

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOLLADAY CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST**

**Thursday, January 9, 2025**

**4:30 pm**

**Mt. Olympus Room  
4580 South 2300 East  
Holladay, UT 84117**

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***ATTENDANCE:***

Mayor Rob Dahle  
Ty Brewer  
Paul Fotheringham  
Matt Durham  
Drew Quinn  
Emily Gray

**Legislators:**  
Rep. Carol Moss  
Rep. Gaylynn Bennion  
Rep. Doug Owens  
Sen. Stephanie Pitcher

**City Staff:** Gina Chamness, City Manager, Holly Smith – Assistant City Manager, Stephanie Carlson- City Recorder

**Others:** David & Ashley Spatafore

**1. Welcome and Call to Order**

Mayor Dahle called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

**2. Legislator Priorities**

- Rep Owens
  - Great Salt Lake & Water Conservation
  - Higher Education
  - Immigration
  - Judicial Reform
  - Vote by Mail
  - Quarry
- Rep Bennion
  - Canal issue and company shares
  - Renewable Energy
  - Housing
- Rep Moss
  - Housing
  - On-sign premise signs
  - Class size
  - Law enforcement
- Sen Pitcher
  - Judicial Reform
  - Clean air
  - Quarry

## 4. Holladay Report

### A. **Spring Lane Elementary Adaptive Reuse Plan** – Council Member Fotheringham

- School closed 15 months ago
- The City and School District have been talking
- State law provides that cities have the right of first refusal if the school district sells - in this case district does not want to sell. We've been working through options for a long-term lease with the district, and while it's not final, we anticipate it will be in the next month or so.
- Council is committed to preserving open space wherever it makes sense. Long-term view - knowing we can't get that space back once it's gone.
- We studied options and developed a plan
- Still working through funding options

### B. **Affordable Housing** – Mayor Dahle

- Challenge in Holladay
- We're committed - we funded a new person to coordinate our efforts, help us develop a worthwhile plan not only to meet the state goals but our own.
- Working with developers who have their challenges
- Another challenge for us has been changing goals
- Hoping that this session doesn't change the goals - we share the priority - but need time to implement.

### C. **Highland Drive Reconstruction** - Council Member Gray

- Working through a long-term project to reconstruct Highland Drive between Arbor Lane and the Van Winkle Expressway.
- Anticipating a street that includes better active transportation options for both bicyclists and pedestrians
- Expensive project - potentially up to \$30 million or more depending on whether power can be relocated or put underground.
- Still working on funding - we are in line for a federal earmark to begin construction design. We also appreciate the funding the legislature provided to us last year.
- We'd like to complete the project prior to the Olympics in 2034, which means we have a lot of work to do closing the funding gap.

### D. **City Hall Seismic Improvements** -Council Member Durahm)

- Holladay residents love our City Hall
- The oldest section of the building is almost 100 years old, 4 different additions with a variety of time periods and construction standards
- Much of the building that is used heavily by the public - is unreinforced masonry.
- Want to protect the safety of our employees and residents who use this building.
- Council reviewed cost of seismic upgrades and other building improvements and decided to retrofit the building rather than build new. We want people to be able to get out safely, not constructing to the level that the building would necessarily be functioning; after a serious earthquake.
- We estimate it will be about \$10 million for the project overall.
- Likely to begin during the first part of 2026. Construction will take 12-15 months.

E. **Utah Renewable Communities** - Council Member Quinn

- Preserve our ability to support renewable options, and appreciate the work the legislature has done to provide us with those options so far.

F. **School Safety** – Council Member Brewer

- Followed with interest discussion around HB 84, School Safety Amendments.
- Want to make sure our schools are as safe as they can be for our students.
- Have had concern about provision in law that specifies that an armed person, not a teacher, must be present at all times at all public schools.
- If school resource officers are required in all schools, we anticipate that could have a major fiscal impact on the City.
- We anticipate the total cost of adding SROs to schools where they aren't currently would be close to a million dollars. That would be a challenge for the City to absorb, and we're sure it would be for the school district as well.

**5. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned the meeting at 5:50 pm

*I hereby certify that the foregoing represents a true, accurate and complete record of the Holladay City Council Legislative Breakfast meeting held Thursday, January 9, 2025*

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Stephanie N. Carlson, MMC  
Holladay City Recorder

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Robert Dahle, Mayor

**Minutes approved: March 6, 2025**