

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

Date: Wednesday, May 28, 2008

Time: 11:30 – 1:00 p.m.

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

Co-Chair(s) Conducting Meeting: Rita Lund

PRATT Board Members

Juan Arce-Larreta, Excused

Steve Aste

Milton Braselton

Robin Carbaugh

Karen Hale, Not in attendance

Rick Johnston

Ken Jones, Excused

Steve Lester, Excused

Rita Lund

George Ramjoue

Matt Sibul, Not in attendance

Lynne Olson

Julie Peck-Dabling

Kim Paulding, Not in attendance

Helen Peters

Suzanne Weaver

MINUTES

1. Welcome, Introductions, Announcements and Recording of Volunteer Hours

Others Attending:

Salt Lake County – Walt Gilmore

Sugar House Park Authority – Lex Hemphill

Steven Gilbert – Arc Sitio Design

Lani Eggertsen-Goff, PB Americas

Announcements:

- Note change in meeting location for **June PRATT Board Meeting**
Room S3009 (South building, third floor)
- See The Salt Lake Tribune article entitled “Becker presses case for SLC bike, trail coordinator” May 28, 2008
- **The PRATT Coalition invites you to join us on the trail for a Parley's Trail Cleanup!**
Celebrate National Trails Day on Saturday, June 7th from 9 am to Noon
Meet at Parley's Historic Nature Park - 2760 South (Heritage Way) 2750 East Park in the Tanner Park lot; walk down into the Parley's Nature Park
Bring your own shovel; wear gloves and sturdy shoes.
Call Steve with questions or if you want to volunteer 419-7690.

Weeds that we will be pulling include Purple Mustard, Thistle and Myrtle Spurge

- **Volunteer Hours Reported: 50**

2. Approval of April Minutes

A quorum was not available to approve the April Minutes.

3. Report from Project Manager – Walt Gilmore

The report included, but was not limited to:

Phase 3: Parley's Nature Preserve to Tanner Park

Representatives from Lochner were not able to attend this month's PRATT meeting, so Walt reported out on their behalf. Walt indicated that changes have been made to the Trail alignment through Parley's to Tanner Park, but we have not lost the meandering feel to the Trail. For example, the Trail goes to the north of a group of oak trees. Rita met with Laynee Jones from Lochner in the Parley's Nature Preserve to point out historic locations that the Trail needs to accommodate including a perpetual running spring and the Pioneer Picnic spot. Walt indicated some areas will have a grade will be 10 percent. Rita reported that from a review of the proposed Trail alignment, they had accommodated her requests on behalf of PRATT.

This section is in preliminary design and will be put out to bid at the end 2008.

Phase 4a: Sugar House Park Segment

The drawings are nearly ready to be put out to bid. Stanley Engineering as been working on this segment. We will be combining this segment with Phase 4b to potentially save money on a bid. We hope to put this out to bid and the end of this year. We have enough funds to construct this segment, but may not have sufficient contingency (10%). Funding for this segment is from the Congressional appropriation as well as Salt Lake County Zoo Arts and Parks Fund.

The agreements for the land exchange are at UDOT for signature. Mark Parry with UDOT agreed to follow-up and make sure they are signed shortly. The land exchange is with Salt Lake City and Sugar House Park Authority.

Phase 4b: The Draw at Sugar House

Steve Gilbert from Arc Sitio Design provided an update on The Draw at Sugar House and indicated that he is working with Baker on the two bridges that cross 1300 East. Patricia has been working on the west side on the Draw at the wetlands area. The bulb on the east side of 1300 East will be green aggregate is being moved approximately 20 feet to the south so that the grades are visible. Patricia is working on the details of The Draw now that the grading has been determined. Steve showed the updated clay model to those in attendance and pointed out those items that had experienced more development since the last PRATT meeting. Steve reported on design details including the plantings, the Erastus Snow snake, use of water from the Woodbury development and etc.

Rick Johnston asked about the crossing of 1300 East itself. Steve indicated that there is a four foot opening between the two bridges that allows the sunlight down to the pathway. The east opening of the Draw will be approximately 55 feet and the west side opening will be approximately 22 feet. The height of the pathway is 12 to 16 feet based upon the grade and it will be lighted. A discussion was held regarding the flood control function of The Draw at Sugar House for Parley's Creek.

Lynne Olson asked a question about the location of the staging area for the construction of The Draw at Sugar House. Walt indicated that had not been determined. Lynne also asked a question about the phasing of the construction of The Draw. Walt indicated that had not been decided either and that he would answer both questions at next month's PRATT meeting

Phase 5: Fairmont Park to the Jordan River Parkway (includes the crossing at Roper Yard) aka the UTA Corridor Study

Todd Perkins from Perkins Engineering handed out a Summary Sheet to those in attendance and directed their attention to the scroll plot on the table. Todd indicated the preliminary design has been refined since his last presentation. Maria Vyas will talk about public involvement and agency coordination efforts after Todd's presentation

Segment 1 – Jordan River to West Temple

This segment includes the UTA West Valley LRT.

As the Parley's Trail moves west from the Jordan River area, it is proposed to go through Paul Workman Park. South Salt Lake is considered allowing part of the the Paul Workman Park as a Parley's Trail trailhead. At 900 West, South Salt Lake is open to the construction of a median refuge or a traffic signal to help pedestrians cross the road. Going north along 900 West on the east side of the street will require the purchase of right of way. The property

owner of the trucking company has already sold a portion of the property along his north boundary to UTA. As the Trail proceeds east parallel with the UTA West Valley LRT, the Parley's Trail will be accommodated on the UTA gravel maintenance road to access the power substation on the south side of the retaining walls. PRATT will need to pave the maintenance road when funds are available. The Trail and the maintenance road will be shared use with limited conflict; mainly with light vehicles such as pick up trucks.

The Trail will be accommodated on the bridge and land at 600 West. The Trail bridge at 600 West will not be built by UTA, only the abutments that hold the bridge will be put into place. A bridge similar to the current one on 1-215 will need to be put into place with PRATT's funds. The pre-fabricated bridge is estimated to be approximately \$500,000

The Trail and rail will proceed under the spaghetti bowl along Andy Avenue. At 600 West the rail climbs over Roper Yard and will accommodate the Trail. Approximately eight feet of right of way will need to be purchased 450 West to 300 West and the west side of 300 West. There is a pinch point at 450 West. There will be a modification of the signal at RC Willey and 300 West. Bike lanes will be on Haven Avenue and West Temple.

Maria Vyas from Fehr & Peers discussed Haven Avenue were South Salt Lake has an eight foot right of way that will accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians. There would be striped painted bike lanes that are 4 to 5 feet in width. There are some design issues that will need to be worked out with South Salt Lake that relate to the parking of automobiles and the poor condition of the pavement and sidewalk. In general, there is a lot of redevelopment going on in this area such as the Market Square development. Overall, South Salt Lake is receptive to the Parley's Trail.

Segment 2 – West Temple to Highland Drive (UTA Sugar House Spur)

Todd has been working with UTA on how the Trail fits into the rail corridor. The Trail does fit in the corridor even with a double track rail system. The power poles are problematic as they will need to be moved. There is an historic agreement with Union Pacific and Rocky Mountain Power related to the power poles. UTA does not want to move the power poles and are planning on having the rail as far away as possible from the power poles. For the most part it is a 66 foot right of way for the trail and rail and in some areas only 50 feet which will cause some conflict with the power poles. The bridges at 700 East and State Street will require some power pole re-locations. Steve Aste indicated that for his Market Square development, all power lines will be underground.

The Sugar House BBQ area at 700 East is a 50 feet right of way. The accommodation of the 700 East bridge will need to occur within this 50 foot right of way.

Salt Lake City Public Utilities has a major water transmission line that will be placed in the trail/rail corridor. Chuck Call and Nick Kryger from Salt Lake City Public Utilities are the contact individuals that are at the beginning of the placement of the major water transmission line. Salt Lake City Public Utilities might be willing to construct the Trail, but not facilities.

Todd Perkins' Project Summary is incorporated into these minutes by reference.

General: Budget – Overall and Phase Specific

Walt provided a graphic showing where the funds are being spent and are incorporated into these minutes by reference. Within the last month, the cooperative agreements have been finalized for Phase 3 and 4 for construction reimbursement; fund levels - Phase 3: \$3.7M; 7.1 in Phase 4 a and b. The Draw at Sugar House has been budgeted at \$5M. The cooperative agreements are with UDOT and Salt Lake County.

4. 2008 PRATT Budget Preparation and Approval

Lynne provided a budget based upon expenses we have had incurred in the past as indicated by Suzanne Weaver's bookkeeping records. Rita indicated that the PRATT board members have had several months to review it. Lynne prepared this budget for the Patagonia grant application. Lynne pointed out that some expenses are only one time such as Patricia Johansen's design. The signage also falls into this category. Our operating budget is in the range of \$10,000 annually. Suzanne Weaver indicated that from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 our operating expenses were \$12,441 dollars. Lynne indicated we have never a budget that was prepared in anticipation of expenses. Rather, we just paid for expenses as they come up.

It was indicated that \$200,000 is needed to complete The Draw with the art elements as intended by Patricia Johansen. The \$500,000 for the prefab bridge at 600 West should be included in the budget.

Robin and George indicated it is necessary that we separate trail building (capital) and maintenance expenses from operational funds in the 2008-09 budget.

We do have a fund for trail maintenance expenses that is provided for by the Negley Flinn Foundation.

Lynne was asked if she would work on separating out the budget for capital expenses, on going trail maintenance and operational funds.

No quorum was present to vote.

5. Utah Nonprofits Association Ethical Standards Statement Affirmation

No quorum was present to vote. Rita asked that all board members review the Ethical Standards Statement Affirmation.

6. Vice Chair Reports (3 minutes each)

- Robin Carbaugh, Rick Johnston and George Ramjouw – Co-Vice Chairs for Project Coordination
Already has been covered by items in Walt's report.

- Ken Jones - Vice-Chair for Government Relations

No report as Ken was not in attendance.

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

Ira Sachs has forwarded to Lynne a map (prepared by Salt Lake County) of information on the potential for a Trail from Parley's Crossing up Parley's Canyon. Walt indicated that Ira is trying to do some development up the canyon and trying to persuade the City and the County that the development is a good idea to build his development with very steep slopes. The trail has already been determined as a result of a settlement from litigation. Rita indicated that he has applied to the Salt Lake City and Salt Lake County Open Space funds for funds to build the trail. Walt indicated there is also another study being completed by Baker that would take the trail to Summit Park.

- _____ - Vice-Chair for Fundraising

No chair. Robin asked board members to create a list of names that we could visit with and asked them who they think would be interested in the Parley's Trail.

- Steve Lester – Vice-Chair for Volunteer Coordination

No report as Steve was not in attendance. Call Steve if you can volunteer for the upcoming Trails Day on Saturday, June 7th and the Venture Outdoors Festival.

- Helen M. Peters – Secretary

No quorum was present to vote on April's minutes.

- Suzanne Weaver – Treasurer

Checking Account Balance is \$6,323.50 as of April 30, 2008

Savings Account Balance is \$27,908.55 much of which is restricted.

7. Other Business

Board Retreat:

Date: Wednesday, July 2, 2008

Time: 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Place: Salt Lake County Government Center located at 2001 South State Street, Room S4017 (Park and Recreation Conference Room); south building on the fourth floor.

FYI –

Venture Outdoors Festival at Canyon Rim Park – Saturday, June 14th

Sugar House Arts Festival – July 4th

Steve Aste provided information about Elite Modeling Agency for all to review.

8. Next Meeting:

PRATT Executive Committee

The PRATT Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month. Here is the schedule for 2008:

July 16th

August 13th

September 10th

October 8th

November 12th

December 10th

PRATT Board Meeting

The PRATT Board meetings have now been changed to the fourth Wednesday of each month. Here is the schedule for 2008:

Unless otherwise arranged, all meetings are held at the Salt Lake County Government Center located at 2001 South State Street; however, room locations change from time to time.

Date	Room
June 25 th	S3009 (Note Room Change)
July 23 rd	S1002
August 27 th	S1002
September 24 th	S1002
October 22 nd	S3009
November 26 th	S1002
December 24 th	S1002 (we will change the date closer to December)