

1 **Minutes of the**  
2 **Parks, Recreation and Fine Arts Committee**

3 Bountiful City Hall – Planning Conference Room  
4 October 25, 2016 (5:30 p.m.)  
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6 Present:

7 Committee Members: John Pitt, John Marc Knight, Randy C. Lewis  
8 City Manager: Gary Hill  
9 Assistant City Manager: Galen Rasmussen  
10 Parks Director: Brock Hill  
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12 Official Notice of this meeting had been given by posting a written notice of same and an agenda at  
13 the City Hall and providing copies to the following newspapers of general circulation: Davis County  
14 Clipper, Standard Examiner, and on the Utah Public Notice Website.  
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16 Committee chair John Pitt called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., and welcomed those in  
17 attendance.

18 **OVERVIEW OF RAP TAX PROGRAM**

19 Gary Hill provided an overview of the RAP Tax program and noted that the purpose of tonight's  
20 meeting was to review requests for RAP Tax grant funding from a second round of grant applications.  
21 This second round application period was opened by the City to allow entities that may have missed  
22 the first application period to apply for RAP Tax grant funding.

23 **CONSIDER RAP TAX GRANT APPLICATIONS**

24 A staff review committee composed of Gary Hill, Galen Rasmussen and Brock Hill reviewed the second  
25 round applications submitted using program guidelines to gauge grant funding eligibility. The second  
26 round application period closed on October 20, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. and staff reviewed applications with  
27 recommendations as follows:

28 Bountiful Historical Preservation Foundation - Application was made by the Bountiful Historical  
29 Preservation Foundation for relocation of the Historic Cabin from the City Hall complex to the new  
30 History Museum location on Main Street. Committee member John Marc Knight noted that the  
31 Historical Foundation recently received a check for \$50,000 from the City in support of the Foundation  
32 which covered two fiscal years of approved funding. Gary Hill noted on the specific matter of the  
33 application for RAP Tax funds that the Historical Foundation's request met program guidelines from a  
34 staff review perspective.

35 Committee member Knight made a motion to deny the RAP Tax grant application from the Bountiful  
36 Historical Preservation Foundation based on the amount of funds they have received recently from

1 the City’s annual support and encourage the Historical Foundation to apply for RAP Tax grant funding  
2 again next season. Committee member Randy Lewis seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous  
3 with Committee members Pitt, Knight and Lewis voting “aye”.

4 CenterPoint Legacy Theatre – Application was made by the CenterPoint Legacy Theatre for 10% of the  
5 City’s annual RAP Tax funding on the basis of covering operating expenses related to facility  
6 maintenance of the Theatre. Gary Hill noted that the amount of funding requested exceeds  
7 authorized grant funds available (11% of budgeted RAP Tax funds each year) and the intended  
8 purpose for the grant funds as noted by CenterPoint Legacy Theatre is not deemed eligible under  
9 grant program guidelines set by the Council. Mr. Jansen Davis, Executive Director of the CenterPoint  
10 Legacy Theatre, was present at the meeting and was asked to comment on the application made for  
11 RAP Tax grant funds.

12 Mr. Davis indicated that the Theatre is a community resource with a need for partnership to maintain  
13 it for community benefit. Past RAP Tax funding was strictly for construction of the Theatre so funds  
14 are now needed from the City to operate and maintain the facility ongoing. Mr. Davis was asked how  
15 the Theatre has been covering operating costs. Mr. Davis stated that funds from donations and other  
16 revenues of the Theatre are currently being used but revenue from further community partner  
17 support is needed. When asked if other Davis County cities had been approached for funding, Mr.  
18 Davis indicated that preliminary discussions had been held with Centerville City but no commitments  
19 had been given at this point.

20 Committee member Knight reiterated the explanation given earlier by Gary Hill that the City Council  
21 of Bountiful had set RAP Tax Program Guidelines. These guidelines do not allow for operational  
22 funding of the nature applied for by the Theatre and not in the amount applied for. Committee chair  
23 Pitt also noted that he was not inclined to recommend a change in the Council intents for the grant  
24 program. Committee member Lewis agreed with the statements made by other committee members  
25 and restated support for the Theatre’s mission and how it serves the community.

26 Committee member Knight made a motion to deny the grant application from the CenterPoint Legacy  
27 Theatre based on the comments from staff and recommended that the Theatre restructure their  
28 application and submit again next season. Committee member Lewis seconded the motion. Voting  
29 was unanimous with Committee members Pitt, Knight and Lewis voting “aye”.

30 **OTHER BUSINESS**

31 The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m. on a motion made by Committee member Knight and seconded  
32 by Committee member Lewis. Voting was unanimous with Committee members Lewis, Knight, and  
33 Pitt voting “aye”.