

Minutes of the
BOUNTIFUL CITY COUNCIL

April 23, 2024 – 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 Pro Tem	Kate Bradshaw
	Councilmembers	Richard Higginson, Matt Murri
	City Manager	Gary Hill
	City Attorney	Brad Jeppsen
	City Engineer	Lloyd Cheney
	Planning Director	Francisco Astorga
	Finance Director	Tyson Beck
	Senior Planner	Amber Corbridge
	SDRD Director	Tif Miller
	Recording Secretary	Maranda Hilton
Excused:	Mayor	Kendalyn Harris
	Councilmembers	Jesse Bell, Cecilee Price-Huish

Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

GENERAL PLAN DISCUSSION – MR. FRANCISCO ASTORGA

Mr. Francsico Astorga went through the Moderate Income Housing element of the General Plan. The Council agreed that the strategies chosen for the plan were appropriate, but a couple of typos were found in strategy two that needed to be updated, and Councilmember Higginson suggested that the Hospital District be removed from the wording in strategy three. Councilmembers Bradshaw and Murri agreed with that suggestion. Mr. Astorga said he could do that.

Councilmember Bradshaw suggested that area types be omitted from strategy three altogether, and instead have it say, “areas that are transitioning from one area to another.” Mr. Astorga agreed and said staff will work on determining the best way to list those area types for the future.

SOUTH DAVIS RECREATION DISTRICT (SDRD) REPORT – MR. TIF MILLER

Mr. Tif Miller gave a presentation about the programs and events taking place at the South Davis Recreation District. He also went over the plan for the expansion, saying that it is being pushed into the future while the district gets its financial issues in order. He explained the changes being made to help with profitability, including certain programs being discontinued, reduced hours at the facility, staffing changes, new cost tracking measures being implemented, and an increase in the

1 subsidy from property taxes. The recreation district turned out a profit in 2023, which was a great
2 improvement.

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4 The meeting ended at 6:54 p.m.

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7 **Regular Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**
8 **City Council Chambers**
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10 Present: Mayor Pro Tem Kate Bradshaw
11 Councilmembers Richard Higginson, Matt Murri
12 City Manager Gary Hill
13 City Attorney Brad Jeppsen
14 City Engineer Lloyd Cheney
15 Planning Director Francisco Astorga
16 Finance Director Tyson Beck
17 Recording Secretary Maranda Hilton

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19 Excused: Mayor Kendalyn Harris
20 Councilmembers Jesse Bell, Cecilee Price-Huish
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23 **WELCOME, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND THOUGHT/PRAYER**

24 Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and welcomed those in
25 attendance. Mr. Randy Benson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Ms. Elaine Benson, Bountiful
26 Orchard Stake Relief Society President, offered a prayer.

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28 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

29 The public comment section was opened at 7:05 p.m.

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31 Mr. Grant Kerr (720 Bountiful Blvd.) said that he is concerned about a fence that was
32 damaged and has not been repaired at the top of the dam near the Holbrook Canyon Trailhead next to
33 his home. He feels it is a safety hazard for anyone walking near the spillway that has a steep drop off.
34 He added that on the other side (the West) it is just as steep and perhaps the City would consider
35 extending the fence to enclose that drop off as well.

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37 Mr. Lynn Wall (142 West 2200 South) explained that he was there to get some answers to
38 the rumors surrounding the new cemetery property. He asked if telephone poles would be going up
39 on the South side, if buildings were going to be built on the East side, and if Mr. East would still be
40 contracted to clear weeds on that land.

41 Mr. Gary Hill answered that the only plans being made for that land are cemetery plots and
42 other improvements, but no buildings. The City is still a couple years away from designing it. He also
43 answered that Mr. East would still be clearing the weeds as before.

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45 The public comment section was closed at 7:12 p.m.
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CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD APRIL 9, 2024

Councilmember Higginson made a motion to approve the minutes from April 9, 2024, and Councilmember Murri seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bradshaw, Higginson, and Murri voting “aye.”

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Murri did not have a report.

Councilmember Higginson did not have a report.

Councilmember Bradshaw reminded everyone about the upcoming Bicycle Rodeo event on April 27th in the parking lot between City Hall and the Library.

BCYC REPORT

No report was given.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES GREATER THAN \$1,000 PAID APRIL 3 & 10, 2024

Councilmember Murri made a motion to approve the expenditures paid April 3 & 10, 2024 and Councilmember Higginson seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bradshaw, Higginson, and Murri voting “aye.”

RECOGNITION OF BOUNTIFUL HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP – MAYOR PRO TEM KATE BRADSHAW

Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw welcomed the Bountiful High girls basketball team and Coach Burton to the meeting.

Coach Burton introduced the members of the team and said how proud he is of each of them, winning the state championship two years in a row, and being excellent students and citizens in addition to that.

Mayor Pro Tem Bradshaw told them how excited she was as she watched the game and said she fully expects them to win again next year.

Councilmembers Higginson and Murri said they also watched the game and were cheering the team on.

DAVIS COUNTY COMMISSION & ANIMAL CARE REPORTS – COMMISSIONER LORENE KAMALU & MS. ASHLEIGH YOUNG, DAVIS COUNTY ANIMAL CARE DIRECTOR

Commissioner Kamalu gave an overview of the County Commissioners and their assignments on the different county boards. She explained that, in general, animal care is usually a city responsibility, but in Davis County they operate at the county level instead. She introduced the director of Animal Care, Ms. Ashleigh Young, and said what a good job she has done in the last few years.

Ms. Young went over the numbers, explaining how many animals were taken into the shelter and how many calls were resolved in 2023. She explained that the county has been working on getting a new animal care building since she started, and after an exhaustive feasibility study, the

1 county decided to build a new facility on their own property and will begin construction on it this
2 year. She added that the County will be looking into a small property tax increase next year as well,
3 to help offset increased operating costs and inflation.

4 Councilmemembr Higginson said he supports them building a new facility in that location and
5 said how much he appreciates all that they do at the shelter.

6 Commissioner Kamalu explained that their location has so many advantages, one of which is
7 their proximity to the foothill trails in Layton. Ms. Young added that their location allows volunteers
8 to take the dogs out on hikes, which helps facilitate adoptions, and that they currently have about
9 1,000 volunteers that come to help with the animals. Their facility was recently awarded the Gold
10 Star Volunteer award.

11 The Council thanked Commissioner Kamalu and Ms. Young for coming to give the update
12 about the shelter and expressed their excitement for the new facility.

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14 **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2024-02 REGARDING GRAFFITI REMOVAL**
15 **ON PRIVATE PROPERTY – MR. FRANCISCO ASTORGA**

16 Mr. Astorga explained that the City does not currently have an ordinance concerning graffiti
17 removal. This ordinance would require private property owners to remove or cover graffiti when they
18 receive a written notice from the City to do so.

19 Councilmember Higginson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-02 and
20 Councilmember Murri seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bradshaw,
21 Higginson, and Murri voting “aye.”

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23 **ADJOURN**

24 Councilmember Higginson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Councilmember Murri
25 seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilmembers Bradshaw, Higginson, and Murri
26 voting “aye.”

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28 The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.
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Kendalyn Harris, Mayor


City Recorder