

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND WORKFORCE SERVICES
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, January 24, 2017 • 2:00 p.m. • 20 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. Rebecca P. Edwards, Chair
Rep. John R. Westwood, Vice Chair
Rep. Carl R. Albrecht
Rep. LaVar Christensen
Rep. A. Cory Maloy
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss

Rep. Angela Romero
Rep. Scott D. Sandall
Rep. Christine F. Watkins
Rep. Mike Winder

Staff Present:

Mr. Ryan M. Hunter, Policy Analyst
Mr. Steve Benard, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at le.utah.gov.

Chair Edwards called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

1. H.J.R. 5 Joint Resolution Recognizing the Lunar New Year (*Kwan, K.*)

Rep. Karen Kwan presented the bill with the assistance of Jennifer Lu Halden, President, Utah Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce.

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass H.J.R. 5 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-1.

Yeas:

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. L. Christensen
Rep. R. Edwards
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. S. Sandall
Rep. C. Watkins
Rep. M. Winder

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Westwood

2. H.B. 36 Affordable Housing Amendments (*Edwards, R.*)

Rep. Edwards presented the bill with the assistance of Mr. Jonathan Hardy, Director, Housing and Community Development Division and Mr. Grant Whitaker, CEO, Utah Housing Corporation.

Rep. Westwood assumed the chair.

Mr. Peter Asplund, Associate General Counsel, responded to questions.

Spoke in favor of the bill:

Mr. Chris Kyler, CEO, Utah Association of Realtors;
Mr. Paul Smith, Executive Director, Utah Apartment Association;
Mr. Ed Blake, Executive Director, Salt Lake Valley Habitat for Humanity;
Ms. Nicole Cottle, League of Cities and Towns;
Mr. Mike Plaizier, Executive Director, Utah Center for Neighborhood Stabilization;
Mr. Howard Headlee, President, Utah Bankers Association;
Ms. Michelle Weaver, Rural Community Assistance Corporation;
Dr. William Cosgrove;
Mr. Steve Nielsen, CEO, Rocky Mountain Community Reinvestment Corporation;
Ms. Kathy Bray, CEO, Volunteers of America Utah;
Mr. Blaine Walker, President-elect, The Road Home; and
Mr. Matt Sibul, Utah Transit Authority.

MOTION: Rep. Edwards moved to replace H.B. 36 with 1st Substitute H.B. 36. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-3.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. L. Christensen
Rep. R. Edwards
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. C. Watkins
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. M. Winder

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. S. Sandall

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 36 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-3.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. L. Christensen
Rep. R. Edwards
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. C. Watkins
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. M. Winder

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. S. Sandall

3. H.B. 69 Capital Facilities Revisions (*Edwards, R.*)

Rep Edwards presented the bill with the assistance of Mr. Brian Somers, Deputy Director, Department of Heritage and Arts.

MOTION: Rep. Watkins moved to pass H.B. 69 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen
Rep. R. Edwards
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. C. Watkins
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. M. Winder

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. S. Sandall

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen
Rep. R. Edwards
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. C. Watkins
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. M. Winder

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. S. Sandall

Vice Chair Westwood adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.

Rep. Rebecca Edwards