

Bountiful Trails Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 15, 2021

Present: BTAC Committee Members – Jesse Bell, Brad Hansen, Bret Hutchings, Bob Larsen (Chair), Melanie Larsen, Eric Rasmussen, Clint Watson (Vice-Chair); City Staff – Francisco Astorga, Brock Hill, Curtis Poole Trail Partners: Jeff Oyler, Davis County Planning Manager Visitors: Joshua Anding, Phil Bailey, Councilwoman Bradshaw, Laura Graham, Richard Hatch, Cindi Opdycke

1. Welcome

Chairman Larsen opened the meeting and minutes were reviewed.

2. Bonneville Shoreline Trail Update

Mr. Oyler provided an update for construction of the BST. Mr. Oyler indicated that construction would begin in May in Mueller Park and would be completed by the end of the year at the County's southern border. The trail section for this year will include 16 miles starting at Kenny Creek Trail, running through Mueller Park and North Canyon and then connecting to the BST in Salt Lake County. Ms. Larsen wanted to know if the County was working with the Forest Service on access to or through the existing parking area. Mr. Oyler said no talks have happened and Mr. Poole confirmed there had not been any talks between the City and Forest Service. Mr. Poole said he and Mr. Oyler could unite and approach the Forest Service together.

3. Grant Update

Mr. Poole and Mr. Watson gave the Committee an update of the GOED regional grant. GOED felt that Bountiful was too premature for this year but would be an excellent candidate for next year. Mr. Poole explained this would be ideal as many large projects would be on the schedule for next year.

4. Trail Design Bid Update

Mr. Poole explained the RFP has been approved to design the trails that would require NEPA approval. The RFP will be given to a few trail builders to have them provide their bids. Because of the estimated dollar amounts the City Council will need to approve the designer. The plan is to bring the bids before the City Council on May 11th.

5. Service Opportunities

Ms. Larsen discussed the possible ideas for service opportunities for April 24th. The Committee decided on building the multi-user trail in North Canyon, with a few volunteers needed to finish the downhill trail in North Canyon. An electronic sign-up has been created and will be used to track volunteers and hours. Ms. Larsen explained the local high school mountain bike clubs are in need of service hours and asked about interns for the Trails Committee. The Committee felt it would be a good idea to get some additional help from the clubs for upcoming service days. Mr. Poole will provide a document to Ms. Larsen that would be similar to the application used for Trails Committee membership. The Committee decided the next month's service date will be May 22nd.

6. Committee Updates

Mr. Bell indicated he wanted to review trail signage designs at the next meeting and would come with some examples for the Committee to review. Mr. Poole showed the Committee the updated Implementation Timeline showing the trails that would require NEPA approval. He will provide this timeline to the Committee. Mr. Hill indicated the bridge designs are completed for Holbrook Canyon and would be ready for the May service opportunity. He indicated the Committee would need to decide on the final placement. Mr. Poole and Ms. Larsen indicated the Forest Service walked the trail with them and gave them location options for each of the bridges. Mr. Poole indicated the last bridge would be very complicated because of the steeper terrain between the banks.

7. City Update

The next meeting was scheduled for May 6th. The Committee wanted to add the Holbrook bridges and sign design for the next Trails Committee agenda. Chairman Larsen adjourned the meeting and thanked the visitors who had come.