

CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING-WORK SESSION
ANCHOR LOCATION: CITY HALL
10 EAST CENTER STREET, NORTH SALT LAKE
SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

FINAL

Mayor Pro Tempore Watts Baskin welcomed those present at 6:12 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmember Lisa Watts Baskin
Councilmember Tammy Clayton
Councilmember Suzette Jackson
Councilmember Ted Knowlton
Councilmember Alisa Van Langeveld

EXCUSED: Mayor Brian Horrocks

STAFF PRESENT: Ken Leetham, City Manager; David Frandsen, Assistant City Manager; Jon Rueckert, Public Works Director; Mitch Gwilliam, Deputy Chief; Terry Fritz, Deputy Chief; Karyn Baxter, City Engineer; Todd Godfrey, City Attorney; Sherrie Pace, Community Development Director; Heidi Voordeckers, Finance Director; Wendy Page, City Recorder.

1. TRAINING AND DISCUSSION BY THE CITY ATTORNEY ON FREE SPEECH,
EQUAL PROTECTION, AND USE OF PUBLIC FACILITIES

Todd Godfrey provided training on free speech, equal protection, and the use of public facilities. He spoke on the City's role in regulating the use of public property and facilities while respecting the first amendment rights of citizens. He read the first amendment of the US Constitution: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances." He explained that the first amendment and other amendments of the Bill of Rights were implemented to protect the people from abusive or overreaching government. Mr. Godfrey shared that the concern was how to appropriately and fairly regulate the use of public property. He reviewed several examples and said that the City code could regulate time, place, or manner but not content of signage.

Todd Godfrey acknowledged the consistent issues related to the use of public parks, public property, and signage. He shared that the goal was to craft regulations related to the time and manner of protected freedom of speech and expression.

Councilmember Van Langeveld mentioned permitting versus individuals who did not have a permit for an event. She asked about the difference between regulating permits versus freedom of speech for individuals who do not have a permit. Todd Godfrey replied that the City could regulate time, place, and manner such as those without permits or events that were not designed as an expressive activity (such as farmers markets, etc.).

Councilmember Van Langeveld asked about freedom of speech that seemed threatening. Todd Godfrey responded that the First Amendment protected everything except “fighting words” or those intended to incite violence or a violent response. He spoke on the ways that permitted agencies allowed the use of public property for freedom of speech.

Councilmember Van Langeveld inquired about how to ensure it was made known that some expression may not be the views of the City. Todd Godfrey said that while some cities required similar signage he had never seen that kind of requirement actually litigated. He said per the courts most people understood the nature of a public forum and not enough tie to a government agency to be concerned related to first amendment jurisprudence.

Councilmember Jackson asked about those cities that were more proactive versus those that were less proactive on regulations. She felt the first amendment was to protect speech we may not like. Todd Godfrey replied that the permit provisions could be an administrative burden for cities.

Councilmember Knowlton questioned if a distinction could be made between advertisement and political expression. Todd Godfrey replied that the law treated commercial speech moderately different than political speech but did feel it would make much difference in the regulation of public spaces.

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin spoke on limiting the amount of signage. She mentioned political signage in the park strips and potential enforcement. Todd Godfrey responded that there were some content neutral restrictions that could be written but cautioned what the overall effect may be with particular applications. He shared the example of a city with an ordinance that defined and regulated political signage and not allowing any signage in park strips.

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin then asked about murals on public walls and how to pick which murals were appropriate. Todd Godfrey spoke on public art and the possible process of protecting the appropriateness of public art during the soliciting of public art and indicating the nature of what was desired.

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin questioned city ordinances about political signage posted within a certain footage of City Hall or a polling location. Todd Godfrey replied that this restriction was regulated through State law.

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin asked for recommendations. Todd Godfrey suggested simple and basic permit requirements for all events held on City property with a nominal or no fee. He was in favor of restrictions which were evenhandedly enforced and easily understood.

2. ADJOURN

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m. to begin the regular session.

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Mayor Pro Tempore Baskin welcomed those present at 7:00 p.m. Ted Knowlton offered a thought and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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OTHERS PRESENT: Becky Bissegger, Brian Fabbi, Craig Hansen, Stevie Norcross, Gail Groves, Winston Mulder, Amanda Kirk, Eric Smith, Seth Bracken, Jeff Meyer, Amy Morrow, Jared Laing, Hannah McCrory, Athena Adair, Ronda McCoy, Ashlee Christensen, Angie McFarland, Jarom Mercer, Matthew Jensen, Collin Larson, Austin Cerce, Sarah Sargent, Chad Rawlings, Cody Schoenfeld, Andrew Kirto, Ellie Hines, Scott Coulam, Spencer Smith, Jason Myrup, Pamela Beneshti, Justin Nelson, Michael Moore, Chris Billings, Emily Carr, Melanie Lilyquist, Tim Burton, Shirley Arnett, Cameron Neibaur, Jeremiah Winterburn, Mike Coleman, Crystal Makin, Dee Lalliss, Lisa Thompson, Dallis Saxton, Cobi Arnett, William Salisbury, Hailey Kisana, Buu Diep/Alan Michelsen, Leslie McCleve, Sandy McCleve, Cassandra Yohn White, Quinn Anderson, Winston Mulder, Jennifer Christensen, Jessica Edwards, Kyle Nielsen, Steven Farrington, Spencer Smith, Taylor Smith, Amy Morrow, Roberto Donado, April Nielsen, Jon Nielsen, Marco Rodriguez, Richelle Orme, Erik Aune, Tiffany Aune, Alyssa Blake, Ashley Breinholt, Josh Breinholt, Jarom Casey, Joel McAllister, Timbre Casey, Christine McAllister, Anna Fiestel, Neil Bingham, Troy Anderson, Aaron Finnell, Robert Hammon, Tom Johnson, Andrea Johnson, Tina Bitnam, Linda Bitnam, Jeanne Rackham, Clayton Rackham, Daniel Omalley, Dallas Golden, Rebecca Golden, Cameron Neibaur, Chad Rawlings, Jeannette Moreno, Adam Woodmansee, Leslie Clark, Valerie Murray, Claire Plowman, Amber Simmons, Mary D. Crystal, McCall Peart, G. Stephen, Jeff Johnsen, Jan Hendrickson, Daniel Fish, Andrew Driggs,

Payton Redmond, Cameron Redmond, Shella Shingleton, Brian Pinkerton, Kelly Pinkerton, Luke Plowman, Natalie South, Terence Huntsman, Cambria Drescher, Sheryl Smith, Matthew Ellis, Amber Lingard, Matthew Christensen, Eldon Weber, Alice Ann Weber, Nolan McDonald, Elaine McDonald, Steve Garn, Jayme Garn, Chris Mabey, S. Johnson, Sadie Nellis, David Hale, Manuel Madrid, Elizabeth Madrid, Jackie Barber, Gabe Barber, Cedric Acoste, Sherry Miller, Logan Mullen, Brooklyn Park, Pansy Winterburn, Josh Hall, Emily Weaver, Ryan Holbrook, Gentry Holbrook, Carolina Rivas, Jason Watson, West Foultnor, residents; Ashley Fredde, KSL; Jan Hendrickson, Bountiful resident; Wayne Niederhauser, Utah Homeless Coordinator; Todd Weiler, State Senator; Melissa Ballard, Utah State Representative; Jeff Clayton, Switchpoint representative.

1. CITIZEN COMMENT

There were no citizen comments.

2. INFORMATION AND PUBLIC INPUT RELATE TO A PROPOSED HOMELESS SHELTER FACILITY LOCATED AT 1130 WEST CENTER STREET IN NORTH SALT LAKE

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin requested polite and professional behavior from those in attendance including no verbal outbursts, clapping, or any other similar conduct that would intimidate others.

Ken Leetham read a letter from Mayor Horrocks stating that the City was concerned that the recently closed Lifeline facility may be purchased by Switchpoint. He said the City had worked with County and State officials to seek a more reasonable option for displaced individuals in Davis County. He shared that the proposed resolution expressed united opposition to the proposed shelter in the City.

Ken Leetham then made a presentation on this item. He said the City Council shared the concerns of the public and would be adopting a position through Resolution that was in opposition to the proposed shelter location. He said the proposed Resolution made it clear that a shelter in North Salt Lake was the wrong solution for Davis County's required Winter Response Plan. He shared that the County should continue to work to find a shelter location that more adequately served the Davis County homeless population. He mentioned that this was a County responsibility to work with local cities to find suitable locations that also met the public need for these types of facilities. Mr. Leetham then mentioned that the City provided a variety of housing types and that the elected officials and City staff cared about affordable housing, food insecurity, mental health, substance abuse, and other things that may contribute to homelessness. He also spoke on the concerns of residents related to this, and other matters.

Ken Leetham reviewed rates of homelessness for other States with Utah at 11 individuals per 10,000 people. He said State Law required Counties to submit a Winter Response Plan which included a Code Blue solution (temperatures of 18 degrees or below) and a Winter Shelter Plan. He explained the winter shelter could be either a temporary shelter or a year-round permanent shelter facility. He mentioned that Davis County had submitted a plan which proposed the use of a 20 seat heated bus for the Code Blue response and a year-round permanent shelter facility by 2028. He noted that the plan was rejected by the State as it did not identify sufficient funding resources for the Code Blue proposal. Mr. Leetham also said that State code allowed the Office of Homeless Services (OHS) to expand a shelter in the County or establish a temporary winter shelter for two years. He added that the OHS was not allowed to convert a temporary shelter into a permanent shelter without a city's consent after April 15, 2026.

Ken Leetham stated the North Salt Lake proposed shelter at the Lifeline facility on 1130 West Center Street was to be operated by Switchpoint and owned by Davis County or the State of Utah. He showed the proposed location on a map with a seven mile radius that included downtown Salt Lake and Centerville. He noted that a 23 mile radius from the proposed North Salt Lake site included all of Davis County and most of the Salt Lake valley. He explained that a radius that covered all of Davis County (12 miles) would place a homeless shelter facility approximately on the west side of Farmington. Mr. Leetham shared the following information related to Davis County homelessness:

- The County has counted 65 individuals in the Point in Time Count (PIT)
- In recent years the County has exported over 200 people to other counties (Salt Lake and Weber) for shelter and other services
- The County's homeless populations were estimated to be located more centrally in Clearfield, Kaysville, Layton
- A homeless facility in the City of North Salt Lake would not address homelessness for Davis County populations

Ken Leetham mentioned the proposed shelter facility would have 80 beds and as a Tier 1 facility, the City would receive an estimated \$350,000 to 500,000 annually from the State Homeless Mitigation Fund. He said the City would be required to work with individuals that were not admitted or exited out of the facility and have regular meetings with Switchpoint. He then said the property was currently zoned General Commercial and previously used for a youth addiction recovery center which was approved by a conditional use process. Mr. Leetham explained that the City had not received any applications from Switchpoint at this time. He said the City was obligated to be fair, equitable, reasonable, and impartial in all decisions it makes. He mentioned that the City was in a formal process of amending the conditional use section of the land development code to become current with State law and add applicable and relevant conditions for all conditional uses.

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin said Wayne Niederhauser, State Homeless Coordinator, would provide comments as well as Senator Todd Weiler and Representative Melissa Ballard.

Wayne Niederhauser commented on the review of State Law particularly Section 35a-16 related to the Winter Response Plan and shelter requirements. He clarified that in the Winter Response Plan there were two parts including Code Blue (temperature based) which was required of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th class counties in the State and the Winter Response Plan (which included Code Blue). He spoke on how the Davis County plan was non-compliant in that they had proposed a fulltime facility which delayed the winter response plan one year. He said the goal was to get people out of the shelters but housing was a challenge in the State. He explained the non-compliance portion was the Code Blue proposal and how the bus proposal cost more than the available funding.

The Council asked about the proposal for a fulltime facility including who submitted the proposal, if the proposal could be revised, ways to meet the requirements, the task force authority including determining a location, and the potential use of the Lifeline facility.

Wayne Niederhauser replied to the Council's questions and said that Davis County task force prepared the proposal which was due August 1, 2024. He explained the State had preemptive rights but felt that the Davis County Winter Plan was compliant as they proposed a year round facility. He mentioned there was a requirement to have sufficient beds to address Code Blue this year and the proposed plan was a bus which did not have adequate funding. He indicated the State could now step in and find a facility or work with Davis County to come up with an alternative plan including resolving the issues with the bus proposal. He clarified that the proposed facility would meet the Code Blue Plan and the full-time facility requirements for Davis County. Mr. Niederhauser stated that the City Council, not the State of Utah or the State Homeless Services Board, would determine whether the Lifeline facility was approved as it was a local land use issue.

Todd Weiler, State Senator, commented on Code Blue and that mental health services were a County service. He said the homeless population was much bigger than 65 individuals and cited that Davis Behavioral Health Services had met with over 500 individuals who did not have an address as well as homeless students attending every high school in the County. He requested that the City deny the zoning for the request for the reasons previously listed and said these individuals needed housing, food, transportation, and other services nearby which did not exist in the City of North Salt Lake.

Melissa Ballard, Utah State Representative, commented that she was in agreement that the proposed location in the City was not appropriate for multiple reasons. She spoke on all the resources and legislation to help provide a pathway for communities related to homelessness including federal funding. She expressed frustration that the County was proposing the use of its

resources to create essentially an expansion of the Salt Lake County homeless shelter. She said these facilities needed to be where other services were provided.

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin invited any of the public wishing to comment to sign in on the provided sheet and limit comments to three minutes.

Becky Bissegger, resident, said the reality of a facility like this was not appropriate and it brought about a greater chance of pedophiles. She mentioned there were several schools in the neighborhood which was a huge concern.

Brian Fabbi, resident, commented that he previously lived in West Valley and a permanent homeless shelter was built about a mile from his HOA. He spoke of the effects of this shelter in that area. He mentioned negative issues including the safety of Jordan River Trail, drugs, crime, people who prey on the homeless, sanitation, and lack of services.

Craig Hansen, resident, said he worked in law enforcement and had worked with the homeless population in Salt Lake. He mentioned that if the shelter was placed in North Salt Lake that it would be an overflow for Salt Lake. He mentioned the resources were not near the City as the closest mental health services were in Layton.

Stevie Norcross, resident, said Davis County needed to find an appropriate solution to assist the unsheltered population particularly during the winter months. She reviewed State code related to determining the location.

Gail Groves, resident, spoke on a family member's experience with the Switchpoint location in St. George. She said her relative mentioned multiple issues related to the facility including drugs, tent camps, etc. and how it was an unmitigated danger for residents.

Winston Mulder, resident, said he attended and commented at the Davis County Commission meeting earlier in the day. He echoed the comments that had been made and provided clarification that the County was required by law to fulfill the Winter Response Plan. He mentioned the requirements of the law that the site must be more than 500 feet from a community location (schools, public parks) and suggested the City designate a parcel near the Lifeline facility as a public park.

Amanda Kirk, resident, shared that her concerns were the same as what had been iterated including transportation and services. She said Salt Lake may treat this proposed shelter as overflow. She suggested a more central location in Layton and establishing a Davis Behavioral Health location at the Lifeline facility instead.

Eric Smith, resident, commented that the City could zone the shelter out of the city limits. He said there would be a lawsuit if the State tried to place a shelter in the City.

Seth Bracken, resident, said residents had discussed this issue online. He mentioned after reaching out to several entities that it was unclear who was pushing the shelter location in the City. He asked the City to continue to express opposition to the Davis County Commission.

Jeff Meyer, resident, said he previously lived in South Salt Lake and had an incident with a homeless person on a train. He spoke on accountability and the next steps including determining who chose the location, who was purchasing the site, funding, and any recourse.

Jan Hendrickson, Bountiful resident, commented that this would be a Bountiful issue as well with increased crime and other issues. She said the answer was not shelters but fixing the homeless problem.

Amy Morrow, resident, said she previously lived near Sugarhouse Park and shared several instances including break-ins, as well as issues at the nearby park including murder (involving two homeless individuals) and drug paraphernalia. She mentioned how safe she currently felt in the City and pleaded that the City consider the many children who lived in the area.

Jared Laing, resident, spoke on the homeless individuals who were not motivated to be good citizens. He expressed concern that the neighborhoods would become unsafe and property values would decrease.

Hannah McCrory, resident, said there were multiple cities that had regulations against homeless shelters being placed within a certain distance from a school. She suggested that this be remedied as there were six schools within a mile of the proposed location.

Athena Adair, resident, shared that she had several family members who were or had been homeless. She said that the safety of children was a top priority and no due diligence had been done by the State, County, or Switchpoint to see what negative impacts this might have.

Ronda McCoy, resident, commented that she also had homeless family members. She mentioned she worked for a hotel in Sugarhouse and had dealt with homeless individuals. She spoke on resources such as increased police response, community needs, increased homeless population, and request for a City law to prohibit shelters within a certain distance of schools.

Ashlee Christensen, resident, shared that she was homeless due to a substance abuse problem. She stayed at several facilities, obtained employment, and was able to attend school through vocational rehab. She attended the State homeless council meeting and County Commissioner Kamalu commented there was \$1 million to be allocated towards Code Blue. She requested transparency regarding who would own the property and who would operate the facility.

Angie McFarland, resident, said she was an ER social worker and interacted with homeless individuals on a daily basis. She spoke on feeling unsafe even in a controlled environment at the

hospital. She commented that she was an advocate for those individuals to receive resources but felt the City was an inadequate location.

Jarom Mercer, resident, commented that he was a junior high school teacher and recently purchased a home in the Foxboro area near the Legacy Park Trail. He asked what would happen to the community if the proposed property became a shelter especially without resources nearby. He urged Davis County to consider other options as this would affect nearby schools, the trails, and the community.

Matthew Jensen, resident, spoke on commuting to both Salt Lake and Farmington for work and the unsafe conditions he has found going into Salt Lake. He mentioned preserving safety along the trails and working together to do what was right.

Collin Larson, resident, stated that a homeless shelter would not work due to insufficient infrastructure, lack of transportation, small size, and location of schools. He requested that County and State leaders be more proactive on letting residents know of these issues and not neglecting the City due to its location.

Austin Cerce, resident, shared statistics related to crime increases when homeless shelters were introduced into neighborhoods. He estimated that the cost of police calls was \$1,317 per call or \$1.5 million a year.

Sarah Sargent, resident, spoke on her son and others who attended Spectrum Academy. She said it was the City's responsibility to provide protection to that vulnerable population.

Chad Rawlings, resident, shared that he had a family member who struggled with homelessness and related issues. He asked the City Council to be the voice of residents and stand by the Resolution and continue to oppose the proposed homeless shelter in the City.

Cody Schoenfeld, resident, commented that he worked for Salt Lake City Parks and dealt with the homeless every day for eight years including the murder in the park. He was also involved with the cleanup of the homeless camps as part of his job. He spoke on his family, neighborhood and desire to keep things as they were.

Andrew Kirato, resident, spoke on the atmosphere in Foxboro and the safety and interaction of the children in that area. He expressed concern that a shelter would cause issues and change the character of the neighborhood.

Ellie Hines, resident, shared the contrast of her experience of growing up in Foxboro and then moving to Midvale and witnessing crime and homelessness. She spoke on the safety and sense of community in Foxboro and the reality that a shelter would change the area.

Scott Coulam, resident, said he was curious why this property was selected and mentioned safety and other concerns. He mentioned that if the goal was to help these homeless individuals, then this was not the right location for them to access services. He urged the City Council to deny any zoning change or a variance for a shelter.

Spencer Smith, resident, shared several reasons why he felt this was a terrible location including proximity to the Jordan River, the Legacy overpass, destruction or theft of commercial or other property, and equity issues of who was bearing the brunt of this proposal.

Jason Myrup, resident, spoke on the suitability of Switchpoint to run this facility with taxpayer funds. He questioned their qualifications, the conditions of their other facilities, financial management, and being a partner with the City.

Pamela Beneshti, resident, expressed pride in the community for attending and sharing their concern. She spoke on Stericycle and the fight to remove them from the community. She said the community would unite to remove the proposed shelter if it was approved.

Justin Nelson, resident, was opposed to the proposed shelter in the City but not a shelter in the County. He mentioned Megan's Law in which no sex offender could live within a certain distance from a school. He asked if Switchpoint was credible and spoke on poor reviews. He mentioned potential issues such as overflow at the shelter, drug paraphernalia near the site, the need for counselors and medical professionals on site,

Michael Moore, resident, spoke on his experience in Turkey and how the homeless people lived in facilities and were not allowed to live on the streets. He felt that a similar situation should occur in the City with a fence and requirements to keep the neighborhoods, store, and Jordan River area clean.

Chris Billings, resident, said this decision affected multiple cities and was unsure why the County would try to place a shelter in close proximity to Salt Lake City. He said the County Commissioners made a last minute decision on this location and urged the City to block this terrible choice.

Emily Carr, resident, shared some data that the facility would house 52 individuals and 26 families. She mentioned proposing safety requirements and wondered where the homeless families would go if this shelter was not approved. She spoke on public transportation and if the UTA on demand would be sufficient. She also said the City Council had toured the Switchpoint facility and asked about their opinions.

Melanie Lilyquist, resident, mentioned concerns with the trail systems in the area, child advocacy, and emergency services response time.

Tim Burton, resident, commented on the public County meeting and how no one would take responsibility for the proposal. He asked Switchpoint and the State Homeless Committee if this was the solution they wanted when working with those who would not take accountability. He urged the City to pass the Resolution in opposition and to enact other options mentioned tonight including denial of a shelter in proximity to schools and turning the trailhead into a park.

Shirley Arnett, resident, said she was in agreement with Senator Weiler and Representative Ballard on this issue. She shared a word of warning against the State Legislature and for the City Council to defend and protect the community. She spoke on being an advocate for the disabled, women, people of color, and those with differences.

Cameron Neibaur, resident, noted that placing this type of facility in Foxboro was a massive failure and would not help these individuals. He said his wife was a licensed substance abuse counselor. He spoke on how the individuals with substance abuse issues needed assistance and requested the City Council represent the community and provide transparency.

Jeremiah Winterburn, resident, spoke on compliance with Code Blue and on how many Code Reds would occur in the area including drug use, safety issues, and other problems.

Mike Coleman, resident, questioned who selected this site, the process of site selection, how the City and County would partner in meeting the needs of homelessness, the period for noncompliance to the State mandate, what the task force was doing to meet the timelines and needs, how the City could assist, and how the City could hold the County accountable and transparent.

Crystal Makin, resident, said her job included the laws and requirements around homeless shelters. She mentioned the closure of the Road Home facility in Salt Lake and the burden placed on surrounding communities as well as the individuals not receiving support. She hoped that Davis County would provide a more thought-out approach to homelessness. She suggested that the proposed location could be a library, a community center, or park and still provide a benefit to the County.

Dee Lalliss, resident, said the use did not permit a homeless shelter and would require rezoning or a conditional use permit. He shared legal reasoning for why the City could deny the shelter based on issues such as transportation and zoning.

Lisa Thompson, resident, asked the City Council to defend the community and encourage the State and County to protect all residents and implement requirements that this type of facility could not be placed in residential areas.

Dallis Saxton, resident, commented that he was a public educator and implored the City to make the right decision. He said the City Council was overworked and underpaid like educators and expressed concern for the youth.

Cobi Arnett, resident, said she had a special needs daughter that accessed the same resources that the homeless utilized. She spoke on the difficulty of accessing these services and general travel difficulty in the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin closed the public comment period and stated notes were taken and the comments were valued and heard.

3. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 2024-30R: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE WHICH AFFIRMATIVELY STATES ITS OPPOSITION TO A PROPOSED HOMELESS SHELTER WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AND CALLS UPON THE COUNTY COMMISSION, THE DAVIS COUNTY WINTER RESPONSE TASK FORCE, AND THE DAVIS COUNTY LOCAL HOMELESS COUNCIL TO FIND A PERMANENT YEAR-ROUND SHELTER LOCATION THAT MORE FULLY MEETS THE NEEDS OF DAVIS COUNTY'S HOMELESS POPULATION

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin read Resolution 2024-30R in its entirety for the benefit of the public.

Councilmember Jackson moved that the City Council approve Resolution 2024-30R: a resolution which affirmatively states its opposition to a proposed homeless shelter within the City limits and calls upon the County Commission, the Davis County Winter Response Task Force, and the Davis County Local Homeless Council to find a permanent year-round shelter location that more fully meets the needs of Davis County's homeless population. Councilmember Van Langeveld seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Councilmembers Baskin, Clayton, Jackson, Knowlton, and Van Langeveld.

The City Council expressed gratitude to the residents in attendance, commitment to represent the community, assurance to provide transparency, and promise to continue to contest this proposed location.

Councilmember Van Langeveld commented that the local task force was exempt from compliance with the Open and Public Meetings Act and was not required to hold public meetings or provide meeting minutes. She said there was legislative opportunity to make changes to this requirement as discussions and decisions made outside the public view could result in similar issues.

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin spoke on the seriousness of homelessness and finding solutions. She mentioned Switchpoint offered medical staff as well as in house and assigned care and was not

against this model but felt the location was not suitable. She requested when a suitable location was found that it, and that community, be supported.

There was a brief recess from 9:50 p.m. to 10:13 p.m.

4. CONSIDERATION OF HATCH PARK PHASING PLANS

Ken Leetham provided an update on the numerous meetings with staff and the design team. He spoke on the funding dilemma for the Hatch Park remodel. He explained that \$17 million in bond funds were available. He said the park plans included the Phase 1 consisting of the majority of the park with the community center and north east area as Phase 2. He said Phase 1 was estimated to cost \$21 million. Mr. Leetham suggested a phasing plan that utilized the available \$17 million with \$3 for a playground and eight pickleball courts, a community center with a public plaza. He said this would include a partnership with a private developer to build the retail, residential, and parking garage along the public plaza.

Ken Leetham said the design and use of the community center building would include feedback from the Planning Commission, the Parks and Arts Board, and an architect. He asked for feedback from the City Council. He shared the proposed full park design and said the community center would be a focal point especially with a solid developer. He mentioned that in 2027 the City would place on the ballot the reauthorization of the RAP tax and, if authorized, could be used for the remainder of the park renovations.

The Council asked about the housing component and the benefit in offering that feature.

Ken Leetham said the space could be public park space rather than housing or buildings. He mentioned that the community center could remain in Phase 2.

Councilmember Jackson was in favor of food and retail options as this would create and draw visitors to the City Center. She felt residential may create a divide of residential versus retail and spoke on a similar development in Centerville that no longer had retail.

Councilmember Knowlton said he liked the concept of focal point but requested more information on the stacked/mixed use concept. He spoke on creating a connection between the pickleball and the community center.

The Council discussed purchasing additional property, obtaining additional funds/debt to complete the entire park, and waiting for RAP funds versus cost increases.

Ken Leetham commented that staff would review different scenarios with cost estimates and present them to the City Council. He mentioned the different uses for the Community Center including event center with rental revenue, office space, and the potential of partnering with

other public partners like the County Health Department, Library, or State Workforce Services, etc.

Councilmember Van Langeveld requested a stage area, smaller scale retail and restaurants.

Councilmember Jackson was in favor of a water feature and developing the internal area of the park and not including the development of the triangle area south of City Hall for \$1.6 with this project.

The general consensus of the City Council was that the City should work to complete as much of Phase 1 as possible including the use of reserve funds, if needed. Ken Leetham suggested that we all continue to look at ways to phase the park in a manner that would result in a good renovation. He also suggested that this item be placed regularly on City Council agendas.

5. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

The City Council minutes of August 6, 2024 were reviewed and approved.

Councilmember Knowlton moved that the City Council approve the minutes of August 6, 2024 as written. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Councilmembers Baskin, Clayton, Jackson, Knowlton, and Van Langeveld.

6. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

The City Council minutes of August 15, 2024 were reviewed and approved.

Councilmember Van Langeveld moved that the City Council approve the minutes of August 15, 2024 as written. Councilmember Knowlton seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Councilmembers Baskin, Clayton, Jackson, Knowlton, and Van Langeveld.

7. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

The City Council minutes of August 20, 2024 were reviewed and approved.

Councilmember Clayton moved that the City Council approve the minutes of August 20, 2024 as written. Councilmember Van Langeveld seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Councilmembers Baskin, Clayton, Jackson, Knowlton, and Van Langeveld.

8. ACTION ITEMS

The action items list was reviewed. Completed items were removed from the list.

Councilmember Jackson requested specifics on zoning for ways to block the proposed shelter. Ken Leetham replied that staff was working on the zoning and land use entitlement related to the homeless shelter. He said staff would provide the best information on what the General Commercial zone and conditional use section of the City code would allow and not allow.

9. COUNCIL REPORTS

No reports given.

10. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Todd Godfrey had nothing to report.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin commented that she received a text stating that Switchpoint would not be moving ahead with the purchase or seeking a conditional use permit for the property located in the City.

The Council also requested that staff provide information such as the presentation, the County's Winter Response Plan, etc. and answers to the residents' questions on the City's website.

12. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Ken Leetham commented that the League of Cities and Towns conference would be held September 4th and 5th.

13. ADJOURN

Mayor Pro Tem Baskin adjourned the meeting at 10:58 p.m.

The foregoing was approved by the City Council of the City of North Salt Lake on Tuesday September 17, 2024 by unanimous vote of all members present.



Lisa Watts Baskin, Mayor Pro Tem

Wendy Page, City Recorder