

**Tooele City Council and Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Work Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** December 18, 2024

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**Place:** Tooele City Hall, Council Chambers  
90 North Main Street, Tooele, Utah

**City Council Members Present**

Justin Brady  
Melodi Gochis  
Ed Hansen  
Maresa Manzione  
David McCall

**City Employees Present**

Mayor Debbie Winn  
Adrian Day, Police Department Chief  
Michelle Pitt, City Recorder  
Loretta Herron, Deputy City Recorder  
Roger Baker, City Attorney  
Shannon Wimmer, Finance Director  
Paul Hansen, City Engineer  
Darwin Cook, Parks and Recreation Director  
Planning Commissioner Chris Sloan  
Jamie Grandpre, Public Works Director  
John Perez, Economic Development Director

Minutes prepared by Alicia Fairbourne

**1. Open City Council Meeting**

Chairman Brady called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

**2. Roll Call**

Justin Brady, Present  
Ed Hansen, Present  
Melodi Gochis, Present  
Maresa Manzione, Present  
David McCall, Present

**3. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Winn presented her report, highlighting several significant achievements and updates within the city. She began by discussing the recent ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Headworks building. She praised the project, noting its importance in preparing for future growth and

emphasizing that it was funded without bonding. She commended the Public Works Director, Jamie Grandpre, and the staff for their efforts in completing this valuable asset.

Mayor Winn noted another ribbon-cutting event, held at the new Parks and Cemetery building. She detailed the building's transformation from its previous state, explaining that extensive renovations were necessary, including rewiring the entire electrical system. The project, which took three years to complete, was made possible through the collaboration of community members, local contractors, and city staff. The building, now fully accessible and operational, included a large community room available for public use. Mayor Winn expressed gratitude to all involved, highlighting the significant improvement from the building's initial condition to its current state.

Lastly, Mayor Winn shared that the city's Oquirrh Hills Golf Course was featured on the cover of Utah PGA Monthly, celebrating its hosting of the Utah High School Golf State Championships. The accompanying article praised the course and the contributions of its staff, particularly in developing a robust junior golf program. Mayor Winn expressed pride in the city's achievements and the dedication of its staff, concluding her report with gratitude for their efforts.

#### **4. Council Members' Report**

The Council Members provided updates on their recent activities and engagements. Councilman McCall attended an Arts Council meeting, a luncheon at the Shops, and the Parks and Recreation ribbon-cutting ceremony. Councilman Hansen shared his participation in the Planning Commission meeting, a Switchpoint Community Resource Center meeting, and the Parks building ribbon-cutting, and expressed appreciation for the savings achieved through the city staff efforts on the project.

Councilwoman Gochis reported on her tour of the Headworks building, her attendance at an Arts Council event, and her involvement in community activities, including a fundraiser at the Ritz and the Parks building open house. She commended the efforts of city departments and the arts community. Councilwoman Manzione expressed gratitude to city employees and highlighted community support at recent events like the Shops luncheon and activities at the Ritz Theater, encouraging residents to attend upcoming holiday events there.

Chairman Brady concluded by echoing gratitude for city staff and their progress on projects like the wastewater treatment facility, reiterating the council's support for addressing community needs. The Ritz Theater's active use for events was also acknowledged as a valuable community resource.

#### **5. Discussion Items**

- a. Resolution 2024-98 A Resolution of the Tooele City Council Amending the Tooele City Fee Schedule by Adding Public Improvement Permit Review Fees  
*Presented by Jamie Grandpre, Public Works Director*

Mr. Grandpre presented Resolution 2024-98, which proposed amending the city Fee Schedule to include a \$300-per-hour public improvement review fee. Mr. Grandpre explained that the fee would apply to projects like utility installations that were not part of subdivisions or site plans, ensuring the city recouped costs for staff time spent on reviews. The resolution also included a deposit system, with estimated hours based on project size.

Mr. Grandpre and City Attorney Roger Baker emphasized that the fee aimed to recover costs, not generate revenue, aligning with the principle that development should fund its impact. The

discussion highlighted the efficiency improvements this resolution would bring to tracking and invoicing such projects.

Council members asked clarifying questions about deposit structures, project estimates, and how the resolution would streamline processes. With no unresolved concerns, the Council indicated readiness to move the resolution to the Business Meeting for a potential vote.

**6. Closed Meeting**

*~ Litigation, Property Acquisition, and/or Personnel*

There was no need for a Closed Meeting.

**7. Adjourn**

There being no further items, Chairman Brady adjourned the Work Meeting at 6:53 pm.

*The content of the minutes is not intended, nor are they submitted, as a verbatim transcription of the meeting. These minutes are a brief overview of what occurred at the meeting.*

Approved this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025

  
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Justin Brady, City Council Chair