

MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION

Tuesday, November 21st, 2023 – 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: 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: Stacy Skeen

C. INVOCATION: Chris Crockett

D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY: Commissioner Froerer: As you know, this is an important time of year with Thanksgiving. I wanted to ask the question “Did the pilgrims in 1621 actually eat turkey?” I would say nobody knows for sure. We know it was probably not the same kind of turkey we eat today. I have had wild turkey and I probably don’t recommend it. We are lucky to have what we have today. Ninety some Indians that were there at that point in time went out and had I think brought back venison that said lasted for up to a week, week and a half. They sent out a hunting party for wild fowl so they had geese and ducks; they had corn nuts and a lot of shellfish and clams. They didn’t have stuffing, sugar, or pie. Just a little bit of history as we meet with our families and friends and remember what they had in 1621.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.

F. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Warrants #9446-9497 and #480495-480682 and #311 in the amount of \$1,344,874.02.
2. Purchase orders in the amount of \$294,486.13.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. Minutes for the meetings held on November 7 and 14, 2023.
5. ACH payment to Zions Bank in the amount of \$201,725.48
6. New business licenses.
7. New beer licenses.
8. Agreements with the following individuals for services for the Ogden Musical Theater’s Production of “A Christmas Carol”:

Josie Morris	Youth Actor
Ellis Cash	Youth Actor
Kelli Morris	Music Director

9. Agreement with Visit Ogden to provide grant funding from Weber County Tourism Works for the Triple Crown Best of the West Baseball Finale.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

G. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **APPROVE RECOMMENDATION TO FORWARD THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN TO THE STATE.**

Dr. Daniel Lancaster (Public Defender’s Office): State statute passed last year requires creation of CJCCs in all counties in Utah. The CJCC Strategic Plan is required every year to qualify for grant funding from the state. The report needs to do three things, which we have done. Number one, we need to identify and map out all resources in the county at the disposal of the criminal justice system. This ranges from enforcement specific police departments, the Sheriff’s Office, the courts to treatment providers that we can lean on to help in rehabilitative efforts and treatment efforts; it also includes some diversion resource sources. We have gone a step further and utilized a nationally recognized model called the sequential intercept model to map out which resources can be helpful in moving individuals either with substance use disorder or psychiatric conditions out of the criminal justice system and into treatment where they will be at reduced risk for committing future crime. The plan also identifies some recidivism goals and what it is that we want to do. The mission statement that the CJCC adopted officially is: “The Weber Morgan CJCC seeks to enhance public health and Community safety through collaboration and data-driven action.” The members who sit on the CJCC are outlined by that state statute and I will note that there has been a high level of collaboration and engagement especially over the last several months from everybody listed the county attorney’s office,

defense attorneys, District judges, Municipal judges, the Sheriff's offices of both Weber and Morgan counties, local police Chiefs; we've got a lived experience individual who also represents the re-entry Weber County re-entry Coalition. We all get to sit the table talk about how to strategize making our community safer beyond enforcement. The last thing that this report does is it outlines our plan for being data driven in our approach utilizing existing Community Resources and agencies. The CJCC will begin to make monthly requests of specific data from police departments, from the sheriff's office, from the defender group, from the County Attorney prosecutor's office. All of this so that we can understand how to best utilize our resources and to eliminate waste. We will forward this not just onto the state but onto every relevant individual and agency in the county so that we can be unified as we move forward in addressing crime.

Commissioner Bolos: Thank you to Daniel for the work he has done. This is a state statute I think a lot of counties are still trying to figure out. As a group, we think we are leading the way in adopting this strategic plan. All the participants on the council work well together, they all participate and give input.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve recommendation to forward the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Strategic Plan to the state; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

2. **APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN CHARIOT RACING ASSOCIATION (ACR) FOR RENTAL OF FACILITIES TO HOST ACR REGULAR SEASON RACE.**

Duncan Olsen (Golden Spike Event Center Director): We give them some sponsorship with use of the track. However, it also includes prime rates which are not on our fee ordinance yet. We are requiring them to pay for stalls. We are close to having a normal contract. Expecting 15-20 teams.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve agreement with American Chariot Racing Association (ACR) for rental of facilities to host ACR Regular Season Race; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

3. **APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH VICTORY ATHLETICS SPIRIT FOR RENTAL OF FACILITIES TO HOST THE OGDEN SNOW BOWL CHEER COMPETITION.**

Duncan Olsen (Golden Spike Event Center Director): This contract is a little bit outside of our fee ordinance. They have unique power drop requirements. They also are a unique organization to us because they provide snacks for their cheerleaders, going outside of our normal food policy; this leads to extra cleanup and effort. This leads to a food buyout on the contract.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve agreement with Victory Athletics Spirit for rental of facilities to host the Ogden Snow Bowl Cheer Competition; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

4. **APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH BISH'S RV OF SALT LAKE CITY FOR RENTAL OF FACILITIES TO HOST THE NORTHERN UTAH RV SHOW.**

Duncan Olsen (Golden Spike Event Center Director): This is their 2nd year. This contract is for power drops.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve agreement with Bish's RV of Salt Lake City for rental of facilities to host the Northern Utah RV Show; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

5. **APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH WEBER HOUSING AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE SUBRECIPIENT FROM FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY BY THE STATE OF UTAH, GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF PLANNING AND BUDGET TO ENABLE THE SUBRECIPIENT TO CARRY OUT SPECIFIC ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY.**

Brandan Quinney (Attorney's office): The county has applied for and received additional funding from the state of Utah for the project on 9th and Wall. This is a new agreement for passing on state funding for the Weber Housing project on 9th and Wall.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve agreement with Weber Housing Authority to provide funding to the Subrecipient from funds provided to the County by the State of Utah, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget to enable the Subrecipient to carry out specific eligible activities on behalf of the County; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

6. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH WEBER HOUSING AUTHORITY THAT AMENDS THE SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS BETWEEN WEBER COUNTY AND THE WEBER HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Brandan Quinney (Attorney's office): This is an amendment to an existing ARPA funds agreement for a project on 9th and Wall. The amendment covers a change in scope and not in funding. The ARPA funds needs to flow through a non-profit entity then on to the project. This amendment provides for that flow.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve agreement with Weber Housing Authority that amends the Subrecipient Agreement for Rescue Plan Act funds between Weber County and the Weber Housing Authority; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

7. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH JULIA BABILIS STEPHENS TO REPRESENT INDIGENT PERSONS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT.

Dr. Daniel Lancaster (Public Defender's Office): We had an interlocal agreement with Morgan County to provide indigent defense for District, Justice, and Juvenile courts through September 1st. Case loads had tripled and Jim Retallick terminated the contract due to the volume. Jim covered the contract while renegotiating. The new interlocal agreement will be active as of October 1st. Julia Babilis Stephens has agreed to the District and Justice Court portions of that contract. The Juvenile Court portion was absorbed by the Weber County Public Defender Juvenile team.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve agreement with Julia Babilis Stephens, Ryan Blake (Item G8 below), and Francisco Roman (Item G9 below) to represent indigent persons in the Second District Court; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

8. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH RYAN BLAKE TO REPRESENT INDIGENT PERSONS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT.

Dr. Daniel Lancaster (Public Defender's Office): This is part of one District Court contract being split with Ryan Blake and Francisco Roman (see Item G9 below). Francisco Roman brings the added bonus of having immigration law experience.

See motion under Item G7 above; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

9. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH FRANCISCO ROMAN TO REPRESENT INDIGENT PERSONS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT.

Dr. Daniel Lancaster (Public Defender's Office): See item G8 above.

See motion under Item G7 above; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair 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, 10:30 a.m.; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

2. Public hearing to consider and take action on a request to vacate the west public utility easement within lot 15 of the Cameron Village Cluster Subdivision- VAC2023-04.

Steve Burton (Planning): Planning office has received a request from an owner of property out in Western Weber for lot 15 of Cameron V Village cluster subdivision to vacate a 10 foot public utility easement along the west property line. Our Engineering department confirmed there are no utilities in that easement. We have received letters from the utility providers approving vacation. Staff recommends approval.

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, 10:19 am;
Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

5. Action on public hearing:

H2: Approval of Ordinance 2023-32 to vacate the west public utility easement within lot 15 of the
Cameron Village Cluster Subdivision- VAC2023-04.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve Ordinance 2023-32 to vacate the west public utility easement within
lot 15 of the Cameron Village Cluster Subdivision- VAC2023-04; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

1. Commissioner Harvey: I wanted to compliment the example of Commissioner Bolos for her participation in the Big Bear half marathon.
2. Commissioner Bolos: The fun part was being there with my daughter to support her.

J. ADJOURN

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn at 10:34 am.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair
Weber County Commission

Ricky D. Hatch, CPA
Weber County Clerk/Auditor