

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2005

The City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 31, 2005, at 7:11 p.m. in Room 315, City Council Chambers, City County Building, 451 South State.

The following Council Members were present:

Carlton Christensen  
Nancy Saxton  
Dale Lambert

Van Turner  
Jill Remington Love  
Eric Jergensen  
Dave Buhler

Cindy Gust-Jenson, Executive Council Director; Rocky Fluhart, Chief Administrative Officer; Ed Rutan, City Attorney; and Chris Meeker, Deputy City Recorder were present.

Councilmember Lambert presided at and Councilmember Jergensen conducted the meeting.

**#1.** The Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**#2.** Councilmember Turner moved and Councilmember Christensen seconded to approve the **minutes** of the Salt Lake City Council meeting **held May 24, 2005**, which motion carried, all members voted aye.

(M 05-1)

Christensen seconded to adopt **Resolution 29 of 2005** to **deny the disconnection** and initiate a **Legislative Action** requesting the Administration **create a new zoning district limited to natural open space**, and **consider rezoning all or parts of the North Salt Lake property, the adjacent Hunter/Bates property, and portions of the Lakeview and Staker properties as natural open space.**, which motion carried, all members voted aye except Councilmember Turner who voted nay.

COMMENTS TO THE CITY COUNCIL

**Douglas Cotant** commented on a trip he had taken to Idaho.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**#1. Request for disconnection** from North Salt Lake City to disconnect 80 acres from Salt Lake City's municipal boundary.

Councilmember Jergensen asked Councilmember Lambert to conduct the next item of business.

Councilmember Jergensen moved and Councilmember

Councilmember Jergensen said the process was long and complex. He said the resolution identified 27 specific findings relating to the property and City policy. He said the motion to deny advanced the findings and policy. He said an important issue was the value of land and members of the Council felt the best value for the property was open space. He said it was not an effort by one municipality to tell another how to use land.

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Councilmember Christensen said the beauty and unique elements of the property needed to be saved as open space. He said the conclusion had been difficult.

Councilmember Turner said North Salt Lake owned the property and should have the right to develop 30 acres. He said he would vote for approval of the disconnection.

Councilmember Love said since the late 1970's Salt Lake City held the property in the strictest of preservation zones. She said she supported the resolution to deny the disconnect. She said the best use of the property was to be open space.

Councilmember Saxton said preservation of open space was on everyone's mind and had become a mainstream issue. She said she was in support of the resolution to deny.

Councilmember Lambert said it was important in dealing with a sister city to respectfully consider the petition. He said the Council had appointed a sub-committee to meet with North Salt Lake to exchange ideas. He said he was convinced the property should not be divided. He said division would destroy the natural open space. He said the character of the property was at stake. He said this was an opportunity to stand up for open space preservation. He said he supported the resolution to deny.

Councilmember Lambert asked

Councilmember Jergensen to conduct the remainder of the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Love moved and Councilmember Turner seconded to **adopt the Consent Agenda**, which motion carried, all members voted aye.

**#1.** Approving the reappointment of **Patricia Comarell** to the **Metropolitan Water District Board** for a term extending through January 5, 2009.

**(I 05-17)**

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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Council Chair

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Chief Deputy City Recorder

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