

**Capitol Hill Neighborhood Council  
Meeting Minutes  
8/21/19, 6:30pm  
Marmalade Library Multipurpose Room**

**Welcome — Laura Arellano, CHNC Chair**

**Community, Representative & Business Updates**

**Fire Station 2 — <https://www.slc.gov/fire/>**

- Back to School Safety: lookout for traffic changes and pedestrians, communicate about fire safety and fire plans with children.
- Community comment about the urban interface: pamphlets were helpful but changes don't impact city property. Discussion of creative solutions including contracting of goats.

**Detective Alen Gibic — [alen.gibic@slcgov.com](mailto:alen.gibic@slcgov.com)**

- Reminders about texting & driving as well as speed limits in school areas.
- Community questions:
  - Estimated mileage and cost of electric vehicles? E-mail Det. Gibic
  - Can you use phones at stoplights? Will look up policy and report back
  - Can cyclists & scooters use the sidewalk? These should be on the street which is being addressed by the City.

**Jen Dailey-Provost, House District 24 - <https://www.slc.gov/district3/>**

- Health & Human Services interim passed approval for an e-cigarette tax
- Task Reform Taskforce still underway with room for compromise, many complex pieces
- Discussion of ballot initiatives and the changes made by the legislature and varied outcomes. An example is the Prop 2 issue with federal employees and laws interacting with state laws, there is an anticipated special session in December to address.
- Medicaid expansion has been in the news because the waiver was denied, next step is a per capita cap request. In response to questions, unless the Governor chooses to fully implement Prop 3, because SB96 passed, the legislature must wait until all waivers are denied.
- Community questions about food tax — feel it is a regressive taxation and advocates different solutions for tax reform; questions about out of state contracts — agrees, not in her purview.

**Katherine Kennedy, Salt Lake City School District - <https://www.slcschools.org/board-of-education/>**

- USBA does oppose the unpinning of the sales tax as discussed in tax reform.
- West High has many achievements: physics students first group from Utah selected for prestigious physics competition in Switzerland, debate team repeated state championships and needs funds for travel, support them by contacting [moses.baca@slcschools.org](mailto:moses.baca@slcschools.org)
- Board goals of literacy and social-emotional learning continue this year. Agenda topic submissions for the coming year are due Sept 3rd, please e-mail [katherine.kennedy@slcschools.org](mailto:katherine.kennedy@slcschools.org) with any topic suggestions.
- Fall will include evaluation of the Superintendent and Business Administrator
- Question about policy for faculty with guns; state policy allows concealed carry and supersedes district policies. Will research whether parents have the right to know and move their children but the district does oppose firearms in schools.
- Question about enrollment decline; West High has high and increased enrollment with dips primarily happening in lower grades. Firm numbers will be released in the fall.

**Don Lewis, Utah Metalworks — <http://umw.com/>**

Discusses history in the city and views of varied current events including foreign policy's impact on this industry and scrap metal process. Utah Metalworks is near the refinery.

**Move Man — Demolition Contractor:** Carl does excavation and demolition jobs, based in Swedetown he can be reached at (801) 554-7518.

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**Councilman Chris Wharton - <https://www.slc.gov/district3/>**

- High probability that the CIP for the Dog Park at Warm Springs will be fully funded included fencing, water fountains, etc. Historic neighborhood sign discussion continues, meeting with Engineering and Director of Community and Neighborhoods to explore old maps. Community fundraising (per Yalecrest example) will be important.
- The NW Quadrant LLC development had a two hour public hearing but few residents stayed for the following council briefing. While there were valid concerns about the port in general, the issue at hand is within the port boundaries adjacent to the old landfill and is in an area already zoned for warehouses. With previous agreements made for the land use there have already been existing environmental recommendations. The tax reimbursement is also contingent on revenue from businesses and would build public utilities that would otherwise be required by the city to build. The area in question is not the protected wetland and has always been privately owned. Other benefits for the city (from a third party) included city jobs and 10% of the increment will go toward affordable housing. Because it was exempted in the Inland Port legislation, the City not fulfilling their contract would put them in breach, forfeit the tax increment, open them to suit, and/or cause the company to turn to the State. While many feel this hasn't been transparent, all meetings for this development (2007-present) have been public and have public documentation.
- Follow up questions:
  - Was the environmental impact analysis done prior to the port legislation? It was done during the re-zoning process when the area changed from farming to light industry. There is no analysis of the specific buildings but of the zoning for those industries.
  - How will this account for the issues with the prison build and associated costs? This is adjacent to the airport and based upon existing buildings and different locations, these issues aren't anticipated.
  - How could this go ahead without having implications for the rest of port development which does relate to constituent concerns? Was the assessment before the port legislation? Port wasn't out of consideration when zoning occurred, has long been a discussion. The development is in the same vein as existing area business. Until there is a railway, there is not a viable port.
  - Are most constituents for or against this project and will it impact future elections? Most constituents are opposed to the port but this particular decision has faced misinformation. As a candidate, promises were made to do the research and make evidence based choices; can't predict elections but making choices with expert information and within state law.
  - How do you feel about the placement of the port? State and city decisions are different. The city is looking more at longterm gains than short term boons.
- Where can neighbors share complaints about traffic issues related to library construction? Will look at it and get back to you, e-mail him!
- Discussion of varying quotes on sign costs and options for input.

**Jack Winward, CHNC Events Committee Chair — JamFest Sept 21-22**

Held at the Garten beside Mountain West; sign up to volunteer or take a preserves competition flier (prizes include Stefahns, Red Rock, Mountain West & Blue Copper). Questions, comments or to be a vendor/performer, e-mail [marmaladejamfest@gmail.com](mailto:marmaladejamfest@gmail.com)

**Silvia Nibley, Warm Springs Alliance:** Details on the Indigenous Youth Solidarity Prayer Run <http://www.warmspringsalliance.org/prayerrun/> a multi-day event with Air Protectors.

*Motion to approve July/Nov. minutes (DS), seconded (CHNC), unanimously approved; 7:57pm.  
Motion to adjourn (AA), seconded (CHNC), unanimously adjourned, 7:58pm*