

UTAH LEAGUE OF CITIES & TOWNS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: ENTRADA ROOM, DIXIE CENTER (1835 S CONVENTION CENTER DR., ST. GEORGE, UT 84790) & VIA ZOOM  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024 @ 2:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE:

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Mayor Michelle Kaufusi, President, Provo  
Mayor Troy Walker, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Draper  
Council Member Kate Bradshaw, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Bountiful  
Mayor Jeff Silvestrini, Im. Past President, Millcreek  
Seth Perrins, UCMA & Spanish Fork

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Council Member David Baird, Roosevelt  
Mayor Dirk Burton, West Jordan  
Council Member Dan Dugan, Salt Lake City  
Council Member Jessica Egbert, Mapleton  
Mayor Donia Jessop, Hildale  
Council Member Kari Malkovich, Woodland Hills  
Council Member Tawnee McCay, Riverton  
Mayor Logan Monson, Blanding  
Mayor Lyndsay Peterson, North Logan  
Council Member R. Scott Phillips, Cedar City  
Mayor Michele Randall, St. George  
Mayor Mark Shepherd, Clearfield  
Mayor Tami Tran, Kaysville  
Council Member Mary Wintch, Manti  
Mayor Mickey Wright, Torrey

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

Roger Tew, General Counsel & Senior Policy Advisor  
Pamela Spencer, UMCA & Vineyard  
Mayor Dawn Ramsey, UEOC, South Jordan

ULCT STAFF

Cameron Diehl, Executive Director  
Justin Lee, Deputy Director  
Molly Wheeler, Deputy Director  
Nick Jarvis, Chief Operating Officer  
Angela Adam, Operations Coordinator  
Karson Eilers, Policy Director  
Cassidy Hansen, Marketing Communications  
Manager  
Katie Harley, Events Manager  
Meg Ryan, Senior Land Use Manager  
Liam Thrailkill, Policy Analyst & Program Manager  
Jared Tingey, Legal Director  
Todd Godfrey, Legal Advisor

EXCUSED:

Mayor Brett Hales, Murray, ULCT Treasurer  
Mayor Mark Johnson, Lehi

Welcome and Introductions –Mayor Michelle Kaufusi, ULCT President

Administrative Items –Mayor Michelle Kaufusi, ULCT President

- [LINK: Substance of matters proposed, discussed, or decided](#)
- Conflict of interest disclosure: None

MOTION: Mayor Dirk Burton  
Approve March 18, 2024 Minutes

SECOND: Mayor Tami Tran

VOTE: Unanimous Approval

ULCT Board & Commission Reports & Appointments –Liam Thrailkill, Policy Analyst & Program Manager

- Updates: Utah Communications Authority, MIHP Appeal Board, Water Operating Certification Commission

## Engagement Update –Molly Wheeler, Deputy Director

- Midyear 2024 preview
  - i. Olympics theme, largest total attendance ever, 133 first time attendees
- Regional trainings in May/June
- September Annual Convention update
- Utah Policy/op-ed update
- ULCT-focused Dignity Index/Disagree Better efforts update
- **Discussion questions:** Should ULCT staff continue to explore this programming option for FY 2025? Would the Board like to have an in-person only May board meeting with up to 90 minutes dedicated to a discussion with Professor Danya Rumore who leads a conflict resolution program at the University of Utah?

## Advocacy Update–Justin Lee, Deputy Director & ULCT Advocacy Staff

- Potential special session update
  - i. Veto letter on SB 161, see March board packet
- Unified Economic Opportunity Commission, Commission on Housing Affordability, and legislative interim brief preview
- **Discussion question (hold for future meeting):** At the March meeting, we posed this question but didn't finish answering it: What should our next steps be on the bigger issue of state-created districts that negatively impact how cities function?

## Executive Director Report and strategic session–Cameron Diehl, Executive Director and ULCT Team

- 2023-2024 Advocacy, Engagement, & Operations Annual Report
- Check in on organizational objectives, 2023 Board of Directors recommended advocacy, engagement, and operations tactics, and feedback from ULCT members from the 2023 Midyear Conference
  - **Discussion question part A and part B:** Is there anything that we are missing in the objectives or takeaways/tactics?
- Small group discussion (with committee of the whole to summarize the discussion)
  - **Question 1:** What are the biggest challenges that your city and region will face between now and 2034 (Olympics)?
  - **Question 2:** What keeps you up at night as a mayor/council member/city manager?
  - **Question 3:** How can ULCT help you and your city colleagues address those challenges?
- Caucus plan for Midyear Conference and board participation therein
  - Planned question 1: What are the biggest challenges that your city/town is facing?
  - Planned question 2: What do you wish state leaders knew about your city/town and what you need to face those challenges?
  - Planned question 3: What are some potential approaches to address those challenges?

## Other Business

## Adjourn

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MOTION: Mayor Troy Walker  
Adjourn

SECOND: Council Member Kate Bradshaw

VOTE: Unanimous Approval