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THE MAGNA METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, STATE OF UTAH, MET ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023, AT THE HOUR OF 5:30 PM, AT THE WEBSTER CENTER AT 8952 WEST MAGNA MAIN STREET (2700 SOUTH), MAGNA, UT 84044.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: ERIC BARNEY
TRISH HULL
AUDREY PIERCE
STEVE PROKOPIS
MICK SUDBURY

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: PAUL ASHTON, LEGAL COUNSEL
DAVID BRICKEY, MANAGER



Pro Tempore Hull presided through the election of the Magna Metro Township Mayor.



Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.



Salt Lake County Mayor Jennifer Wilson thanked the Council for being willing to serve, for the work it had done, and for the partnership with Salt Lake County. She supported the legislation to convert metro townships to cities and was excited about the future of Magna as a city. She hoped to continue to work cooperatively with Magna. If the Council had any issues, she asked that it reach out to her or Lisa Hartman, Associate Deputy Mayor, Salt Lake County.



Public comment

Don Q. Collard, President, Association of Community Councils Together (ACCT), invited the Council to attend ACCT's meeting this Thursday, at which Paul Ashton will be discussing H.B. 35 Metro Township Modification. ACCT will also be electing new officers. Attendees can attend in person at the Salt Lake County Government Center, Room N4-850, or via Zoom.

Josh LeRoy, Principal, Cyprus High School, stated this has been a good year so far. Cyprus High School hoped to be a good community partner with all the neighbors. If anyone had any questions, he asked that they reach out to him.



Consent Agenda

Council Member Barney, seconded by Council Member Prokopis, made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.



Action Items

Election of Magna Metro Township Mayor

David Brickey stated there is no set direction in ordinance on how the Council had to elect its leadership. The Council could discuss internally who it wanted to be Mayor and then make a nomination and vote on it. Alternatively, it could do ranked choice voting. There are two methods for ranked choice voting – the first is for everyone to make their first choice, and the person who did not sustain a second supporting vote would be dropped from the race, and then the person receiving the most votes as a second choice would become the Mayor. The other way to do it is to assign points, i.e., five points for first place, four points for second place, etc. Then, if there was a final tie vote, the selection would be made by lot, i.e. flipping a coin or drawing straws. If the Council did elect its leadership by ballot, the ballots could not be destroyed; they had to be turned over to the County Clerk to be recorded and maintained.

Council Member Prokopis stated assigning points seemed to be the easier of the two ranked choice voting methods. He asked if ranked choice voting was anonymous.

Mr. Brickey stated he would ask that the Council vote on whether to do an anonymous election.

Council Member Sudbury stated the Council opted to have citizens vote using the ranked choice method, so he thought the Council should do the same for its election.

Council Member Barney stated the Council chose the first ranked choice voting option for the general election. That ranked choice method was his preferred method; adding up points was new to him.

Council Member Pierce stated she was okay with doing ranked choice voting. She preferred the point method, but she was okay with either method.

Council Member Barney, seconded by Council Member Prokopis, moved that the election be anonymous. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Barney, seconded by Council Member Sudbury, moved to use the first ranked choice method, not the point method. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Brickey asked by raise of hands which Council Members wanted to be on the ballot to be considered for Mayor.

All five Council Members raised their hands, and the voting began.

Mr. Brickey counted the votes stating no one succeeded in getting a second vote in the first round. In the second round, Council Member Barney received three votes, which makes him the new Mayor.

Mayor Barney presided through the remainder of the meeting.

Election of Magna Metro Township Mayor ProTempore

Council Member Pierce, seconded by Council Member Sudbury, moved to use the same ranked choice method to elect the Mayor Pro Tempore. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Brickey counted the votes stating no one sustained a second vote in the first round. In the second round, Council Member Hull and Council Member Pierce each received two votes, which meant the candidate's ballot that would be used for determining the third round of voting was the candidate who voted for the second pick, but who did not succeed in getting a second vote. In the third round of voting, that candidate did not pick either Council Member Hull or Council Member Pierce for Mayor Pro Tempore, but in the fourth round of voting, that candidate selected Council Member Pierce. Therefore, Council Member Pierce was the new Mayor Pro Tempore.

Resolution 2024-01-01

David Brickey reviewed the resolution stating based on the results of the election, Mayor Barney would serve as a Trustee on the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Building Authority, and Mayor Pro Tempore Pierce would serve as the alternate.

Council Member Hull, seconded by Council Member Sudbury, moved to approve the following resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-01-01

Date: January 4, 2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAGNA METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL APPOINTING MAYOR ERIC BARNEY TO SERVE AS MAGNA'S MEMBER ON THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GREATER SALT LAKE MUNICIPAL SERVICES DISTRICT, AND MAYOR PRO-TEMPORE AUDREY PIERCE TO SERVE AS THE TRUSTEE-ALTERNATE

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WHEREAS, the Magna Metro Township (“Magna”) is a Municipality pursuant to Utah Code § 10-2a-401 et seq; and

WHEREAS, Manga is part of the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (“MSD”) pursuant to Utah Code §17B-2a-1101 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the MSD includes the Mayors of each Metro Township that are a part of the MSD, or during a period of time when a Mayor is absent, unable or refuses to act, the Mayor Pro-Tempore, of the Metro Townships; and

WHEREAS, on this date, the Magna Metro Township, the legislative body of Magna elected by the voters of Magna, elected Eric Barney as Mayor of Magna and Audrey Pierce as Mayor Pro-Tempore of Magna,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Magna Metro Township Council, the Council formally appoints Mayor Eric Barney to serve as Magna’s member of the Board of Trustees of the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District and Mayor Pro-Tempore Audrey Pierce as Magna’s Trustee-Alternate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Council hereby directs staff to provide a copy of this Resolution to the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District to inform it of the appointments.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED in the Magna Metro Township, Salt Lake County, Utah this 9th day of January 2024.

ATTESTED:

FOR THE MAGNA METRO TOWNSHIP:

/s/ LANNIE CHAPMAN
Salt Lake County Clerk
Metro Township Clerk/Recorder

/s/ ERIC BARNEY
Mayor

Resolution 2024-01-02

David Brickey reviewed the resolution stating the Council Members could continue serving on the boards they are on now, or they can discuss what they want to do.

Council Member Pierce stated the Unified Fire Authority (UFA), Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA), Unified Police Department (UPD), and Salt Lake Valley Law Enforcement Service Area (SLVLESA) boards required some background knowledge, so she thought the Council Members serving on those boards should continue to do so, unless they no longer wanted to.

Mayor Barney asked that each Council Member explain which boards they sit on. He currently served on the Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District (WFRD) Board of Trustees, and had enjoyed it, but did not need to stay on that board.

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Council Member Prokopis stated he has served on the UPD Board of Directors and the SLVLESA Board of Trustees for the last seven years. He wanted to continue serving on these boards at this time, as the UPD is in the middle of making changes. There is a steep learning curve with these organizations, so having continuity on their boards is critical. Once the UPD transitions away from the Sheriff's Office, he would be willing to make a change, but now was not the time to do that.

Council Member Hull stated she was on the UFA and UFSA Board of Directors and wanted to continue serving on these boards. In fact, she would be serving as chair on the UFSA Board of Directors for the next two years, so if a different Council Member took her place, they would need to get up to speed very quickly.

Council Member Pierce stated she served on the Magna Mosquito Abatement District and the Animal Services Advisory Committee, and she has liked serving on these boards. Since Mayor Barney would now be serving on the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District Board of Trustees as well as other councils as Mayor, she suggested Council Member Sudbury take his place on WFWRD's Board of Directors.

Council Member Sudbury accepted serving on that board.

Council Member Pierce, seconded by Council Member Prokopis, made a motion to replace Mayor Barney on WFWRD's Board of Directors with Council Member Sudbury. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-01-02

Date: January 9, 2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAGNA METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL APPOINTING MEMBERS TO SERVE ON VARIOUS BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND DISTRICT AS REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE MAGNA METRO TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Magna Metro Township ("Magna") is a Municipality pursuant to Utah Code §§ 10-2a-401 et seq; and

WHEREAS, Manga is governed by a five-member elected Council under Utah Code Ann. § 10-3-205.5, which Council elects from its members a Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Magna Metro Township designates representatives to serve on various Boards of Trustees and Districts, that serve the Magna community; and

WHEREAS, following the recent municipal election and election of a Mayor for the Magna Metro Township, vacancies in representative positions have arisen across multiple Boards of Trustees and Districts that serve the needs of the Magna community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Magna Metro Township Council, as January 9, 2024, the following individuals are hereby appointed as Magna Metro Township Representatives to serve on the listed Boards of Trustees and Districts:

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District 1: Steve Prokopis – representative to the Unified Police Department (UPD).

District 2: Eric G. Barney, Mayor – Trustee on the MSD Board of Trustees, Magna representative to Council of Governments (C.O.G.), and assigned representative to Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC).

District 3: Mick Sudbury – representative to the Wasatch Front Waste and Recycling District.

District 4: Trish Hull – representative to the Unified Fire Authority (UFA) and Unified Fire Service Area (UFSA) Boards.

District 5: Audrey Pierce – representative to the Magna Mosquito Abatement District, and the Animal Services Advisory Board, as well as the Emergency Manager for Magna.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED in Magna, Utah this 9th day of January 2024.

ATTESTED:

FOR THE MAGNA METRO TOWNSHIP:

/s/ LANNIE CHAPMAN
Salt Lake County Clerk
Metro Township Clerk/Recorder

/s/ ERIC BARNEY
Mayor

Subdivision Revisions under State Statute

Jay Springer, Attorney, Smith Hartvigsen, reviewed S.B. 174 Local Land Use and Development Revisions from the 2023 legislative session. This bill required that the Magna Metro Township update its subdivision ordinance. A series of minimum changes and policy decisions needed to be made to comply with the law. The biggest mandate was that Council Members could no longer be involved in subdivision approvals or sit on a body regarding subdivisions. The legislation allowed the Planning Commission to be involved with the preliminary approval of a subdivision, but not at the final approval. Right now, the Planning Commission can require a request come back for final approval or go to the Planning Services Director for approval.

Smith Hartvigsen drafted a revision of Magna Metro Township's ordinance to comply with the new law. Smith Hartvigsen aimed at minimizing changes to Magna Metro Township's processes that are currently in place. He sent the draft revision to Paul Ashton, so the Council could become familiar with what was changing. A Planning Commission hearing on this will be held this week. He did not anticipate there would be many more changes there. Then in two weeks, he would bring it back to the Council.

The Legislature also allocated funds for every municipality that is required to incorporate a moderate income housing element in their general plan. The Department of Workforce Services is running that program. Because of Magna Metro Township's population, it has a deadline of

February 1, 2024, to adopt the implementation plan for that. Smith Hartvigsen put in a request for proposal (RFP) to the Department of Workforce Services, and is now an approved vendor, so it will work with and be reimbursed directly by the State. Those funds will not be part of Magna Metro Township's budget.

David Brickey stated he sent an email to the Council on November 13, 2023, saying the Council needed to jump on this funding opportunity by the State to help municipalities. Afterward, the Council entered into the agreement with Smith Hartvigsen, and it has been working on Magna Metro Township's behalf for almost six weeks now.

Mr. Springer stated the State wanted municipalities to do this, so it was trying to make it easier. The legislation is only mandated to apply to single family subdivisions for single family homes, two family homes, and town homes. Policies will stay the same for multi-family, commercial, and industrial.

Paul Ashton asked what the purpose was for moving city councils away from subdivision approvals.

Mr. Springer stated it was a little unclear, but it seemed the Legislature thought delays were occurring due to multiple layers of bureaucracy. The Legislature was also requiring timelines on review cycles.

Mr. Ashton asked how this affected master development agreements.

Mr. Springer stated master development agreements would still be legislative, but they could not be considered with a subdivision. They would have to be independent from the subdivision. The Council could not consider a subdivision just because there was a development agreement.

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EXP2023-001032 – Ben Hansen, Ivory Homes, is requesting an exception from roadway development standards for the Gabler's Grove Phases 5 and 6 Subdivision, located at 7796 W. Blawn Wash Lane on 4.43 acres

Mr. Shad Cook, Planner I, Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD), delivered a PowerPoint presentation on Ivory Homes' request for an exception from roadway development standards for the Gabler's Grove Subdivision Phase 5 and 6, reviewing the project details, whereby the Gabler's Grove development received preliminary plat approval in 2019; since then, ongoing final plat review and approval have been commencing for the various phases; and Phase 6 of the development includes 54 rear-load townhome units. The planning staff analysis included that the driveway dimensions of the north units are approximately 12'x18', larger than a standard parking stall, and the driveway dimensions of the south units are approximately 18'x10'; due to the inherent design of rear-load type units, the driveways only end up being 3.5 feet to 4.5 feet apart; Title 14 requires driveways to be 10 feet apart from each other; Title 14 allows exceptions to this requirement in cases where aesthetic or other exceptional conditions exist, and Salt Lake County Engineering has recommended that the exception be approved. The

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MSD planning staff recommends approval of the proposed driveway layout with the condition that the applicant work with MSD staff and outside review agencies to comply with final plat procedures prior to plat recordation of the associated subdivision.

Mayor Barney asked if this was the same as the approval the Council did in September.

Mr. Cook stated yes.

Mayor Barney stated the street is a private street, which meant that the homeowners association (HOA) would be responsible for plowing, as well as the maintenance and upkeep and any issues there.

Mr. Cook stated that was correct.

Mayor Barney asked what entity would enforce parking.

Mr. Cook stated the HOA would be in charge of enforcing parking. According to the HOA's covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs), it did not allow parking outside designated parking areas, so it would be able to go after people who were parking in the roadway.

Council Member Hull, seconded by Council Member Prokopis, made a motion to approve EXP2023-001032, with the conditions the MSD planning staff recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

Google Fiber Utah LLC Franchise Agreement of May 27, 2022

David Brickey stated this past week, Google Fiber began installing fiber in the Magna Metro Township, starting at Buccaneer Drive, but while doing so, it encroached beyond the sidewalk into residents' property. In some instances, that encroachment was as much as four feet to five feet, and the holes dug were anywhere from three feet to four feet deep to accommodate the fiber passing from the roadway, underneath the park strip, underneath the sidewalk, and into the front yards of homes. Google Fiber had also been putting boxes in park strips on the other side of the road. When he became aware of this, he went out and took photos and notified Mayor Barney, whose yard was one of those impacted.

He has been reviewing the Google franchise agreement and meeting with the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD) staff and Salt Lake County, asking them to explain how Google thought it could encroach twelve feet. He could understand it encroaching one foot under the sidewalk, but not twelve feet. There was a cure agreement in the franchise agreement that required the Magna Metro Township to give Google notice if it was unhappy with something Google was doing, and work with it in good faith. The franchise agreement also specified that Google was to try to stay within the public right of way. He asked for permission from the Council to give Google notice that it needed to come to the Council to talk to the Council about why it was encroaching.

Mayor Barney stated he would love Google to meet with the Council. The franchise agreement granted Google the ability to operate within the right of way, but here, it was operating completely out of the right of way. He was concerned about everyone whose property had been affected by this. As a resolution to this, Google began digging and putting the hookup boxes in sidewalks, which looked like sprinkler boxes. Google's justification for not putting those in the park strips was because the park strips on his side of the street had concrete in them. It was mind boggling to him that Google was unwilling to take that concrete out, but it was digging and putting the boxes in the middle of a pedestrian walkway. Down the road, these boxes would be prone to breaking and the sidewalks prone to cracking, whereby pedestrians could trip. Those issues would then become Magna's responsibility to rectify and maintain. He did not know how many other properties had been impacted prior to this, but he would have thought the engineers who issued Google the permits to do this and the MSD would have been inspecting the work.

Council Member Prokopolis asked if there was a utility easement on that side of the sidewalk.

Mayor Barney stated there is no easement there. All of the easements in this subdivision, the Reynolds Subdivision, were in the alleyways behind the homes. There is not even a prescriptive easement because the only utilities along the road are water and gas and those all operate within the roadway, not underneath the sidewalk or curb and gutter. The dedicated roadway in the Reynolds Subdivision is 50 feet wide, so the right of way is 25 feet from the side of the road into properties, and what Google dug up was in excess of that.

Council Member Prokopolis stated he read that Google could do what it did if it got the homeowner's permission.

Mayor Barney stated he would assume homeowners could grant permission to do whatever they wanted on their property, but in his case, he did not want them to touch his yard.

Mr. Brickey stated the dedication is 50 feet – 25 feet from the center, but Google assumed that took the backyard into consideration.

Council Member Prokopolis asked if there was a rear easement.

Mayor Barney stated there is an eight-foot easement on each side of the sixteen-foot-wide alleyway.

Council Member Prokopolis stated that would take Google's ability to operate beyond the sidewalk into the front yard.

Mr. Brickey stated Google argued that went twelve feet beyond the back of curve. However, he could only come up with one foot.

Mayor Barney stated he would like the engineering team and inspector to come out and inspect this, and he wanted Google to only be allowed to put boxes in the park strip, not the sidewalk, and only work within the right of way.

Council Member Sudbury stated whenever the Magna Water District disturbed the road, it had to do a cutout and patch afterward.

Mayor Barney stated the franchise agreement allowed Google to microtrench without doing that cut, but it did not specify one-foot-wide holes in front of every home, so he wondered if that qualified for the requirement to do the road cut and repair.

Council Member Prokopis stated he did not think that had to be done unless it was in a lane of travel.

Mayor Barney asked if the Council wanted to give him permission to ask Google to come back and discuss the franchise agreement.

Paul Ashton stated that would need to be done in writing. If the Council authorized that, he would send a formal written notice to Google letting it know it was in violation of the right of way.

Council Member Hull, seconded by Council Member Sudbury, made a motion to authorize Mr. Ashton to move forward with the formal written notice to Google letting it know it was in violation of the right of way. The motion passed unanimously.



Legislative Updates

Paul Ashton reviewed H.B. 35 Metro Township Modifications, stating this is a 313-page bill, but the substance of it is in pages 8-11. The reason it is so long is because the words “metro township” are being repealed from the code, and there are a lot of those words throughout. The conversion process is straightforward. The bill says that as of May 1, 2024, all incorporated metro townships will be converted to a municipality. The metro townships would be cities or towns depending on their population, which meant four of the metro townships would become cities, and the Copperton Metro Township would become a town. Magna would become a town of the fifth class, with a population of 10,000 to 40,000. The bill passed unanimously out of Interim Committee and has a low number, so he anticipated it would go to the floor the first week or ten days unless someone raised objection. Upon passage of the bill the Council would want to decide what it wanted to be called, i.e. just Magna, the city of Magna, or Magna City. He also sent the Council a comparison sheet of the differences between how metro townships and a five-member council were governed. After the bill went into effect, the Council could change its form of government to a six-member council.

Council Member Hull stated the Council would have to redistrict then.

Mr. Ashton stated the Council would have to go from five to four districts or have all council members be at large.

Council Member Prokopis asked if there was any pushback on this bill, other than from the Copperton Metro Township.

Mr. Ashton stated Copperton is in support of H.B. 35. It is actively pushing to get a gas station within its boundaries to give it a revenue stream. Mayor Jennifer Wilson is also in support of the bill, which was a major accomplishment, and he relayed conversations that had taken place with the County over the past six weeks. Then, there were lobbyists trying to get the bill amended; however, they were persuaded to walk away from that. However, other bills will be presented to the Legislature that would impact Magna, and the Council will need to respond to them quickly. He suggested the Council contract with Cory Holdaway again, as he was always at the Legislature and could set meetings up and do other things for Magna. It was also important to be involved with the League of Cities and Towns as well as the Association of Special Districts, as those were two powerful lobbying arms and by combining resources with them, Magna would do better.



Manager's Update

Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District Economic Development Manager

David Brickey stated he had been asked to participate in the interview process with the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD) to hire an Economic Development Manager. They have held one round of interviews and will be holding the second round this week. He put Marla Howard, General Manager, MSD, in touch with Kent Andersen, Community and Economic Development Manager, Davis County, to talk about what characteristics make a great economic development manager, and he told them the Magna Metro Township Council wanted a person who could help with development on Magna Main Street and throughout Magna.

Council Member Hull stated Adrian West, Salt Lake County Municipal Economic Development Manager, had been doing that. She asked if what he had been doing would now be under the MSD.

Mr. Brickey stated the position with the MSD will replace what Mr. West had been doing.

Council Member Prokopis asked who had the final say on who would be hired.

Mr. Brickey stated the final interviews will be held before the MSD Board of Trustees.

Mayor Barney stated he thought the Economic Development Manager should have connections and experience. Development in Magna has become almost unmanageable, so it needed someone who already knew the ropes.

Mr. Brickey stated he expressed to Ms. Howard that it was critical to have a person who could help people see the benefit of moving forward with a project.

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Council Member Hull stated she wanted someone who knew how to deal with absentee landlords and knew what ordinances were needed to help with that.

Mr. Brickey stated if the Council changes its code, the MSD could start addressing those absentee landlords through fee costs, which were included in the last fee restructure.

Council Member Prokopis stated he would like someone who had ties to Magna and had a working knowledge of its history, so the burden would not be on the Council to educate them about its wants and wishes for this corridor.

Paul Ashton stated the Council needed to pay attention to the two redevelopment agency (RDA) areas that still existed in Magna.

Mayor Barney stated he met with Kersten Swinyard, Salt Lake County Senior Economic Development Manager, to talk about the Main Street RDA, and find out who would manage it and whether it would be turned over to Magna when it became a city. He would like to have her meet with the Council to talk about the implications of moving that money to Magna versus leaving it with the County until it gets disbursed. Because of the timeframes for when it had to be disbursed, which were very short, he wondered if Magna would be capable of managing that money within a year.

Parking & Plowing Streets

Mr. Brickey stated this past weekend, the snowstorms significantly impacted residents in the southwest quadrant of Magna. Since not all the roads at the Little Valley Gateway have been released by the developer, Brian Hartsell, Associate General Manager and Treasurer, and Shad Cook, Planner I, MSD, put together a map of the entire area to help identify what streets within the Little Valley Gateway subdivision needed to be plowed. That map is designated with red lines of the Salt Lake County's Public Works Department needed to plow, and delineated those roads that were not yet approved. Some roads were plowed on one side, and not the other. He shared the map with the homeowner association (HOA) to show them where their responsibility was so they could push back on the property owner, D.R. Horton, which needed to do its part to maintain those roads.

Mayor Barney asked if it was D.R. Horton's responsibility to plow a road in one of its developments until it dedicated that road.

Mr. Brickey stated it would depend on whether D.R. Horton had a contractor to do that or not. He was not privy to some of the nuances of the relationships, but he asked the HOA to let him know who it was communicating with and then got a response from Salt Lake County's Public Works who said it put the information into its trucks' global positioning systems. He asked if the Council knew of anyone who was frustrated, to give them his contact information. He has already been contacted by seven people who were upset about the roads.

Council Member Hull stated everyone parks on the streets there, so it will be hard to get plows down them.

Mr. Brickey stated in 2022, the Council passed an ordinance regarding parking when it is snowing that states homeowners with an even numbered address must park on the even side of the road on an even day, and park on the odd side of the road on an odd day, but that seemed to confuse some residents who are violating the ordinance. Some cities who contract with Salt Lake County's Public Works Operations Division restrict parking on the streets when it is snowing and for two hours after it stops snowing, so it can plow them as quickly as possible. If the Council wanted to consider that, he could put it on the February work session agenda. Also, Chief Del Craig relayed to him that the Unified Police Department was going to start issuing citations for violating that ordinance. The Council could consider making that a civil penalty and imposing the responsibility of a vehicle on the owner of the vehicle. At the present time, it is a criminal penalty which requires going before the Justice Court. The town of Brighton changed its penalty to a civil and is working with the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District to create an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) position to hear those citations.

Mayor Barney asked if a civil penalty was a fine.

Mr. Brickey stated it was a fine, and it could not be less than \$25. Then, it could be as much as \$100, depending on the nature of the violation.

Council Member Hull asked if the police issued civil citations.

Mr. Brickey stated the police could issue citations, but so could code enforcement officers.

Council Member Hull stated the reason the Council passed the ordinance was because a lot of the homes in Magna did not have driveways.

Mayor Barney stated a handful of homes do not have driveways, but most do. Some of the streets do not have clearly defined curb and gutter, and some do not have sidewalks. The roads were also extremely narrow, so even if residents parked on only one side of the street, a plow could not safely navigate down them.

Council Member Prokopic stated Public Works Operations should consider purchasing a smaller vehicle to navigate some of the narrower streets.

Justice Court

Council Member Hull asked if the Magna Metro Township was still connected to the Salt Lake County Justice Court this year.

Mr. Brickey stated it is, and the Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District (MSD) has that on its agenda for tomorrow for discussion. The Salt Lake County Council is continuing to push forward with the dissolution of that court.

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Paul Ashton stated an entity had to get legislative approval to abolish a Justice Court, and that took time. The MSD has requested the County return almost \$1 million of the reserves to the metro townships, which they paid over the years.

Mr. Brickey stated at the last MSD Board of Trustees' meeting, the board approved asking the court to return \$1.5 million to the MSD.

Unified Fire Authority

Council Member Hull announced that Fire Station 102 is open, and the grand opening will be held Tuesday at 1:00 PM. She asked that the Council get the word out on its website and on social media.

Mr. Brickey stated he would get help posting that to the Council's website and its Facebook page.

Magna Metro Township Website

Mr. Brickey stated he is continuing to work with CivicPlus on the Magna Metro Township's website redesign. If Council Members see a website they like, he asked that they send him the link and let him know what appealed to them about that, and he would then share that with the programmer. Changes to the redesign can be made for the next 30 days.

Council Member Prokopis stated people are moving away from websites and social media is taking over. He wondered if Magna's website had value. If it was only getting 10 clicks a month, it was probably not worth continuing. He wanted to see some metrics on that activity as this went forward.

Mr. Brickey stated knowing what people were clicking on was helpful in designing a webpage.

Council Member Hull stated people were going to social media, but there needed to be a list of resources or ordinances available somewhere. She suggested having links on Magna's social media page to take people to those resources.

Council Member Prokopis stated he did not think the Council could get away from having a website, but he wanted to talk about how much of an investment the Council wanted to put into it.

Mr. Brickey stated when the Council first started negotiating for this design rebuild, the proposed cost was \$13,000, but it was negotiated down to \$6,300.

Workshop Meeting

Council Member Prokopis stated this meeting was listed as a workshop meeting, but the Council has made a lot of decisions today. He did not want to get sideways and be making

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decisions in meetings listed as workshops. The Council might need to list both meetings in a month as Council meetings, not workshop meetings.

Council Member Hull suggested holding the workshop at the beginning of a meeting, followed by a meeting where decisions could be made.

Council Member Pierce stated the Council was doing that when she started her term, and she had felt it was redundant to talk about things in both meetings.

Mayor Barney stated he thought the workshop meetings were valuable because it gave the Council a chance to discuss something and then think about it before it made a decision.

Council Member Prokopis stated he agreed the Council needed to review some things before making a decision, but it could make a decision on other things the first time it heard them. If it was going to be making decisions in a meeting, it needed to notice the meeting as a regular meeting.



Closed

Council Member Prokopis, seconded by Council Member Hull, moved to close the meeting to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, as well as personnel. The motion passed unanimously.



THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

LANNIE CHAPMAN
METRO TOWNSHIP CLERK

By _____
Deputy Clerk

CHAIR, MAGNA METRO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL



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