



**South Salt Lake City Council  
Work Meeting**

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Dated: October 8, 2020

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/ Sharla Bynum

Public notice is hereby given that the South Salt Lake City Council will hold a Work Meeting on **Wednesday, October 14, 2020**. This meeting will be an electronic meeting commencing at **5:45 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible. There will be no Council Members at the anchor location of South Salt Lake City Hall.

Conducting: Sharla Bynum, Council Chair

**MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION:**

- 1. Accessory Dwellings Discussion

Adjourn

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CITY OF SOUTH SALT LAKE  
CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING

COUNCIL MEETING Wednesday October 14, 2020  
5:45 p.m.

CITY OFFICES 220 East Morris Avenue #200  
South Salt Lake, Utah 84115

PRESIDING Council Chair Sharla Bynum  
CONDUCTING Council Chair Sharla Bynum

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:  
Sharla Bynum, Ray deWolfe, LeAnne Huff, Portia Mila,  
Natalie Pinkney, Shane Siwik and Corey Thomas

STAFF PRESENT:  
Mayor Cherie Wood  
Hannah Vickery, City Attorney  
Jack Carruth, Police Chief  
Terry Addison, Fire Chief  
Lindsey Edwards, Homeless Outreach & Strategies Director  
Aaron Wiet, Parks and Recreation Director  
Kelli Meranda, Promise South Salt Lake Director  
Sean Lewis, Deputy Community Development Director  
Dave Alexander, Streets Division Manager  
Cody Coggle, Police Sergeant  
Chris Taylor, Police Officer  
Julie Taylor, Public Relations Coordinator  
BJ Allen, GIS Specialist/IT  
Danielle Croyle, Public Information Officer  
Calvin Henninger, Staff Writer  
Craig Burton, City Recorder  
Ariel Andrus, Deputy City Recorder

**Matters for Discussion**

- 1. Accessory Dwellings Discussion.** Council Chair Bynum explained that an accessory dwelling is a residential unit that is located on the same lot as a single family dwelling unit. It is either internal to a single family dwelling, attached to a single family dwelling, or is a detached structure. The accessory dwelling unit must be a complete housekeeping unit with a shared or separate entrance, kitchen, sleeping area, closet space, and bathroom facilities.

Deputy Community Development Director, Sean Lewis, clarified that an accessory dwelling unit is anything other than the main house. It could be a mother-in-law apartment, a loft above the garage, a tiny home in the backyard, or a modified modular

unit, like a shipping container. It's any kind of unit that is accessory to the primary use of a single family home on the property.

Council Member Siwik said he supported having accessory dwelling units.

Community Development Director, Alex White, said there are a lot of pros and cons.

The pros are it allows additional income for residents, it provides affordable housing options, it allows families to age in place, or have additional housing options on their property, and it allows growth in cities that are built out.

Some of the cons are parking, specifically were the properties are really small and narrow and driveway, or on property parking, is very limited. For South Salt Lake, parking would spill out onto to street. The City does not currently have a parking enforcement arm. A part of the discussion would have to be how to deal with parking.

Another consideration is infrastructure capacities. There are a lot of utilities in the City that are running on the higher end, or are at capacity, and we do not have the ability to increase units until we deal with the infrastructure issues.

With adding more units and population to the City comes how to maintain the level of service to the residents. Using police and fire as examples, as you add more residents to the City you have more calls for service. There has to be a plan in place to deal with staffing levels with increases in population.

The other part of this conversation is the City's short-term rental policy. The accessory dwelling units are used in a number of different ways. Sometimes they are used for long-term renters and there are no issues. Other units are used as a short-term rentals and will have transitioning clients which sometimes causes nuisance activity.

Council Member deWolfe asked which infrastructure is at capacity.

Ms. White said right now there is one district in the City where the sewer capacity is one hundred percent full. It's not city-wide. Whenever you add more density, or units, onto the system it does take up existing capacity. With the City's system being built out and really old, staff is constantly looking at that breaking point of when they will have to add capacity.

Council Member deWolfe asked what units they offer short-term rental policies on.

Ms. White said the City does not currently have a short-term rental policy.

Council Member deWolfe said that the con would then be that a lot of people typically want to do short-term rentals for accessory dwelling use, so that's something the Council should consider.

Ms. White agreed.

