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City Recognizes Margaret Plane for Professional Honor
Employee Named Fellow of the American Bar Foundation

SALT LAKE CITY – Mayor Ralph Becker is pleased to announce Senior City Attorney Margaret Plane has been named a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. Plane serves as the Chief Counsel to the Department of Human Resources and represents the City in general civil litigation.

City Attorney Ed Rutan said Plane’s award is highly regarded and a mark of professional distinction.

“Plane’s designation as a Fellow constitutes a high professional honor,” said Rutan. “The City is fortunate to benefit from Margaret’s great intellect and dedication.”

The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation is an honorary organization of lawyers, judges and legal scholars whose public and private careers demonstrate the highest principles of the legal profession. The American Bar Foundation recognizes Plane for her outstanding dedication and practice of law at its highest principle to promote public welfare. Membership in The Fellows is limited to one third of one percent of lawyers licensed to practice in each jurisdiction.

Members are nominated by Fellows in their jurisdiction and elected by the Board of the American Bar Foundation. Utah Supreme Court Chief Justice Christine Durham was among the group of people to nominate Plane.

Before joining the City Attorney’s Office in April 2007, Plane served as Legal Director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Utah (ACLU). Plane litigated civil liberties cases, directed the affiliate’s legal advocacy, education and lobbying and managed volunteer attorneys and law students.

Plane has a Juris Doctorate from the S.J. Quinney College of Law at the University of Utah, a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and German from Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida and a Master of Arts in Philosophy from the University of Utah. During her spare time, Plane enjoys exploring the great outdoors, exercising, skiing, biking, running and baking.

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