

Greater Avenues Community Council Board Meeting
Sweet Library, 9th Avenue and F Street
Wednesday, January 10, 2017, 7:00 PM

7:02 PM - Brian welcomes community with celebratory Super Bowl victory message

Update from SLCFD Station 4: Go to slcfire.com to sign up for their weekly newsletter. They're also hiring this spring and information can be found at the previous site.

Det. Gibic, SLCPD: There have been a number of violent crimes south of the Avenues. Rare strong-arm robberies occurred, and perpetrators have been caught. There was also a stabbing in City Creek Canyon that appears to not be a random incident. Crime stats can be found on their website, SLCPD.com. The SLCPD will also be hosting the Citizen's Academy, where residents can learn about the department's work. Det. Lovell, who used to hold Gibic's position, was assaulted a few months ago, but is recovering and is back on duty. Det. Gibic also had some tips on when to call 911 and how to respond to those who seem not to belong in the neighborhood. Det. Gibic can't follow along on Nextdoor, please message him directly. Be aware that the city is experiencing an outbreak of Hepatitis A amongst the homeless community. For updates on Operation Rio Grande, see Operationriogrande.utah.gov.

Chris Wharton, City Council Member, discusses the council's 2018 priorities. They will include infrastructure (streets, sidewalks, drainage), funding the transit master plan, and planning developments for the city's Northwest Quadrant, which may become a large inland port. He talked about the challenge facing the council as the state seeks a piece of the fiscal pie and they seek jurisdiction. The land encompasses between 4000 and 22000 acres that represents a huge economic boon. The legislature, led by Greg Hughes, plans to establish a new authority that will oversee this area and the prison redevelopment. The legislature hopes to establish by the end of the session, council members will be meeting with legislators on the hill on Monday. The plan may also contribute to air quality issues, putting it over legal attainment limits. For comparison, there is a similar port in Kansas City.

Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck also spoke on the NW Quadrant. She asked Chris about the Utah League of Cities and Towns, who strongly supports the city vs. the state in this struggle. Email rchouck@le.utah.gov and ask to be added to her newsletter to receive legislative updates. She worries that controversial bills are appearing earlier in the session than in the past. If you have questions or want to show support or opposition, address emails with the title of the bill in question (not just the number) and say "I am a constituent" or include the neighborhood in which you live. Be Rebecca's eyes and ears and let her know if you see something problematic. She is concerned about the inland port and the precedent which it may set, and is also concerned with Rep. Noel's water bill.

7:51 PM - Michael Hughes presents 2017 budget and spending. Budget is approved by vote of the community.

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8:00 - Kerry Kelly gives presentation on air quality issues, specifically related to differing air quality monitors and their reliability. For more information, see airu.coe.utah.edu or aqandu.org. Also see attached presentation.

8:20 - Phil Carroll asks, "What do we rely on for AQ?" Kelly says that the Division of Air Quality (<http://air.utah.gov/>) or the UtahAir app for smartphones is a great source for current levels. Kerry tells us that $\frac{1}{3}$ of particulate matter directly enters the environment from source. The other $\frac{2}{3}$ happens when other emissions react in the air. Emissions are declining steadily, but particulate matter levels are dropping more slowly. The DAQ is trying to find sources of high ammonia levels. An N95 mask can be used to filter while commuting or outdoors.

8:28: Gwen Springmeyer, who has worked for UCAIR, talks about behaviors we can all use to reduce emissions. See attached photo for her presentation. Highlights include trip chaining, paying attention to smog ratings when purchasing a new vehicle (which has recently been recalibrated), UTA's rideshare program, Tier 3 gas, and coming up with an air quality plan for your family to enact on dangerous days.

8:44: General announcements:

DRAW Inc., a gallery at 752 6th Ave, will co-host a show with HEAL Utah during Friday evening's (February 16) gallery stroll, from 6-9 PM. There will be a panel and show by environmental activist Elizabeth Bunker.

The 10th East Senior Center needs support to remain open, and are hosting a family-oriented celebration of the building on Monday, February 12 from 4-7. The presentation on architecture will take place at 6. The center also needs volunteers for programming, if you have an interest or talent to share, please leave contact information at the desk or email Brenda at boberg@slco.org.

Saving Snow, a film on how climate change is affecting our winters, will be screened on Saturday, March 3rd at the Sweet Library.

Photographs of materials from meeting:f

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