**MINUTES**

**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, January 16th, 2024 – 10:01 a.m.

Via Zoom meeting + at Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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**Weber County Commissioners:** Gage Froerer , James “Jim” H. Harvey, and Sharon Bolos

**Staff Present:** Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Chris Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Lynn D. Taylor, of the County Clerk/Auditor’s office, who took minutes.

1. **Welcome:** Chair Froerer

**B. Pledge of Allegiance:** Ashley Thoman

**C. Invocation:** Bill Cobabe

**D. Thought of the** **Day:** Commissioner Bolos: Yesterday we celebrated Martin Luther King Jr Day and I listened to his “I Have a Dream” speech. It struck me that while he and the protesters were protesting in the midst of so much oppression and hate, he called out on more than one occasion in his speech to respond not with violence but instead respond with love and other terms that say “we don't need to fight fire with fire”. I was really impressed by that. A lot of times in our lives we face people that are hateful and mean and do not treat us right. It’s really easy in human nature to want to respond in a like manner. We can accomplish so much more if we respond in an opposite manner, with love and respect and try to work things out on that level.

**E. Public Comment: None.**

**F. Consent Items:**

1. Warrants #9446-9497 and #480495-480682 and #311 in the amount of $1,344,874.02.
   1. Item was postponed to next week.
2. Purchase orders in the amount of $995,570.41.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. ACH payment to Zions Bank in the amount of $262,410.55.
5. Minutes for the meetings held on January 9, 2024.
6. New business licenses.
7. Parcel #08-052-0018 as surplus property.
8. Refund of $181.52 to Leora V. Medina Trustees, Parcel #02-036-0011for overpayment due to incorrect square feet listed on county documents
9. Weber County Social Media Policy 27.
10. Set the first public hearing date for January 23, 2024 to consider potential projects for which funding may be applied for under CDBG program for 2024.
11. Retirement Agreements with and the following individuals-

Jason Lowder

Chad McCrary

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve the consent items, minus Item F1; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**G. Action Items:**

1. **APPROVE A RIGHT OF WAY CONTRACT WITH KEITH AND JANICE ANDERSON FOR THE 2550 SOUTH CORRIDOR PRESERVATION.**

Ashley Thoman (Engineering): Using WACoG Corridor Preservation funds to purchase Right of Way for these two parcels along a portion of 2550 South. Looking to begin construction in 2025, pending remaining property negotiations. There are about 20 parcels remaining to acquire.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve a Right of Way Contract with Keith and Janice Anderson for the 2550 South corridor preservation; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

2. **APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO REPRESENT INDIGENT PERSONS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT:**

**GAGE CROWTHER**

**RICH WILLIAMS**

**MICHAEL BOUWHUIS**

**CARL ANDERSON**

**JENNIFER CLARK**

**MARTIN GRAVIS**

**MIKE STUDEBAKER**

**REBECCA VOYMAS**

Jim Retallick (Public Defender Director): These are all outstanding attorneys. We have a fantastic group of contractors that helped with improvements that proved well worth the money.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve a contract with the individuals listed above to represent indigent persons in the Second District Court; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

**H. Public Hearings:**

1. Request for a motion to adjourn public meeting and convene public hearings.

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene public hearings, 10:11 a.m.; Commissioner Freorer seconded.

Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

2. Public hearing to consider a County-initiated ordinance amendment to Title 106, Subdivisions, providing for changes relative to administrative land use authority, subdivision application review and approval procedures, and financial guarantees required for public improvements. ZTA 2023-11 and ZTA 2023-12.

Bill Cobabe (Planning): This item was discussed in work session last week with no changes. We had a discussion with Lance Keelimore of the UAC Council who recommends, along with Staff, on page 5 line 76 of the staff report under Administrative Land Use Authority, where we had designated for a preliminary plat that it would remain at the Planning Commission level, per the planning commission's recommendation. This is in compliance with Senate Bill 174 that requires us to comply by February 1st.

Commissioner Froerer: Bill, I appreciate your work on this. I fully support this change to allow the Planning Commission to have a say in the preliminary plat. We can expect some changes coming out of the legislature this year. For right now, this is the proper way to go.

3. Public Comments: None.

4. Request for a motion to adjourn public hearings and reconvene public meeting.

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn the public hearings and reconvene public meeting, 10:16 am; Commissioner Freorer seconded.

Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

5. Action on public hearing:

H2: Approval of Ordinance 2024-03 amending Title 106, Subdivisions, providing for changes relative to administrative land use authority, subdivision application review and approval procedures, and financial guarantees required for public improvements. ZTA 2023-11 and ZTA 2023-12.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve Ordinance 2024-03 amending Title 106, Subdivisions, providing for changes relative to administrative land use authority, subdivision application review and approval procedures, and financial guarantees required for public improvements. ZTA 2023-11 and ZTA 2023-12; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

1. **Commissioner Comments:**
2. Commissioner Bolos: I want to share a short story about our Sheriff’s office. Our daughter was on her way to Snow Basin to snowboard when she ran into problems getting there. The Sheriff’s deputy helped turn her car around so she could come home safely. They went above and beyond and they do that all the time.
3. Commissioner Freorer: Shout out to our Roads Department who has already been hard at work keeping the roads clear after avalanches and snow. We have the best Roads department and public safety in the state.
4. Chair Harvey: Joe Hadley sent me a text over the weekend. We have a large, persuasive Newfoundland dog and Joe asked if he bites. This was while he was on hour fourteen that day and he was working on our road. We appreciate all of you.

**J. Adjourn**

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn at 10:20 am.; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair Ricky D. Hatch, CPA

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