

**MINUTES**  
**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

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

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**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:** James "Jim" H. Harvey, Sharon Bolos, and Gage Froerer  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Lynn D. Taylor, of the County Clerk/Auditor's office; Chris Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Craig D. Brandt, of the County Clerk/Auditor's office, who took minutes.

**A. WELCOME:** Chair Froerer

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Stephanie Russell

**C. INVOCATION:** Duncan Olsen

**D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY:** Commissioner Bolos: I want to talk about joy. Over the weekend, we lost a friend and colleague, Linda Love. As I've seen things posted on social media and had conversations with people, I've realized how much joy she brought to everybody and I knew that she brought joy to me. She just took an opportunity to make everybody's day a little happier when they interacted with her. It's a great loss for the front counter in the Clerk/Auditor's office and for our community. The thing about Linda is it doesn't matter if you knew who she was, she always made you feel like a million bucks. I had kids who went into the office and they'd say, "Well there's some lady there who knows you and she seemed like she knew me." And that was Linda. She just always made people feel like they were worth something and brought a lot of joy and happiness and fun into everyone's lives. And we could all spread a little more joy.

**E. PUBLIC COMMENT:** NONE.

**F. CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. Warrants #9891-9932 and #481652-481806 in the amount of \$2,596,186.15 dated January 12, 2024.
2. Warrants #9933-9963, #481807-481902 and #327-331 in the amount of \$3,159,480.95.
3. Purchase orders in the amount of \$453,080.47.
4. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
5. Minutes for the meetings held on January 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
6. Surplus property identified as Parcel #05-136-0039.
7. Master Service Agreement by and between Weber County and GBS Benefits for services of a benefits broker.
8. Contract with Micah Meza for Commercial Driver's License reimbursement.
9. Amendment to a contract with Andrew Heyward for the defense of indigent persons in Juvenile Court.
10. Contract with GovOS for short term rental monitoring and enforcement.
11. Contract with American Chariot Racing Association to hold the 2024 World Chariot Races at the Golden Spike Event Center.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Froerer seconded.  
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**G. ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **APPROVE A FIRST READING OF FEE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE WEBER COUNTY TRANSFER STATION, CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION LANDFILL, AND RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.**

Sean Wilkinson (Director, Community Development): It is proposed to increase transfer station fees for the following:

- Tires from \$1 per tire to \$4 per tire
  - This covers the cost of transportation,
- Televisions/computer monitors from \$4 to \$5 per unit,
- Special handling loads from \$60 to \$75 per load at the demolition and construction landfill,
- Tipping fee increase from \$18 per ton to \$28 per ton as requested by the landfill operator
  - County is working with the operator on an increase of the reimbursement to the County it normally receives,
- \$20 for minimum loads under 0.714 tons,
- Tires larger than 24.5" in diameter will go \$25 to \$50,
- Dead animals will be \$25 per load plus the applicable weight fee,

- Mobile homes and trailers will be \$300,
- Contaminated soils that can be used as fill dirt will be \$18 per ton
  - No charge for clean fill dirt,
- Transport fee for appliances, AC units, furnaces, etc., that the County must dispose at an appropriate facility because they cannot go in the landfill,
- Adjusting the administrative fee schedule for residential and solid waste disposal in western Weber County (Republic Services) and Uintah Highlands (Waste Management). Due to revenue received from our administrative fee, we are proposing a fee decrease from \$2.61 per month to \$2 per month in western Weber County and in the Highlands area decreasing from \$3.12 down to \$2 per month.
  - Ogden Valley will see a small overall increase to their bill of \$1.14 per quarter.

Commissioner Froerer: These increases have been discussed over the past couple of months. We are trying to make these items do not cost the taxpayers of Weber County extra money. The reduction in the administration fee reflects our commitment made at the time of implementing the fee that it would be reduced if we collected more than needed.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve a first reading of Fee Ordinance amendments relating to the Weber County Transfer Station, Construction and Demolition Landfill, and residential solid waste collection and disposal; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

**2. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH iLOOKABOUT FOR THE ACQUISITION AND MAINTENANCE OF CHANGE DETECTION SOFTWARE.**

John Ulibarri (County Assessor): This will use our aerial photography and overlay the sketches for comparison and determining if further review is required. We are required by law to look at every parcel every five years. This is being paid for through work force attrition.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with iLOOKABOUT for the acquisition and maintenance of change detection software; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

**3. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH UTAH CUTTING HORSE ASSOCIATION FOR THE UCHA FALL CUTTING/UCHA FUTURITY & AGED EVENT TO BE HELD AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER.**

Duncan Olsen (GSEC General Manager): These are two of our biggest revenue generators. One is the fall show and one is the spring show. We give a small break for the fall show and no real break for the spring show. They bring in almost \$100k in stall revenues alone.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with Utah Cutting Horse Association for the UCHA Fall Cutting/UCHA Futurity & Aged Event to be held at the Golden Spike Event Center; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

**4. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH UTAH CUTTING HORSE ASSOCIATION FOR THE UCHA GOLDEN SPIKE CUTTING EVENT TO BE HELD AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER.**

Duncan Olsen (GSEC General Manager): See Item G3 above for description.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with Utah Cutting Horse Association for the UCHA Golden Spike Cutting Event to be held at the Golden Spike Event Center; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

**5. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH BROKEN HEART RODEO COMPANY TO HOLD THE INTERMOUNTAIN ICEBREAKER HIGH SCHOOL INVITATIONAL RODEO AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER.**

Duncan Olsen (GSEC General Manager): This is one of our favorite events each year. Last year it was estimated to have about \$500k of economic impact and we had participants from 19 states and Canada. This is the 11<sup>th</sup> year for this rodeo.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with Broken Heart Rodeo Company to hold the Intermountain Icebreaker High School Invitational Rodeo at the Golden Spike Event Center; Commissioner Froerer seconded.  
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

**6. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH QNERGY FOR THE METHANE MITIGATION PROJECT.**

Stephanie Russell (Economic Development Director): This is an extension of the pilot program we are running. Qnergy has a unique technology that captures methane emitted from landfills. They would like to expand this pilot program to capturing 100% of the emitted methane compared to the 5% captured today.

Commissioner Froerer: I want to thank Stephanie for working with this local company to capture and reduce methane. Does anyone else in the state do this?

Miss Russell: No one else in the state currently does this. It is anticipated future legislation will require what we are pioneering today.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve a contract with Qnergy for the Methane Mitigation Project; Commissioner Bolos seconded.  
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

**7. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH INTERMOUNTAIN TESTING SERVICES, INC. FOR SPECIAL INSPECTION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW WEBER-MORGAN CHILDREN’S JUSTICE CENTER.**

Rod Layton (Director, Children’s Justice Center): We have to contract with a special inspection group in order to proceed with construction. The contract value is \$6500.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with Intermountain Testing Services, Inc. for special inspection services associated with the construction of the new Weber-Morgan Children’s Justice Center; Commissioner Froerer 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, 10:29 a.m.; Commissioner Froerer seconded.  
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

2. First Public Hearing for the 2024 Community Development Block Grant Program.

Chad Meyerhoffer (Engineering): The purpose of the public hearing is to provide citizens with pertinent information about the Community Development Block Grant program and to allow for discussion of possible applications for the 2024 funding cycle. It was explained that the grant money must be spent on projects benefiting primarily low and moderate-income persons. The Wasatch Front Regional Council, in which Weber County is a member, is expecting to receive approximately \$1,000,000 in this new program year. All eligible activities that can be accomplished under this program are identified in the CDBG Application Policies and Procedures Manual and interested persons can review it any time.

Several of the eligible activities listed including examples, such as Construction of public works and facilities, e.g., water and sewer lines, fire stations, acquisition of real property, provision of public services such as food banks or homeless shelters. Also eligible are loan programs for private businesses which would then hire low income persons and homeowners.

The Unincorporated County does not currently have any active grant projects, in the past Weber County as a whole has sponsored the Weber Housing Authority in a project that offers incentives for first time home buyers. In the past Weber County has received grants for modification of restrooms for the Weber County Library to bring them more in compliance with ADA standards and an emergency housing rehabilitation project that was administered through the Weber County Housing Authority, developing

ADA compliant campsites, installing ADA compliant door hardware at the fairgrounds. Installing storm drains in low to moderate income communities to reduce flooding, installing wheelchair ramps at street intersections to make pedestrian sidewalks more accessible, as well as sponsoring non-profit agencies such as Your Community Connection, Ogden Weber Community Action Agency, Catholic Community Services and others.

The county has handed out its capital investment plan as part of the regional Consolidated Plan. This list shows which projects the city has identified as being needed in the community.

I was not contacted by any Non-Profit Agencies who were at the CDBG How To Apply Workshop that would like the county to sponsor them and want to submit a pre-application for a grant. The Weber Housing Authority was represented at the How To Apply Workshop but I do not believe they are making application this year.

The County is looking at this program to upgrade the elevator at the Ice Sheet.

3. Public Comments: None.

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

Commissioner Froerer moved to adjourn the public hearings and reconvene public meeting, 10:33 am; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

5. Action on public hearing: No action required. The application will proceed.

**I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: NONE**

**J. CLOSED SESSION**

Commissioner Bolos moved to go adjourn the public meeting and convene a closed session at 10:35 am.; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

**K. ADJOURN**

Commissioner Froerer moved to adjourn at 11:04 am.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

Attest:

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James H. Harvey, Chair  
Weber County Commission

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Ricky D. Hatch, CPA  
Weber County Clerk/Auditor