



Liberty Wells Community Council

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, 11 October 2017

Tracy Aviary Education Center

Call to Order: Bill Davis, chair, at 7:05 p.m.

There were 9 officers and board members present: Bill Davis, Steven Hunt, Kristie Christensen, DeWitt Smith, Sara Adelman, Valerie Vaughn, Chris Herrmann, Marilyn Oblad and Megan Buhler. The minutes from the August and September meetings were approved.

Public Safety Reports

Salt Lake City Fire Department, Station 8

Oct. 8-15 is Fire Prevention Week. Take time to create a “get out” plan with your family. Establish a meeting location outside of the house, like the front sidewalk, where family members should meet in case of an emergency. The Fire Department recommends changing the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors once a year. The end of Daylight Saving Time (November 5) is a convenient time to do so.

Salt Lake City Police Department

Detective Pedersen (801-799-3625 or CIUDistrict5@slcgov.com) – The Salt Lake City Police Department is getting officers trained on Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED). CPTED is an approach to deterring crime through environmental design. At home, this means discouraging burglaries by making sure your home has a clear line of sight from the street. For example, make sure shrubs in your front yard are no more than two feet tall, and prune trees so the lowest branches are at least six feet off the ground. For more information, visit <http://www.cpted.net/>.

Main Program Items

Hawthorne Elementary School programs update

Principal Marian Broadhead reported that the school achieved an A grade on last year’s SAGE testing. The school welcomes members of the community who are interested in volunteering, either as tutors or in other capacities. Do not hesitate to call the school (801-481-4824) if you have questions or concerns or see student issues in the community.

Liberty Park multi-use pathway pilot program

Lee Bollwinkel and Troy Baker of SLC Parks and Public Lands discussed plans to install signage and sidewalk paint as part of a year-long pilot program aimed at minimizing collisions and multi-use hazards on the rollerblade path in Liberty Park. The outermost paved path in the park will be painted to create two lanes. Slow traffic, like dog walkers and joggers, will be asked to keep right. Faster traffic, like rollerbladers, will be asked to stay left. Four temporary signs will be placed at the north, south, east and west sides of the park. The etiquette guidelines to be outlined on each sign are as follows:

- All users travel counter clockwise
- Dog leashes must not exceed 6 feet in length
- Do not stop on or block pathway
- No more than two side-by-side users

Parks and Public Lands encourages feedback throughout the one-year pilot period. Comments can be provided by e-mailing parks@slcgov.com or calling (801) 972-7800.

Warm Springs (840 North Beck St.) landmark site restoration proposal

David Scheer of the Capitol Hill Neighborhood Council and Warm Springs Alliance gave a presentation on the history of the building located at 840 North 300 West in Salt Lake City. The goal of the organization is to put forward a proposal to the City that would save the historic building, establish the site as a resource that would benefit the community and be self-sustaining. For more information, visit www.warmspringsalliance.org

Standing and Officer Reports:

District 5, City Council Representative

Erin Mendenhall (801-535-7786 or erin.mendenhall@slcgov.com) gave an update on big issues expected to come before the City Council for a vote before the end of the year. The Council is still working on improving the accessory dwelling unit ordinance to increase enforcement capability. The transit master plan will also come to vote, and will likely pass. For more information on the transit master plan, visit <http://slcrides.org/>.

The Zion Motel is slated to be torn down. A proposal has been put forward to construct a residential building with 120 units. Fifty percent of the units will be market rate, and fifty percent will be affordable housing.

Mayor's Office

Nate Salazar (801-535-7976 or Nate.Salazar@slcgov.com) - Mayor Biskupski announced Jon Larsen as her choice for the Transportation Division Director of Salt Lake City. Jon previously served as the director of modeling and data for the Wasatch Front Regional Council.

In support for our immigrant neighbors and locally-owned businesses, the Mayor's Office produced a flier titled "What's for Dinner?" The document outlines the restaurants and markets owned by immigrants and refugees in Salt Lake City. For more information, visit http://www.lwccslc.org/wp-content/Whats_For_Dinner.pdf.

The city has added 47 new treatment beds as part of the ongoing effort to tackle chronic homelessness in Salt Lake City. The Road Home shelter downtown is slated to close no later than July 2019.

Chairman's Report

No report given.

Treasurer's Report

Our current bank account as of Sept. 29 was \$17,221.43.

Committee Reports

Safety

No report given.

CERT

No report given.

Grants & Fundraising

The City Arts, Culture, and Events (ACE) Fund is a funding opportunity administered by the Mayor's Office to promote and support neighborhood and community events in Salt Lake City. This funding supports block parties, arts and cultural events, and more. ACE grant applications are due Oct. 31. The committee is currently working on applications to fund:

1. An extension of the Liberty Park Farmer's Market
2. A kids' corner at the annual British Field Day event to foster a family-friendly environment
3. A community art project using crosswalk art to help designate safe pedestrian walkways at neighborhood schools

The committee is also working on applications to the Capital Investment Program. Current project ideas include:

1. Rerouting Liberty Park maintenance traffic out of the parking lot north of Tracy Aviary
2. Funding the upgrade of Seven Canyons Fountain
3. Installing a pathway and interpretive signage at First Encampment Park

Liberty Park Farmer's Market

The Liberty Park Farmer's Market two weeks left in the season. We're pleased to announce the market now accepts SNAP benefits (food stamps) and will start participating in Double Up Food Bucks—a program that doubles the value of federal nutrition benefits spent at participating markets, helping people bring home more fruits and vegetables while supporting local farmers. The farmer's market takes place Fridays from 4 p.m. until dusk. Visit www.libertyparkmarketslc.com for information.

A successful motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Reminders

The next community council meeting will be held at Tracy Aviary on Nov. 8 at 7:00 p.m. Please bring any friends or neighbors who may be interested in community affairs.

Minutes submitted by Sara Adelman, secretary.