



South Salt Lake City Council Work Meeting Agenda

Public notice is hereby given that the **South Salt Lake City Council** will hold a Work Meeting on **Wednesday, May 10, 2023** in the City Council Chambers, 220 East Morris Avenue, Suite 200, commencing at **6:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible.

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Conducting: Council Chair Bynum

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION:

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| 1. Submitted Questions and Answers
Regarding the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget | Crystal Makin |
| 2. Public Safety Service Fund Benefits | Chief Carruth & Chief Addison |
| 3. Opportunity to Submit Questions for
Future Budget Discussions | Sharla Bynum |

Adjourn

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CITY OF SOUTH SALT LAKE
CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING

COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday May 10, 2023
6:30 p.m.

CITY OFFICES

220 East Morris Avenue
South Salt Lake, Utah 84115

PRESIDING:
CONDUCTING:

Council Chair Sharla Bynum
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COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sharla Bynum, LeAnne Huff, Portia Mila, Clarissa Williams
Natalie Pinkney, Shane Siwik (on the phone), and Corey Thomas

COUNCIL MEMBERS EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT:

Mayor Cherie Wood
Josh Collins, City Attorney
Jack Carruth, Police Chief
Terry Addison, Fire Chief
Crystal Makin, Finance Director
Jonathan Weidenhamer, Community & Economic Development Director
Ariel Andrus, City Recorder
Sara Ramirez, Deputy City Recorder

Matters for Discussion

1. Submitted Questions and Answers Regarding the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget.

Finance Director, Crystal Makin, gave the Council material that she prepared, a copy of which is attached and incorporated by this reference, that answered questions related to the proposed budget that had been submitted by the Council Members since the last Council Meeting.

The answers that she prepared covered clarity on the Medical Testing Account #1043165 in the City Council budget, the Street Lighting Account #1061275 in the Street Department budget, how leftover funds from the current year for street lighting would be used, an additional breakdown of the Arts Council budget, and a breakdown on the percentage and amount of grant money in the total budget.

The Medical Testing Account #1043165 was budgeting for new employee testing or onboarding services such as drug tests and background checks. Ms. Makin explained that this would be eliminated in the final tentative budget as the Council doesn't go through those onboarding procedures.

The Street Lighting Account #1061275 in the Street Department’s budget has a current year budget of \$215,000 of which \$175,000 has been expended. The Council wanted to know if the rest would be spent this year and what the plan was for this next year. She explained that the account was used for the utility cost of street lighting in the City. The rest of the budget is expected to be expended in the next two months as they will continue to receive the monthly utility bills.

Plans for next year’s street lighting projects will be to continue to assess the dark areas in the City and determine what kind of lighting they will need, as well as determining LED lighting for meter lights. Once they have that assessment, they will include that number into whatever budget the year is currently in.

In regard to the Arts Council Budget, she went over a breakdown of their budget. A copy of that is attached and incorporated by this reference. The budget covers costs for programs like the Mural Fest, Craftoberfest, and covers operational costs such as marketing, licensing, and supplies.

To answer the question about what percentage in the total City Budget is grant funded, she explained that the amount is 14%, or \$14,152, 550. Grants are dispersed throughout the budget for different departments like Promise, and Public Safety, and in different areas in the budget like Capital Grants, and Utility Funds.

2. Public Safety Service Fund Benefits.

Police Chief Carruth and Fire Chief Addison both spoke about the impact of the Public Safety Service Fee that was implemented last year.

Chief Carruth explained how this need first came to his attention when Taylorsville decided to form their own Police Department back in 2020 and then surprised the whole valley with the pay scale that they implemented as an attempt to recruit experienced officers. Surrounding cities like Salt Lake City, West Valley City, and West Jordan all quickly adjusted their pay scales and prompted Chief Carruth to start talking to the Council about a potential ‘panic button’ situation due to his concern of the South Salt Lake’s Police Department facing retainment issues. He explained that retainment was the initial purpose for the public safety levy, and that its ongoing benefit has been to aid in recruitment.

Chief Addison reiterated that his department had also faced the same retention and recruitment challenges over the last couple of years. With the implementation of the Public Safety Service Funds, they were also able to increase their Fire Prevention Division by adding one Permit Technician which allows for the Fire Marshalls to focus on code enforcement. They have also increased staffing with three additional firefighters.

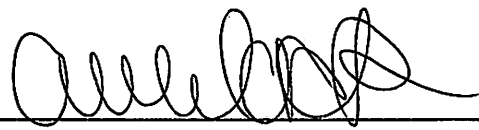
3. Opportunity to Submit Questions for Future Budget Discussions.

Council Chair Bynum asked the Council to submit any further questions within the next week so that Finance Director, Crystal Makin, and other City staff could have the chance to work on preparing answers and information for them.

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.



Sharla Bynum, Council Chair



Ariel Andrus, City Recorder

Budget Discussion

May 10, 2023

What is 10-43-165-00 “Medical Testing” used for?

This account is generally used for onboarding costs such as drug testing, physicals, and background checks. This year, we made changes to the chart of accounts to standardize this line item across departments. During this process, the account was added to the City Council Department budget. However, since elected officials aren't required to submit to the same onboarding procedures as City employees, this line doesn't need a budget and it will be removed in the final version of the tentative budget.

Street Lighting (10-61-275-00): The current year budget is \$215,000 and \$145,135 has been spent. Will the rest be spent this year? What is the plan for street lighting for next year?

This line is generally used to capture the utility bills paid for street lighting throughout the city. It is expected that the remaining budgeted funds will be used on utility bills for the remaining utility bills for the fiscal year.

Does the Arts Council have a budget sheet to break down their \$152,000 projected?

See Attachment 1

Could we get a breakdown for how much of the proposed total budget is grant funded?

\$14,152,550, or 14%, of the budget is grant funded.

Attachment 1

Arts Council Proposed Budget FY 2022-2023

Programming and Events:

Mural Fest	84,000.00
Craftober Fest	25,000.00
Creative Industry Zone Art and Events	16,000.00
CIZ App Expansion	2,000.00
Art in the Park/Art for Kids	16,000.00
	<u>143,000.00</u>

Operations Costs:

Marketing	3,000.00
Supplies	2,000.00
Licensing/Memberships	1,000.00
Training/Conferences	3,000.00
	<u>9,000.00</u>

Total Proposed Budget

152,000.00