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**Minutes of the
BOUNTIFUL CITY COUNCIL**

January 10, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Official notice of the City Council Meeting was given by posting an agenda at City Hall and on the Bountiful City Website and the Utah Public Notice Website and by providing copies to the following newspapers of general circulation: Davis County Journal and Standard Examiner.

Work Session – 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Present:	Mayor	Kendalyn Harris
	Councilmembers	Millie Segura Bahr, Jesse Bell, Kate Bradshaw, Richard Higginson, Cecilee Price-Huish
	City Manager	Gary Hill
	City Engineer	Lloyd Cheney
	City Attorney	Clinton Drake
	Finance Director	Tyson Beck
	IT Director	Alan West
	Streets Director	Charles Benson
	Power Director	Allen Johnson
	Systems Analyst	Greg Martin
	Recording Secretary	Maranda Hilton
Excused:	Planning Director	Francisco Astorga

Mayor Harris called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

BOUNTIFUL FIBER PROJECT UPDATE – MR. ALAN WEST

Mr. Alan West went over a history of the fiber project and explained that the Fiber Project Team had final meetings with UTOPIA Fiber and STRATA Networks on December 22, 2022 and are now ready to make a recommendation to the Council.

Mr. West showed a comparison chart between the two providers and went over all the differences in their responses to the RFP, noting that UTOPIA Fiber came in favorably in all metrics.

After some discussion, Mr. West said that staff recommends entering into a contract with UTOPIA Fiber for a City-owned/provider-operated fiber network.

Councilmember Higginson added that after getting all the details he now feels confident the City will be getting everything it wants, and that the project is financially feasible.

Councilmember Bradshaw wanted to make sure that the bond would be a subscriber-based bond and that no City revenues would be used to back that bond. Mr. Gary Hill answered affirmatively, the bonds could be structured to be backed by subscriber-based revenues.

Councilmember Bell had some questions regarding which party is responsible for marketing to ensure a high enough take rate. Mr. West said that the cost of marketing is already reflected in UTOPIA's fee, and although he does not know exactly what the City will be responsible for, details that will be decided on before the contract is signed.

Mayor Harris asked a question she received from a resident about the details of the finances and bond payment timeline. Mr. West said they will not have those details until they negotiate the

1 contract, but that as information is available it will be brought before the Council and will be part of
2 the public process.

3 Mayor Harris asked the Council if they were comfortable moving forward with this
4 recommendation, and they all agreed.

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6 **OPEN MEETINGS TRAINING – MR. CLINTON DRAKE**

7 Mr. Clinton Drake conducted the yearly Open and Public Meetings Act training for the
8 Council and staff.

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10 The meeting ended at 7:01 p.m.

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14 **Regular Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**
15 **City Council Chambers**

17 Present:	Mayor	Kendalyn Harris
18	Councilmembers	Millie Segura Bahr, Jesse Bell, Kate Bradshaw, Richard Higginson, Cecilee Price-Huish
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21	City Engineer	Lloyd Cheney
22	City Attorney	Clinton Drake
23	Finance Director	Tyson Beck
24	IT Director	Alan West
25	Streets Director	Charles Benson
26	Power Director	Allen Johnson
27	Asst City Engineer	Todd Christensen
28	Police Chief	Ed Biehler
29	Assistant Police Chief	Dave Edwards
30	Lieutenant	Troy Killian
31	Lieutenant	David Gill
32	Recording Secretary	Maranda Hilton

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34 Excused: Planning Director Francisco Astorga

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36 **WELCOME, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND THOUGHT/PRAYER**

37 Mayor Harris called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. Ms.
38 Claudia Lindeburg led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Jim Gunnuscio, First Baptist Church,
39 offered a prayer.

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41 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

42 The public comment section was opened at 7:07 p.m.

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44 Mr. Derek Koolhoven (1500 North 400 West) expressed his appreciation to Mr. Alan West
45 and to the Council for their dedication to acquiring a fiber network for residents of Bountiful. He said

1 he has been experiencing network issues with his current provider since April and feels the sooner
2 Bountiful can build a fiber network, the better.

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4 Mr. Larry Volk (970 East Oakwood Drive) said he wished to find out if the amateur racing
5 association he is a part of might be able to hold their meetings in the basement of City Hall, as they
6 did prior to the remodel. Mayor Harris had Mr. Volk speak to Mr. Gary Hill for more information.

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8 Mr. Stephen Freebairn (2992 South 400 East) thanked the Council and staff for their efforts to
9 study fiber and thanked them for making a decision.

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11 The public comment section was closed at 7:11 p.m.

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13 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD DECEMBER 13,**
14 **2022**

15 Councilmember Bahr made a motion to approve the minutes from December 13, 2022, and
16 Councilmember Higginson seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Councilmembers
17 Bahr, Bell, Bradshaw, Higginson and Price-Huish voting “aye.”

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19 **COUNCIL REPORTS**

20 Councilmember Bell did not have a report.

21 Councilmember Bradshaw gave an update on the progress of the Land Use Work Group’s
22 efforts to find the best way for the recreation center to expand their pool space without causing a
23 large impact to Bountiful (4th North) Park. She was glad to report that they have a couple of
24 promising proposals they will be able to bring before the Council soon. She also reported that some
25 of the SDRD Board members are discussing changing the fiscal year of the SDRD in order to be able
26 to raise property taxes this year. She expressed her concerns about that idea and wanted the Council
27 to be aware of it.

28 Councilmember Higginson reported that the Utah snowpack is at about 185% of normal, and
29 that the Colorado River drainage is at 130-140% of average. He explained that hopes are high that
30 Lake Powell can be refilled and the City can once again rely on purchasing power from the Glen
31 Canyon Dam to help stabilize its resources. He also noted that gas stoves have been ruled unhealthy
32 and certain agencies are recommending the replacement of gas stoves with electric ones, but he
33 wonders how there will be enough electricity on the grid to power all those stoves. He admonished
34 residents to speak to their elected officials about stabilizing the City’s power resources.

35 Councilmember Bahr did not have a report.

36 Councilmember Price-Huish reported that the BDAC is going to host its first ever art auction
37 from March 4-11. They are requesting art from anyone who would like to donate or sell art through
38 the auction. There are also five art exhibits opening this Friday, with the reception from 6:00-8:00
39 p.m. The first Musicfest concert of the year will be held on Thursday, January 19 at 7:30 p.m. There
40 is also a free family art night on Monday, January 23.

41 Mayor Harris reported that the South Davis Sewer District Board will be interviewing and
42 selecting a new Board member on Thursday night. She also noted that there was a fire last Sunday in
43 Bountiful and thanked the fire department for their ability to contain it to a shed and that no one was
44 injured.

1 **BCYC REPORT**

2 Ms. Kezia Holt, BCYC Mayor, reported that the BCYC held their Christmas party in
3 December, and that their next event will be “A Day at the Legislature” visiting the State Capitol next
4 Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

5 Councilmember Bradshaw asked the BCYC to send her a text when they arrive so, if she is
6 available, she can give them a tour and make sure they see all the best parts of the capitol.
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8 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF:**

9 **A. EXPENDITURES GREATER THAN \$1,000 PAID DECEMBER 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2022**

10 **B. NOVEMBER 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT**

11 Councilmember Price-Huish made a motion to approve the expenditures paid
12 December 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2022 and the November 2022 Financial Report. Councilmember
13 Bradshaw seconded the motion, which passed with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell, Bradshaw,
14 Higginson and Price-Huish voting “aye.”

15 Councilmember Higginson asked Mr. Charles Benson if the City was having any
16 trouble procuring road salt this winter. Mr. Benson answered that they have not had any
17 problem obtaining it, and that they have used 11,000 tons this winter so far, which is more
18 than they have used in the past few years.
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20 **RECOGNITION OF LIEUTENANT TROY KILLIAN – CHIEF ED BIEHLER**

21 Chief Ed Biehler was invited by Mayor Harris to recognize Lieutenant Troy Killian.

22 Chief Biehler thanked the Council for allowing him to take some time to celebrate the career
23 and retirement of Lt. Killian. Chief Biehler commended Lt. Killian specifically on two assignments
24 he had over his 24 years with Bountiful Police. First, he thanked Lt. Killian for his six years serving
25 as the School Resource Officer (SRO) at Bountiful High School. He said that being an SRO is a very
26 difficult assignment, but Lt. Killian did an amazing job there and touched a lot of people’s lives.
27 Second, he thanked Lt. Killian for his time serving as a detective over the sex crimes and child abuse
28 cases. He acknowledged that those are society’s most difficult and ugly crimes, but that Lt. Killian
29 handled that assignment with honor and integrity. Chief Biehler thanked Lt. Killian for always having
30 the City’s and the residents’ best interests at heart, and for being so caring and kind. Chief Biehler
31 also thanked Lt. Killian’s wife, Ms. Janice Killian, for her years of support, acknowledging that
32 police spouses take on a heavy burden.

33 Lt. Killian thanked the City for giving him the opportunity to join the police force 24 years
34 ago. He said that being an SRO was a favorite assignment for him and some of his best years on the
35 force. He also expressed his deep gratitude for the support he always felt from the City Councils,
36 even when it seemed the rest of the country was in turmoil, he never had a day he did not feel
37 supported by the City and the residents. He said how much he appreciated his wife, who has stood by
38 him, and noted that many police marriages do not last. He then thanked Chiefs Ross and Biehler for
39 being such good chiefs.

40 Mrs. Janice Killian said she appreciated what wonderful, supportive coworkers Lt. Killian
41 always had, and what a privilege it was for him to serve Bountiful.

42 Mayor Harris presented Lt. Killian with a check and thanked him for his service.

43 Councilmember Bradshaw told a story about how Lt. Killian intervened in her brother’s
44 behalf during his time as an SRO at Bountiful High, and how his work at the school meant a lot to her
45 family and to many others. She thanked him on behalf of her family. Lt. Killian said that it was very
46 rewarding work.

1 Councilmember Price-Huish thanked Ms. Killian, and the Killian family, expressing her
2 appreciation for the families of officers who carry a large burden on behalf of the entire community.
3 She also thanked Lt. Killian for his wonderful service.
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5 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENTS OF MS. SUSAN BECKER AND MR.**
6 **JOHN MARC KNIGHT TO THE BOUNTIFUL CITY POWER COMMISSION – MR.**
7 **ALLEN JOHNSON**

8 Mr. Allen Johnson presented the reappointments of Ms. Susan Becker and Mr. John Marc
9 Knight to the Power Commission for four-year terms.

10 Councilmember Bahr made a motion to approve the reappointments and Councilmember
11 Higginson seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell,
12 Bradshaw, Higginson and Price-Huish voting “aye.”
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14 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A TEMPORARY WORKSPACE AGREEMENT WITH KERN**
15 **RIVER PIPELINE – MR. LLOYD CHENEY**

16 Mr. Lloyd Cheney requested that the Council table this agenda item until a later date when
17 more details of the agreement are worked out.

18 Councilmember Higginson made a motion to table this agenda item and Councilmember Bell
19 seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell, Bradshaw,
20 Higginson and Price-Huish voting “aye.”

21 Councilmember Price-Huish asked Mr. Cheney what kind of notice will be given to residents
22 living in the staging area before work commences. Mr. Cheney answered that Kern River has already
23 made preliminary contact with property owners in the area and they will reach out again as it gets
24 closer.
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26 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CREATIVE TRAILS’ PROPOSAL FOR TRAILS PROJECT**
27 **MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR 2023 WITH EXTENSION OPTIONS – MR. TODD**
28 **CHRISTENSEN**

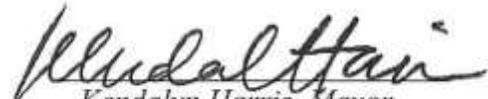
29 Mr. Todd Christensen explained that because the City has so many trail projects with multiple
30 contractors and multiple crews in the pipeline, staff decided to put out an RFP for an external trails
31 project manager. The City received one proposal back from Creative Trails and recommend
32 accepting their proposal based on their level of experience in this field. The agreement will have the
33 option to extend into 2024 and 2025 if things go well.

34 Councilmember Bradshaw made a motion to approve the agreement with Creative Trails and
35 Councilmember Bell seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Councilmembers Bahr,
36 Bell, Bradshaw, Higginson and Price-Huish voting “aye.”
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38 **ADJOURN**

39 Councilmember Bahr made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Councilmember Bell
40 seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bahr, Bell, Bradshaw, Higginson and
41 Price-Huish voting “aye.”
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43 The regular session was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.
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Kendalyn Harris, Mayor


City Recorder