

Millcreek Canyon Shuttle Project Meeting
Millcreek City Hall
3300 South 1300 East
Monday - December 2, 2019
1 P.M.

Present: Bryan Hutchinson, Polly Hart, Hilary Jacobs, John Knoblock, Tom Diegel, Del Draper, Paul Diegel, Helen Peters, Jared Stewart (both SLOC)

CWC Staff: Lindsey Nielsen, Blake Perez, Kaye V. Mickelson

Opening:

Bryan Hutchinson called the meeting to order.

Indicated majority of meeting would be Helen Peters/SLCO presenting FLAP (Federal Land Access Program - Millcreek Canyon Grant Application) -

A. Mountain Accord Principles: 5 minutes

Bryan reviewed Mountain Accord principles.

Lindsey clarified CWC Board and Stakeholders Council role, according to Mountain Accord final report and principles. Bryan asked group if anyone would like to comment on the principles. Comments were made regarding land exchange issues, UDOT dropping out of CWC, Forestry Service actions, and the role of this committee as it relates to shuttle and Forestry Service.

Conversation regarding "shuttle" name and move to become "canyon" project. Bryan talked about doing a longer conversation regarding this name change and discussion with Stakeholders Council

B. Goals: 10 minutes

Bryan directed group to discuss goals, as developed last Spring: environmental standards, access-efficiency, equity, economics, maintenance. This included additional conversation regarding the name of the group. Clarification and discussion continued regarding Millcreek and become an advocacy group for Millcreek. Folks agreed this group knows more about Millcreek than any other group within CWC. Big and Little Cottonwood seem to get most of the attention by CWC; more problems in those areas, but Millcreek needs to be heard. Even Forestry Service seems to overlook Millcreek.

John asked Blake regarding change of name of this group as well as to reassess the purpose and direction. Bryan asked if in the interest of time should we look at the next meeting, and put these items on the agenda; we still need to keep transportation on the agenda.

Is there any other maintenance issue we need to discuss; the road work completed previously is deteriorating.

C. Methods: 15 minutes

Engineering, signage, information/education/maintenance. Bryan discussed the need for safety, noise and air quality - shared three graphs with group regarding safety and speed on the streets. John indicated he did not think this was something this group should be concerned about, Bryan responded expanding on the item. _____ asked the question regarding chair of the committee taking the group into personal important issues and not working on items which have come up in previous meetings. Bryan acknowledged and felt like this was an item that had not come up previously - we can ignore and move ahead.

Comment made regarding what exactly is the role of this group; seems like we should focus on the larger issues and then narrow down to details. (used a Christmas analogy: start with a tree). Exactly what is the problem this group is trying to solve? The shuttle question goes along with what is the role and mission of this group. Bryan invited others to provide input so that an agenda can be arrived at. John commented on the agenda that was provided and how did that fit into the graphics/speed issue being brought up - things don't jive.

How about from here forward we collectively send in items for the agenda. Bryan reiterated the information into the graphs is important.

D. FLAP Grant Review - 25 minutes

Helen Peters indicated this information is online at sloco.org/planning-transportation/millcreek-flap-grant - website contains the same information as being presented here.

Helen referenced general information along with the information on the website and asked group to complete and provide feedback: a response to the proposed improvements.

Questions were asked as to where the process is - sooner there is feedback received the more complete the information to be presented January 20, 2020. There is also a public information session coming up this Wednesday - December 4, 2019.

Lindsey asked the question regarding cell phone service - Helen answered this is marginal as far as forestry service is concerned - however, they are going to pursue, however, telecommunications was marginally on the table. Hopefully, this can come to fruition and presentation is really clean.

Discussion regarding the use of social media for comments and this group can promote and get people to speak up. Blake asked the question if forestry service will look over application and answer was yes, the local folks can review and sign off on actual application be submitted. Helen answered that after the first of the year application will be available for the public to review.

Group began to ask specific questions regarding road width, bicycle lanes - Helen answered engineering requirements would prevail. Bryan asked how much feedback and leeway would occur. Helen indicated if successful there might be more conversation and discussion regarding what actually occurs. Bryan asked is there a portion of the grant could be used for research - Helen indicated no. Discussion occurred regarding monies to be received, how it might be used. Helen says county has asked forestry service to work to prioritize us/nexus has to be transportation.

Question was asked what can this group do to support: letter of support would be appreciated; letters from others, additional funding, - Helen Referenced the website information and the names of folks who might potentially support in a variety of ways. Group problem solved other groups/entities that might support the grant application.

Bryan asked if corridor might go farther -

Blake spoke regarding CWC hearing this information in January - perhaps this committee might want to write a letter to go to Stakeholders Council in support of this application process. This group could write, vote and submit letter. Bryan asked group for recommendation on how this group could agree and have letter ready. Helen indicated there is a rough draft of a letter of support which can be circulated among this group for review and submit.

Helen walked through the remaining process for the grant. Bryan reminded the group there is also long term monies - group indicated it's not feasible to do details until funds have become available.

Blake asked for approved letter by the end of next week so it can be on Stakeholders Council agenda December 18, 2019.

Discussion occurred regarding the next meeting which has yet to be decided.

Lindsey reminded group there is a need to determine what is the primary goal of this group and name does make a difference on direction. We need to reframe the committee since the shuttle is not the only thing this group wants to consider - conversation occurred regarding this issue and diversified into multiple items each individual has for consideration.

We've had a number of conversations regarding what does success look like, but have not arrived at agreement. Fall back on the Mountain Accord and look at where Millcreek is mentioned - Blake indicated there are specifics in MA this group could work.

Blake introduced additional information regarding county and what this group can recommend. Bryan talked about bump in fees and reintroduced the subcommittee topics group came up with. Suggestion was to recommit to the Mountain Accord principles in Millcreek Canyon and use that as the lense through which we use. Blake spoke to small projects this group could do.

Group diversified into other areas of conversation - ended by stating the need for focus. Paul Diegel will do letter to go to county regarding FLAP - he will use the county letter as a basis. Bryan asked if anyone who is not in support of this FLAP grant - all agreed.

Blake spoke to what he is doing regarding transportation using lenses of MA.

Meeting adjourned: 2:29 p.m.