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## Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Thursday, February 19, 2015, 9:30am  
Logan Community Recreation Center  
Conference Room

### Agenda Items:

1. Approval of Minutes from January 15, 2015
2. Follow-up on Hillcrest Neighborhood Plan (Aaron Smith)
3. Recreation Facility (Russ)
4. Cemetery Northeast Entrance Project (Russ)
5. Country Manor Project (Russ)
6. National Trails Day (Russ)
7. Recreation Manager Report (Dan Blakely)
8. Open Forum

**Next Meeting:** March 19, 2015, 9:30am



## **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**

**Thursday, February 19, 2015, 9:30am**

**Recreation Center Conference Room**

**Present:** Laura Sawyer, Dan King, Jason Pond, Russ Akina, Dan Blakely, Eduardo Ortiz, Jordy Guth, Rick Watson

**Guests:** Aaron Smith

**Excused:** Herm Olsen, Jim Laub, Ed Stephens

**Approval of Minutes:** Jason moved to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2015 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting. Dan King seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

### **Follow-up on Hillcrest Neighborhood Plan:**

- Aaron passed out the results from a survey that was administered at the neighborhood meeting last month; it was a well attended meeting with over 100 neighborhood residents
- The survey addressed transportation, sidewalks, housing, and recreation; he reviewed the results pertaining to recreation with the Board
- Residents like to use the parks and trails and are generally happy with the amenities available in the neighborhood; most respondents recreate on the trails and at Lundstrom Park
- They would like to see more trail connections and bike paths; a few suggestions for disc golf and a swimming pool
  - Suggested a specific connection between the canal corridor and the Bonneville Shoreline Trail as well as a safe route along Highway 89 to access the Bonneville Shoreline Trail
- There wasn't much response about barriers to recreation; fences were considered a barrier to the trails
- Most residents access the Bonneville Shoreline Trail through the Lundstrom/Aspen Drive area and walk to either end of the trail from that access point
- Would like to see a push on the country club and USU to make a trail connection; this was also discussed during the Steering Committee Meeting
- Dan King expressed concern about the lack of survey questions regarding children
- Eduardo asked about the demographics of the neighborhood; mostly an aging population
- Eduardo then asked if the results were representative of the neighborhood; only those who attended the meeting completed a survey
  - Aaron said they have plans to follow-up with a door-to-door survey in order to get a wider swath of the neighborhood; hopefully those results will be a little more representative
  - Jason said the neighborhood is aware the survey is coming door-to-door
- Eduardo suggested getting qualitative data from focus groups
- Jordy asked if the survey is available online; the initial survey was just for those who attended the meeting but the next survey will be available online

- Jordy asked if there is a shift in the demographic with younger families moving into the neighborhood; Aaron said homes are turning into student rentals instead of turning over to families
  - A lot of the homes are lacking updates and upgrades that families might be looking for; one of the challenges making the neighborhood more appealing for younger families
- Dan Blakely noted that the lack of kids in that neighborhood is evident in recreation programs; there are never enough participants from the Hillcrest neighborhood to make a whole team
- Dan King asked if the City holds Summer Playground at Lundstrom; no, just Adams and Willow
- Aaron said a lot of the comments came from older residents who take their grandkids to the park
- Eduardo asked about the breakdown of income and ethnicity from those who took the survey; Aaron said he would need to check the data but it's a pretty homogenous neighborhood
  - Eduardo said the school is very diverse; there are a lot of USU students in the neighborhood and there is a large section of the southwest part of town that attends Hillcrest Elementary
- Jason asked when the Board would hear from Aaron again; most likely in April
- Aaron said they are asking neighborhood residents for input on the Deer Pen property
  - The majority would like to keep it as open space for recreation or use it for a future cemetery
  - The minority would like to see the area developed for single family homes
  - Russ said the property was originally purchased for a cemetery but it could be a long time before the existing cemetery is at full capacity
- The Woodruff Neighborhood Plan may be pushed back until next year

#### **Recreation Facility:**

- Russ said the Recreation building proposal is not very far along
- The selected location is west of the aquatic center and north of the skate park; the open space is currently used for youth soccer games
- The Department is looking for indoor recreation space and is considering a 40,000 square foot facility
  - This would allow for three basketball courts or three volleyball courts or twelve pickle ball courts
- Plan to use a nicer flooring surface but one that is similar to what is currently in the Multi-purpose Gym
- Looking for the greatest degree of versatility including roll out turf and how to make that work
- Jason wondered if three courts was enough indoor space
- Dan King was skeptical about being able to afford to staff two facilities and suggested putting the new facility in closer proximity to the existing facility
  - Jordy said it would make sense to put the new facility at the proposed location because the pool enclosure would create a year-round facility that would need to be staffed anyway
  - Dan Blakely said he would only need three or four staff members at the new facility each week; there won't be as much need for cleanup or supervision because it won't be a shared facility
- Russ is seeking cost estimates for the first phase of the facility; the pool enclosure is a separate phase
- Jordy said Price has a similar enclosure over their pool; she took pictures she will send to Russ and Dan
- Jordy wondered if the pool enclosure should be first priority and suggested taking a survey
  - Russ said an indoor pool is always mentioned in the annual survey but so are trails and dog parks and it's difficult to prioritize
  - Jordy suggested asking more detailed questions in the survey so citizens can list their priorities

- Laura asked if the new facility would be shared with the school; no, but an agreement can be made to accommodate the high school swim team
- Dan King asked how the Cache School District maintains two pools; Dan Blakely said the high schools own their pools and public hours are minimal
- Jason and Rick both felt that the new facility should have priority because it will serve more people; Dan King said the populous should be surveyed
- Jason wondered if the enclosed pool would deter people in the summer; Dan Blakely said large doors will provide outdoor air and more shade, which people have requested
- Dan Blakely pointed out that the enclosure would open the door for more programs and opportunities
- Jason asked if the Mayor is set on this location; Russ said there may be more conversation about other locations once they get a cost estimate pinned down
- Laura asked if the existing soccer fields would be moved to Dahle; Russ wasn't sure because that area is owned by the school district

#### **Cemetery Northeast Entrance Project:**

- The Board was provided a diagram that illustrates the proposal for the northeast entrance of the Cemetery and Russ displayed a picture of the current northeast entrance
- This project is being peddled as a donor project; Logan City will produce information in pamphlet form and on a website in an effort to solicit donations to construct this proposal at the northeast gate
- USU's project will replace the current fencing with black fencing along 1200 East
- Jason asked if the other entrances will be eliminated; no, they will still be accessible just not dressed up
- Jason asked if this entrance is two cars wide; yes
- This project is estimated to cost between \$18,000 and \$20,000
- The column work and landscaping will be done by City crews
- Jason asked why the entrance on 1200 East is so narrow and wondered if it could be widened; Russ said it is being considered in the design plan
- Jason asked if 1000 North will line up with the church building; no, but there is talk about putting in a roundabout at the 1000 North and 1200 West intersection in the future
  - Jordy said the USU transportation planners would not like a roundabout at that location
- Jason asked if the project includes finishing all of the perimeter fence; USU will only pay for the fence along 1200 East and the rest is up to the City
  - Russ requested an increase in Cemetery fees in order to take out a loan to replace the rest of the perimeter fence
- Eduardo mentioned how the north side of the Cemetery is not pedestrian friendly
  - Russ said they are considering pushing the fence to the south to create enough space for a five feet wide sidewalk but there is a bit of a slope that has to be engineered
  - Jordy said the University may be interested in partnering for that project because of concerns about pedestrian safety

#### **Country Manor Project:**

- Russ provided two photos of Country Manor; this area is located off the highway and LeGrand Street, near Blackhawk Condos, in Logan City limits by the railroad near Blacksmith Fork River

- The purpose of the project is for flood control to protect the neighborhood; 16 homes were purchased for this project
- The walkway on top of the berm is quite popular with the neighborhood; it was hydroseeded in the late fall and the contractor still has some landscaping to do
- Jordy asked if it connects to other trails; it connects to the walkway at the Soccer Sports Complex and leads back to 1700 South, which connects to the signal on the highway and Park Avenue
  - This is a critical crossing point for anyone south of the highway and is the safest route to access the Logan River Trail
- Nibley City is looking for ways to connect to 1700 South which would give people another place to go

#### **National Trails Day:**

- National Trails Day is June 6; Russ has been approached about finishing the park on Canyon Road and using that location for a volunteer project on National Trails Day
  - Suggested projects include planting trees and laying sod
- He is meeting with the Parks staff next week to work out the scheduling
- Planning now to prepare for construction
- Dan King asked if they have figured out what to do with the water coming off the hillside
  - The engineering department is putting together a plan for a surface trail; a boardwalk is not a good option because the anchors would have to be installed 70 feet below ground
- Russ took pictures of the breach about eight months ago and there has been a lot of foot traffic since then
- Dan King asked if the water is being drained; any water on site goes back to a connection box which collects irrigation water for the south side of the road
- Jordy asked if they will fill in the old canal; yes, from Jim Laub's carriage house to the breach but there will be piping for water collection
- The other side of the breach will be addressed at some point but the resources aren't available right now

#### **Recreation Manager Report:**

- Jr. Jazz will end in a couple of weeks; hosting the regional Fun Shot competition on March 14
- Redid the registration forms to add the option for donations and an explanation for the option
  - Jordy suggested the explanation include what those donations will be used for; people will be more likely to donate if they know exactly where that money is going
- Dan King would like to follow-up at a later time to see how much has been donated
- Dan Blakely said they are working on a flyer that advertises the availability of reduced fees
- Registration for all of the spring and summer programs begins on March 1

#### **Open Forum:**

- Nothing at this time

**Next Meeting:** March 19, 2015 at 9:30am

**Meeting Adjourned:** 10:35am

**Minutes Submitted by:** Jalayne Hatch

# **SURVEY RESULTS**

## **HILLCREST VISIONING WORKSHOP JANUARY 29, 2015**



# DRAFT



Hillcrest Neighborhood  
AREA SPECIFIC PLAN

# RECREATION

## Recreation Questionnaire - Condensed Soup Version

All responses to the questionnaire were recorded and categorized base on similarities with other responses. This is the results of the categorization:

### Survey Demographics

<b>Total Surveys:</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>Average Age:</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>Gender:</b>	<b>16 Female</b> <b>11 Male</b> <b>2 No Reply</b>	<b>Marital Status:</b>	<b>23 Married</b> <b>3 Single</b> <b>3 No Reply</b>
<b>Owner/Renter:</b>	<b>25 Owner</b> <b>0 Rental</b> <b>4 No Reply</b>	<b>USU Student:</b>	<b>24 No</b> <b>0 Yes</b> <b>5 No Reply</b>

### Q1 - Where do you recreate in your neighborhood?

Category	Number of Responses
Lundstrom Park	17
Bonneville Shoreline Trail	9
Hillcrest Elementary	8
Canal corridor	7
Neighborhood streets/sidewalks	5
Private yard	2
First Dam	2
Ray Hugie Hydro Park	1
Cemetery	1
Deer Pen	1
USU	1
Foothills	1
Green Canyon	1

# RECREATION

## Q2 - What recreational amenities would you like to see in your neighborhood?

Category	Number of Responses
None	7
Bike trails/paths	4
Improved connection between the canal corridor and Bonneville Shoreline Trail on south end.	2
Disc Golf	2
Extension/improvements/increased access to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail	2
Natural/"Forested" play environments	2
Improved sidewalks	1
A swimming pool on the east side	1
Volleyball	1
Outdoor exercise stations	1
Dog access/park	1
Extend canal corridor north	1
Improved/safer access to First Dam	1

## Q3 - What barriers exist that keep you from recreating in your neighborhood?

Category	Number of Responses
None	8
Lack of Bike/Pedestrian infrastructure in neighborhood	3
Fences (general)	2
Access points to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail	2
Lack of parks	1
Age and health	1

## Q4 - How do you access the Bonneville Shoreline Trail?

Category	Number of Responses
Aspen Dr/Lundstrom Park/Deer Pen	15
1st Dam	8
Green Canyon	6

# RECREATION

Q5 - Where would you like to see additional trails?

Category	Number of Responses
Connection between canal corridor and the Bonneville Shoreline Trail	4
Improved trails through the Deer Pen property/ connection to Bonneville Shoreline Trail	2
Safe route along US 89 to Logan Canyon	2
Extend/open canal trail on north end	1

## Additional Comments

- Thank you! We love the work that has been done so far.
- Appreciate the parks and trails - the new 1st dam trail is great, way to go. Thanks Holly Daines.

# RECREATION MAP

Place a green sticker on places that you recreate in Hillcrest.  
 Place a post-it note with amenities you would like to have in Hillcrest.  
 Place a star on or next to post-its that you agree with.

- Recreation Points
- Canal Corridor

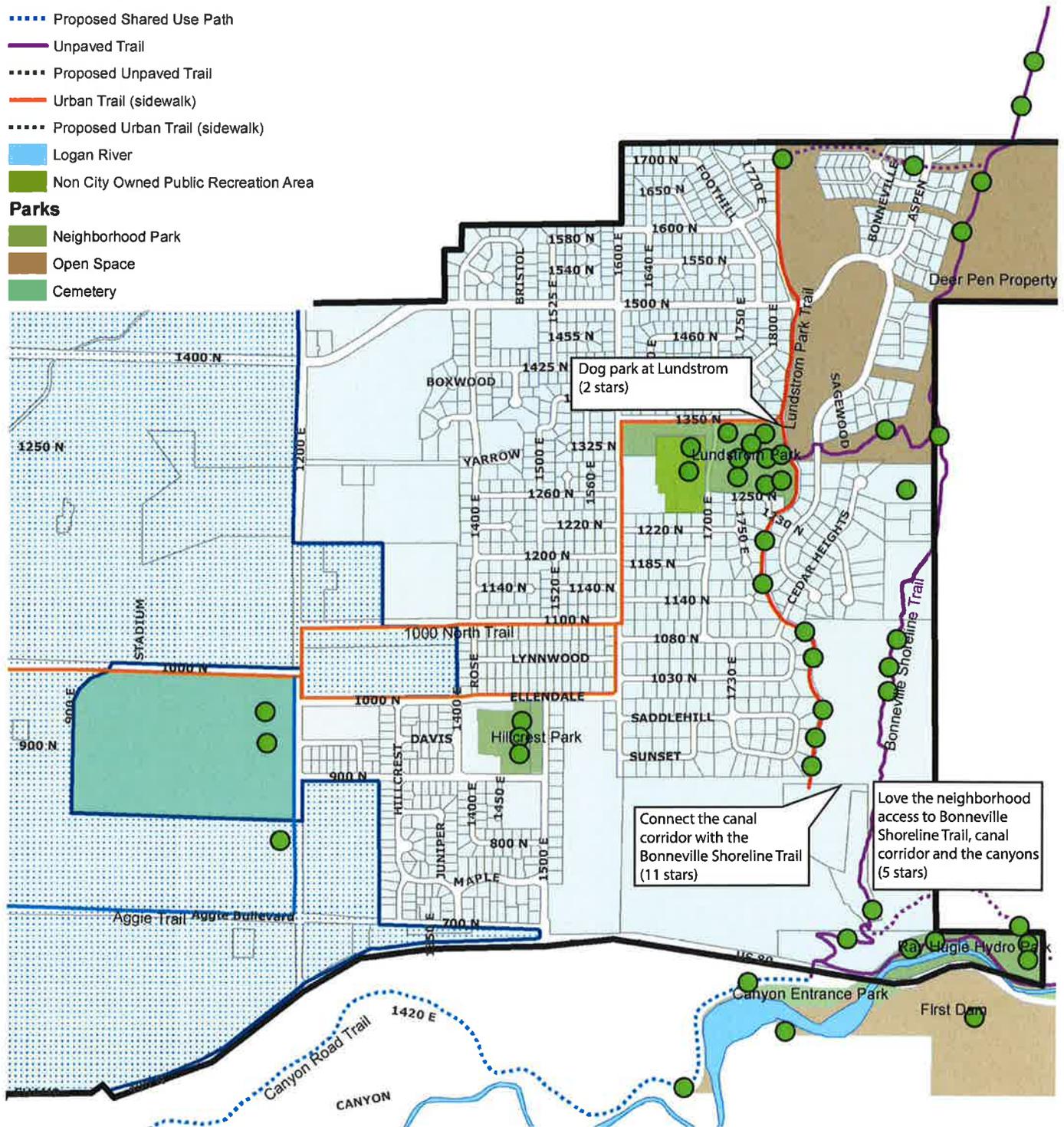
## Trails

- Shared Use Path
- ⋯ Proposed Shared Use Path
- Unpaved Trail
- ⋯ Proposed Unpaved Trail
- Urban Trail (sidewalk)
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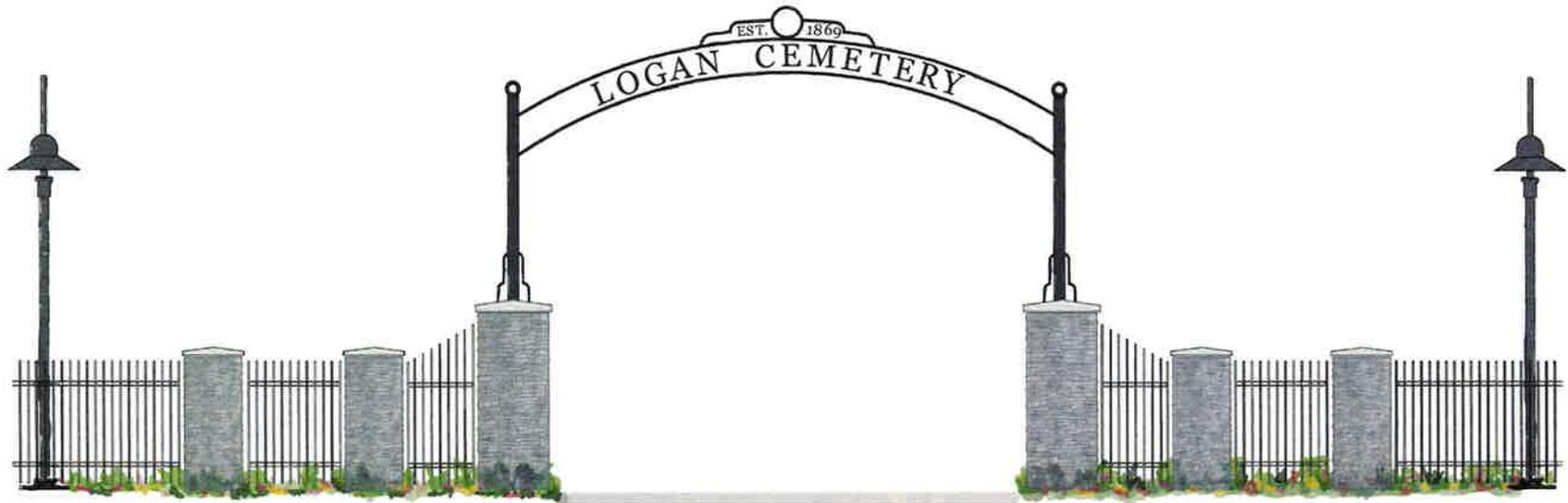
- Logan River
- Non City Owned Public Recreation Area

## Parks

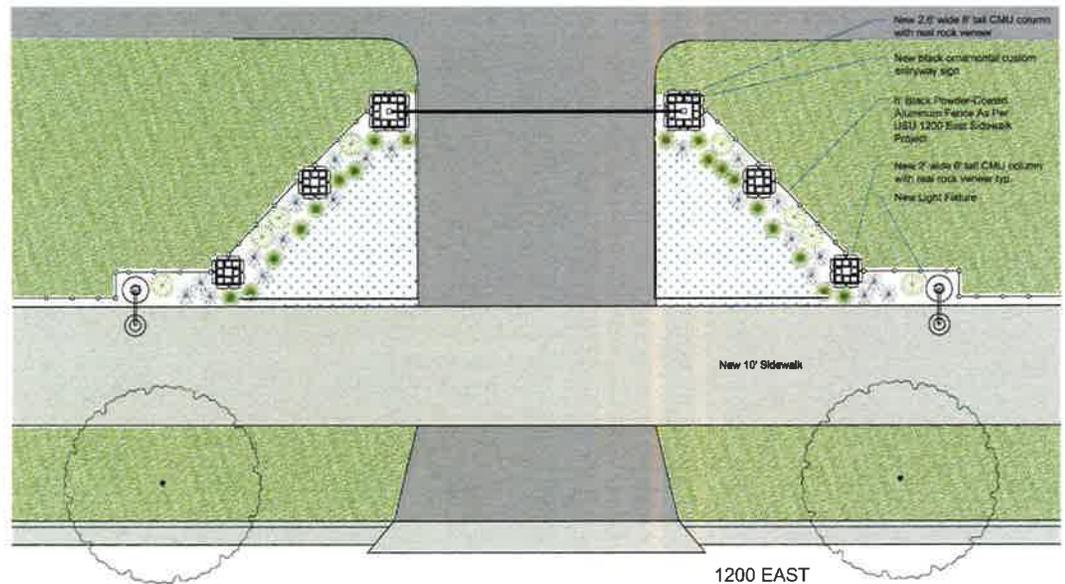
- Neighborhood Park
- Open Space
- Cemetery







Elevation  SCALE 1-5



- New 2.0' wide 8" tall CMU column with nail rock veneer
- New black ornamental custom street light
- 8" Black Powder-Coated Aluminum Fence As Per USU 1200 East Sidewalk Project
- New 2' wide 8" tall CMU column with nail rock veneer top
- New Light Fixture

Plan View **NORTH**   SCALE 1-10

1200 EAST



