

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL STUDY MEETING – MARCH 27, 2012**

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THE WEST VALLEY CITY COUNCIL MET IN STUDY SESSION ON TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012, AT 4:30 P.M., IN THE MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM, WEST VALLEY CITY HALL, 3600 CONSTITUTION BOULEVARD, WEST VALLEY CITY, UTAH. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AND CONDUCTED BY MAYOR WINDER.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Mike Winder  
Steve Buhler  
Don Christensen  
Tom Huynh  
Karen Lang  
Corey Rushton  
Steve Vincent

Paul Isaac, Acting City Manager  
Sheri McKendrick, City Recorder

STAFF PRESENT:

Jim Welch, Finance Director  
Russell Willardson, Public Works Director  
Buzz Nielsen, Police Chief  
Stan Varney, Acting Fire Chief  
Claire Gillmor, Acting City Attorney  
Nancy Day, Acting Parks Director  
Chris Curtis, Acting CPD Director  
Steve Pastorik, Acting CED Director  
Aaron Crim, Administration  
Ross Olsen, Administration  
Jeff Nosack, Public Works Department

1. **REVIEW AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULED MARCH 27, 2012**  
Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, stated no new items had been added to the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting scheduled March 27, 2012, at 6:30 P.M. Upon inquiry, there were no questions regarding items listed on that Agenda.
2. **AWARDS, CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS SCHEDULED APRIL 3, 2012:**
  - A. **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH, MARCH 2012 – MICHELLE BAUGH, POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, stated Councilmember Lang would read the nomination of Michelle Baugh, Police Department, to be recognized as Employee of the Month for March 2012, at the Regular Council Meeting

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scheduled April 3, 2012, at 6:30 P.M. Ms. Baugh had been nominated for her constant example of a high quality employee.

**B. PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL, 2012, AS “FAIR HOUSING MONTH” IN WEST VALLEY CITY**

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, stated Councilmember Rushton would read a proclamation declaring April 2012, as “Fair Housing Month” in West Valley City, at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled April 3, 2012, at 6:30 P.M.

**C. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL, 2012, AS “CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH” IN WEST VALLEY CITY**

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, stated Councilmember Christensen would read a proclamation recognizing April 2012, as “Child Abuse Prevention Month” in West Valley City, at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled April 3, 2012, at 6:30 P.M.

**3. RESOLUTION NO. 12-38, AMEND ICMA RETIREMENT CORPORATION LOAN GUIDELINES TO PERMIT LOANS FROM THE 457 RETIREMENT PLAN**

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, discussed proposed Resolution No. 12-38 which would amend the ICMA Retirement Corporation Loan Guidelines to permit loans from the 457 retirement plans.

Mr. Isaac stated the City Council authorized a loan program for employees who participated in the 457 retirement plan administered by the City by ICMA-RC under Resolution No. 07-261 dated December 18, 2007. He advised that for many years the City had an employee loan program in place for the 401a retirement plan. He reported the proposed resolution would amend the 457 plan loan program by adopting the current “Loan Guidelines Agreement for a Retirement Plan.”

The Acting City Manager stated the City maintained two retirement plans with ICMA-Retirement Corporation. He stated the 457 Deferred Compensation Plan was funded by employee contributions and the 401a Money Purchase Plan was funded by City contributions. He also reported adoption of the Loan Guidelines Agreement for a Retirement Plan would benefit the employees in the 457 plan.

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, further reviewed and discussed the proposed Resolution and answered questions from members of the City Council.

The City Council will consider proposed Resolution No. 12-38 at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled April 3, 2012, at 6:30 P.M.

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**4. RESOLUTION NO. 12-39, APPROVE AN ACCESS AGREEMENT WITH ERGON ASPHALT & EMULSIONS, INC., FOR PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES**

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, discussed proposed Resolution No. 12-39 which would approve an Access Agreement with Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions, Inc. for Public Works vehicles.

Mr. Isaac stated the proposed agreement would allow City vehicles to enter the facility at Ergon Asphalt and pick up truckloads of material. He advised the City had signed access agreements in the past with Ergon Asphalt and Emulsions. He stated Ergon had requested higher limits of insurance for customer vehicles entering the facility and would sign new agreements to that effect.

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, further reviewed and discussed the proposed Resolution and answered questions from members of the City Council.

The City Council will consider proposed Resolution No. 12-39 at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled April 3, 2012, at 6:30 P.M.

**5. RESOLUTION NO. 12-40, APPROVE A DELAY AGREEMENT WITH 3500 RENTALS, LLC, FOR A MONUMENT SIGN LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 4445 WEST 3500 SOUTH**

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, discussed proposed Resolution No. 12-40 which would approve a Delay Agreement with 3500 Rentals, LLC, for a monument sign located at approximately 4445 West 3500 South.

Mr. Isaac stated the proposed agreement would allow Century Dental West to install a new monument sign within the future right-of-way and delay the required setbacks. He indicated during the remodeling process of the subject site a pole sign had been removed and the business owner requested to install a new monument sign. He indicated due to the future right-of-way width of 3500 South the sign would need to be set back approximately 17 feet from the existing edge of sidewalk which would put the sign within the parking lot. He explained the property line was located one foot inside from the edge of the sidewalk. He recommended approval of the Delay Agreement for reasons summarized as follows:

- Due to the location of the parking and the landscaping on the site, Century Dental West would like to place their sign in the future right-of-way.
- Section 11-5-103-1 allowed for setback equal to the height of the sign. In this case, a nine foot setback from the public right-of-way for a monument sign that was nine feet in height would be required. The proposed sign would be setback 10-feet from the edge of sidewalk and be moved to the appropriate setback when 3500 South was widened at that location.

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Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, further reviewed and discussed the proposed Resolution and answered questions from members of the City Council.

The City Council will consider proposed Resolution No. 12-40 at the Regular Council Meeting scheduled April 3, 2012, at 6:30 P.M.

### 6. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

#### A. **SISTER CITY UPDATE**

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, discussed background information regarding plans for the Chinese Heritage Gate, including progress of that project to date.

Upon direction, Ross Olsen, Administration, used PowerPoint and discussed additional information summarized as follows:

- Chinese Heritage Gate update
- Two types of gates – temple or palace style
- Example of ornate palace style gate proposed for site in West Valley City at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center (UCCC) facility
- City responsible for plaza; showed photographs of various types of landscaping
- Contractor building gate in Taiwan and would then travel to West Valley City to finish the gate after being shipped here
- Photographs of gate during construction – steel roof frame, roof, roofline tiles made of fiberglass which is more durable than ceramic and will retain color, eave panels, details of corner pieces and eaves, cornice detail, carvings and ornamentation, pillar base trim, pillars, four lion statues on platforms made of stone
- Photographs of plaza under construction at UCCC
- Gate is a piece of art to be given to West Valley City as a gift from the Chinese community

Mr. Olsen also gave an update regarding a visit to Taiwan when he and Terry Chen, Sister City Chair, met with County Magistrate Lee, Mayor Shu, and delegation from Nantou. He also discussed details of the student exchange program and noted students from West Valley City would be traveling to Taiwan and students from Taiwan traveling to West Valley City this summer to participate in that program.

Mr. Olsen also discussed an exhibit to coincide with completion and dedication of the Heritage Gate to be displayed in the gallery at UCCC August 29 thru October 3, 2012.

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Mr. Olsen further discussed the timeline for the above mentioned projects and activities. During the above discussions and presentation of information, Mr. Olsen answered questions from members of the City Council.

### B. COUNCIL UPDATE

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, stated the City Council previously received a Memorandum outlining upcoming meetings and events as follows: March 8 – April 25, 2012: Renewal: Finding Life through Art Exhibit, UCCC; March 31, 2012: Jackie Evancho, Maverik Center, 7:30 P.M.; April 25, 2012: Baity Egg Exhibit, UCCC; April 3, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council, 6:30 P.M.; April 6 & 7, 2012: Easter Activities at Fitness Center: Friday – Outdoor Flashlight Egg Hunt at 8:30 A.M., Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at 9:00 A.M., Edutainment Center Egg Hunts at 10:30 A.M. and Egg Plunge at 11:30 A.M.; April 10, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; April 11-13, 2012: ULCT Mid-year Conference, St. George; April 17, 2012: Utah ShakeOut Earthquake Drill; April 17, 2012: Council Study Meeting; 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; April 24, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; April 28, 2012: Prescription Drug Take Back Event, Police West Substation and Public Safety Building, 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.; May 1, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council, 6:30 P.M.; May 2, 2012: The Black Keys, Maverik Center, 7:30 P.M.; May 3, 2012: UDOT's Annual Meeting with Salt Lake County and Municipalities, Calvin Rampton Complex, 4501 South 2700 West, 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.; May 5, 2012: Cinco de Mayo Celebration, Centennial Park; May 8, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; May 10, 2012: ChamberWest Golf Classic, Stonebridge Golf Course, 8:00 A.M.; May 15, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M.; Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; May 22, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M.; Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; May 28, 2012: Memorial Day – City Hall closed; May 30 – June 13, 2012: Viva Frida, UCCC; June 2, 2012: Fiesta! UCCC; June 5, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council, 6:30 P.M.; June 9, 2012: Cardboard Boat Race for Family Fitness Center Members, Fitness Center, 2:00 P.M.; June 12, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; June 19, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; June 21-24, 2012: WestFest, Centennial Park; June 25-30, 2012: Arts Council Production, UCCC; June 26, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; July 3, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; July 4, 2012: Independence Day Holiday – City Hall closed; July 10, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M., Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; July 17, 2012: Council Study Meeting, 4:30 P.M.; Regular Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.; and July 24, 2012: Pioneer Day Holiday – City Hall closed.

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**7. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**A. COUNCILMEMBER DON CHRISTENSEN – NLC CONFERENCE REPORT, CENTURY LINK AND SALT LAKE CITY WEBSITE**

Councilmember Christensen stated he had e-mailed a report regarding the recent National League of Cities (NLC) conference to members of the City Council.

Councilmember Christensen advised he had received e-mails from Century Link regarding the fiber to node projects they were doing in the City.

Mayor Winder requested an update regarding UTOPIA for a future Study Meeting.

Councilmember Rushton also reminded regarding his previous request for UTOPIA maps.

Councilmember Christensen stated he had recently visited the Salt Lake City website and viewed an advertisement for a police officer I position starting at a higher salary than West Valley City's officers were earning after four years with no raises. He expressed concern West Valley City could lose officers to other entities, in particular to Salt Lake City.

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, stated it was indeed tough to compete with salary and benefits that some other cities were offering.

Mayor Winder inquired if personnel data included turnover statistics for the Police Department.

Acting City Manager, Paul Isaac, stated West Valley City had some great and well-trained officers that other cities would like to recruit. He indicated the City was in a financial situation where there had been no raises for four years, but still had a competitive benefit package. He discussed pay structure and retirement contributions for the three employee groups including public, police and fire.

**B. COUNCILMEMBER TOM HUYNH – VIETNAMESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Councilmember Huynh reported regarding the formation of a Vietnamese Chamber of Commerce and stated he had been elected as chair of that organization.

**C. COUNCILMEMBER COREY RUSHTON – COUNCIL SERVICE PROJECT AND NLC CONFERENCE CALL**

Councilmember Rushton stated he recently drove by a vacant piece of land near the Family Fitness Center and Centennial Park which was in need of clean up. He

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suggested that area could be the next City Council service project. After discussion, he indicated he would send an e-mail to members of the Council giving details and finalizing arrangements for that activity.

Councilmember Rushton reported regarding a conference call with National League of Cities (NLC) leadership and he discussed the issues talked about at that time.

**D. MAYOR MIKE WINDER – CENSUS DESIGNATION OF SLC-WVC METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA, SALT LAKE VALLEY CONFERENCE OF MAYORS, TAYLORSVILLE CITY AWARDS BANQUET, SOUTH SALT LAKE CITY STATE OF THE CITY EVENT, AND FOLLOW-UP ITEMS FROM STRATEGIC PLAN RETREAT**

Mayor Winder discussed a recent newspaper report regarding census designation of the Salt Lake City-West Valley City metropolitan statistical area.

Councilmember Rushton displayed a magazine article regarding the Embassy Suites Hotel that stated the location as being in the Salt Lake/West Valley City area.

Mayor Winder discussed information from a recent meeting of the Salt Lake Valley Conference of Mayors, including boundaries for Utah Transit Authority (UTA) appointments. He noted Necia Christensen's seat had been preserved on that board.

Mayor Winder stated he recently attended the Taylorsville City awards banquet. He noted West Valley City had several different awards/recognition events; but Taylorsville City had one major, significant event where all awards were given to staff, citizens, businesses, legislators, and others, at the same time. He stated he would forward the program and other information to the City Manager for review.

Mayor Winder stated he had not attended this year, but discussed South Salt Lake's state of the city event in which the mayor gave an address, which was also an awards presentation event with a luncheon.

Mayor Winder discussed follow-up information regarding items from the Council's Strategic Planning Retreat including the communications plan, double graffiti efforts, animal control/no kill shelter, volunteers, and other. He inquired when the Council might look forward to updates to be scheduled on a Study Meeting agenda for further discussion.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE WEST VALLEY COUNCIL, THE STUDY MEETING OF TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012, WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:43 P.M., BY MAYOR WINDER.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, accurate and complete record of the proceedings of the Study Meeting of the West Valley City Council held Tuesday, March 27, 2012.

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Sheri McKendrick, MMC  
City Recorder