

Retention and Classification Report

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AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25821

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TITLE: Audit reports

DATES: 1923-

ARRANGEMENT: Chronological by year

DESCRIPTION:

These are reports prepared by external auditors examining and verifying the municipality's financial activities for the year. "The audit required for any fiscal year shall be completed within six calendar months after the close of the fiscal year" (UCA 51-2-2 (1997)). The audit is required to include "the financial statements; the auditor's opinion on the financial statements; a statement by the auditor expressing positive assurance of compliance with state fiscal laws identified by the state auditor; a copy of the auditor's letter to management that identified any material weaknesses in internal controls discovered by the auditor, and other financial issues related to the expenditure of funds received from federal, state, or local governments to be considered by management; and management's response to the specific recommendations" (UCA 51-2-3(1)(a) (1997)).

RETENTION:

Retain permanently.

DISPOSITION:

Retain in agency custody.

STATE RECORDS COMMITTEE STATUS:

This retention was approved by the State Records Committee on 11/01/1996.

FORMAT MANAGEMENT:

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AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25821

TITLE: Audit reports

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APPRAISAL:

Administrative Fiscal Historical This disposition is based on Utah Municipal General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 5, Item 5.

Audit reports may be used during the next audit cycle to monitor compliance with internal control program recommendations. They document agency functions and have research value.

PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public

AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 26005

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TITLE: Cemetery records

DATES: 1902-

ARRANGEMENT: Alphabetical by name

DESCRIPTION:

These books or files contain the exact location of all persons buried in the cemetery. They include plot, lot, grave location, and lot ownership record.

STATE RECORDS COMMITTEE STATUS:

This retention was approved by the State Records Committee on 06/01/1997.

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APPRAISAL:

Administrative Historical This disposition is based on Utah Municipal General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 17, Item 6.

AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 26005

TITLE: Cemetery records

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PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public

AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 84970

4

TITLE: City Council minutes

DATES: 1911-

ARRANGEMENT: Chronological by date of meeting.

DESCRIPTION:

Minutes record the actions of the Helper city council. Helper Town, established in 1907, soon became a third class city on October 9, 1915 with the mayor leading the city council. The council was authorized to manage all city business. This includes budgeting; constructing sewage and electric systems; establishing city ordinances which include those related to liquor sales and licensing, autos, drunk driving, water use, animal control, garbage disposal, road construction, radio interference, restaurant licensing, business regulation; establishing resolutions concerning the application to the County Commission to build a hospital, the prohibition of public meetings due to labor unrest, the construction of a city auditorium, the maintenance of a city library, the construction of a plant to test coal for synthetic fuels; heading city committees such as police department, fire department, parks and cemeteries; and hiring and establishing salaries for city employees. All of these activities are noted in the minutes. The day's entries are prefaced by the date, names of those present, and where and when they met.

STATE RECORDS COMMITTEE STATUS:

This retention was approved by the State Records Committee on 03/01/1988.

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AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 84970

TITLE: City Council minutes

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APPRAISAL:

Historical This disposition is based on Utah Municipal General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 18, Item 23.

This disposition is based on the historical importance of these minutes in documenting the town's activities.

PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public

AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25822

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TITLE: Council minutes

DATES: 1967-

ARRANGEMENT: Chronological by year

DESCRIPTION:

These minutes are the official record of the proceedings of regularly scheduled, special and emergency council meetings. They are adopted and approved by the council during their next public meeting. The minutes include the date, time, and meeting place; members present and absent; "the substance of all matters proposed, discussed, or decided, and record, by individual member, of votes taken; the names of citizens who appeared and the substance in brief of their testimony; any other information that any member requests be entered in the minutes" in accordance with UCA 52-4-7 (1997).

RETENTION:

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DISPOSITION:

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STATE RECORDS COMMITTEE STATUS:

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AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25822

TITLE: Council minutes

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APPRAISAL:

Administrative Historical This disposition is based on Utah Municipal General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 18, Item 23.

PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public

AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25817

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TITLE: Ordinances

DATES: 1922-

ARRANGEMENT: Chronological by year

DESCRIPTION:

These books contain the legislative action of city council to regulate, require, prohibit, govern, control, or supervise any activity, business, conduct, or condition authorized by UCA 10-3-701 to 715 (1997). An ordinance includes a number, a title, preamble, an ordaining clause, the body or subject of ordinance, when applicable, penalty of violation, effective date, signature of mayor or acting mayor, and municipal seal.

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AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25817

TITLE: Ordinances

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APPRAISAL:

Administrative Historical Legal This disposition is based on Utah Municipal General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 18, Item 19.

Ordinances have legal value because they are municipal laws. They have historical value because ongoing ordinances document changes to the law over time.

PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public

AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25819

3

TITLE: Planning and zoning minutes

DATES: 1971-

ARRANGEMENT: Chronological by year

DESCRIPTION:

These are minutes of meetings and hearings held by the planning commission. "Each municipality may enact an ordinance establishing a planning commission" (UCA 10-9-201(1)(a)(1997)). A municipal planning commission shall "prepare and recommend a general plan and amendments to the general plan; recommend zoning ordinances and maps, amendments to zoning ordinances and maps; administer provisions of the zoning ordinance; recommend subdivision regulations and amendments to those regulations; recommend approval or denial of subdivision applications; advise the legislative body of matters as the legislative body directs; hear or decide any matters that the legislative body designates, including the approval or denial of, or recommendations to approve or deny, conditional use permits; exercise any other powers that are necessary to enable it to perform or function, or delegated to it by the legislative body" (UCA 10-9-204 (1997)).

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DISPOSITION:

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AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25819

TITLE: Planning and zoning minutes

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APPRAISAL:

Administrative Historical This disposition is based on Utah Municipal General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 20, Item 4.

PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public

AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25818

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TITLE: Resolutions

DATES: 1982-

ARRANGEMENT: Chronological by year

DESCRIPTION:

These are formal statements of a decision, or expression of opinion put before or adopted by the city council. They may perform the same function as an ordinance. Resolutions may include the following: establishing water and sewer rates, charges for garbage collection and fees charged for municipal services, establishing policies and guidelines, and regulating the use and operation of municipal property (UCA 10-3-717 (1997)).

RETENTION:

Retain permanently.

DISPOSITION:

Retain in agency custody.

STATE RECORDS COMMITTEE STATUS:

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AGENCY: Helper (Utah)

SERIES: 25818

TITLE: Resolutions

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APPRAISAL:

Administrative Historical Legal This disposition is based on Utah Municipal General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 18, Item 22.

Resolutions are similar to ordinances. Resolutions have legal value because they are municipal laws. They have historical value because ongoing resolutions document changes to the law over time.

PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public