



Stakeholders Council Membership and Leadership Memo

MEMO

To: Executive/Budget/Audit Committee
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Subject: Stakeholders Council Membership and Leadership

There are several Stakeholders Council updates. Firstly, during the January Stakeholders Council meeting, Stakeholders appointed Tom Diegel as Stakeholders Council Co-Chair, to fill the leadership position that Carl Fisher vacated when he moved out of state. Tom enthusiastically stepped into the role and hit the ground running. Staff are working with Stakeholders Council leadership to plan the annual Stakeholders Council retreat, which historically has taken place in May. We have \$6,000 in the current budget allocated to the Stakeholders Council and the Youth Council, which we'll be drawing from to contract with a retreat facilitator trained in consensus-building. Staff will update the Committee in March on Stakeholders Council retreat developments.

There are currently six vacancies on the Stakeholders Council: Mike Christensen, Paul Diegel, and Carl Fisher who all resigned in 2023, and were released by resolution during the December 2023 meeting, and Ian Hartley, Mountain Trails Foundation (since 2023, term expires 2027), Serena Yau, Salt Lake Climbers Alliance (since 2021, term expires 2025), and Woody Lee, Utah Dine Bikeyah (since 2023, term expires 2027) who all resigned in January and will be released by resolution during the March Board meeting. To address the vacancies, staff opened a call for Stakeholders Council applications, January 19th through February 9th, and received 17 applications.

Together with Stakeholders Council leadership, staff met to review new applicants and make recommendations for appointments. The selection committee weighed applicants against criteria including personal interest pertaining to one or more focus area identified under Mountain Accord, demonstrated experience working collaboratively in large groups, and a commitment to the protection of the Central Wasatch Mountains. The selection committee recommend the following people to join as new stakeholders:



1. Brenden Catt, private citizen
2. Grace Tyler, Save Our Canyons
3. John Adams, private citizen
4. Jonny Vasic, Utah Physicians for a Healthy Environment
5. Patrick Morrison, Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation
6. Sally Kaiser, private citizen

These recommended Stakeholders Council appointments will be presented to the Board for approval through resolution during the March 4th Board meeting. These recommended appointments would join the following current Stakeholders Council members:

1. Sarah Bennett, Trails Utah (current term expiring 2025)
2. Kelly Boardman, Salt Lake City resident (current term expiring 2025)
3. Roger Borgenicht, Utahns for Better Transportation (current term expiring 2025)
4. Amber Broadaway, Solitude Mountain Resort and Deer Valley (current term expiring 2027)
5. Barbara Cameron, Vice-Chair of Stakeholders Council, and Big Cottonwood Community Council Chair, Brighton resident (current term expiring 2027)
6. Stuart Derman, Wasatch Mountain Arts (current term expiring 2025)
7. Tom Diegel, Wasatch Backcountry Alliance (current term expiring 2025)
8. Mike Doyle, Brighton Ski Resort (current term expiring 2027)
9. Del Draper, Secret Lake Cabin Owners Association (current term expiring 2027)
10. Dave Fields, Snowbird Ski Resort (current term expiring 2025)
11. Dennis Goreham, Wasatch Mountain Club (current term expiring 2025)
12. Maura Hahnenberger, Salt Lake Community College (current term expiring 2025)
13. Kurt Hegmann, Mill D Cabin Owners Association (current term expiring 2027)
14. John Knoblock, Mt Olympus Community Council (current term expiring 2025)
15. Hilary Lambert, Wasatch Mountain Institute (current term expiring 2025)
16. Michael Marker – Little Cottonwood Canyon resident (current term expiring 2025)
17. Ed Marshall, Log Haven Restaurant (current term expiring 2027)
18. Megan Nelson, The Nature Conservancy (current term expiring 2025)
19. Kirk Nichols, USFS Evergreen HOA, and Professor of Outdoor Recreation, University of Utah (current term expiring 2025)
20. Nathan Rafferty, Ski Utah (current term expiring 2027)
21. Danny Richardson, Salt Lake City resident (current term expiring 2025)
22. Pat Shea, Friends of Alta (current term expiring 2025)
23. Joanna Wheelton, Cottonwood Canyons Foundation (current term expiring 2025)
24. Adam Lenkowski, Salt Lake City resident (current term expiring 2025)
25. Briana Sullivan, Women of the Wasatch (current term expiring 2027)
26. Caitlin Curry, Utah Backcountry Hunters and Anglers (current term expiring 2027)



- 27. Dan Zalles, League of Women Voters (current term expiring 2027)
- 28. Danny Richardson, Salt Lake City resident (current term expiring 2025)
- 29. Linda Johnson, Salt Lake City resident (current term expiring 2027)