee holds a position with or has substantial ownership interest (10% or greater) in a business entity in which is subject to the Town's regulation (or which does business or anticipates doing business with the Town), please describe the position held and the nature and value of the interest (see Sections 10-3-1306 to -1307): _____

6. If the Officer or Employee's personal interest or investment creates a conflict between the Officer or Employee's personal interests and his or her public duties, please describe the nature and extent of the interest or investment, as well as the conflict (see Section 10-3-1308): _____

7. The following disclosures of other business interests, investments, and other matters are not required to be made by law, but are made with the intent to more fully disclose other interests that may be deemed relevant to the administration of public duties, or in furtherance of my intent to provide a more

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Date: Wednesday, December 18, 2024

Location: Fairfield Town Office, 103 East Main Street, Fairfield, Utah

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Minutes By: Stephanie Shelley

Call to Order

1) Roll Call 7:01 pm

Town Council Members Present:

Mayor Hollie McKinney, RI Panek, Tyler Thomas, Richard Cameron (via Zoom), Michael Weber

Staff Present:

Stephanie Shelley- Recorder, Codi Butterfield - Treasurer, Todd Sheeran- Attorney

Others Present: Tal Adair, Cherie Anderson (IRL), Niel Schwendiman (North Pointe), Wayne Taylor, Daymon Stephens, Jami & Brison Mascaro, Brent Ault.

Others Present Via Zoom: Clay Shelley, Brett Mansfield, Mike, iPad, Adrienne Bell

2) Prayer / Pledge Of Allegiance

Councilman Thomas offered the prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3) General Public Comment (2-minute limit per person): Comments are for any matter not on the agenda and not related to a pending land use application.

Damon Stephens expressed concerns about the airport, stating that the current overlay zone does not account for the new runway. He reported 27 touch-and-go operations between 3:45 PM and 5:00 PM that day. Damon also mentioned issues with helicopter activity and the presence of three flight schools. He emphasized that the airport was supposed to be for local residents and not open to the general public. Damon also noted that larger airplanes than initially discussed were now using the airport.

Cherie Anderson from Intermountain Regional Landfill expressed concerns about the airport's impact on their operations. They stated that the proposed layout could hinder their ability to provide essential services and pose risks to the long-term value of their facility. The representative also mentioned that A&A shared similar concerns about the impact on their operations.

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Niel Schwendiman from North Point Solid Waste echoed the concerns raised by Intermountain Regional Landfill. He mentioned that they had made accommodations in their master plan for the airport and felt that their efforts had been pushed aside. Neil also mentioned the operating hours issue, stating that they had made concessions and expected the same from other businesses.

Jamie Mascaro, resident, expressed concerns about the frequency of flyovers affecting her work-from-home situation. She mentioned a petition being circulated among residents. Jamie raised safety concerns about plane crashes and the potential dangers of recreational activities like shooting clay pigeons with planes flying overhead.

Joel McKinney agreed with the previous speakers and reiterated his concerns about the airport issue.

Bryson Mascaro expressed concerns about safety and privacy issues related to the airport. They mentioned feeling a loss of privacy due to low-flying planes and worried about potential crashes in residential areas.

Reports

1) **Planning Commission Update. Soil Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance, and Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) ordinance**

Wayne Taylor provided an update on the Planning Commission's work. He mentioned that they had been working on several ordinances, including a soil ordinance, accessory dwelling unit ordinance, and subdivision ordinance. Blaine noted that some of these ordinances had time-sensitive criteria for approval.

Wayne also discussed the existing subdivision ordinance process, particularly in relation to the airport development. He pointed out that several steps in the approval process for the airport expansion had not been completed, including town council recommendations and preliminary plat approvals.

2) **Update from Brett Mansfield with Silverlake Internet**

Brett Mansfield provided an update on the internet service project. He reported that back-ordered equipment had arrived, allowing for the construction of the North Fairfield tower. Brett mentioned plans to submit paperwork for using power poles and expected to start servicing homes with fiber along the main street by early February.

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Brett also discussed upgrades to the wireless network and improvements to the core network infrastructure. He addressed previous connectivity issues and stated that most problems should be resolved unless trees have become obstacles for certain residences.

Resolution/Ordinances

- 1) Resolution No. R2024-25 A Resolution Of Fairfield Town, Utah, Consenting To The Transfer Of Title To Property Located In The Boundary Of The Interlocal Of The New School District In West Utah County.**

Councilman Thomas motion to approve Resolution No. R2024-25 A Resolution Of Fairfield Town, Utah, Consenting To The Transfer Of Title To Property Located In The Boundary Of The Interlocal Of The New School District In West Utah County.

Councilman Panek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor McKinney - Yes

Councilman Thomas - Yes

Councilman Panek - Yes

Councilman Cameron - Yes

Councilman Weber - Yes

- 2) Ordinance No. 2024-12, An Ordinance Of Fairfield Town, Utah, Amending Fairfield Town Code § 10.15 Relating To The Town's Subdivision Ordinance.**

Councilman Thomas motioned to approve Ordinance No. 2024-12, An Ordinance Of Fairfield Town, Utah, Amending Fairfield Town Code § 10.15 Relating To The Town's Subdivision Ordinance, with changes previously mentioned. Councilman Panek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor McKinney - Yes

Councilman Thomas - Yes

Councilman Panek - Yes

Councilman Cameron - Yes

Councilman Weber - Yes

- 3) Ordinance No. 2024-13, An Ordinance Of Fairfield Town, Utah, Amending Fairfield Town Code § 5.3 Relating To The Town's Soil Ordinance.**

Councilman Thomas motioned to approve Ordinance No. 2024-13, An Ordinance Of Fairfield Town, Utah, Amending Fairfield Town Code § 5.3 Relating To The Town's Soil Ordinance.

Councilman Panek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor McKinney - Yes

Councilman Thomas - Yes

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Councilman Panek - Yes

Councilman Cameron - Yes

Councilman Weber - Yes

4) Ordinance # 2024-14, An Ordinance of the Fairfield Town Council of the Town of Fairfield, Utah, Amending Chapter 10.11 (Permitting Accessory Dwelling Units in Certain Zones) and Title 12 (Adding and Amending Certain Definitions), and Enacting Section 10.7.255 (Accessory Dwelling Units Regulations).

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve Ordinance # 2024-14, An Ordinance of the Fairfield Town Council of the Town of Fairfield, Utah, Amending Chapter 10.11 (Permitting Accessory Dwelling Units in Certain Zones) and Title 12 (Adding and Amending Certain Definitions), and Enacting Section 10.7.255 (Accessory Dwelling Units Regulations). With the addition of item 9 in Section D, Councilman Panek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor McKinney - Yes

Councilman Thomas - Yes

Councilman Panek - Yes

Councilman Cameron - Yes

Councilman Weber - Yes

Business Items

1) Discussion with Enyo about Text amendments regarding transmission lines.

Adrienne Bell from Enyo joined the meeting via Zoom to discuss potential text amendments regarding transmission lines. The company had submitted a conditional use permit for a solar storage facility that includes a transmission line component. The current code limits structure height to 35 feet, but the proposed transmission towers would be between 90 and 125 feet tall.

Adrienne explained that the transmission line would connect the Quicksilver projects in Utah County to the Mercer substation. The council expressed interest in seeing more detailed plans and understanding how this project might coordinate with Rocky Mountain Power's plans for transmission lines in the area.

After discussion, the council decided to:

1. Have Enyo submit an application for a text amendment using the proposed language.
2. Allow the Planning Commission to consider the application informally at their next meeting.

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3. Schedule public hearings for both the conditional use permit and the proposed text amendment in February.

The council also requested that Enyo provide more information about their projects in Utah County and investigate potential coordination with Rocky Mountain Power's transmission line plans.

2) Discuss Christmas in the Night Sky Event

The council discussed the recent Christmas in the Night Sky event, noting that it was generally successful. Key points included:

1. Restroom facilities: There were complaints about long lines. The council considered adding portable toilets for next year's event.
2. Equipment: Richard was commended for his work in securing and setting up equipment. The council agreed to keep a list of equipment used for future events.
3. Entertainment: The drone show was a success.
4. Money raised: The event raised close to \$9500 for Christmas-related activities, with some funds still available for families in need.
5. Sponsors: The council discussed ways to thank sponsors, acknowledging their significant contributions.
6. Logistics: There were minor issues with parking and transition periods that could be addressed in future events.
7. Parade: The parade was well-attended, with more participants than expected.
8. Food vendors: There was a suggestion to add one more food truck to provide more options.

The council agreed to book most event elements soon for next year and work on addressing the minor issues that arose.

3) Approval of Minutes: November 20, 2024

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the November 20, 2024. Councilman Panek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor McKinney - Yes

Councilman Thomas - Yes

Councilman Panek - Yes

Councilman Cameron - Yes

Councilman Weber - Yes

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Councilman Weber made a motion to make a motion to temporarily recess the Council meeting to go into closed meeting for the following purpose(s): C. Strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

*Mayor McKinney - Yes
Councilman Thomas - Yes
Councilman Panek - Yes
Councilman Cameron - Yes
Councilman Weber - Yes*

Council members Thomas, Panek, Cameron, and Weber voted for the motion, and zero council members voted against the motion. The motion passes, and the Council will go into closed meeting to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and will be held in the Town Office.

Mayor Mcklnney motioned to re-open at 9:19 pm.

Adjournment

Councilman Panek made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Minutes Approval Date

Stephanie Shelley Town Recorder

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Joint Work Session with
Fairfield Town Council, American Fork City, Cedar Fort,
Eagle Mountain, Lehi, and Saratoga Springs
January 8, 2025

Joint Work Session

Date: Tuesday, January 8, 2025

Location: Fox Hollow Golf Course clubhouse, 1400 North 200 East, American Fork

Time: 6:05 P.M.

Minutes By: Terilyn Lurker (American Fork Recorder)

Present:

American Fork City:

Mayor Brad Frost; Council Members Ryan Hunter and Ernie John; City Administrator David Bunker; Assistant City Administrator Camden Bird; Public Works Director Sam Kelly; Police Lieutenant Stuart Fore; and City Recorder Terilyn Lurker

Cedar Fort:

Mayor Wyatt Cook

Eagle Mountain:

Council Members Donna Burnham, Melissa Clark, Brett Wright, and Rich Wood; City Manager Ben Reeves; Steve Mumford; Vince Hogge; City Recorder Gina Olsen; and Brandon Larsen

Fairfield:

Mayor Hollie McKinney and Council Members Richard Cameron and Michael Weber

Lehi:

Mayor Mark Johnson; Council Members Paige Albrecht, Paul Hancock, Heather Newall, and Michelle Stallings; City Engineer Lorin Powell; and Assistant City Engineer Brad Kenison

Saratoga Springs:

Mayor Jim Miller; Council Members Aubrey Barton, Christopher Carn, Lance Wadman, and Stephen Willden; City Manager Mark Christensen; and Public Works Director/City Engineer Jeremy Lapin

Others: Jeff Acerson (UTA), Eric Rasband (UDOT), Josh Gibbons (Hales Engineering), and Rob Shelton (AF Citizen)

1. Welcome.

Mayor Brad Frost welcomed everyone to the meeting at 6:05 p.m. and explained the purpose of the joint work session was to discuss transportation needs of the communities. They were there to receive information and data from the consultants and engineering groups they had been meeting. They needed to look at the transportation needs for build-out, not just the current needs. He indicated Eric Rasband, Josh Gibbons, and Sam Kelly would present information to the attendees.

2. Discussion on transportation issues.

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Eric Rasband explained they were approached by Lehi City with proposals regarding transportation in the vicinity of Camp Williams. They then brought in a firm to come in and help with that. The population they were given at the start of the study was about 200,000 less than what would be covered in today's presentation, but the information would still be similar. They looked at the freeway connection, which would carry a lot of traffic and pull traffic off 2100 North. They are dumping 60,000 to 70,000 trips a day onto I-15 and Mountain View Corridor. The initial look validated their concerns that there would be congestion. They ran through several options for what they could do to make it work. They looked at options and what they have come up with is a collector distributor system, which is a one-way frontage road system where they exit off the main line lanes and the entrances/exits happen along the frontage road. He noted they would need to add 3-4 collector distributor lanes on I-15 at the point of the mountain to make this work. Mr. Rasband stated this was in MAG's plan as a vision, unfunded project. He indicated that WFRC and MAG have been heavily involved and the information they put together will be shared with them.

Josh Gibbons, of Hales Engineering, stated they have been working with Lehi and other cities on transportation issues trying to find solutions that benefit everyone. He presented the growth projections, went over the two focus areas, origin-destination analysis, and transportation options. See attached presentation.

Growth Projections.

They reached out to city personnel and asked for a full buildout population, which was overall around 670,000 people. He noted there were about 10,000 more that had not been included in the calculations. The 2024 numbers they had seen were low across the board.

Mr. Mark Christensen stated he will be advocating they go to an occupancy number as they look at growth projections. He pointed out that with incorrect data, they would always be behind in all their projections.

Mr. Gibbons continued there were two focus areas: Point of the Mountain and the area north of Utah Lake.

Point of the Mountain.

They have done some analysis on these to see what the road would look like and the impact it would have on other roads. A map showed the current plan and funded roads, trends for traffic, and the impact on connections. Mr. Gibbons went over the calculations

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with the proposed routes, with the projected traffic volumes. Overall, there are benefits for shorter travel distances and helps Porter Rockwell work as a 7-lane road. He noted that UDOT was ramping up their study and there would be better information available.

North Lake Area

He noted that MAG has a freeway on three potential alignments: Pioneering Crossing being converted from an arterial road to a freeway; Pony Express alignment that would come from I-15 on the southeast to tie into Mountain View Corridor; and the third proposed was to go off 1500 South, through the lake, and tie into a variety of points.

Mr. Gibbons stated that the capacity was how much a road can manage, and presented the maximum they could carry. However, congestion and delay come when the volume is less than what was shown in the chart. He noted the information on the slide was for one freeway for each option, not multiple freeways. Mr. Gibbons presented the estimate of cars on the road for each of the scenarios, which helps them understand the routes that would be more desirable for people to take. It was noted that if the freeway roads are taken out or shut down, it results in a lot of traffic on other roads. The idea behind these scenarios is that they have more alternatives in emergency situations.

Origin-Destination Analysis

He showed the map of the routes people take that will use the proposed freeways using all three scenarios. It shows where the majority of roads are being used. He explained that all roads were included in the maps, but each individual map showed who was using that particular freeway and where they started and were heading; it was specific to those people on that freeway.

Some of the attendees did not agree with what was shown on the map and the assumptions made.

Transportation Options

Mr. Gibbons stated they also needed to talk about other transportation options, such as high-capacity transit routes. As the routes are planned, they need to talk about whether they want that route to include high-capacity transit.

Mr. Gibbons also went over a few specific spots, such as American Fork Main Street. The traffic volume is 35,000 to 40,000 cars a day, and they would expect some growth here. This was one spot that needed to be looked at as a potential problem spot, as it is

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already congested. There were also impacts along Pony Express Parkway and Ranches Parkway also have a similar issue.

Sam Kelly, American Fork City Public Works Director, stated the technical group of engineers and public works directors have been meeting and looked at the data. They understand there are still issues they need to have addressed, but they created a spreadsheet to list the support or opposition to the different options. This was simply looking at the data, and the general feelings of the cities.

There was a discussion on whether the cities were in support or opposition of the options. Some attendees felt the councils were not presented with this information, nor did they give any implied support. They felt the information needed to be given out to the cities so each council can review the information and make an informed decision. Frustration was expressed that they were back to square one, where there was a lack of communication and incorrect data. It was noted that if the cities had better information to be used, then they should provide the data they have to the consultants. The engineering group does their best with the information they are given, but the data presented will not be correct if the numbers are not correct.

Mr. Bunker stated this was a starting point, not the end, and if there is information that needs to be corrected, they need to provide that to the engineering group. It was restated that the data used in the calculations was obtained from planning departments or UDOT. The purpose of this meeting was to constructively say where there were inaccuracies and what they need to do to move forward. The data they were using was the full build-out numbers, which was higher than current assumptions.

Mayor Mark Johnson stated he was the one who suggested they have the engineering group to work independently of any political group, as they did not want to influence any of the decisions. He felt the engineers were working hard and would love to have updated information so the projections would be correct.

Mayor Frost stated they are moving this forward by learning something. He stated one question was if the engineers had the most current information, and they needed to leave this meeting figuring out how they come up with the best solutions. It was acknowledged that one benefit of this body was that they recognized other organizations do not have the correct numbers, which would hinder them if they were using the wrong numbers. It was noted that the data used was for buildout, which was provided by the cities; it was not based on MAG numbers.

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One attendee commented that they need to come up with a southern solution, or they are not solving the problem. They need something on the lake. It was pointed out that all scenarios presented did include a lake connection.

Attendees agreed that the correct data needed to be included in the models. The numbers for Cedar Fort and Fairfield have been included, but it was the data that was provided by MAG; they need to get the correct data.

Mayor Frost stated they need to talk about how the engineers get together and compile data, as well as how they obtain their data. He noted that everyone has skin in the game, but it has been Lehi that has been paying for everything; it should be a shared cost as it takes time and money. He questioned what information they would like to see moving forward. One request was that the models include all the roads, as well as information on how one road would impact the other roads, such as the difference in traffic flow.

Lorin Powell explained they have been developing this for the last few years, and they were there to get information from the cities. They got the data from the planners, which is the information they put into the models. He was not sure if the staff went back to the councils with information. One attendee stated he wanted to trust their staff but wanted to know that the correct data was included.

An attendee commented that once some of the roads go in, the building patterns can shift. For instance, if a road goes in over the lake, it will open development further south in Saratoga Springs.

Lorin Powell noted they have not even talked about water rights. If they do not have water, the projections they have will not matter. If they do not have water, they do not have any development.

A concern expressed was that the support/opposed chart was premature and should be left off until the councils have a chance to look at the data.

The updated information should be given to any member of the technical group, but Lehi City could take the information. It was suggested that each city give directions to their staff to take back to the technical group.

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Mark Christensen expressed his concern was there wasn't a whole lot to do to change the course until the environmental impact studies are done. An EIS will not take place as there is no funding for that, so they need to aim for funding. He felt that the talk on the lake crossing is contingent on the EIS. Where should they focus their energy? He felt they needed to all work together on projects today that will help the cities with transit now, while they work on long range plans.

There was a discussion among the attendees about what they should focus on. Some felt they needed to focus on what they can do now, while others felt they needed to come up with an end goal or they could miss the mark now and must build the same road over and over.

Mark Christensen stated it was important that the cities work together so one community was not finished with their portion of a road while the other cities are not; he felt it was critical to solve that in the next couple of years. Mayor Johnson commented that Lehi was working on obtaining funding for transportation; they have obtained funding for two lanes on the Pony Express parkway and are asking for funding for five lanes. He felt that without funding, they didn't have a project. Lehi has the best transportation lobbyist in DC working for them to secure funding for projects.

Brad Kenison explained they have \$6 million to purchase ROW for Pony Express and were waiting for additional funding and the EIS to begin moving forward. It was important they determine the road width, so they know what to build.

One thing that needed to be considered was what traffic was currently on the road. For instance, there are landfills in Fairfield that bring in 150 semi-trucks on the roads each day. Mr. Kenison explained the MAG models are based on land use and not just population and pointed out they were looking at build-out numbers.

Mark Christensen questioned when they would begin construction, to which Mr. Denison explained they were moving forward and hoping to start on the two lanes in 2027-2028.

Mayor Frost explained that the councils need to make sure their engineers have the information they need. It was expressed that the technical group should not make assumptions that everyone knows what is included when they put out any projections.

Mark Christensen stated the city councils need to give the engineering group direction, or they will continue to work in circles. For example, Saratoga Springs has set aside a

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180-foot cross section preserved for Pony Express Parkway. They may not agree on everything, but they can agree on what to preserve for the corridor so future development does not overrun it. Mr. Christensen explained they are ready to build the first three lanes of the road to Lehi now, but if Lehi was still five years off then it did them no good. He stated they need relief now, not five years down the road.

Mark Christensen stated he hoped that Lehi and American Fork were amenable to asking MAG for their funding sooner. Mayor Frost answered that it was important for them to see the end goal; once he saw that he felt they could make short- and long-term decisions. Rich Wood member disagreed, stating they needed to provide services to those who have elected them which means they need to plan for the future but they can't sacrifice what they need now. He questioned if Lehi and American Fork would partner with them now to finish short-term solution; they cannot wait for 2028 for this to take place.

Mayor Mark Johnson noted there were only a handful of those in attendance that are voting members of MAG. He commented they do want to improve Pioneer Crossing, and MAG has agreed to fund them. They have done what they can do. He felt that if they all agree to a plan, it will make it easier for them to vote together at MAG for funding.

Richard Cameron commented they need to know what the action items are and who was making the assignments for the next meeting, so they do not feel frustrated or like they are going backwards. If everyone puts forth an effort to accomplish their task, they can get things done at the next meeting.

Ernie John stated they needed the simple updates such as adding Cedar Fort and Fairfield and verify they have the correct data so they can start moving. He commented that currently, Lehi was footing the bill, and it was not fair. They need the data so they can make decisions, and he felt they needed to know what the end goal was.

Aubrey Barton stated they have not talked about what they can do. Next time, they could focus on what they can do now with the information they have rather than what they need to do.

Heather Newall felt they needed to have a priority list and a timeline for the projects.

Aubrey Barton thought that they should put one person in charge to keep this moving in one direction.

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Mayor Frost felt they needed to know what the end goal at build out was so they could start moving forward.

Mark Christensen asked if one of the action items was for the engineering groups to get the EIS in front of MAG or determining the corridor width? He felt they needed to keep everything moving forward.

It was noted the legislative session was soon starting and they needed to make sure they had a presence there.

3. Adjourn

It was noted the next meeting would be on April 29th at 6:00 p.m. in Eagle Mountain.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes Approval Date

Stephanie Shelley Town Recorder