Mountainous Planning District Planning Commission

Public Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 2, 2020 4:00 P.M.

**AMENDED**

Location
SALT LAKE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
2001 SOUTH STATE STREET, ROOM N1-110
NORTH BUILDING, MAIN FLOOR
(385) 468-6700

The Planning Commission Public Meeting is a public forum where, depending on the agenda item, the Planning Commission may receive comment and recommendations from applicants, the public, applicable agencies and County staff regarding land use applications and other items on the Commission’s agenda. In addition, it is where the Planning Commission takes action on these items, which may include: approval, approval with conditions, denial, continuance or recommendation to other bodies as applicable.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

1) Election of Chair and Vice Chair 2020
2) Approval of minutes from the November 7, and December 5, 2019 meetings.
3) Dominic Burchett from Unified Fire Authority and Dax Reid from the State of Utah will be discussing Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPP) and in general wildfire preparation for the Canyons.
4) Review and Discussion on the Wasatch Canyons General Plan – Jake Young
5) Review and approval of the FLAP grant to benefit Millcreek Canyon support letter.
6) Short Term Rentals ordinance update discussion – Laynee Jones
7) Other Business Items (as needed)

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Living with wildfire: how can you prepare?

Getting started with a community wildfire preparedness plan
Machine Gun Fire: 3 homes, 1600 evacuated
Direct flames

- Your home comes in contact with flames
- Your home is at risk for 10-15 minutes as fire passes
Radiant Heat

- Heat generated from fire without the flames making contact.
- Your home is at risk for 10-15 minutes as fire passes.
Flying Embers (firebrands)

- Embers travelling through the air make contact with your home or vegetation
- Your home is at risk up to 8 hours after fire has passed
- This is a pretty common way for your home to catch fire, even without a wall of fire present
What can I do to protect my home?

Creating defensible space

Community wildfire preparedness planning (CWPP)
Creating defensible space

- Vegetation management around that allows your home to be defended safely by firefighters or left to stand

- 30 ft area minimum around your home
  - As little as 60-100 feet of clearance can save a home

- Do I have to remove all vegetation in a 100’ radius of my home?
  - NO!!
  - We want to thin and remove ladder fuels but not clear cut your entire property

- Working with your neighbors helps with effectiveness
Zone 1 (near; 30 feet)
- Well tended and neat
- Clean-up litter
- Plant green, Firewise plants (lean and green)
- Trim those trees that are touching your roof

Zone 2 (mid; 30-100 feet)
- Low growing plants
- Few or no trees and shrubs
- Step fire down from wildland

Zone 3 (far; >100 feet)
- Managed native vegetation
- Thinned, pruned, cleaned-up

Defensible space zones
How do I know if my property is defensible and how do I start?

- **Get a hazard assessment**
  - Your fire chief, fire department and county fire warden are excellent resources available locally
  - Walk your property with them during the assessment and don’t be afraid to ask questions!

- **Do what work can be done now**
  - Work done regularly over time can really add up
  - Maintenance of what you have already done is important
Community Wildfire Preparedness Planning (CWPP) & Wildland Urban Interface (WUI)
What can a CWPP do for me?

- Coordinated Wildfire System State Requirement for fire funding and billing
- Risk Assessments
- Potential funding for projects
- General emergency inventory for unexpected but anticipated scenarios
Who fills out a CWPP?

- Community members
  - The success of this plan depends on YOUR input!
  - Community Description
  - Community Inventory
- Fire officials
  - Educational resources
  - Technical assessments
Funding

- Funding is very competitive!!

- Grant funding opportunities from different agencies become available with a completed CWPP

- This will help your community pay for fuels and education projects!

- Many require some form of cost-share or in-kind match
How do we get started?

- Core planning group - YOU
  - Community members
- Agency partners
  - Other possible stakeholders?
- Facilitator / leader
- Person(s) willing to write drafts

*PLEASE COME TO THE NEXT MEETING SO WE CAN MAKE THIS HAPPEN FOR YOUR COMMUNITY*
Questions?
January 2, 2019

James Herlyck, Federal Representative
Ivan Hartle, State Representative
Dennis Blackburn, Local Representative
Utah Programming Decision Committee (PDC)
Federal Lands Access Program

Re: Mill Creek Canyon Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Application

Dear members of the Utah Programming Decision Committee:

This letter is in support of Salt Lake County and the USFS Salt Lake Ranger District application for the Mill Creek Canyon Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) grant.

Mill Creek Canyon is an important regional resource for the residents along the Wasatch Front as well as visiting outdoor enthusiasts. Its proximity to the Salt Lake Valley and the many amenities that are available year-round make the canyon a popular recreational destination. Individuals and groups can use the picnic areas, bicycle up and down canyon, and spend time backcountry camping, hiking, and dog walking. A yurt is available for public use by reservation and cross-country skiing above the winter gate is available from November 1st to late spring each year. It’s a nature-based experience that challenges the indoor technology experience of our everyday lives in a significant way.

We have reviewed the proposed projects that would be included in the FLAP grant to benefit Millcreek Canyon and are in full support of Salt Lake County’s application. We stand with Salt Lake County and the Salt Lake Ranger District as a partner and commit to supporting their efforts to improve transportation access to the Federal Lands in Mill creek Canyon.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Chair of Mountainous Planning District Planning Commission
SALT LAKE COUNTY ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. __________________    ________________________, 2020

SHORT TERM RENTAL ORDINANCE UPDATE FOR FR ZONES

AN ORDINANCE OF GENERAL REVISION, AMENDING SECTION 19.12.030(O) ENTITLED “CONDITIONAL USES – SHORT TERM RENTALS” OF THE SALT LAKE CODE OF ORDINANCES, 2001, TO PERMIT A CONDITION THAT SHORT TERM RENTAL AGREEMENTS REQUIRE FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE OR SNOW TIRES DURING CERTAIN PERIODS OF THE YEAR; AND MAKING OTHER RELATED CHANGES.

The County Legislative Body of Salt Lake County ordains as follows:

SECTION I. The amendments made here are designated by underlining the new substituted words. Words being deleted are designated by brackets and interlineations.

SECTION II. Section 19.12.030(O) of the Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances is amended as follows:

19.12.030 – Conditional Uses

O. Short term rentals provided that:

1. The property is located within Big or Little Cottonwood Canyons east of the dividing line between R1E and R2E, and

2. The on-site parking and the access to the site are available for use and maintained, including snow removal, throughout the entire year;

   a. Where snow removal services for on-site parking and access to the applicable site leaves hard packed snow on the driving surface, the planning commission may impose a condition that the short term rental agreement shall require a renter’s vehicle(s) to have four-wheel drive or snow tires from December ___ to March ___, and
3. The dwelling unit is served by an approved drinking water supply and public sewer system that are capable of supporting the use throughout the entire year, and are approved by the health department prior to issuance of a license;

SECTION III. This ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its passage and upon at least one publication of the ordinance or a summary thereof in a newspaper published and having general circulation in Salt Lake County.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of ______________, 2020.

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: _________________________________
MAX BURDICK, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Sherrie Swensen
Salt Lake County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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ORDINANCE HISTORY
Councilmember Bradley voting
Councilmember Bradshaw voting
Councilmember Burdick voting
Councilmember DeBry voting
Councilmember Granato voting
Councilmember Winder Newton voting
Councilmember Jensen voting
Councilmember Snelgrove voting
Councilmember Ghorbani voting

Vetoed and dated this _____ day of ______________, 2020.
By: ___________________________________
    MAYOR JENNIFER WILSON
    OR DESIGNEE

(Complete as Applicable)
Veto override: Yes_____ No_____ Date_______
Ordinance Published in Newspaper: Date_______
Effective Date of Ordinance:__________________
SUMMARY OF
SALT LAKE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. ___________

On the _____ day of ______________, 2020, the County Council of Salt Lake County adopted Ordinance No. ____________, an ordinance of general revision, amending section 19.12.030(O) entitled “Conditional uses – short term rentals” of the Salt Lake Code of Ordinances, 2001, to permit a condition that short term rental agreements require four-wheel drive or snow tires during certain periods of the year; and making other related changes.

SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: __________________________
MAX BURDICK, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Sherrie Swensen
Salt Lake County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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A complete copy of Ordinance No. ____________ is available in the office of the Salt Lake County Clerk, 2001 South State Street, N2-100A, Salt Lake City, Utah.