



Minutes

DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC UTILITIES
ADMINISTRATION

Salt Lake City Public Utilities Advisory Committee Minutes April 27, 2017

The Public Utilities Advisory Committee meeting was held at 7:30 a.m. on April 27, 2017 at the Public Utilities Main Conference Room, 1530 South West Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84115. Committee members present were Roger Player, Ted Boyer, Kent Moore, Ted Wilson, and Lynn Hemingway. Salt Lake City Public Utilities employees present were Laura Briefer, Jesse Stewart, Karryn Greenleaf, Rusty Vetter, Marian Rice, Mark Christensen, Dale Christensen, and Janine Calfo. Also in attendance were Nathan Zaugg, Corollo Engineering; Donald Champenois, AECOM; Trevor Lindley, Brown and Caldwell; Keith Larson, Bowen and Collins; and Mike Wilson, Metropolitan Water District.

Welcome and Introductions

Ted Boyer and Laura Briefer welcomed the attendees.

Approve Minutes of March 23, 2017 Meeting

Committee member Ted Wilson moved and Committee member Roger Player seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2017 meeting, as submitted. All members present voted aye. Committee member Lynn Hemingway moved and Committee member Ted Wilson seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2017 meeting, as submitted. All members present voted aye.

Water Reclamation Facility – Award and Recognition

Laura introduced Matt Meyers from the Water Environment Association of Utah. He presented to Dale Christensen the Hatfield Award for Professionalism.

Financial Report – Mark Christensen

Mark Christensen presented the Department's financial report. Regarding the budget process, there will be three public hearings with the city council and the schedule has not been finalized yet. There will be more media coverage on the rate increases and there has not been much feedback from the public yet.

Mark then presented an overview of the financial results, focusing on revenue, operating expense, debt service, capital expenditure and financial position.

Lynn Hemingway asked what is driving the rate increases. Laura explained that the increases are attributed to improvements for the wastewater facility and other capital projects, along with aging infrastructure. Lynn asked if the prison was related to the increases. Laura explained that the prison is paying for the utilities that will need to be built for the area of the new facility.

Water Supply and Spring Runoff Outlook – Jesse Stewart

Jesse Stewart gave a PowerPoint presentation and explained what the Salt Lake City water delivery area and water sources are. Jesse spoke about some of the national websites that area available for predicting annual precipitation, temperature fluctuations, and water supply forecasts. Using this information, the Department makes decisions on holding back flows of water from the reservoirs in order to mitigate possible flooding during runoff season. The stormwater crews are out in the field to ensure that the infrastructure doesn't get blocked with sediments and debris.

The current stream flow is average to above average. The reservoir storage is very good. The groundwater supplies are good, and the Department manages its water resources with an eye to future drought potential.

Other Business

None.

Closed Session under Utah Code 52-4-205

Committee member Roger Player moved and Lynn Hemingway seconded a motion to enter into closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property when 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 pursuant to Utah Code Section 52-4-205(1)(d).

In Attendance: Roger Player, Ted Boyer, Ted Wilson and Lynn Hemingway **Absent:** Sydney Foncesbeck, Colleen Kuhn and Kent Moore

The closed session adjourned, and the regular meeting was called back into session at 8:59 a.m. No additional business was discussed, and the regular meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

The next PUAC meeting will be May 25, 2017 at 7:30 a.m. at Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities Administration Building.

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