

CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE
PARKS, TRAILS, ARTS, & RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
642 NORTH 400 WEST, NORTH SALT LAKE
JUNE 27, 2023

FINAL

Tammy Clayton, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Tammy Clayton, Camille Thorpe, Jeff Scroger, Kyle Poulter, Peter Wirthlin, Ted Knowlton – City Council Representative

STAFF PRESENT: David Frandsen, Assistant City Manager; Jon Rueckert, Public Works Director; Carmen Wilson, Public Works Operations Manager; Randy Simmons, Public Works Operations Manager; Linda Horrocks, Communications Coordinator; Wendy Page, City Recorder; Ali Avery, City Long Range Planner

VISITORS PRESENT: Stan Porter, City Council; Amy Ambler, resident; Laura Call, resident

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Chair Clayton welcomed those attending.

2. MINUTES APPROVAL

Chair Clayton moved to approve the Parks, Trails, Arts, and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes of May 23, 2023, as written. Councilmember Knowlton seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Board Members Clayton, Knowlton, Poulter, Scroger, Wirthlin and Thorpe.

3. OPEN AND PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT TRAINING

Wendy Page, City Recorder, attended the meeting to conduct yearly training on the Open and Public Meetings Act for the Board in accordance with State code.

4. PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

David Frandsen, Assistant City Manager, presented a slide on the dog park discussion. He indicated Woods Cross City had asked him to get some solid numbers on the cost of the proposed shared park. He would work on getting some pricing together.

Mr. Frandsen thanked those who helped with the North Salt Lake Pride event and the Juneteenth celebration this month.

Mr. Frandsen said the Public Works department was working hard on Liberty Fest planning. He asked for volunteers to help with Liberty Fest. Linda Horrocks, Communications Coordinator, shared a flyer listing the Liberty Fest events and starting times. She said that earlier in the day she sent an email to the Board asking for volunteers. She reviewed the remaining areas where volunteers were needed.

Ms. Horrocks indicated that Board Member Golden would be photographing the event, and Councilmember Knowlton would be helping on Saturday and Monday nights. Chair Clayton suggested that Board Member Wirthlin ask the bike team for volunteers.

5. CITY COUNCIL UPDATE

Councilmember Knowlton shared that the budget for the Hatch Park project about \$16 million. He said the City Council approved a \$5 million transfer from the Redwood Road project to help fund Hatch Park. He commented that the original concept of the Redwood Road project would not be short changed, mainly because the revenue was bigger than anticipated in the Redwood Road area. David Frandsen reported the Hatch Park request for proposals (RFP) was released this week.

Chair Clayton inquired about pickleball courts being included in the new design of Hatch Park. Jon Rueckert, Public Works Director, affirmed that pickle ball courts were part of the Hatch Park plan. He mentioned that the tennis court resurfacing at Tunnel Springs Park would also be lined for pickleball. He added the contractor was starting the Tunnel Springs project this week.

Councilmember Knowlton shared that the general plan, which includes trails planning, has been funded in majority by UDOT. He indicated the Council had approved the contract in the last City Council meeting.

6. CHAIR UPDATES

Chair Clayton asked for an update on the parks that were being redesigned. Jon Rueckert responded that the contractor was currently working on these and they were almost complete.

7. 2023 AND 2024 EVENTS PLANNING

Chair Clayton recommended this discussion be rescheduled to the next meeting for fall planning.

8. REVIEW ACTION ITEMS

None

9. DISCUSSION AND INTRODUCTION OF RESIDENTS WILLING TO SERVE THE CITY WITH AN EMPHASIS ON ARTS

Board Member Thorpe invited some residents who are interested in the arts to the meeting to introduce themselves and the vision of their subcommittee. Laura Call, Janette Todd, and Amy Ambler were introduced to the Board.

Board Member Thorpe suggested the City could pay some attention to the arts to help make it a beautiful place to live. She said the subcommittee's goal would be to go over the master plan with Ali Avery and see if they can have some input on murals, arts, and statues in the City. Board Member Thorpe mentioned working together with the Health and Wellness Board. Amy Ambler talked about the mural art in South Salt Lake. Board Member Thorpe expressed her desire to focus on the destination as a theme. She continued that her focus would be a sign for the amphitheater at City Hall. Stan Porter, City Council, suggested some focus on the Bamberger Railroad as part of the design.

Board Member Wirthlin asked about the purpose of the sub-committees within the Parks, Trails, Arts and Recreation Board. Councilmember Knowlton shared his thoughts that all focus points of the Board, including parks, trails, arts and recreation, should be talked about during the year. He suggested that when the specific focal point was to be talked about that the Board expand the group to include others who have expressed interest in those topics. Linda Horrocks suggested simplifying the sub-committees to include only board members who had a true interest in the topic and committed residents. She added then the interested board members could stay to have a separate meeting and bring back the information to the Parks, Trails, Arts and Recreation Board for discussion. Councilmember Knowlton asked for budgetary items to be put on the agenda and recommendations from the sub-committees or separate meetings, be brought back to the Board for a vote.

Ali Avery, City Planner, presented on the 2016 North Salt Lake Town Center Master plan. The plan included an urban trail system, active transportation/bike lanes, pedestrian-focused design, Hatch Park expansion, and transit on Highway 89. She explained the City was getting grants, meeting with UDOT, establishing architectural standards, doing market studies on retail, doing a traffic circulation study, and City branding as part of the action items for the plan. She shared a presentation of the Hatch Park expansion plan. She noted proposals had gone out for final engineering and hiring a contractor for the project. She added Phase 2 of the expansion could include a Davis Recreation Center. She indicated Davis County would have to bond for it in the future if they decide to move forward.

Ms. Avery presented that in 2021, the City adopted a branding and wayfinding package for the town center. She mentioned the guidepost of the package was summarized as follows: Established, Historic Influence, Contemporary, Connected to Nature, and Familiar. She stated the brand touchpoints included Architecture, Public Space, Furnishings, Public Art, and Sign Styles. Ms. Avery showed samples of approved gateway signs, trail signs, auto signs, town center map signs, pedestrian signs, and banners.

Ms. Avery suggested that a mural be painted on the concrete wall at the back of the amphitheater and possibly place a statue of a veteran to kick start some artwork in the City. Board Member Scroger suggested rather than a painted mural, to use something more substantial like tile. He also suggested dinosaurs as a good topic for the artwork in the City. Laura Call, resident, recommended that the City use local artists, if possible, maybe children's artwork. Councilmember Porter offered to provide a historical tour of the City to share points of interest with anyone interested.

Linda Horrocks shared that a conservation garden had been suggested on the triangle property on the south side of City Hall. Ali Avery said that if Main Street remained closed on the section between Center Street and Highway 89, it could open some possibilities for some plaza space and artwork. Councilmember Porter talked about the mural artwork painted on some South Salt Lake businesses. He suggested that a list of potential businesses in North Salt Lake be put together that could be approached for possible building murals.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 25, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Public Works Building.

10. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The foregoing was approved by the Parks, Trails, Arts, and Recreation Advisory Board of the City of North Salt Lake on July 25, 2023, by unanimous vote of all members present.



Wendy Page, City Recorder