

COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES – DAVIS COUNTY

WORK SESSION MINUTES

May 14, 2020

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met for a Work Session at 3:30 p.m. on May 14, 2020, in room 303 of the Davis County Administration Building, 61 South Main Street, Farmington, Utah. Notice of this meeting was given under the requirements of UCA § 52-4-202.

ATTENDEES Davis County Commissioners in attendance: Lorene Miner Kamalu, Chair; Bob J Stevenson, Vice-Chair; and Randy B. Elliott.

Davis County Staff in attendance were Neal Geddes, Chief Civil Deputy Attorney; Curtis Koch, Clerk/Auditor; Kent Andersen, Community & Economic Development (CED) Director; Dave Hansen, Legacy Events Director; and Lane Rose, Facilities Director.

Members of the public in attendance were Amy Larsen; Carson Anderson; Jerry Goodspeed, Director, Utah State University (USU) Botanical Center; Justen Smith, USU Extension Associate Professor; Mike Jung, Kim Christensen; and Brigham Mellor, CED Director, Farmington City.

AGENDA AS POSTED **Discussion regarding Legacy Events Center—Horse Arena**

DISCLAIMER The meeting was an open dialogue. Critical points in the discussion have only been briefly summarized. The reader may refer to the audio recording and the publicly distributed materials for further clarification of content. Timestamps have been noted in the minutes to aid in locating points of discussion in the audio record. The audio recording for this meeting is available based upon the County's current retention schedule.

All documents from this meeting are on file in the Davis County (DC) Clerk/Auditor's office.

The meeting commenced at 3:34 p.m.

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION **Discussion regarding the Legacy Events Center —Horse Arena—Presented by Commissioner Kamalu (Minute 01:30)**

There has been an extensive conversation of the horse arena and whether to keep it at the Legacy Events Center or not. There has been much debate on the topic, and the equine community has expressed great interest in the matter. Several months have passed since the last discussion, so Commissioner Kamalu gave an update of where they are in the debate.

Several perspectives were offered, including ideas about how to honor the agricultural heritage of the county and accommodate the needs of the equine community while still making the events center profitable and suitable for other competing interests in the county. These were discussed at great length.

The Commission has a tremendous fiduciary responsibility to the citizens of the county when making these assessments and decisions, and it continues to be a thoughtful process of consideration.

NEXT STEPS Commissioner Stevenson asked for a meeting with members of the equine community to educate him on the need for a competitive arena and the issues they currently face in the available existing arenas.

The Commission clarified that for now, the Legacy Events Center would leave the hard floor down and use the outdoor arena for equestrian events until a final decision can be made.

The cost to build an additional structure, upgrade the existing building, or a combination of both will need to be vetted before a final decision is made.

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**CLOSED
SESSION**

Commissioner Elliott moved to adjourn to a closed session for reasons permitted under UCA § 52-4-205. Commissioner Stevenson seconded the motion, and all voted aye.

**MEETING
ADJOURNED**

There was no action taken during the closed session. Commissioner Kamalu moved to close the meeting, and Commissioner Elliott seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

**MATERIALS
PRESENTED**

There were no publicly distributed materials associated with this meeting.

Minutes prepared by:
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Minutes approved on: _____

Curtis Koch
Davis County Clerk/Auditor

Lorene Miner Kamalu
Commission Chair