

# **Legislative Intent for 2020**

## **1. Implications of S.B. 134**

It is the intent of the Council to consider reasonable measures to mitigate the risks to residents throughout the County posed by the implementation of S.B. 134 (in the event it passes as a Constitutional Amendment). Such measures may include a reduction of the exemption cap percentage.

*Added March 10, 2020*

## **2. Agenda Preparation Process for the Salt Lake County Council**

It is the legislative intent of the Salt Lake County Council to adopt the following procedures concerning the preparation and publication of Council meeting agendas:

- Consistent with the Optional Plan for Salt Lake County Government and Salt Lake County Ordinance, it is the responsibility of the Council Chair to set the agendas for Council meetings.
- Council central staff shall assist the Chair in preparing and publishing the agendas for Council meetings, with the Council Communications and Administrative Coordinator having primary responsibility for assisting the Chair in this task. At the further direction of the Executive Committee and Council, central staff shall implement all administrative steps necessary to accommodate these responsibilities, including any appropriate modifications of central staff job titles, job descriptions, compensation, and development of written internal practices to ensure consistency and help improve efficiency.
- Proposed agenda items should be submitted in Granicus before 3:00 pm on the Wednesday prior to the next scheduled Tuesday meeting of the Council. The Council Communications and Administrative Coordinator shall receive proposed items in Granicus and organize them in draft agenda form for review by the Chair. Proposed items shall be properly formatted and agenda ready, including necessary District Attorney approval as to form and legality. Items that are untimely or that are not agenda ready may be deferred to the next regularly scheduled Council meeting. Allowances will be made for matters referred by two or more Councilmembers, emergencies, exigencies approved by the Chair, matters prepared by outside legal counsel, or other contingencies. Supporting documents, PowerPoint presentations, and any revised documents should be uploaded to Granicus or otherwise provided to Council staff by 5:00 pm on Thursday.
- After receiving matters from Councilmembers, the Mayor, and other elected officials, Council central staff shall prepare Council agendas for Chair review and approval

consistent with County ordinance. Council central staff shall cause final agendas to be properly noticed and published consistent with Utah law.

*Added February 11, 2020*

### **3. Changes for the Solid Waste Program**

It is the legislative intent of the Council that the newly hired Executive Director should work with our Solid Waste Program partner, Salt Lake City, and the Landfill Council to ensure the following:

- No later than July 1, 2020, the so-called landfill dividends will no longer be determined by the tonnage of refuse added to the landfill; and
- Solid Waste staff, under the direction of the newly hired Executive Director, shall explore steps to reduce subsidies related to the landfill's composting program. These subsidy-related changes should occur as soon as practical but no later than July 1, 2020. The changes may include the following: imposing higher tipping fees for green waste processed into compost; modifying composting practices to reduce operating costs; negotiating changes in Salt Lake City's green waste bins; and obtaining a greater commitment from Salt Lake City to utilize compost from the landfill.

*Added December 17, 2019*

### **4. Benchmark Health Insurance Benefits and Practices**

It is the intent of the Council to form a working group to explore the health care market and related benefits along the Wasatch Front, in both the private and governmental sectors, and to report back to the Council with recommendations. The working group will consist of the Council's fiscal staff, the SLCO Chief Financial Officer and his team, and the county's health benefits consultant.

*Added December 03, 2019*

### **5. CWC Discussion Prior to Payment of \$100,000 Membership Fee**

It is the intent of the Council to meet with the Executive Director and other representatives of the Central Wasatch Commission (CWC). This meeting will occur prior to the SLCo. Office of Regional Development membership payment of \$100,000, which is the second half of the \$200,000 CWC contribution included in the Mayor's budget for 2020. Mayor's Finance will be informed when this requirement has been satisfied.

*Added November 19, 2019*

## **6. TAB Review of Clerk's Voting Equipment Proposal**

It is the intent of the Council that the county's Technical Advisory Board (TAB) prepare and present a full-project proposal plan for the new elections' voting equipment prior to the expenditure of any county funds toward that end. The SLCO Clerk and TAB representatives will present the plan to the Council.

*Added November 19, 2019*

## **7. Funding for the Tax Modernization System**

It is the intent of the Council not to release funding for the modernization of the county's tax system until the Technology Advisory Board presents its analysis of the modernization plan to the Salt Lake County Council.

*Added October 29, 2019*

## **8. Salt Lake County Funding Requirements for the Proposed West Valley City Arts & Culture Division – Veterans Hall and Park**

It is the intent of the Council to require that, during the next three years, West Valley City raise at least 75% of the total cost for constructing a new West Valley Veterans Hall and Park in order for the project to be eligible for any county funds. Moreover, the City will be responsible for financing the initial drawings and studies associated with the project.

*Added October 29, 2019*

## **9. Bridge Loan Financing for Shelter the Homeless**

Prior to the transfer of up to \$21 million in capital project financing to Shelter the Homeless (STH) for resource center projects, it is the intent of the Council that the Mayor and staff will:

- 1) Update the financial information regarding the three projects to reflect changes in the revenue and expenses that have occurred since 14 June 2019. And perform all necessary due diligence regarding the hard costs of constructing three new homeless resource centers including a review of the financial system used to track invoices and payments.
- 2) Perform due diligence regarding all revenue secured by STH for construction of three new homeless resource centers including a more detailed understanding of the nearly \$5 million in contributions due later this year. Fashion a reconciliation process to offset the needed amount of the County's sales tax bond by recognizing donations received prior to

the bond's issuance OR create an escrow account that would accumulate donations and dedicate the amounts received and interest earned toward the annual bond payments

3) Create a contract, subject to Council review and approved by the Shelter the Homeless Board of Directors, that:

- Identifies assets owned by Shelter the Homeless that they are willing to pledge as collateral for the bond. The assets must have clean unencumbered titles and an actual cost that exceeds \$25 million OR should the bond amount be less than \$21 million, an actual cost that is twenty percent higher than the outstanding bond amount.
- Create a payment schedule that details annual payments (principal, interest and any associated fees) and the dates they will be paid by Shelter the Homeless to finance the up to \$21 million in capital funding provided by the county.

*Added July 16, 2019*

## **10.Suicide Protection Task Force for County Youth**

It is the intent of the Council to work with the Mayor and her staff to develop and promote a Salt Lake County Youth Suicide Protection Task Force.

*Added June 25, 2019*

## **11.Sunset provisions for the Sheriff's New Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Program**

It is the intent of the Council to sunset the new MAT program at the county's jail unless the state or federal government continues to finance the ongoing operating costs. The 8 additional FTEs requested by the Sheriff to run the program (an office coordinator, program manager, 3 nurses and 3 substance use disorder counselors) are all time-limited positions.

*Added April 02, 2019*

## **12. \$250,000 for Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) Taskforce**

It is the intent of the Council to contribute \$250,000 to the DEA taskforce, and to receive a staff analysis regarding local support. Specifically, the analysis should identify what municipalities are contributing to this task force and at what level.

*Added November 20, 2018*

### **13. Analysis of Adopting A More Consistent Budgeting Approach for County Building Security Costs**

It is the intent of the Council that staff from Mayor's Finance work with the Council's fiscal staff regarding a more consistent approach to financing security needs for county assets. Currently, some organizations that receive security services from the Sheriff's Division of Public Safety help finance that service while others do not. The analysis, which should be available prior to the June 2019 mid-year budget discussions, will identify "what if" options that validate the total cost of services and illustrate the budgetary consequences of requiring all organizations to pay for the security services received.

*Added November 13, 2018*

### **14. 2019 Council Review of Revised Policy 1155**

It is the intent of the Council that the county's Regional Transportation, Housing & Economic Development Department prepare an update for the Council regarding Policy 1155- Salt Lake County Participation in Tax Increment Financed Project Areas, prior to October 2019. The update will include the opportunity for input from cities at which time, if appropriate, the Salt Lake County Council will consider modifying the policy.

*Added September 11, 2018*

### **15. \$315,000 Reduction in the Annual \$1.5 Million Budget for the Office of Regional Development**

It is the intent of the Council to reduce the \$1.5 million annual program budget for the Regional Development Fund by \$315 thousand. This annual reduction, which is ongoing and effective with the 2019 budget, shall be reviewed by the Council in conjunction with the next countywide general property tax increase.

*Added November 21, 2017*

### **16. Yearly TRCC Fund Cap for the University of Utah of \$150,000**

It is the intent of the Council to request that University-of-Utah (U-of-U) organizations that desire to apply for TRCC (Tourism, Recreation, Cultural and Convention Facilities) funding submit an annual consolidated request. The Council anticipates that the University of Utah Development Office will collect the individual requests, evaluate them, and submit a consolidated U-of-U ask each year to the TRCC Advisory Board for a comprehensive review. An annual funding cap of \$150,000 shall apply.

*Added November 02, 2016*

## **17. Discussion with Employee Association Representatives**

It is the intent of the Council that, on a quarterly basis, the Human Resources Division engage with SLCO employee association representatives regarding changes and/or potential changes to Human Resources Policies. The Council intends, as early in the annual budget process as practical, to provide the employee associations an opportunity to comment and evaluate the employee compensation plans recommended by the Mayor.

*Added May 17, 2016; revised September 20, 2016*