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Let Our Games Begin!



Members of the Salt Lake City Olympic Bid Committee appear to cheer the news that Utah was selected as the site of the 2002 Winter Games. Pictured from left, front row: Salt Lake Mayor Deedee Corradini, committee President Tom Welch, Chairman Frank Joklik and Gov. Mike Leavitt. Second row: Spencer Eccles, Pam Joklik, Alma Welch and Park City Mayor Brad Olch. Third row: Frank Richards, Veri Topham, Dave Johnson and Bennie Smith. The above group, along with some 400 other Utahns, received the long-awaited announcement in Budapest, Hungary, on Friday. So how did we get this group's photo holding today's Salt Lake Tribune in today's Salt Lake Tribune? See the explanation on A-2.

Three Tries and 30 Years Later, the IOC Says S.L. Right Place

By John Keehey
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BUDAPEST, Hungary — Tom Welch's 8- and 12-year-old sons gave their dad a Hungarian good-luck charm Friday. It had colorful, clutchie beads — the kind a person in need of comfort can get his or her fingers around.

"I put it in my pocket. I had my hands on it," said the Salt Lake Olympic bid president, his voice hoarse with emotion, his tear-filled eyes trying to focus as he made his way, two steps a minute, through a jam of more than 100 Utahns — each trying to get his attention, to clutch his arm, to give him a hug.

Just moments before, members of that crowd — many hoarse and wet-eyed as well — heard the words "Salt Lake City" roll from the lips of Juan Antonio Samaranch, 75, president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

Friday's pronouncement by the slight, immaculately tailored Samaranch in this ancient East European city gave the 2002 Winter Olympics to Utah.

They were words that Welch and a small group of trusted Olympic-bid insiders have waited years to hear.

The victory came in the third bid of five tries made — on and off — over three decades. Salt Lake City has gone before the international body as the U.S. Olympic Committee's choice for 1972, 1988 and 2002. It was rejected as the U.S. candidate for 1976 and 1992.

The 2002 victory was decisive. Of the 90 IOC members voting, Salt Lake City got 55 votes on the first ballot, well above the 46 needed. Competitors Slovenia, Switzerland, and Osterreich, Sweden, received 14 apiece, and Quebec, Canada, managed seven.

It is believed that this is the only first-ballot victory for a competing city since Mexico City won the 1968 Summer Games. Los Angeles won the 1984 Summer Games on a single vote, but it was the only

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Salt Lake City Olympic Facts

- Olympic dates: Feb. 9-26, 2002
- The athletes: 4,000 housed at Olympic Village, U. of U.
- The media: 10,000 members of the media, including 4,500-5,000 reporters.
- Visitors: 90,000 to 110,000 not necessarily here all at once; many would come and go throughout the 16-day games.
- Estimated average-event ticket price, in '94 dollars: \$55. Opening-closing ceremonies tickets, when Rice Stadium is expanded: \$300.
- Accommodations: 15,000 hotel rooms available along Wasatch Front, 12,000 in Park City; 500 UTA buses, 700 rented buses expected.
- Salt Lake Committee's budget for games: \$798 million (1994 dollars); 43% of revenues from sponsorships; 39% from television revenues; rest from ticket sales, merchandise sales and sales of Olympic stamps and coins.
- Any revenues raised above the budget: 65% goes to Salt Lake City "for promotion of sport"; 25% to United States Olympic Committee; 10% to International Olympic Committee.
- Worldwide TV audience: 2 billion daily. (Super Bowl gets 1.4 billion.)

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Lots of Cheers and a Few Fears Greet the News — A Look at... The Reaction

Tens of thousands of Utahns and some national figures reviled Friday — and a few complained — after Salt Lake City fulfilled its dream of becoming the host of the 2002 Winter Olympic Games. Here is a sampling of remarks:

President Clinton: "It's a great thing for the Western part of the United States and indeed for our whole country."

Vice President Al Gore: "Congratulations on a terrific effort. All I can say is good things come to those who wait."

Mike Leavitt, Utah governor: "It's a marquee day for Utah."

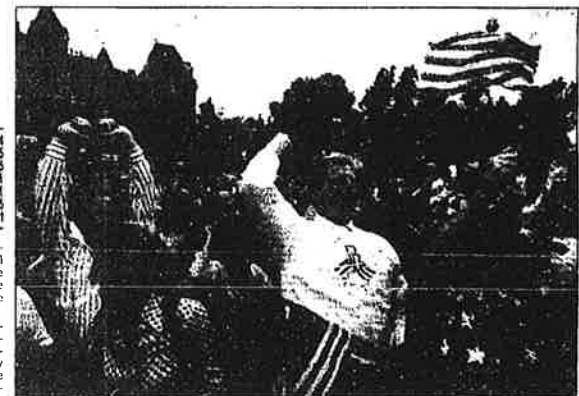
Bob Bennett, U.S. senator from Utah: "The dividends of this event will come back to our state for many years to come. This is a tremendous morale boost and a tremendous boon, as well."

James Hansen, Utah congressman: "I congratulate the people of Utah for their support for the Olympics and their willingness to share the hidden treasures of Utah with the world."

The Rev. Franco Davala, pastor of the Holy Family Baptist Church in Salt Lake City: "It will provide a whole lot of activities and excitement, but economically it will not have much of an impact for African-Americans in Utah."

Frank Joklik, chairman of the Salt Lake Olympic Bid Committee: "I can now definitively answer the question posed at this morning's press conference [before the IOC vote]. We definitely will not be bidding for 2006."

Robert "Archie" Archuleta, Ljubljana community leader in Salt Lake City: "The state needs to make sure that low-income people are not forgotten in this thing, from the availability of tickets to transportation. After it is over, some of the enormous amounts of money people [will] need in order to go to housing and transportation."



Thousands of Utahns, watching a big-screen TV in front of Salt Lake's City-County Building, applaud the announcement of the state being awarded the 2002 Winter Games.

Losing Cities' Motto: Keep Hope Alive

BUDAPEST, Hungary — There is life after losing out to Salt Lake City for the right to stage the 2002 Winter Olympics, delegates from Sweden, Switzerland and Canada said Friday.

They vowed to keep trying.

"Naturally, we're disappointed," said delegate Michel Lacroix from Quebec, Canada. "But we've shown everyone that Quebec has the right potential and Quebec City is recognized as a place that can host the Games."

"It is just a question of time," he added.

Salt Lake City, which had been pursuing the games for 30 years, ran away with the prize Friday on the first ballot, receiving 55 of 90 votes. Osterreich, Sweden, and Slovenia, Switzerland, each received 14. Quebec gathered only seven.

"We will continue to bid and we will continue to hope," said Francis Clivaz of the Swiss delegation, delegation as his fellow Swiss delegates nodded their agreement.

The losing cities now go back to the drawing board to determine how they can strengthen future bids.

"We must sit down and work through these figures [vote results] and see what's behind them," said Christer Persson, head of the Osterreich bid.

Rick Lewis, director of community development for Park City: See REACTION, Page A-4



Salt Lake Mayor Deedee Corradini received a congratulatory phone call from Al Gore and a hug from 9-year-old Utah skater Cynthia Ruiz.