

# PARLEY'S RAILS, TRAILS AND TUNNELS [PRATT] COALITION MEETING AGENDA

**Date:** Tuesday, December 18, 2007

**Time:** 11:30 – 1:00 p.m.

**Place:** Sprague Library located at 2131 South 1100 East in the Downstairs Meeting Room

**Co-Chair Conducting Meeting:** Juan Arce-Larreta

## **PRATT Board Members**

Juan Arce-Larreta

Milton Braselton

Robin Carbaugh

Matt Dalton, Not in attendance

Geoffrey Ellis

Josh Ewing, Not in attendance

Karen Hale, Not in attendance

Ken Jones

Rita Lund

Matt Sibul, Excused

Lynne Olson

Julie Peck-Dabbling, Excused

Kim Paulding

Helen Peters

Suzanne Weaver

## ***A G E N D A***

### 1. Welcome, Introductions and Announcements

Attendees other than Board Members indicated above:

Salt Lake County – Walt Gilmore

South Salt Lake – Michael Florence

UDOT – Mark Parry

Salt Lake City – Dell Cook

Perkins Engineering - Todd Perkins

H.W. Lochner – Brian Bonell and Laynee Jones

SWCA – Liz Robinson

Arc Sitio Design – Steve Gilbert

Sugar House Park Authority – Lex Hemphill

Sugar House Community Council – Michael G. Kavanagh

Woodbury Corporation – Travis Lish and Bryan Stevenson

Brolly Arts – Patricia Sanders

Trust for Public Lands – Barry Nash

General Public – Joe Donaldson

There were no announcements.

### 2. Presentation by Travis Lish and Bryan Stevenson of Woodbury Corporation on The Draw at Sugar House

Travis and Bryan made a presentation on the development planned for the west end of The Draw at Sugar House. Travis presented a conceptual drawing, not elevations, of the site plan that they had

created in cooperation with Mike Peterson, owner of the Chevron gas station property; and Pacific Commercial Properties, owner of the Redman building. The idea is that access to Hidden Hollow Natural Area and to The Draw at Sugar House from 2100 South will be on the west side of the Redman building. The proposed parking structure behind the Redman building will be modified to create level access to The Draw at Sugar House from 2100 South and Hidden Hollow Natural Area through cross easements.

Travis indicated that Woodbury Corporation is planning on constructing a non-LEED building that will be lower than the allowed height in the zoning ordinance. Travis indicated that Woodbury hopes to design as green a building as possible with the help of the design teams – Architectural Nexus [Architect] and G. Brown Design [Landscape Architect]. It should be noted that the contract for The Draw at Sugar House with Michael Baker Corporation would start after the first of the year. Approximately 80 high-end residential units will be developed with at least two parking stalls per unit. There will be ground-floor support retail that might include a coffee shop, a gym facility for residents of the condos, and a business center. The residential and hotel units will be oriented towards The Draw at Sugar House so that there will be constant observation of the area.

Walt indicated he has the legal description of the property to be purchased and Salt Lake City will complete the appraisal on the property. Travis Lish indicated that he would go before the Sugar House Community Council at their Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting to present the site plan for public input. Arc Sitio Design and Patricia Johanson will review the current Woodbury Corporation site plan and provide input.

Further details of the site plan were discussed and then Helen Peters made a motion, which was seconded by Robin Carbaugh, to accept the conceptual site design, subject to ArcSitio/Patricia Johanson's review and input, and move forward. The motion passed.

### 3. Report from Project Manager – Walt Gilmore

The report included:

- **Parley's Nature Park to Tanner Park Segment**

Layne Jones from H.W. Lochner and Liz Robinson from SCWA reported out on the cultural resources inventory that was completed on the proposed lower Trail [less impact to natural environment] through Parley's Nature Park to Tanner Park. Highlights of the cultural resources survey included:

- No threatened or endangered species were present in the area
- There are several birds' nests in trees along the Trail corridor that must be accommodated during construction
- There is a root cellar (wine cellar)
- There is an aqueduct
- Mary's Spring – The Trail accommodates the spring and wetlands.

Brian Bonell of H. W. Lochner oriented attendees to the need for walls on certain parts of the Trail to accommodate the changes in geography. A full report will be available shortly.

Salt Lake County and Salt Lake City is aware of the proposed Trail alignment. The Trail does not require the removal of any tennis courts in Tanner Park.

Layne Jones made a presentation to the Salt Lake City Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Committee and they voted to support the current Trail alignment through Parley's Nature Park. The Canyon Rim residents will have some obstructed view during construction of the Trail because it comes up to the Gamble Oak on the hillside. A public participation effort including an open house and visiting with Sugar House and Canyon Rim community councils is planned for February 2008 by H.W. Lochner to gather public input. PRATT will work with Lochner on the outreach to neighbors within 300 feet of the Tanner and Parley's Historic Nature Park.

Helen Peters made a motion, and it was seconded by Rita Lund, to accept the proposed Trail alignment proposed by H. W. Lochner and cultural resource inventory completed by SCWA. The motion passed.

- **Parley's Trail bike trail on 2700 South from 2300 East to 1700 East** – Laynee Jones reported that the Salt Lake City Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Board had supported the temporary placement of bike lanes on 2700 South between 2300 East to 1700 East as the designated route for the trail for the time being. There is a possibility that street parking might need to be removed in order to accommodate a bike lane. Laynee indicated that if parking is removed, it will need to go through a public process that Salt Lake City has in place. Dan Bergenthal from Salt Lake City Traffic Engineering suggested to Laynee that it is best to place a bike lane on an arterial street rather than collector street. Laynee indicated that Lochner is in a position to work with PRATT and Salt Lake City to inform residents of 2700 South between 2300 East and 1700 East about the proposed bike lane.

Robin Carbaugh requested that an air quality analysis be completed, if possible, by Wasatch Front Regional Council on the feasibility of a bike route being placed on an arterial street as opposed to a collector roadway.

- **1700 to 1300 East Trail Segment**

The schedule for the next couple of months includes the plans and specs to be submitted to UDOT on December 20<sup>th</sup>. On January 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a review of the plans by UDOT and the design team. On February 8<sup>th</sup> the advertising will begin for a contractor and in March a contractor will be selected.

Salt Lake County has been working with the Sugarhouse Park Authority on a Memorandum of Understanding. The Sugarhouse Park Authority has reviewed the Memorandum and has suggested changes. Currently, the County is making the proposed changes and it should be back to the Sugarhouse Park Authority for signature before mid-January.

- **1300 East Crossing – The Draw at Sugar House**

The contract for The Draw at Sugar House is currently at the Salt Lake County Mayor's office for signature. After Mayor Corroon has signed the contract, Walt will forward it to Salt Lake City and UDOT for signature. The prime design firm is Michael Baker, Jr.

- **UTA/Roper Rail Yard Crossing** – The contract is currently in Mayor Corroon's office for signature. This project should move forward quickly after the first of the year.

#### 4. **Approval of November Minutes**

Helen reminded everyone to turn in their volunteer hours on the forms provided. She will also E-mail out another copy of the form to be completed. At the January 2008 meeting, we will have a sign-in sheet that will have a section for volunteer hours to be recorded. Lynne Olson also provided a sheet to list volunteer hours for those who are not PRATT board members.

The November minutes were approved with out any changes. Motion by Helen Peters and seconded by Robin Carbaugh.

## **5. Vice Chair Reports (3 minutes each)**

Helen reminded the Vice Chairs that if they are unable to attend the PRATT Board meeting, then they need to send a written report via E-mail to her within one week for inclusion in the minutes.

- **Kim Paulding - Vice-Chair for Fundraising**

Kim Paulding asked to report out first as she needed to leave for a child's school performance. Kim indicated that she is working with Robin Carbaugh and Lynne Olson on a grant application for possible purchase of land for Roper Yard crossing for the Salt Lake County Open Space fund.

Helen Peters and Lynne Olson created, stuffed and mailed out an annual ask for unrestricted donations.

- **Robin Carbaugh - Vice-Chair for Westside Project Coordination**

Robin reported out that the contract with the County on Roper Yard is helpful. Fundraising is beginning through the Salt Lake County Open Space Fund for a possible land purchase necessary for the Roper Yard crossing. Robin attended a bus tour with elected officials and staff members of South Salt Lake related to the South Salt Lake General Plan update. While on the tour, locations for crossings such as State Street and the TRAX Station on Main Street were discussed. There was discussion about the Trail through the Andy Avenue area. Robin and Walt will be meeting with individuals from South Salt Lake such as Michael Florence to discuss opportunities for the Trail in South Salt Lake.

Robin also indicated that there have been discussions with Fehr & Peers about a possible combined public participation efforts with the Sugar House Transit Alternatives Study. More information to will be presented at the January PRATT meeting.

- **Geoff Ellis - Vice-Chair for Eastside Project Coordination**

Geoff indicated that between the presentation by the Woodbury Corporation and the presentation by H. W. Lochner that all items related to the Eastside have been covered.

- **Karen Hale - Vice-Chair for Government Relations**

Juan reported that Karen has accepted the position as Communications Director for Mayor Becker of Salt Lake City. Karen was not in attendance at the meeting. Juan will contact Karen to see if she would still like to serve as the Vice-Chair for Government Relations for PRATT.

There was discussion about the status of the meeting with Governor Huntsman that was to be set up by Julie Peck-Dabling. Rita reported that Julie is now recommending that we do not meet with Governor Huntsman. Juan asked that at the next PRATT Board meeting, Julie provide some context to her recommendation.

- **Lynne Olson - Vice-Chair for Outreach & Public Relations**

A mailing was done to all the individuals in our database as well as a mailing to agencies, civic organizations and so forth to update individuals on the PRATT Trail efforts. Lynne thanked Kim and Helen for their work to get these out. A third mailing will be sent out that is more of a holiday card to selected supporters that was designed by U of U students: James Wallace, Wesley Johnson, Pamela Toledo and Dustin Wright. Thanks to the students for their help.

No media stories this month, but with the contracts that will be available in January we will do some press releases. The Valley Journal and Cycling Utah are both interested in any stories that we have about the Trail.

- Helen M. Peters – Secretary

Helen will check with Bruce Olson on the possible bylaw change to allow voting by phone, e-mail, proxy, etc.

Helen expressed appreciation for how much has been accomplished related to the building of Parley's Trail in 2007.

- Suzanne Weaver – Treasurer

Checking account balance \$4,944.66 less one check in the approximate amount of \$83.00; Savings balance \$29,121.85. Walt asked about any invoices regarding signage. Walt will work with Lochner on the invoice for signage.

6. Other Business –

- Gordon Stam of Parley's Pathways contacted PRATT to let us know about the RFP on the Parley's Trail between Washington Park to Parley's Summit.

7. Next Meeting:

January's Meeting:

Date: Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Sprague Library located at 2131 South 1100 East in the downstairs meeting room.

PRATT Board Meetings for 2008:

Note: PRATT Board meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

Meetings are held at the Salt Lake County Government Complex located at 2001 South State Street in Room S1002 (south building, first floor in the northwest corner) unless otherwise indicated.

2008 Dates:

February 26<sup>th</sup>

March 25<sup>th</sup>

April 22<sup>nd</sup>

May 27th

June 24th

July 22<sup>nd</sup>

August 26<sup>th</sup>

September 23<sup>rd</sup>

October 28th (Meeting will be held in Room S3009)

November 25<sup>th</sup> (date will be adjusted to accommodate Thanksgiving)

December 23<sup>rd</sup> (date will be adjusted to accommodate Christmas)