

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

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Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2009

Time: 11:30 – 12:30 p.m.

Place: Salt Lake County Government Center, 2001 South State Street, Room S1002

Chair Conducting Meeting: Juan Arce-Larreta

PRATT Board Members Attending: Juan Arce-Larreta, Mike Florence, Ken Jones, Steve Lester, Perrin Love, Lynne Olson, George Ramjouw, Scott Kisling (8)

Excused: Rick Johnston, Suzanne Weaver (2)

Others Attending: Walt Gilmore (SL County Project Manager), Milton Braselton, Robin Carbaugh, Dell Cook, Lex Hemphill, Michael Kavanagh, Jeff Woodbury, Bryan Stevenson (Woodbury Corporation) (8)

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for both February and March regular meetings were approved.

Project Updates – Walt Gilmore:

🚲 **Phase 3:** Parleys Historic Nature Park to Tanner Park. Plans are complete. Consultant is preparing RFP through UDOT. SLC agreement expected soon; easements are being defined. Dan Bergenthal is now the key participant for that. Dell Cook reports that this phase is moving well. Once SLC agreement is signed, project will be put out for bid. City Council expected to need to approve in both work session and formal session. Juan will ask Rick Johnston to sit down with SL Public Utilities to maintain attention to trail.

\$1,000 re-seeding will be used this fall. Those present recalled that re-seeding was to be used for upper area. Seeding along the trail will be part of the contract. Seeding along previous segment introduced mustard seed. That contract required the filing of a claim within one year, which was not done. Walt says SL County will give PRATT a recommendation for reallocation of the \$1,000 previously allocated for the upper portion.

🚲 **Phase 4a:** Sugar House Park section plans are close to completion. RFP awaiting interlocal agreement. UDOT and the SH Park Authority are close to agreement on boundaries. Walt will follow up with UDOT. MOU with SH Park Authority is complete.

🚲 **Phase 4b:** The Draw at Sugar House progress appears dependent on Craig Mecham's acceptance of property appraisal for current easement he has. Ken Jones and Walt met with Russ Callister (Mecham Company) and believe that Craig would like to see an agreement that would allow trail to proceed. Interlocal agreement needs to be signed. Jeff Woodbury, Walt, and Ken Jones will meet to discuss Woodbury plans.

🚲 **Phase 5:** South Salt Lake City segment. South Salt Lake / UTA Investment Study just getting started for trolley use, for completion in August or September. Geofoam construction is under way at 600 W. 2100 South, with photographic access from 600 West. Mike Florence reports that SSL wants to sell Workman Park to buy other park land closer to residential areas. Trail alignment is expected to be along south end of park to avoid crossing several UTA lines. Mike

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will stay on top of SSL/UTA agreement. Walt reports that once SSL/UTA Study is complete, a Trails Study by SL County will lead to permits.

🚲 Sugar House Business District section: Many concurrent uses will require careful planning. Kevin Young (SLC Transportation) is working with Red Mountain developers on the Granite Furniture building replacement, which will adjoin the Trail on its north side. George Ramjoue will contact SLC Planning, to ensure they are on board. Steve Lester is also interested. George will ask the status of planned trail facilities, access, etc.

🚲 Hidden Hollow will be established as a dismount zone. George Ramjoue will ensure that PRATT will be party to and notified of redevelopment of RDA's Wilmington property.

🚲 Tanner Park to Sugar House Park section: UDOT is ready to publish RFPs for the 2300 East connection with I-80 *without it including a trail*. Walt will talk with Randy Park, Region 2 Director. Previous adopted plans show trail alignment along Salt Lake Country Club after crossing I-80 at 2300 East, to reduce trail conflict with traffic exiting I-80 at 2300 East. UDOT may surplus one residential lot to SL County for use as a trailhead. Ken Jones requested that UDOT post notice of all plans to avoid more surprises like this one.

Vice Chair Reports

🚲 Government Relations: South Salt Lake should provide Letters of Support.

🚲 Volunteer Coordination: Steve Lester showed a draft calendar for the year, and a signup sheet for the Hidden Hollow information booth. Steve will manage the calendar.

The State Department of Natural Resources matching grant is due May 1.

The Sugar House Merchants Association is requesting \$155 for a booth for the July 4 Street Festival. The Board felt this was not a good use of PRATT funds.

National Trails Day is June 6. Volunteers are needed to man a PRATT booth.

Steve Lester is requesting photos of volunteering activities and of trail alignment for the PRATT web site.

Board Business

🚲 A committee outside of PRATT, chaired by Ken Jones and including Juan, will address goat head (*trilobus terrestris*) eradication. They will contact the SL County Week Control Program officials.

🚲 Ken Jones is taking the lead on legislative relationships. PRATT seeks an overturn of legislation that prohibits condemnation of property for use for trails.

🚲 George Ramjoue distributed a typed status report of each phase of the trail.

🚲 Matt Sibul is resigning from the PRATT Board, citing time constraints.

🚲 Juan sent a Get Well card to Craig Mecham.

🚲 George Ramjoue has a list of approximately 15 organization concerned with non-motorized trails and wants to facilitate a Utah Trails coalition.

Fundraising Updates:

🚲 Jim Matheson's office wanted the House TEA4 Reauthorization Form on short notice. Juan is tracking Senate TEA4 submittal requirements. Walt will talk with the City and the County for

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sponsorship, and seek extension to file until Tuesday of next week from the House. Juan would like South Salt Lake to also consider sponsorship.

⊗ Matheson is recommending \$1MM in annual appropriations for trails. Juan will call Jim Matheson's office to offer help from PRATT.

⊗ George Ramjouw submitted a Letter of Intent for CMAQ (Congestion Management and Air Quality) improvement funds. SL County will do a concept report, to be submitted by May 19.

⊗ Lynne brought in files of previous letters and submissions that can form the basis of future funding requests. Steve Lester will take the files and report what is available in that box. Ken Jones offered to get these documents scanned. Walt will take the box temporarily to meet Friday's submittal requirement.

⊗ Walt will request funding for the update of the PRATT Master Plan.

⊗ Mike Kavanagh has information about a \$2500 grant for trail cleanup from the Negley Flynn Foundation.

Financial Report:

Checking account balance is \$7,438.

Savings account balance is \$20,130.

Suzanne Weaver will submit the Utah Nonprofit Association membership and signed Ethics Statement.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30.