

# **Murray City Municipal Council Chambers Murray City, Utah**

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The Municipal Council of Murray City, Utah, met on Tuesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., for a meeting held in the Murray City Council Chambers, 5025 South State Street, Murray, Utah.

The meeting was conducted by Jim Brass

Council Members Present:

Dave Nicponski, Council District 1  
Dale Cox, Council District 2  
Jim Brass, Council District 3  
Diane Turner, Council District 4/Council Chair  
Brett Hales, Council District 5

City Staff Present:

Blair Camp, Mayor  
Jennifer Kennedy, City Recorder  
G.L. Critchfield, City Attorney  
Janet Lopez, Council Administrator  
Pattie Johnson, City Council  
Doug Hill, Chief Administrative Officer  
Jennifer Heaps, Communications and Public Relations Director  
Craig Burnett, Police Chief  
Jon Harris, Fire Chief  
Chad Pascua, Assistant Fire Chief  
Katie Lindquist, Parks and Recreation  
Danyce Steck, Finance Director  
Brenda Moore, Controller  
Tim Tingey, Administrative and Development Services (ADS) Director  
Mike Terry, Human Resources Director  
Kim Fong, Library Director  
Danny O'Rourke, Assistant Library Director

Other's in Attendance:

Scouts  
Citizens

Mr. Brass called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. He asked for a moment of silence to honor Draper City Fire's Battalion Chief, Matt Burchett, who was killed in the line of duty while helping with the fires in California.

**5. Opening Ceremonies**

**5.1 Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Craig Burnett, Police Chief.

**5.2 Approval of Minutes**

**5.2.1 Council Meeting – July 17, 2018**

MOTION: Mr. Cox moved to approve the minutes. The motion was SECONDED by Ms. Turner. Voice vote taken, all "ayes."

**5.3 Special Recognition**

Mr. Brass asked the scouts in attendance to introduce themselves.

**5.3.1 Murray City Council Employee of the Month, Danny O'Rourke, Assistant Library Director.**

Staff Presentation: Brett Hales, Council Member and Kim Fong, Library Director

Mr. Hales said the Council started the Employee of the Month program because they felt it was important to recognize the city's employees. He presented Mr. O'Rourke with a certificate, a \$50 gift card and told him that his name would appear on the plaque located in the Council Chambers. He expressed his appreciation to Mr. O'Rourke for all he does for the city.

Ms. Fong spoke about Mr. O'Rourke's job responsibilities and everything he does for the Murray Library.

**5.3.2 Swearing-In Assistant Fire Chief, Chad Pascua.**

Staff Presentation: Jon Harris, Fire Chief and Jennifer Kennedy, City Recorder

Chief Harris introduced Mr. Pascua and spoke about his career with the fire department.

The Swearing-In Ceremony was conducted by Jennifer Kennedy.

Mr. Pascua thanked Chief Harris for this opportunity and introduced his family.

Mayor Camp spoke about how Mr. Pascua helped start the paramedic

program when he started working for the city.

**6. Citizen Comments** – Comments are limited to 3 minutes unless otherwise approved by the Council.

**Kenton Knorr – Murray City, Utah**

Mr. Knorr said he is concerned about his property tax because it went up \$500 in one year. He is paying more money to the school district and Murray City. He feels that the amount of the property tax increase is excessive. He is on a fixed income and it's hard to pay another \$500 in taxes. He is also concerned about the future if his property tax continues to increase. He feels that he could lose his house. He wants the city to keep people who are on fixed incomes in mind when they think about raising taxes.

**John Halladay – Murray City, Utah**

Mr. Halladay is concerned about the no parking signs on Sanford Drive that have been in place since 1984. Now that the population is older and there aren't many children around the area, he would like to see the no parking signs removed because they aren't really enforced anyway.

Mr. Halladay also expressed his appreciation for Chief Burnett and the work he does for the city.

**7. Consent Agenda**

Mr. Brass asked that all items on the Consent Agenda be voted on together; no objections were made.

**7.1 Consider confirmation of the Mayor's appointment of Nancy Buist to the Murray City Cultural Arts Board to fulfill an unexpired term, which ends January 15, 2019.**

**7.2 Consider confirmation of the Mayor's appointment of L. Sage Fitch to the Murray Library Board of Trustees representing District 3 to fulfill an unexpired term, which ends June 30, 2019.**

Mayor Camp expressed his appreciation to everyone who is serving on one of the city's Boards or Commissions.

MOTION: Ms. Turner moved to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion was SECONDED by Mr. Hales.

**Council roll call vote:**

Ms. Turner	Aye
Mr. Hales	Aye
Mr. Nicponski	Aye
Mr. Cox	Aye
Mr. Brass	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

**8. Public Hearings**

**8.1 Public Hearing #1**

**8.1.1 Staff and sponsor presentations and public comment will be given prior to Council action on the following matter:**

**Consider an ordinance amending Sections 17.170.100, 17.170.110, 17.170.120, 17.170.140 and 17.170.160 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to density, height, open space and parking in the Murray City Center District.**

Staff Presentation: Tim Tingey, ADS Director

Mr. Tingey said the Council asked staff to do a study on and evaluate the density issues in the downtown area. Staff did the study and spent a significant amount of time talking with, and receiving input from, the Planning Commission on this issue.

Mr. Tingey said the first item staff is recommending changes to relates to municipal building setbacks. In the city's current code, if a setback is proposed in the Murray City Center District (MCCD), the setback has to be 15 to 18 feet. Municipal buildings are much different than regular buildings because there are possibilities to have plazas and open space around them. This modification would allow for greater setbacks to allow for plaza areas and open space around municipal buildings.

The second change is related to parking for municipal buildings. Right now, in the MCCD, parking is supposed to be on the side of or behind a building. This change would allow for municipal buildings, that serve multiple purposes in the downtown area, to have parking in front of the building.

In addition, at least fifty percent of the parking for buildings that exceed four stories in height shall be located in the exterior of the building or in a parking structure within 750 feet of the development.

The third proposed change is related to height and density. Currently, there is a 40-foot minimum height standard on the westside of State Street and no cap on the height or density. Staff is proposing that buildings should not exceed 10 stories in height and buildings that are six stories or higher will have a podium step-back of 15 to 25 feet.

Currently, the MCCD needs pedestrian walkways and connections. Staff is proposing a requirement that fifteen percent of any development site will need to have connections to pedestrian walkways, plazas and open spaces.

Mr. Tingey noted that the Wasatch Front Regional Council conducted a

study and determined that the MCCD, along with many other areas across the Wasatch Front, are to be urban centers. He went over some of the traits of urban centers which include buildings that are four to ten stories in height and having higher densities which are conducive to a walkable environment.

Mr. Nicponski said he is concerned about capping the height.

Mr. Tingey replied that staff looked at the Wasatch Front Regional Council's study as well as the density within other communities. Many other communities have structures that are ten stories or higher. Staff felt that a ten-story structure meets the vision of what the city wants for the downtown area.

The public hearing was opened for public comment.

Orden Yost – Murray City, Utah

Mr. Yost said he appreciates the efforts by staff and the Council in making these ordinances. His concerns are that if the city enforces these particular guidelines, the city may end up with a downtown that is sitting there without any development. It costs about fifty percent more to build a structure of that height today, when construction and employee costs have increased, than it did seven years ago. It can be challenging for developers to build when they have a ten-story limit on buildings.

Mr. Yost is also concerned about the limit of occupancies in residential units because the city is trying to support downtown businesses. If the density is not there, the retailers and businesses won't be there either. He recommends the city consider going to a 15-story height limit or not have a height limit at all.

Janice Strobell – Murray City, Utah

Ms. Strobell said the city is missing the point when they define density. The city needs to do a better job in defining what they want the city to look like.

Mr. Brass closed the public hearing.

**8.1.2 Council consideration of the above matter.**

Mr. Tingey said that another part of this ordinance is having 80 units per acre. He added there are other developments within the city that have 60 to 65 units per acre that have been successful.

Mr. Brass said this is a tough balance to have. When a lot of people are put into a small area, sometimes good things happen, and sometimes bad things happen. The city gets a lot of public safety calls in apartment areas but has elected to work on a balance to the best of their ability.

Mr. Brass said he was concerned about having an overwhelming large building on State Street, but he's okay with ten stories. He also likes the idea of plazas and open spaces.

MOTION: Ms. Turner moved to adopt the ordinance. The motion was SECONDED by Mr. Cox.

Council roll call vote:

Ms. Turner	Aye
Mr. Hales	Aye
Mr. Nicponski	Aye
Mr. Cox	Aye
Mr. Brass	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

## **8.2 Public Hearing #2**

### **8.2.1 Staff and sponsor presentations and public comment will be given prior to Council action on the following matter:**

**Consider an ordinance amending Sections 17.146.130, 17.168.140 and 17.170.130 and renumbering to Sections 17.146.140, 17.146.150 and 17.168.150 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to lighting standards for the Mixed Use, Transit Oriented Development and Murray City Center District Zones.**

Staff Presentation: Tim Tingey, ADS Director

Mr. Tingey said this change was prompted to create some consistency with lighting in the city's transit-oriented areas. A lot of these changes were prompted by conversations with the Power Department and how the city looks at lighting, especially on new developments. The city wants to ensure that lighting is consistent and that the light that is created is conducive to what the city would like to see. The Planning Commission recommended approval of this at their June 21, 2018 meeting.

Mr. Tingey went over some of the proposed changes that include: street and sidewalk lighting shall meet adopted city light design standards; illumination levels will not exceed Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA) recommended standards, pedestrian way lighting will not be taller than 16 feet, except for on major arterial roadways such as 4500 South and State Street, lighting shall be shielded and directed downward to prevent off site glare, all site lighting luminaires will conform to IESNA "cutoff" or "sharp cutoff" classification, amber light color (3,000 Kelvin) will be allowed in consultation with the Power Department, and private lighting is subject to Power Department review and approval.

The public hearing was open for public comments. No comments were given, and the public hearing was closed.

**8.2.2 Council consideration of the above matter.**

MOTION: Mr. Hales moved to adopt the ordinance. The motion was SECONDED by Ms. Turner.

Council roll call vote:

Ms. Turner	Aye
Mr. Hales	Aye
Mr. Nicponski	Aye
Mr. Cox	Aye
Mr. Brass	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

**8.3 Public Hearing #3**

**8.3.1 Staff and sponsor presentations and public comment will be given prior to Council action on the following matter:**

**Consider an ordinance adopting the rate of tax levies for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019.**

(Attachment 1)

Mr. Brass explained the city's budget process to the audience.

Staff Presentation: Danyce Steck, Finance Director

Ms. Steck said the city started the budget process in January 2018. At that time, the Council was asked what their priorities were. The Council's first priority was public safety. The Council is invested in the city's public safety force and want to ensure the employees on that force remain with the city.

The Council's second priority was maintaining the things the city already owns such as roads, parks and equipment. Over the last ten years, Murray City has tightened their belt to the point where the city is not able to maintain some of those things to the level they needed to be maintained, so a maintenance plan was proposed. There are also some improvements that needed to be made including Fire Station 81. Fire Station 81 is 40 years old and will be relocated and rebuilt at 4800 South and Box Elder Street.

In addition to public safety, the Council wanted to ensure the city was staffed accordingly. The city added some additional positions including, one school resource officer, two crossing guards, one battalion fire chief, one GIS analyst, one parks maintenance worker, one risk analyst and one

facilities supervisor. The office administrator for the Fire Department was changed from part-time to full-time.

Ms. Steck said one of the first things she did when she came to the city was to look at revenues and expenditures. In 2006, Murray City did a tax increase and started preparing for the things they knew were on their agenda. Everything was fine from 2006 until 2008, when the economy changed.

Ms. Steck explained that Murray City relies on the car sales industry which provides about 33% of the city's sales tax revenue. When the economy changed, car sales dropped. At that time, the Council knew that sales taxes were decreasing, but they also knew they could not go to the residents and ask for a tax increase because the residents were losing their jobs and homes. Instead, the city offered early retirements to employees, cut services, held back maintenance and held off purchasing vehicles and equipment for as long as they could. In 2016, the city could no longer hold off on some of these things. In 2016 the Council acted and adopted an additional sales tax in Murray City that is dedicated to the city.

Ms. Steck said when the city did a compensation study for public safety to see where they were in the market, the city found that their public safety employees are paid lower in comparison to other agencies. This was due to the actions the city took during the ten-year period between 2006 and 2016. In 2006, 2007, and 2008, the city's public safety employees were compensated well and stayed at the city. However, now, when other agencies offer them \$5.00 more per hour, they leave because it makes since for their families.

Ms. Steck said that after the compensation study was done, staff went to the Council and asked for a tax increase to fund bringing the city's public safety employees up to market level.

Ms. Steck stated the library has also asked for a tax increase. The library is only allowed to use property taxes for their revenue source, the city is not allowed to give the library any additional money. The library's property tax rate has not kept up with inflationary costs, so the expenses became higher than revenues. In 2018 the Library Board requested that operations be brought back into the black and that the city begin a building fund to build a new library.

Murray City has not increased property taxes since 2006. This tax increase will fill the inflationary gap for operations and personnel. Another challenge the city faces is that 35% of the land mass located within the city is considered tax exempt. Murray has the fifth lowest tax rate of any other city within Salt Lake County, even with this proposed tax increase.

Ms. Steck stated the city knows there are many citizens on fixed incomes and that this tax increase may be a burden to them, however, there is a tax relief program through Salt Lake County. Since the county collects all the taxes for everyone, they run the tax relief program also, the city does not have the option to run one. The application for the tax relief program is on both the city's and county assessor's websites.

The public hearing was opened for public comment.

Lola Barrett – Murray City, Utah

Ms. Barrett said she loves Murray City and it is a great city. However, she is a senior citizen and feels the pressure of her taxes going up. People on social security haven't really had a raise either and what they did get went to Medicare. She feels that a 47% tax increase is too much. She asked the Council to reevaluate the amount of the tax increase.

Ms. Barrett said she helped pay for the library the city has now and she doesn't feel that it needs to be replaced.

Bill Hogan – Murray City, Utah

Mr. Hogan said he is sad he was annexed into Murray City. He would have rather been annexed into Holladay City because they are a lot better. He feels the citizens would get better services from Holladay City than they do from Murray City. Mr. Hogan said is also on social security.

Mr. Hogan noted that Salt Lake City's library expenses have gone down while Murray's library expenses have gone up. He advised the library to look into doing things electronically rather than spending money on a new building.

Mr. Hogan added that the city has lied about the water collection fee the citizens in the annexed area are charged because the excess money from the fee is put into the General Fund. He asked if the city was going to lower that fee or continue to rip off people. He added that his income is not going up, why should the city's.

Greg Nelson – Murray City, Utah

Mr. Nelson said he has lived in Murray City for 30 years and has enjoyed it. He enjoyed seeing tonight's presentation that showed what the city has done to hold off on raising taxes, and he appreciates that.

Mr. Nelson said he doesn't feel that the city needs a new library. He doesn't know why the library, or a fire station of 40 years is old or dilapidated. He's not saying that it isn't because he's uninformed, but it doesn't make since to him.

Mr. Nelson said one way the city could save a little money would be with recycling. A while ago the city changed the recycling schedule, so recycling would be collected every week. He feels that is unnecessary; he only puts his recycling out once a month. He would like to see it changed back so recycling would only be picked up twice a month rather than every week. He added another way to save some money would be to put smaller engines in police cars.

Krystal Walker – Murray City, Utah

Ms. Walker said she is married to a Murray City firefighter. In 2007 she quit her job, which cut their household income by about 30%. Then the recession hit, and they lost more income. From 2007 to 2009 they lost 50% of their household income so she understands what people on fixed incomes are going through.

Ms. Walker said over the years, their income picked up and things started to get better. Her husband is devoted to his craft and gets upset when young firefighters leave because firefighters work in crews and develop a rapport for one another. When somebody leaves, it changes the dynamic.

Ms. Walker stated the city's police officers need time to figure out the city. When they leave, they take all their knowledge to somewhere that is willing to pay them for their skill. She likes living in Murray City. She likes the people who work in the city and has always had positive experiences with them whether they are police, fire, or other employees, and she hates to see them leave. She wants people to work here as much as she wants to live here.

Ms. Walker said when you take the tax increase on a median home, the tax is broken down to \$2.60 a week. That can be made up by changing little things. She feels people should be able to do that; she did it for three years.

Kenton Knorr – Murray City, Utah

Mr. Knorr said he thinks that every firefighter, police officer and teacher deserve a raise. He is concerned that the fire station on Vine Street is so big. He thinks the city needs to be careful on how money is spent, particularly on new buildings. Build the fire department a new fire station, but don't make it a castle. Make is someplace that's comfortable for them and that they enjoy being at.

Dustin Lewis – Murray City, Utah

Mr. Lewis said he is grateful for the services he receives in Murray City and he realizes those don't come at a low price, there is a cost to providing those services. He sympathizes with people on fixed incomes, but he realizes it costs money to run a government.

Mr. Lewis said he spends a good amount of his time looking over municipal budgets. He realizes it's not easy when people come into the city wanting things fixed and services added. He supports the tax increase.

Mr. Lewis thanked the Council for being willing to do what previous Council's didn't want to do. This is not an easy task for the Council and that they have spent the last six months questioning their department heads and have asked them to cut funds. He knows there are good people that work at the city who utilize a lot of care when using the funds that have been entrusted to them.

Kim Anderson – Murray City, Utah

Mr. Anderson said his problem with the tax increase is that the costs are all coming at once. Costs have gone up for everything, but his pay and other people's pay, have not. All these costs add up to a deadly cut that is going to bleed everyone to death.

Mr. Anderson said he's heard Sandy City is getting a lot of money from Salt Lake County. He would like to see Murray City try to get some of that money to offset some of the costs of the things that are needed for the city. He asked if Murray City is actively trying to get funds from the county.

Mr. Brass replied the city has a lobbying staff and has received a few million dollars in transportation funds for roads from the county.

Mr. Anderson said he appreciated that, but there is money available for things other than roads.

Mr. Brass read an email into the record from Laura Haskell – Murray City, Utah (Attachment 2).

Mr. Brass closed the public hearing.

**8.3.2 Council consideration of the above matter.**

Mr. Brass explained the city has done more with less. The city has deferred purchasing new police cars and building maintenance. The public safety officials for the city are in a building that is not earthquake proof and fire station #81, which is being replaced, is not seismically sound.

Mr. Brass stated the city has cut a lot and unfortunately equipment gets old. In 2006, when the city did the last property tax increase, gas wasn't over \$3.00 a gallon. The city's police cars run on gasoline, our fire engines use diesel, and our roads are paved with petroleum-based products. It's tough to do it all without a tax increase.

Mr. Brass said the Council understands being on a fixed income as most of them are retired. They don't take this decision lightly. He thanked all the citizens for their comments.

Ms. Turner reiterated this decision is not easy for the Council. This has been a difficult process and they have taken it seriously.

Mr. Cox said this is a hard thing to do, but it's something the Council has worked hard on and they have tried to find alternatives. He agrees that it would be better if the tax could be raised in smaller incremental units, but the Council can't do anything about what happened between 2006 and 2018. What the Council has to do is take care of the city now – the firefighters, police officers, parks and the services Murray citizens are used to.

Mr. Cox said it is hard to pay taxes and he doesn't want to pay them any more than anyone else does. He added that Murray City was the only city that held meetings other than this truth in taxation meeting regarding the property tax increase. They held five meetings, one in each council district, so people could come in and see the presentation.

Mr. Cox said he appreciates the voters and everything that's been said, but he can't make decisions like this on getting re-elected because he was elected to make hard decisions. This decision is really hard. It's hard on people but it's also been hard on the city's employees. It takes \$40,000 to \$50,000 to train a firefighter, paramedic or police officer and when they leave after their trained, the city loses money.

MOTION: Mr. Nicponski moved to adopt the ordinance. The motion was SECONDED by Ms. Turner.

Council roll call vote:

Ms. Turner	Aye
Mr. Hales	Aye
Mr. Nicponski	Aye
Mr. Cox	Aye
Mr. Brass	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

**9. Unfinished Business**

**9.1 None scheduled.**

**10. New Business**

**10.1 Consider a resolution authorizing the amendment of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Salt Lake County and Murray City for the**

**operation of a small satellite hazardous waste collection center.**

Staff presentation: Doug Hill, Chief Administrative Officer

Mr. Hill said for 17 years, the city and Salt Lake County have had an agreement where citizens can drop off their hazardous waste materials, specifically antifreeze, batteries, oils and paint, to the city's Public Works office and then Salt Lake County collects it and disposes of it properly.

Mr. Hill reiterated the city has been doing this for 17 years. It's a convenient service for the citizens and allows for proper disposal of hazardous waste. This agreement would extend this service for one year.

Ms. Turner said she appreciates this service and has used it many times.

MOTION: Mr. Hales moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was SECONDED by Mr. Cox.

Council roll call vote:

Ms. Turner	Aye
Mr. Hales	Aye
Mr. Nicponski	Aye
Mr. Cox	Aye
Mr. Brass	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

**10.2 Consider an ordinance enacting Section 6.16.070 of the Murray City Municipal Code relating to the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits at pet shops, retail businesses, or other commercial establishments within Murray City.**

Staff presentation: Dale Cox, Council Member

Mr. Cox said he met with the Humane Society and discussed implementing this ordinance in Murray City. If someone wants to have a pet shop in Murray, he thinks it's only fair that they understand what the city requires and expects from them.

Arlen Bradshaw – Regional Director for the Mountain West for Best Friends Animal Society

Mr. Bradshaw said the mission of his organization is to bring about a time of no more homeless pets. They work with both municipal and private animal shelters to help lower their rates of euthanasia. They have worked for a number of years with the Murray City Animal Shelter on a trap, neuter, and return program which he thinks has been pretty successful for Murray City.

Best Friends Animal Society works with 57 different animal rescue organizations and shelters on a variety of issues. The reason they are interested in enacting this ordinance is because of puppy mills. He said this ordinance would not prohibit a pet store from opening in Murray, however, it would require that they source their

animals from an animal shelter. If this ordinance is passed, Murray will be the 9<sup>th</sup> jurisdiction in Utah to enact this.

Gene Baierschmidt – Executive Director, Humane Society of Utah

Mr. Baierschmidt said the Humane Society of Utah is happy to be in Murray and have been here since 1992. They are the largest open admission shelter in the state, handling about 12,000 animals a year. The purpose of this ordinance is to stem the flow of animals coming from puppy mills that, in many cases, keep animals in deplorable conditions. The ordinance will also encourage people to adopt from shelters. The Humane Society strongly supports this ordinance.

Mr. Baierschmidt said PetSmart and Petco adopted this model when they first opened. They do not sell dogs, cats, or rabbits. Instead, they allow rescue groups and shelters to bring their animals to the stores to be adopted.

Mr. Baierschmidt stated that if a pet store wants to open in the city, this ordinance will let them know what the rules are before they even open. He noted that this ordinance is not designed to put pet stores out of business.

Mr. Cox noted that not all dog breeders are bad, and this ordinance takes that into consideration. He said he realizes there is some angst with this ordinance, but he thinks it's the right thing to do.

Ms. Turner wondered since Salt Lake County adopted this ordinance already; if that meant that Murray is automatically under the ordinance.

Mr. Bradshaw replied that the county can only adopt this type of ordinance as it applies to their municipal authority which is only within the unincorporated areas of the county.

Ms. Turner said she thinks puppy mills are horrible and she thinks the city needs to do whatever it can to make sure they don't exist, but she wants to make sure that passing this ordinance is the most effective way for Murray to go. She asked G.L. Critchfield, City Attorney, if there were other options and what they might be.

Mr. Critchfield said this issue was talked about before in a Committee of the Whole meeting and one of the suggestions that came up was to pass a resolution because of the legal uncertainty of this ordinance in Utah. A resolution would be one alternative because it doesn't bind anybody, but it would be an expression of support for banning puppy mills.

Ms. Turner asked Mayor Camp about his concerns with this ordinance.

Mayor Camp said that he sent his concerns to the Council in an email (Attachment #3). He has toured the Humane Society, it's a great facility. His concerns are the practical part of this ordinance, not the emotional part. He is concerned on what

enforcement of this ordinance would look like. Specifically, the resources enforcement may or may not take.

Mayor Camp stated it is hard for him to turn a deaf ear or blind eye to cautions given by the City Attorney. He knows there have been some litigation and some of these ordinances have been upheld in cities throughout the country, but at what legal cost? This ordinance prohibits PetSmart or anybody else from obtaining their stock from anything other than shelters. It is concerning to him that the city is regulating a source of a stores inventory.

Mayor Camp also noted that this ordinance would not stop internet sales. The ordinance is really focused on one small area and he doesn't think that the other ordinances that have been passed within Salt Lake County are the same ordinance, they are all different. He has heard from the pro-ordinance side of it, but not necessarily from the industry. He asked the Council to consider everything when they are considering this ordinance tonight.

Mayor Camp said the city will be bound to enforce whatever ordinances the Council passes, and they will do that.

Mr. Hales noted that he is also against puppy mills.

Ms. Turner said she hopes this ordinance will do what it's supposed to do and that the Council feels it is important to have as an ordinance, especially since there have been no complaints. She thinks this ordinance is proactive and makes since.

MOTION: Mr. Cox moved to adopt the ordinance. The motion was SECONDED by Mr. Nicponski.

Mr. Brass noted he received an email from Elizabeth Oreck that will be added to the record (Attachment #4).

Mr. Nicponski declared a conflict – he represents the Humane Society at the State Legislature and with local government.

Council roll call vote:

Ms. Turner	Aye
Mr. Hales	Aye
Mr. Nicponski	Aye
Mr. Cox	Aye
Mr. Brass	Aye

Motion passed 5-0

**11. Mayor**  
**11.1 Report**

Mayor Camp thanked the Council for adopting the tax levy.

He said that Chief Burchett was the team leader of the team that the three firefighters from Murray City were serving while fighting the California fires, so his death hits close to home. Mayor Camp sent his condolences to Chief Burchett's family and co-workers at Draper City. He noted that the crew from Murray was in Critical Incident Stress Debriefing and as soon as they are finished with that process they will be demobilized and return home.

Mayor Camp said that last Thursday, Jill Robinson, a Code Enforcement Officer from West Valley City, was also killed in the line of duty. Everyone who serves the public is out everyday and this is a reminder of how fragile life is and how much the work of the city's employees is appreciated.

Mayor Camp noted the outside pool is closed for cleaning and should reopen tomorrow afternoon. He added that the Park Center will be closed starting on Saturday for ten days for cleaning and maintenance.

Mayor Camp said now that school is starting, the Police Department is looking for crossing guards.

Mayor Camp noted that the Planning and Zoning Commission meetings are now being streamed live. They can be viewed at [www.murraycitylive.com](http://www.murraycitylive.com). This is part of the city's push for transparency and a great service to the public.

#### **11.2 Questions for the Mayor**

Ms. Turner asked how much crossing guards are paid.

Mayor Camp replied about \$15.00 per hour.

Mr. Cox said that Chief Burchett will be flown back to Utah by the National Guard and will arrive at 1:45 p.m. tomorrow. His funeral will be held on Monday at the Maverick Center.

#### **12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.