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## CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECAP

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### **Salt Lake City Council Approves Proposal to Revitalize Jordan River Fairpark District**

*The city has reached an agreement with the Utah Fairpark Area Investment and Restoration (UFAIR) board.*

**SALT LAKE CITY**, Dec. 12, 2024 – The Salt Lake City Council has voted in favor of creating the [Jordan River Fairpark District](#), a zoning designation that facilitates a monumental development in Salt Lake City’s Westside. Encompassing nearly 100 acres at 1500 W North Temple, this mixed-use district is set to build on the area’s rich history and create new opportunities, including the potential for a Major League Baseball stadium and team.

“This project is an incredible opportunity to honor the Westside’s legacy while creating new opportunities for all our residents, said Council Chair Victoria Petro. “The city worked diligently to ensure this agreement reflects our community’s needs, values, and vision.

Given the tight timeline to finalize this agreement, I'm especially proud of the collaboration and commitment shown by all to ensure this district is inclusive and accessible to everyone."

During the 2024 Legislative Session, the Utah Legislature adopted the Utah Fairpark Area Investment and Restoration (UFAIR) District, initiating the opportunity for the city and the Larry H. Miller Company (LHM) to revitalize the area. The legislation set a strict deadline of Dec. 31, 2024, for the two parties to reach an agreement and ensure Salt Lake City's continued involvement in shaping the district's future.

The development agreement ensures strategic partnerships, with LHM's commitment to securing an MLB team and delivering a world-class stadium. It also outlines several benefits to uplift the district while preserving its distinct character. These include affordable housing options to support diverse families, expanded public open spaces that ensure greater access to the Jordan River and new recreation opportunities, and infrastructure upgrades to improve residents' connectivity and mobility. The agreement also emphasizes environmental sustainability, with a commitment to protecting the Jordan River's ecosystem.

The city has also finalized an interlocal agreement with the UFAIR Board to provide municipal services—including water, sewer, fire, and police—in the district. This agreement is designed to serve the district's growing needs without increasing demands on other city resources.

Over the past months, the Council has engaged with residents

through holding multiple public hearings to gather input. Residents can also share their input anytime by emailing [Council.Comments@slc.gov](mailto:Council.Comments@slc.gov), calling 801-535-7654, or submitting your comments online.

More information on the topic is available at [tinyurl.com/JRFDistrict](https://tinyurl.com/JRFDistrict).

[Watch Briefing](#)

***Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2024***

## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### **Ballpark NEXT**

Urban Design consultants briefed the RDA Board on three potential redevelopment scenarios for the Smith's Ballpark property. The Administration will determine the project's next steps in early 2025.

[View the Presentation](#)

### **Ranked-Choice Voting Pilot Program**

The Council approved the use of ranked-choice voting for the 2025 municipal election.

[Learn More](#)

### **Recognizing the 2024 Council Chair**

The Council honored Council Member Victoria Petro for her service as Council Chair over a year of generational projects.

Thank you, Chair Petro!

### **Farewell to City Attorney Katie Lewis**

The Council recognized Katie Lewis for over a decade of dedication to the city. Since joining the Attorney's office, she has worked on many notable projects across Salt Lake City, led the negotiations on several pieces of state legislation, and



guided the City with sound legal advice through a pandemic, an earthquake, and a windstorm.



## VOTES

The Council approved the following items during the formal meeting:

- Amendments to building code enforcement.
- Budget Amendment No. 2.
- Economic Development Loan Fund loan to Frontier Fruit, LLC
- Amendments to the Council's travel policy.
- The city's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) [Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan](#) to address barriers in City and public facilities.
- Nate King's appointment to the [Art Design Board](#).

## BRIEFINGS

The Council was briefed on the following items during the work session:

- Amending the Northpoint Light Industrial Zoning District. ([Watch](#))

- An Economic Development Loan fund loan to Frontier Fruit. ([Watch](#))
- Budget Amendment No. 2 for FY24-25. ([Watch](#))
- A written report on adjustments to policy relating to campaign finance disclosures and city elections.

## RDA BRIEFINGS

During the RDA work session, the Council was briefed on and approved the following items during the work session:

- The Rio Grande District Vision & Implementation Plan. ([Watch](#))
- Re-envisioning the City-owned Smith's Ballpark and parking lot. ([Watch](#))
- Funding for a new Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Financing Program. ([Watch](#))

## FUTURE VOTES & HEARINGS

The Council added the below items to the Jan. 7, 2025, meeting agenda:

### Votes

- Ordinance: City-wide Text Amendment for Gas Station Standards (tentative)
- Nomination of Council Chair and Vice Chair

### Hearings

- Ordinance: Zoning Map Amendment at 333 West 700 South. Learn more at [tinyurl.com/333W700SRezone](http://tinyurl.com/333W700SRezone). (Jan. 7, 2025)
- Ordinance: Zoning Map Amendment at 238 South

for Calendar Year

2025

- Ordinance: Campaign Finance Amendments (tentative)

Concord Street and 1255 West

Pierpont Avenue. (Jan. 7,

2025)

- Grant Application: Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Grant
- Grant Application: My Brothers Keeper Accelerator Communities Cohort Grant

## UPDATES FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

### Community Engagement Updates:

Salt Lake City believes public input is essential to making the right decisions for our city. Visit the City's website for a list of projects currently collecting feedback.

[Give Feedback on City Projects](#)



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# WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE



DECEMBER 9- DECEMBER 20  
DONATIONS ACCEPTED FROM 8 AM- 6 PM

DONATE NEW OR GENTLY USED WINTER CLOTHES  
ANY UNDERGARMENTS OR SOCKS *MUST BE NEW*  
ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE WASHED BEFORE DONATING



DONATIONS WILL BENEFIT THE  
INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE

## Homelessness Update:

A Homelessness Memorial Vigil will be held on Dec. 19 at 5:30 p.m.  
at Pioneer Park.

[Learn More](#)

Salt Lake County is seeking volunteers to assist with an upcoming Homeless Point-In-Time Count in January 2025. Volunteers will work in teams on the following mornings from 4-6 a.m.

- Thursday, Jan. 30
- Friday, Jan. 31
- Saturday, Feb. 1

[Learn More & Register](#)

Volunteers are needed for Code Blue nights! Fill out an interest form to help the 2nd & 2nd Coalition below.

[Sign Up to Volunteer](#)

*If you or someone you know is experiencing or is at risk of experiencing homelessness, call [801-990-9999](tel:801-990-9999).*

[View Shelter Bed Availability](#)

[Learn About SLC's Homelessness Response Efforts](#)

## NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

[Tuesday, Jan. 7](#)

The Council's work session begins at 2 p.m. and ends at approximately 6:30 p.m. The formal meeting begins at 7 p.m. and ends upon the conclusion of items listed on the agenda.

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