

# SALT LAKE CITY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

## 2024 BUDGET AMENDMENTS HEARING AND 2024 CERTIFIED TAX RATE HEARING (2025 PROPOSED BUDGET)

20 JUNE 2024

Presiding: Dr. Shireen Mooers, Chair

Time: 6:15 p.m.

Place: 2215 N 2200 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Trustees Present: Dr. Shireen Mooers, Chair  
Amanda Barth, Vice-Chair  
Luz Escamilla  
Van Turner  
Neil Vickers, Ph.D.

Others Present: Ary Faraji, Ph.D., Executive Director  
Gregory White, Ph.D., Assistant Director  
Aleta Fairbanks, CPA, CFO  
Nathaniel Corry, CPA, K&C Certified Public Accountants

### 1. Roll Call:

Posting and advertising of this meeting were done in compliance with Utah's Open and Public Meetings Act and State budget requirements. At 6:15 p.m., Trustee Barth made and Trustee Turner seconded a motion to convene the Salt Lake City Mosquito Abatement District's Public Hearing; the motion carried with all in favor. Roll call was taken, and it was verified that the recorder was on. No conflicts of interest were declared.

### 2. 2024 General Fund and Capital Project Fund Budget Amendments Hearing:

The Board Members had been given a copy of the 2024 Budget Amendments for the General Fund and the Capital Projects Fund earlier in the week. CFO Fairbanks reviewed the amended accounts with the Trustees and explained the reasoning behind each one. The most significant modification was changing the RDA adjustment for the property taxes that the District never

actually receives. (It's a book entry only that is required by law.) The budgeted amount of \$561,000 was the estimate that the State provided in October 2023. Then, when the final tax settlement was released in April of this year, the amount had jumped to over \$1,000,000. Because the amount that the State has been retaining has increased so rapidly, because the final amount will not be known until April 2025, and because the RDA adjustment is recorded as income and an expense that net to zero, 2024's RDA adjustment budget was increased to \$2,000,000 just to be safe. All questions were answered, and the Trustees were satisfied with the explanations.

**3. 2024 Certified Tax Rate Hearing:**

We are required by law to approve our certified tax rate by 22 June of each year. The State has set our new certified tax rate at .000147, which is down from 2023's 0.000159 and 2022's 0.000166. This new tax rate will provide \$7,029,062 in revenues. Executive Director Faraji discussed the need to visit the District's tax rate in relationship to the status of the economy each year: the current inflation rate is exceeding the additional amount of tax monies received from new growth, which basically necessitates a tax increase every few years.

CFO Fairbanks also reviewed the proposed 2025 Budget with the Board Members, and they were in agreement with the reasoning behind the anticipated revenue and expenses.

**4. Public Comment:**

Nathaniel Corry, K & C Certified Public Accountants, had no comments, and no other members of the public were present.

**5. Adjournment:**

Trustee Vickers made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing for the Salt Lake City Mosquito Abatement District; Trustee Barth seconded the motion, and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

  
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Amy Faraji, Executive Director

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