MINUTES WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION

Tuesday, April 8th, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

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

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

- A. WELCOME: Chair Bolos
- **B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Stephanie Russell
- C. INVOCATION: Shelly Halacy
- **D.** COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: None.
- E. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.
- F. CONSENT ITEMS:
 - 1. Purchase orders in the amount of \$329,299.26.
 - Warrants #104731-104789, #490173-490282 and #429-431 in the amount of \$1,585,237.90. 2.
 - 3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
 - Minutes for the meetings held on March 11th, 2025 and April 1st, 2025. 4.
 - New business licenses. 5.
 - Surplus a scanner for the Clerk/Auditor's Elections Department. 6.
 - Retirement Agreement by and between Weber County and Amy King. Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey - aye

G. ACTION ITEMS:

1. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH UTAH CUTTING HORSE ASSOCIATION FOR THE FOLLOWING UCHA EVENTS TO BE HELD AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER:

UCHA GOLDEN SPIKE CUTTING, APRIL 16-19, 2025 UCHA FALL CUTTING/UCHA FUTURITY & AGED EVENT, OCTOBER 11-25, 2025, **INCLUDING SET UP DATES**

Duncan Olsen (GSEC Director): Amy King has been such a great asset to our team and we are going to miss her. But we are excited for to take that next step and enjoy her retirement. Congratulations to her.

We have combined these two events in one contract to entice them to come back to Golden Spike Event Center. We give some discounts and trades for sponsorships for the fall event and they pay the rack rate for the spring show. They bring nearly \$1M of economic impact to the County every year.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve a contract with Utah Cutting Horse Association for the following UCHA Events to be held at the Golden Spike Event Center: UCHA Golden Spike Cutting (April 16-19, 2025) and UCHA Fall Cutting/UCHA Futurity & Aged Event (October 11-25, 2025, including set up dates); Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey - aye

2. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH MARTIN V. GRAVIS FOR REPRESENTATION OF INDIGENT PERSONS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT WHEN APPOINTED BY THE COURT.

Jim Retallick (Public Defender Director): Mr. Gravis has had a public defender contract since 1988. He has come into some health problems and needs to reduce his workload. We are reducing his contract to what he can support on video.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve a contract with Martin V. Gravis for representation of indigent persons in the Second District Court when appointed by the court; Commissioner Harvey seconded. Chair Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey - aye

3. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 21-2025 ADOPTING THE WEBER COUNTY BUSINESS RECRUITMENT, EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY.

Stephanie Russell (Economic Development Director): Weber County has incredible partners in the County and the State. There are some unique bills passed this last session relative to economic development that has led to confusion on who has authority to do what in counties and cities related to state incentives and initiatives. We gathered our state partners together and developed a policy where we can all work cohesively together in unincorporated areas like west Weber County, specifically for business recruitment, expansion, and actual development projects. The goal was to establish a clear and structured economic development approach and to ensure cooperation between Weber County departments, regional economic organizations, and state partners. We need to make reference the Western Weber County General Plan when doing this type of business and recruitment. ... We use that Plan as the template and roadmap. The policy has several components. The first is the Weber County Economic Development Department and the Weber County Community Development Department will oversee implementation and administration. The second part is coordination with regional partners such as the Northern Utah Economic Alliance, Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity, the Economic Development Corporation of Utah, and other relevant entities. Third part is public finance tools and incentives. The Weber County Economic Development Finance Committee shall be responsible for evaluation and recommending appropriate use of public finance tools including Public Infrastructure Districts (PIDs), Community Reinvestment Areas (CRAs), and Tax Increment Financing (TIF).

Commissioner Froerer: This policy helps our state partners understand who they should talk to first before making decisions or promises that impact Weber County.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve Resolution 21-2025 adopting the Weber County Business Recruitment, Expansion and Development Policy; Commissioner Harvey seconded. Roll Call Vote: Chair Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye

4. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER FOR THE RELOCATION OF POWER POLES FROM CAUSEY DRIVE TO A NEW ROAD ALIGNMENT AS PART OF THE CAUSEY ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

Sean Wilkinson (Community Development Director): As part of the Causey access project, changes to power poles are needed as the road alignment is altered. The poles are outside of the right-of-way covered under the franchise agreement with Rocky Mountain Power and the County will have to pay the cost of \$48,750. The work will be complete in June of this year.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with Rocky Mountain Power for the relocation of power poles from Causey Drive to a new road alignment as part of the Causey Access Improvement project; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

H. CLOSED SESSION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION OR REASONABLY IMMINENT LITIGATION

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene a closed session at 10:16 a.m..; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn the closed session and reconvene the public meeting at 10:46 a.m..; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Bolos – ave: Commissioner Froerer – ave: Commissioner Harvey - excused

I. ADJOURN

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn at 10:46 am.; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey - aye

Attest:

Sharon Bolos, Chair Weber County Commission Ricky D. Hatch, CPA Weber County Clerk/Auditor