

July 8, 2020 | SLCBAC Meeting Minutes

Present: Alex Degnan, Alex Parker (Treasurer), Blair Tomten (Chair), Dixie Harris, Eric Kraan (Vice Chair), Ja'rell Watts, Mike Mikhalev, Travis Evans

Absent: Jill Jensen

Others: Jared Stewart (SL County Staff), Dave Iltis (Cycling Utah), Taylor Anderson (Sweet Streets), Mercedes Maestas (SL County Health Department), Hugh Van Wagenen (Wasatch Front Regional Council), Ed Marshal & Paul Diegel (CWC Mill Creek Stakeholder Sub-Committee), Dan Fazzini (former SLCBAC chair), and 3 unidentified call-in users.

5:30 pm Welcome and Introductions

5:35 pm Approval of Minutes

- May meeting minutes were approved unanimously (motion by Alex Parker and second by Dixie Harris)
- June meeting minutes were approved unanimously (motion by Alex Parker and second by Jarrell Watts)

5:37 pm Public Comment

- Dave Iltis (Cycling Utah):
 - Little Cottonwood Canyon Transportation EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) comment period closes on Friday (7/10/2020). This will affect bicycle riding in Little Cottonwood.
 - Dave wrote an editorial regarding the ongoing Emigration Canyon road construction and sent it to the Emigration township mayor and council.
- Dave and Dan both contributed comments during the Emigration Canyon road construction period of the meeting expressing frustration that the bicycle community was not consulted more in a public engagement process. Dan committed to sharing with Blair a letter that he sent to former Mayor Corroon regarding construction in Emigration Canyon.
- Blair (on behalf of a member of the public) requested that we add a feature on the SLCBAC website for the public to easily add themselves to the SLCBAC email list. Jared will work to address this and add the new feature.

5:40 pm Sweet Streets & Main Street Cycling (Taylor Anderson)

- Sweet Streets is a new organization advocating for the creation and improvement of streets designed for people.
- Taylor shared a presentation outlining a potential plan for an improved bicycle route on Main Street from Downtown Salt Lake City to Murray Park
- Taylor's objective is to work with Salt Lake City, South Salt Lake, Millcreek, and Murray to improve the Main Street route.
- Jared committed to report back to the group with TIF grant deadlines and to explore the need for potential updates/amendments to the County active transportation plan (ATIP). Jared will

share Taylor's presentation and contact information (taylorwanderson@gmail.com) with the group.

6:00 pm Mill Creek Canyon (Ed Marshal)

- Ed introduced himself and his role with the Central Wasatch Commission Stakeholder Mill Creek Sub-committee.
- The Mill Creek Sub-committee works on issues of conflict between cyclists, hikers, cars, dog walkers, and other users. The Mill Creek Sub-committee would like to develop a relationship with SLCBAC to review recommendations they make to CWC in the future and invite SLCABC to participate in their meetings.
- The following ideas for improvements were mentioned:
 - Travis brought up the State UORG grants for outdoor recreation
 - Ed brought up using some of the excess/additional funds from the fee increase at the fee booth.
 - Mike brought up the need for education targeted towards shuttle companies
- Jared to share Ed's contact information (edmarshall246@gmail.com)

6:20 pm Emigration Canyon Construction (Blair Tomten)

- Blair gave a summary of her conversations with the engineering and project management teams in charge of the project.
- Public comments were made by Dave Iltis and Dan Fazzini (see previous section)
- The role of SLCBAC is to advise the Salt Lake County Mayor. Blair encouraged members and the public to write/comment individually to the Emigration canyon project team and elected officials over the Emigration Township.
- Blair shared a draft letter to be sent from SLCBAC to Mayor Wilson, advocating that she work with Mayor Smoaka of Emigration Township towards reduced travel lanes and safer conditions for cyclists.
- SLCBAC voted unanimously to send a revised version of the letter (Eric with a motion and a second by Dixie)
- Jared will coordinate with Blair to move the draft letter forward and make sure it is sent to the Mayor in a timely manner.

6:50 pm Holladay, Wasatch Blvd, and EIS Bicycle Improvement Ideas (Eric)

- Eric showed photos of a neighborhood byway cycling route in Holladay with confusing signage.
- The group discussed possible improvements. Jared will contact Holladay and determine if they are amenable to SLCBAC feedback and suggestions on this route.
- Eric shared with the group his written comments on the Little Cottonwood EIS alternatives and encouraged the group to make similar comments on their own behalf through the EIS website (<https://littlecottonwoodeis.udot.utah.gov/>).
- Eric will draft a letter to be shared with the committee and eventually forwarded to the Mayors office to advocate increased consideration of cyclists in the EIS process and in the Mayor's ongoing review of the EIS alternatives.

7:15 pm Virtual Meeting Policy (Jared Stewart)

- Tabled for next months meeting due to time constraints

7:15 pm County Report and August Agenda Items

- Salt Lake City Street Typologies Survey
 - 15 distinct classification for various types, sizes and emphasis of streets throughout Salt Lake City with consideration of land use context and neighborhood goals.
 - <https://www.slcc.gov/transportation/2019/08/30/typologies/>
 - If you live in Salt Lake City or ride through certain parts you can navigate the map, click the line segments, and find a link to a survey on that particular typology.
- Jordan River Commission Bounty
 - The Jordan River Commission is offering \$2 per pound of puncturevine that is collected and removed.
 - <https://jordanrivercommission.com/wanted-puncturevine/>
- Three Creek Confluence new pedestrian/bicycle bridge
 - Seven Canyons Trust recently installed a new 120 Foot bridge has been installed to add a connection to the Jordan River Parkway in Glendale.
<https://sevencanyonstrust.org/blog/three-creeks-confluence-bridge>
 - Salt Lake County and the Seven Canyons Trust will be working on a Greenways Visioning Plan in the near future. You'll be invited to participate as the project progresses
<https://sevencanyonstrust.org/seven-greenways-visioning-plan>
- Little Cottonwood Canyon EIS
 - Information and a link to submit public comments can be found at:
<https://littlecottonwoodeis.udot.utah.gov/>
 - Everyone is encouraged to review the proposed scenarios and submit public comment through the EIS website. All comments submitted online will be included and reviewed through the NEPA process.
- Pedestrian Summit Date Change
 - Event will be held on Monday, April 12, 2021
 - <https://zerofatalitiessafetysummit2.sched.com/>

7:18 pm Meeting Adjourned