Brownfields Assessment Grant
Advisory Committee Meeting

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, 09/03/2024
11:00 AM

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Committee Members in Attendance

Dina Blaes (Director, Salt Lake County Office of Regional Development), acting chair
David Brickey (City Manager, Magna)
David Foster (Construction Manager, NeighborWorks Salt Lake)
Russell Goodman (Community Development & Housing Section Manager, Salt Lake County); substitute committee member for Salt Lake County
Emily Paskett (Environmental Programs Manager, Salt Lake County)

Staff

Kersten Swinyard (Senior Economic Development Manager, Salt Lake County)
Rachel Boyett (Economic Development Coordinator, Salt Lake County)

Others in Attendance

Joe Katz (VCP/Brownfields, Utah Department of Environmental Quality)
Kate Gregory (Project Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency)
Ben Bowers (Project Manager, Terracon Consultants)
Isaac Higham (County Council Senior Policy Advisor, Salt Lake County)
Moira Gray (Municipal Economic Development Manager, Salt Lake County)
Tim Tingey (Chief Executive Officer, NeighborWorks Salt Lake)
Adam Miller (District Attorney, Salt Lake County)

Dina Blaes, Director of the Office of Regional Development and acting chair, welcomed everyone and introduced Russell Goodman, acting as substitute committee member in Corbin Anderson's absence.

Adam Miller clarified that the committee can have substitute members stand in for absent members to assist in moving action items forward. If needed, the Committee has the option to bring approved action items voted on by substitute committee members for ratification in the future when all committee members are present.

Dina requested a motion to approve the minutes from the July 9th meeting. David Foster motioned to approve, and Emily Pasket seconded. Approved.

Dina offered some time to address any community feedback or committee comment. Dave commented on the wide range of County projects and the positive impact they make on the community.

Rachel Boyett provided several updates regarding current assessment work. Phase II reports are in progress for Magna Main Street and South Salt Lake Public Works and are anticipated to be ready in the second and third week of September. Citizens West's updated Phase 1 report was received on July 25, 2024. Major Street Phase II drilling is scheduled for September 4, 2024, at 8:00AM and anyone interested may go in-person to watch. The 9 Line Property (937 S 200 W), a staff-approved Phase I, is currently underway and anticipate the Phase I report ready in mid-September. And finally, the County is still waiting for a signed Access Agreement from the Sellers to start Phase I for Murray Park Parcels. The County is working with County Parks and Rec, Murray City, and property owners to get a received signed Access Agreement.

Kersten reviewed the budget and advised that it will increase as current projects incur more costs and additional projects are pursued. Kersten also mentioned that the projects being currently worked on have the potential to be completed in the next month or two. The County is working to continue to secure new projects.

Dina reviewed budget requests for Major Street. The first request is a $6,750 increase for Phase II which takes the total cost for Phase II to $42,000 (SAP & Phase II Report). Dave Foster motioned to approve the new allotted amount and was seconded by Emily. Motion approved. The second request was also for Major Street and the potential need for an ABCA in case Terracon finds anything in their testing that indicate there is a release at the site above regulatory limits. If everything comes back below the limits, Terracon will return the money to the grant budget. Due to the short time frame that Salt Lake City is facing for the real estate transaction, the request was made in advance before the need was made official. A budget request for $8,000 was made, which takes the total budget for the project from $42,000 (from above) to $50,000. Emily motioned to approve the new amount and was seconded by Dave Foster. Motion approved.

Dina requested information on any outreach or potential sites from Committee members or other attendees. Dave Foster mentioned he is continuing to reach out to his network for potential properties. Kersten also mentioned that the grant funds can be uses for hazardous building material and asbestos surveys that can assist property owners understand worker protections for renovation or the full extent of the impact of materials on the property.

The next Committee meeting will be Tuesday, October 1 at 11:00am. Meeting adjourned.

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