

**Capitol Hill Neighborhood Council
Meeting Minutes
2/21/2018
6:30pm
Marmalade Library Multipurpose Room**

Welcome - Laura Arellano Reviews agenda and information about March meeting

Approval of January 2018 Minutes (JW, BG, unanimous)

Representative Reports

Detective Alen Gibic, SLCPD

- Atypical carjackings and robberies with perpetrators in County Jail and a stabbing in City Creek with uncooperative, transient victim.
- 50 camps at Victory Road: UHP troopers working at the shelter have been to the camps but told to leave due to city/private land. Q&A about requests for assistance from Staker-Parson, speed limits on the street, and discussion of whether camps are disruptive to neighbors with differing opinions. Nate Salazar adds that there have been notices of cleanup efforts.
- Citizens Academy starts next month and is open to the public, info available at slcpd.com.

Chris Wharton, City Council District 3

- City is seeking collaborative solutions for state encroachment on the northwest quadrant. City wants to make a “Global Trade Zone” due to airport/rail/highways, boosting revenue.
- Top Priorities: NW Quadrant, Implementation of Transportation Master Plan & Infrastructure.
- Currently in public comment period for Historic Preservation ordinance to clarify process.
- Budget process beginning soon and going through June.
- Street study is on the Council website including methodology; District 3 in median range. Discussion about likelihood of repaving “very poor” roads and the timeframe/priorities. Council is also looking to complete streets, sidewalk infrastructure & development connections. Council considering two options to close the funding gap: General Obligation Bond and a Sales Tax (1/2 penny per dollar proposed) because of the new prison site, a regressive tax would capture daytime commuter revenue.
- Discussion about historical landmarks and low bar for maintenance; landowners will have difficult cases in from of the Landmark Commission if they’ve allowed deterioration.

Nate Salazar, Salt Lake City Mayor’s Office

- Apologies for missing meetings; Council and Mayor’s office working together to move forward transportation and housing master plans as well as public safety plan.
- Sales Tax Discussion: unique option to capture daytime commuters with \$35M annual. With federal dollars for affordable housing and transit dwindling, it’s an opportunity to close funding gaps. Half of citizens in SLC are spending more than 30% of income on housing, paychecks away from homelessness.
- Laura Arellano requested PDF of sheet with Mayor’s office staff working with Legislature
- “Arts for All Program” with City and County agreed portion of ticket sales will generate a fund for folks who can’t afford to attend, information online about applications.
- Discussion about Plastic Bags and reminder to sign up for Chris Wharton’s newsletter; Nate will also send materials about why plastic bags can’t be picked up and where to drop them off. Suggestions for recycling education at upcoming meeting.
- Mayor Biskupski will attend the March Council Meeting.

Katherine Kennedy, Salt Lake City School District

- District meetings addressing literacy rates progress & making Bryant a strong neighborhood choice through potential SLCSE partnership.
- Budgeting will continue through May with adoption in June. Legislative Townhall tonight at West High accounts for early departure.

Open Mic Community Updates

Silvia Nibley, Warm Springs Alliance: Has petition & invites community to two planning meetings on Monday at 7pm and for the Activism Team on Wednesday at 7pm in the Marmalade Library Conference Room. More info here: <http://www.warmspringsalliance.org/>

CHNC Committee Updates

Infrastructure and Planning Committee — 361 Reed Ave development: Development is a package of variances and the developer wants to reduce side yard width, utilize alley for garage access, increase number of parking stalls to 2 per unit. A letter of CHNC recommendations was distributed with caveats that street front is incompatible with neighborhood, traffic of Reed will be impacted, questions about buffering existing home, a lack of landscaping plan, and questions about staircase. Motion to send letter to City with corrected address (PH), seconded (ED) and approved by all in attendance.

Guest Speakers: Nancy Monteith (Landscape Architect and Planner with Public Lands) & Kyle Shields (Park Maintenance Program Manager)

here to discuss neighborhood priority parks, funding, needs assessment results, and the Comprehensive Master Plan on behalf of Mia Caselli, Communications Coordinator for SLC Parks and Public Lands who department analyzed assets in 2017 and are looking at capital improvement projects with facilities marked as “good” “fair” or “poor”. Trails also did a master plan with two upcoming open houses at the Natural History Museum (March 28) and the Sweet Library (April 2).

Our district parks have varying plans relative to the statistically valid needs assessment of 5 million annual visitors and priorities of improvement for existing facility maintenance and water conversation:

- Warm Springs: activate the park, update tennis courts to be multi-use, increase sport field size, put up fencing for multi-use leagues.
- Memory Grove: re-do west side pathway, repair flagstone and moar joins as well as road improvements, new plaques and foundation repairs. Quotes for repairing 8 pillar monument, quite expensive.
- City Creek Park: replacement of sandstone pathway
- Funded projects: restroom rebuild at Warm Springs, design for amenities master plan (but no funding for improvement) and the East Capitol Blvd. pedestrian streetscape/ Applications in for this area FY18-19, submitted in November 2018 and granting in November 2018.
- There is an evaluation of population growth vs. park maintenance (ratio maintenance would mean we need almost a new Liberty Park by 2040).

Comments can be taken by comment card or e-mailed and comments offered include: adding Ensign Peak to priority list, improved pavilions at Warm Springs and tents for Pancake Breakfast, Dog Park at Warm Springs (1/2 acre in mater plan, limited by hillside),

Guest Speaker: Jon Larsen, P.E., Director, SLC Transportation Division

New Division Director here to answer questions and follow-up with complex issues; has a background in traffic engineering with career in modeling with long-range transportation planning. Recognizing that streets are a public space, attempting to make them useful for all.

Community Concerns — Question and Answer or Issue and Response

I: LDS Church Landscaping Vehicles make sidewalks unsafe but perhaps not street licensed

R: sidewalk complaints to Street Department with design concerns to Transportation Division)

I: increase of Truck Traffic on 300 W: originally 400 W. design accommodated this and intersection improvements have been beaten up by trucks (perhaps from Staker-Parson)

R: reporting is complication because it's multi jurisdictional with UDOT. Note this may be impacted by duration of 400 W. turn signal.

Q: Why is State St. missing from condition map?

A: UDOT road

Q: How can we add stop signs or speed bumps?

A: Speed bumps no longer installed in the city and stop signs complication because they change all traffic patterns. Go to Transportation Division to discuss issue and get "your speed is" signs out quickly.

I: Incongruity between Long-Range Plan and City Plan

R: Davis County passed Prop 1 and began process of environmental clearance to look at areas with exclusive transit lanes. The study will look at southern terminus location. This could be a shit when you get to SLC from BRT on a regular bus. By comparison, the City transportation plan is more focused and operational 10 year plan.

I: LDS Office Building Parking and lack of protection for neighborhood during Conference Center Events (blocking hydrants, preventing resident parking)

R: Can be looked at through examining curb space and restrictions, must ensure enforcement is ticketing, can also look at changes to Main Street Plaza agreements from last summer. Additional city response that church office has discussed with Mayor Biskupski with studies of garage. There was no North Temple agreement and there are very specific traffic study results. Discussion can continue about commuters cutting through neighborhood streets.

I: These heated issues won't be solved today but neighbors want the time to be heard with current methods of communication ineffective and frustrating for all parties.

Q: Study for pedestrians alongside vehicles exiting garage?

A: Can add this to the list of things to consider, turning vehicles are more dangerous.

Q: Who has authority over private sidewalks and roads like Arctic Court?

A: Maybe an HOA?

Q: Why was no left turn sign removed at 300 W. and Wall St?

A: City put it up years ago, because the road is for UDOT City hasn't found justification for adding it back, status is unclear.

Adjourn (BG, all, unanimous).