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Chair's Message for October

On September 10, we enjoyed a marvelous Street Fair on 2nd Avenue. Please see Daniel Gaffin and Kathryn Wright's articles on Page 4. Planning for next year begins soon. Please get in touch with me if you want to be part of this fantastic annual event.



Now we look forward to October. The **GACC Community Meeting on October 5** is all about our Public Lands. We will learn about the Parks, Trails, and Open Space **General Obligation Bond**, which will be on the ballot in November. This information is essential because it impacts our neighborhoods and taxes. This presentation by Public Lands staff will provide some details but for more information, go to the Parks Department page on the SLC Website <https://www.slc.gov/parks/parks-division/>. We will hear about the Rocky Mountain Power **Transmission Line Reconstruction Project** to mitigate wildfire risk along the foothills. Please see the article on page 3. We will get information about the plan to create an **I Street Bike Park Management Plan**, including a Stakeholders Working Group. Please see the article also on page 3.

The GACC Nomination Committee will present the **Slate of Officers and Board Members for 2023** at the October meeting. If you want to be a member of the GACC Board, please contact Dave Alderman at 281-435-9080 or davealderman@hotmail.com. He will take nominations right up to the day of the meeting and accept nominations at the meeting. The vote will be at the November 2 meeting. Please see the article on page 6.

In addition to the GACC Meeting, October is a busy month.

- Saturday, **October 1**, there will be a U of U **Football Game and Homecoming**, with tailgating at 10am and kickoff at 12pm.
- On **October 1 and 2**, there will be a fun event at the **Fisher Mansion**, 1206 W 200 S, with food, beverages, events, games, and live music from 12:00 to 8:00 pm. <https://www.slc.gov/calendar/events/isher-mansion-beer-garden/>
- Monday, **October 10**, is **Indigenous Peoples' Day** (State & Federal holiday, formerly Columbus Day).
- Wednesday, **October 12**, is the **LDS Hospital Drive-thru Flu Shot Clinic**. Please see details on page 5.
- Fall Break** for Salt Lake District Schools is **October 13 and 14**.
- On Saturday, **October 15**, you have the opportunity to join your neighbors to **Help Keep Memory Grove Beautiful**. Volunteers are needed to help weed and revegetate plant beds and the hillside at the entrance of Memory Grove Park at 400 North Canyon Road. The plan is to start the three-hour event at 9:00 am. The planting beds at the gate and immediate hillside will be cleared of weeds and other pernicious plants and replanted with water-wise perennials. Dress for the weather and bring work gloves. SLC Parks will provide the gardening tools. You may email preserve@memorygrovefoundation.org with questions.

GACC in Person and Virtual Meeting October 5th, 2022

- 5:30 to 6:00 **Informal Candidate Meet and Greet outside the front door of the Library**
- 6:00 to 6:15 **SLC Parks Bond** – SLC Public Lands
- 6:15 to 6:30 **Rocky Mountain Power Wildfire Mitigation Project** – Lisa Romney
- 6:30 to 6:55 **I Street Bike Park Management Plan**
Tyler Fonarow, SLC Trails Manager
- 6:55 to 7:00 **GACC Nominating Committee Report**
Dave Alderman
- 7:00 to 7:40 **Community Reports: Fire, Police, Legislature, City Council, SLC School Board, Mayor's Office, Public Land, Library, LDS Hospital**
- 7:40 to 7:50 **Open Forum**
- 7:50 to 8:00 **Clean Up and Adjourn**

The GACC October 5 Community Meeting will be a hybrid. Meet in person at the Sweet Library, 455 F Street, or join with Zoom. We will post the Zoom Meeting Link and Password at [http://slc-avenues.org/](http://slc-avenues.org) at 5:00 pm on October 5.

The October 15 cleanup is a supplement to the annual Memory Grove Cleanup, which will happen again next May.

- On **October 15**, there is a U of U **Football Game**, time TBD.
- On Monday, **October 17**, watch for the **Active Shooter Drill** at the LDS Hospital from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The Intermountain Healthcare Emergency Management and Security team and the hospital staff will conduct the event with the SLC Police Department, Unified Police Department, Fire Department & EMS, and Gold Cross Ambulance. **THIS IS ONLY A DRILL** and will bring together the various stakeholders to experience a mock scenario and discuss how the professions can work together to build communication and coordination. D Street will be closed between 8th and 9th Avenues from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. If you have questions, please get in touch with Celeste Peterson, Emergency Management Coordinator, 801-408-1170, or Brandy A. Lee, Public Relations 801-408-1285.
- During the week of **October 17**, watch for the **November 8 Election Ballots** to arrive in your mail. Ballots must be returned by mail to the Salt Lake County Clerk's Office by Election Day, put in a drop box, or delivered to the Clerk's office by November 7. There will also be in-person voting early and on Election Day.

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GACC Community Meeting - Hybrid

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GACC Board Meeting - Hybrid

October 12th at 6:00 pm, Sweet Library. All are welcome. If you wish to participate or for special accommodations, contact GACC Chair Gwen Springmeyer at gaccchair@slc-avenues.org.

Community Resources

Free Yoga Class Open to All. Tuesday and Thursday 8:30-9:30 AM, LDS Chapel 135 A Street. Bring your own mat and a strap if you have one. Questions, Barbara Cramer 801 355-1856.

Tenth East Senior Center 237 S 1000 E, enter on the north side for plenty of parking in the rear. Hours: M-F, 7:00 am-4:00 pm with Lunch: 11:30-12:15. Call 385 468-3140 or check the website which is updated frequently: <https://slco.org/tenth-east-senior-center/>.

Sign up at the front desk or call for these special programs:

-**Creative Writing group** starts October 19, meeting once a month 12:30-2:00.

-**Get great advice from Mary Boyer**, a Medicare Specialist, on the second Tuesday each month at 11:30 or set up a one-on-one appointment with Mary.

Neighborhood Avenues Exercise Class.

Mondays and Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. FREE! Everyone Welcome! Contact Jan Root for our current location and for any questions at 801-455-2082, janroot@xmission.com.

Share your Thoughts on the new Utah Flag designs!

Follow this link <https://lag.utah.gov/inal-lag-designs/> and give your feedback on the new Utah Flag before October 5.

The Agenda

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For more information about the upcoming elections, visit <https://slco.org/clerk/elections/vote-by-mail/>. You can register to vote, check your voter registration status, and learn about the candidates at vote.utah.gov. Please participate in this important democratic process.

• On Wednesday, October 19, please join us for a Candidate Forum and Meet the Candidates Social sponsored by Greater Avenues, Capitol Hills, and Fairpark Community Councils. All candidates on the November ballot will be invited to participate, from US Senate candidates to our local School Board race. Please join us at the Memorial House in Memory Grove at 6:00 pm. There will be light refreshments.

October is usually a delightful month with pleasant weather and vivid fall colors. Please take time in your busy schedule to enjoy. I look forward to seeing you at our GACC meetings or the activities listed above.

The Salt Lake City Trails Alliance stands for Trails For Everyone and believes an improved and well-planned network of foothills trails that accommodates the needs of all users improves the quality of life and helps make Salt Lake City a unique and attractive 'world-class city'. Contact: Ashley Patterson at slctrailsalliance@gmail.com, or visit www.slctrailsalliance.org/, <https://www.facebook.com/slctrailsalliance>, or <https://www.instagram.com/slctrailsalliance/>.

Dogs on Leash! Dogs on Leash! In Salt Lake County dogs are required to be on a six-foot leash, unless otherwise posted, such as at off-leash dog parks.

It is always best to assume your dog needs to be on a leash unless you see signage saying otherwise or you are on your own private property. These laws are enforced by Salt Lake County Animal Services and owners failing to keep their dogs on leash may face a civil citation or a Class B misdemeanor. Go to <https://www.dogfriendlyslc.com/blog/utah-dog-leash-laws> for information on dog leash laws and penalties. Go to <https://www.slc.gov/parks/salt-lake-city-off-leash-dog-areas/> for a list of SLC's 19 Off Leash Dog Areas.

How to Make a Civil Complaint or Report a Crime

If you want to report activity, such as graffiti or illegal camping, you can use the Salt Lake City Mobile App. Go to <https://www.slc.gov/request-report/> for additional information and to download the App. This is a great way to get things done right away. Information submitted on this App goes straight to the teams established to take care of the problem by providing clean-up services, homeless resources, etc., but it does not get reported to the police department. If you want the police to have the information you should report to the non-emergency line at the PD, (801)799-3000, or submit an online police report at www.slcpcd.com. If you are aware of a crime in progress or an emergency, call 911 immediately. If you have questions, Contact Detective Marie Stewart, the Community Liaison Officer for the Avenues at Marie.Stewart@slcgov.com.

Save Our Foothills Save Our Foothills advocates for environmental protection and preservation of the Salt Lake City Foothills. Utilizing careful land use, management and maintenance planning, and instilling outdoor recreation and etiquette education, we may responsibly enjoy these vulnerable lands and diverse ecosystems today, while ensuring their survival for tomorrow. For more information visit www.slcfoothills.org, or Instagram & Facebook [@saveourfoothills](https://www.instagram.com/saveourfoothills).

Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher: Saggiest Bird in the Foothills

by Maria Goller



I've loved birds since before I could talk. They're a joy to listen to and observe, and they've evolved to do anything and everything you can imagine. I've traveled to see the ancient, flightless birds in New Zealand and the moon-walking manakins of Central and South America. One of my

very favorite birds, however, nests in our foothills. Tiny with a long tail, dark eyebrows, and a sassy personality, Blue-gray Gnatcatchers are only slightly larger than hummingbirds. They raise their babies in small, soft nests in our Gambel's oak woodlands before heading back to Mexico for the fall and winter. There's something incredibly charismatic about these minuscule acrobats. They flick and fan out their tails as they forage for winged insects, using the movement to disturb potential prey, all the while chatting away in their friendly, buzzing language.

My favorite memory of gnatcatchers is of finding a female singing while incubating her eggs. She ignored me, singing very softly to herself and throwing imitations of goldfinch and jay into the complex medley of sounds. I was silent and still, afraid to disturb her, as her song continued. *[Only about 6% of the world's birds are able to imitate or mimic sounds! While I love hearing any bird mimicking sounds, I especially love hearing a tiny bird copying the sounds of a Red-tailed Hawk or other predator. It's special and endearing.]* After a long time, I wished her well and slipped away.

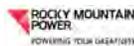
While Blue-gray Gnatcatchers are quite bold, they need peace and quiet to raise their babies. The most important way we can help gnatcatchers and other birds is to protect undisturbed patches of habitat. Climate change threatens all birds and as summer temperatures soar, our scrub-oak woodlands become more and more important.

Salt Lake City Foothills Wildfire Mitigation Project

by Lisa Romney



SLC Foothills Wildfire Mitigation
Transmission line project (46 kV wood modified to 138 kV steel)



As part of our commitment to providing safe, reliable, and efficient energy to our customers, Rocky Mountain Power is undertaking a transmission line reconstruction project to mitigate wildfire risk along the foothills of Salt Lake City. This project includes 2.5 miles of transmission line in the foothills north and

northeast of the Avenues. Crews will replace aging wooden poles with new weathering steel structures and install new communication technologies that will help reduce the risk of utility-caused wildfires. Rocky Mountain Power crews will begin working to replace the aging line this fall or the coming spring. Construction may cause temporary disruption to trail users. Construction information will be posted at trailheads and shared with the community council. We appreciate your patience as we upgrade infrastructure for the community's long-term benefit.

For more information and questions, please get in touch with Robert Hamilton, **Rocky Mountain Power Sr. Environmental/Cultural Analyst**, at 801-200-4660 or robert.hamilton@rockymountainpower.net

The I-Street Bike Park

by Tyler Fonarow, SLC Recreational Trails Manager

The I-Street Bike Park, located about 600 feet northwest of the 18th Avenue Trailhead, lies on an SLC Public Utilities open space parcel and has been a recreation destination for cyclists who started building jumps at this site in the late 1990s. Through their dedication and hard work, the creation of a volunteer-led, bike-community asset has evolved over the last two decades. As the park's popularity has grown, the SLC Public Lands Department has partnered with Public Utilities to supervise the park's management through local bike advocate organizations who understood the expectations necessary to keep the park running well. In the last two years, the partnering supervising bike organization lost its leadership at a time when there was a predictable spike in the park's use during the pandemic. This block of new users has been utilizing the park without the mentorship and supervision of an organization that is familiar with the park's expectations. This has led to concerns about user safety, community safety, and the conservation of our natural environment. Additionally, Public Utilities has significant urban water system infrastructure around and under the park, which needs to be protected.

It is the desire of the City, as the property owner and land manager, to keep the park open as a community asset while protecting and supporting the needs of our adjacent natural lands and neighborhoods. Thus, the **Public Lands and Public Utilities Departments are initiating a Stakeholder Working Group to assist the City in the creation of the I Street Bike Park Management Plan.** This working group will consist of City staff, park users, and Avenues community members. The group will consult with community members, and various City departments, including Fire, Police, SLC911, Sustainability, Transportation, and Streets, to ensure we have the most well-rounded, effective plan possible. The ultimate goal is to respect the neighborhood and community, keep riders and builders safe and fun, and keep the park open for future generations.

Please visit our I-Street website for further information: <https://www.slccity.gov/parks/i-street-bike-park-guidelines/>.

UTA Planning & Engagement

by Megan Waters, UTA Community Engagement Director

In August, UTA implemented service changes across the Wasatch Front as part of the "Change Day" process – a Change Day is implemented 1-3 times per year to adjust service to better meet the needs or adjust for constraints, with most major changes occurring in August annually. While UTA is continuously monitoring and evaluating our service, no changes to service are warranted at this time.

If you have feedback, please contact UTA Customer Service at 801-743-3882 or rideuta@rideuta.com. Additionally, UTA provides an individualized notification service called "service alerts," which allows people to subscribe to specific and/or general updates for UTA routes and information - sign up at rideuta.com/signup. You can also download the Transit app and follow UTA on social media to get the latest information (Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook: [@RideUTA](https://www.instagram.com/RideUTA)).

This fall, UTA will be revising the Five-Year Service Plan and creating a new Long Range Transit Plan. These plans will serve as guides for future transit service and inform periodic changes, based on the best available information, which includes local and regional plans, community needs, equity, accessibility, ridership, transit propensity, budgetary constraints, operator constraints and more.

Visit rideuta.com/FYSP to learn more and get involved.

Street Fair Success!!

by Daniel Gaffin - Avenues Street Fair Chair 2022

We couldn't have asked for a more perfect day for this year's street fair! I have to admit that I was a bit worried as we were hitting record temperatures earlier in the week that we were in for a scorcher, but the weather did a 180 and everyone turned out in droves. As we feverishly set up two stages for the bands and 200 booths in the dark at 6am, we knew it was the making for a busy day. Kicking off



the day's festivities, the Children's Parade was as lively as ever; the energy was contagious and brought smiles and cheers from everyone. Throughout the day, I continually ran into you, my friends and neighbors, only to hear how wonderful the day and how appreciative you were that this event existed.

It wouldn't exist without you - the community, and all of you that generously donated your time.

Thank you to our many volunteers (too many to list!) who spent countless hours selecting just the right mix of food, entertainment, and artistic talent to make this year's event a hit for everyone.

Our featured artist, Deborah Day, created a wonderful piece of art that truly represents the Avenues. It was so popular that we completely sold out of our t-shirts! I also want to thank our numerous corporate sponsors, vendors, churches, etc., each of which donated in various ways.

We would not be able to do this without them. An even bigger thank you to our friends and neighbors on 2nd Avenue; you helped us throw the party of the year and we couldn't think of a more picturesque venue than your front yard. The transformation of 2nd Avenue over a 24-hour period was an incredible site to see. I want to thank everyone who participated in planning the event as well as those who helped with day-of activities. The Avenues Street Fair is all about community. It is truly one of the things I love most about our neighborhood.

The Street Fair is the annual fundraiser for the Greater Avenues Community Council. As mentioned, it was a great success! We now have the funds to continue our involvement and support of our great community. Please stay tuned as we work with you to determine our next project. Previous projects and initiatives have included the Popperton Plots Community Garden, Memory Grove Clean-up, and Avenues Community Choir. This newsletter is also able to exist because of funds generated from the Street Fair, the support of our volunteers and the generosity of the LDS Hospital.

I know I have said it many times in this brief article, but it really cannot be said enough. Thank you to all that participated. Be sure to mark your calendars for next year's fair - always in early September! The location? Well that's a surprise for which you'll have to wait - unless you want to help us decide, then please reach out and join us. We will start planning for next year very soon!

We Thank Our 2022 Sponsors: Salt Lake City Corporation, Google Fiber, Chevron, Zions Bank, Mike Evertsen-Plumb & Co. Realtors, Inter-mountain Healthcare/LDS Hospital, Capitol Hill Construction, Salt Lake Regional Medical Center, Böhme, Salt Lake Ensign Stake, Salt Lake Emigration Stake, SLUG Magazine, Utah Stories, Salt Lake City Weekly, Salt Lake Magazine and Smith's Food & Drug. We thank all the local businesses and day-of vendors who donated to our opportunity drawing!



2022 people's Art Gallery Winners

by Kathryn Wright

Judges: Louise Fischman and Wayne Geary

0-9 First Place - William C.
Second Place - Fern G.
Third Place - Bryce Barker

10-14 First Place - Katie Kim
Second Place - Irene Dogray
Third Place - Divna Porter

15-18 First Place - Noah Rice
Second Place - Veronica Black

Adult Amateur

First Place - Zosia Węglarz
Second Place - Abby Citterma
Third Place - Mary Zimmerman

Adult Professional

First Place - Danielle Breneman
Second Place - Annette Campbell
Third Place - Laura Seitz



People's Choice Award Winner:
Off Leash by Noah Rice

Wildfire Preparation Tip!

by Shane Carlson

I am writing this on September 15th. We've just had some rain and are expecting more. Still, wildfire danger in the foothills surrounding the Avenues remains extreme (<https://utahfireinfo.gov/>).

So far this year, most of Utah has been fortunate. The northwestern United States has been less so. Last January, the Superior, Colorado wildfire demonstrated to everyone that under the wrong conditions, devastating fires can occur at any time.

I want to thank everyone for being responsible with fire this summer. Let's keep our guard up and buy time for home owners to cleanup yard litter that has accumulated over the summer and for those of us at high risk to harden our properties.

As always, go to our Avenues Firewise web page for more tips and information on protecting our community: <https://www.slc-avenues.org/our-neighborhood/wildfire-preparedness>.

Thanks to Mary Schaub for her donation of the People's Choice Award.

Local Businesses: Our circulation is just under 9,000 monthly. You can reach every home in the Avenues with an ad in this space at very reasonable rates. Info: treasurer@slc-avenues.org

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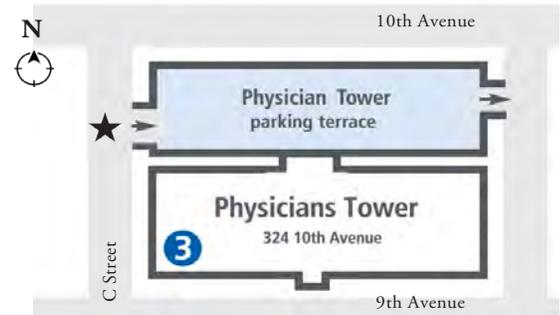
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LDS Hospital Drive-thru Free Flu Shot Clinic

Wednesday, October 12 | From 6 - 8 p.m.

Enter the west side of the north Physician Parking lot off of C Street between 9th and 10th Avenue. Please keep every-one in the car and we will administer vaccines through the windows and/or doors of the vehicle. Masks are optional when you arrive.

To learn more about why Flu vaccines are so important this season, visit IntermountainHealthcare.org/Flu



Scenes From the Street Fair - Saturday, September 10th!



Please email any photos you have of the Street Fair to streetfair@slc-avenues.org.

Proposed Trailhead Improvements

The Salt Lake City Foothills Trail System Plan proposes the addition of new accessible and sustainable trailhead alignments at five locations, three of which are in the Avenues! They are the Salt Dome at 651 Bonneville Blvd., on Popperton Way, and 18th Avenue/Hilltop Road.

For more information on the five trailhead designs, visit <https://www.slc.gov/parks/slc-foothills-trailhead-infrastructure-improvement-project/>

The trailheads will support greater public demand for open space access, recreational opportunities and will help reduce parking impacts in neighborhoods adjacent to the Foothills Natural Area.

The City has committed \$1.3M, which has been matched by a generous grant from the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation for the five trailheads.

Public Lands would like your input on the project design and the amenities you would like prioritized at each trailhead. Take the survey at <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/346fdf7ca8804d76ab201d44f6d2aad0>.

Bonneville Blvd.



18th Avenue/Hilltop Road



Popperton Way



Questions? Please reach out to Public Lands Recreational Trails Manager Tyler Fonarow at Tyler.Fonarow@slcgov.com



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Memory Grove Beautification Effort Set for October 15

On Saturday, October 15, the Memory Grove Foundation is hosting a weeding and planting party, 9:00 a.m. to noon. Plan to join your neighbors to Help Keep Memory Grove Beautiful!

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The planting beds at the gate and immediate hillside will be cleared of weeds then replanted with water-wise perennials. Dress for the weather and bring work gloves. SLC Parks will provide the gardening tools.

Email preserve@memorygrovefoundation.org with any questions. See more information about our foundation and take our survey at <https://memorygrovefoundation.org/>.

Ask Shannon



For questions on recycling or ways to reduce household waste, email shannonbmacmillan@gmail.com.

For info on recycling unusual items visit <https://www.slc.gov/sustainability/waste-management/additional-recycling-resources/>.

Recycling Tip:

Cardboard boxes should be flattened. The packaging tape or metal staples do not have to be removed off a box that has been mailed but paper mills that ultimately reuse this material would much prefer that the tape or staples are taken off.

Many shipping solutions have moved to glued/paper based tape for smaller packages. Huge boxes may need to be folded or cut the flattened box in half for it to fit in your recycling.

GACC Elections

by Dave Alderman



At our October General Meeting, a representative of the GACC Nominating Committee will announce a tentative slate of candidates for the 2023 Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and Board membership. Council members (any resident or business owner in the Avenues) may submit their name or additional nominations for any of these positions at that meeting. (Nominations from the floor are only allowed if the individual nominated is present, agrees to the nomination and meets eligibility requirements.) The GACC Nominating committee is responsible for verifying the eligibility of all candidates prior to the November election.

The election will be held at our November General Meeting and will include only final candidates presented that night by the Nominating Committee.

Both the October and November General Meetings will be hybrid, with both in-person and Zoom options. See Page 1.

GACC Hybrid Meeting!

October 5, 2022

6:00 p.m. at the Sweet Library
 455 North F Street at 9th Avenue

And on Zoom!

Go to www.slc-avenues.org
 at 5:00 p.m. on October 5th
 to get the Zoom link and passcode.

GACC Member Spotlight: Peggy Alderman



Shortly after Dave and I moved into our house in West Federal Heights in 2012, The Agenda newsletter was dropped through the mail slot. We decided to attend a GACC meeting the next month, and our lives have never been the same! I joined the Board later that year and served for four years as Secretary. I became very involved on the planning committee for the Street Fair immediately and love seeing our

neighborhood come together every year and celebrate this amazing place. I currently serve on the Avenues Community Projects Committee to help ensure the Avenues stays amazing. In this past decade, through the Community Council, I have developed a slew of friendships and discovered a myriad of ways to be involved in this fabulous neighborhood, city and state that we now call home.

Avenues Housing Committee Update

Your Avenues Housing Committee is continuing its monitoring of the City's various Housing proposals that could help address housing affordability. See Page 9 and 10 for current City news.

The City's Planning Division has determined current zoning standards in the RMF-30 zone do not allow for multi-family developments – three or more units – on an average size lot in the district. At its September 20th meeting, the City Council discussed proposed changes to RMF-30, as well as Shared Housing and updates to SLC's Off-Street Parking Regulations. Any Council action on these items will happen at a later date. See more info here: <https://rmf-30-zoning-changes-slcgov.hub.arcgis.com/>

The Council has been asked to consider addressing the Housing Loss Mitigation ordinance, ordinances that allow adaptive reuse as a strategy to increase housing quickly, and to clarify definitions in various zoning ordinances. Email gaccchair@slc-avenues.org.



Environmental Tip

by Tom Brooks



At last, FALL is officially here. This year's record number of 32 days of 100° temperatures are behind us (until next year).

The two most relevant environmental tips for now are: 1. If you have a lawn, it no longer needs to be watered. 2. Install a "Smart Thermostat". For every degree you lower your thermostat during the winter, the EPA reports that you can save 4% on your fuel bill.

I have to give a shout out to my neighbors on Tomahawk Drive for installing solar panels. As of the last newsletter, the number is increasing by 5-6. Electric vehicle purchases are on the rise too.



Salt Lake City Housing Initiative

Thriving In Place: Phase One Summary

What We Heard | What We Learned | What Comes Next

Phase One of Thriving in Place was completed in Summer 2022. We heard from thousands of residents and had hundreds of hours of conversation to understand the extent of displacement risk in Salt Lake City, its impacts and ideas about how to respond in the city's anti-displacement strategy. Following is a short summary. You can read the full Phase One Report by visiting: www.ThrivingInPlaceSLC.org.

What We Heard and Learned

The results of Phase One are a call to action. The full report details what we did, who we heard from, what they said, and what we learned from the data analysis. Here are key takeaways:

- **Displacement in Salt Lake City is significant and getting worse**, and is an issue of high concern in the community.
- There are **no "more affordable" neighborhoods in Salt Lake City** where lower income families can move once displaced. This is a particularly striking finding; something that UDP has not seen before in their work around the country.
- Salt Lake City is growing and **there are not enough housing units overall, and a significant lack of affordable units for low-income families**.
- Almost **half of Salt Lake City's renter households are rent burdened**, spending over 30 percent of their income on housing, making them highly vulnerable when rents increase.
- Displacement affects **more than half of White households in Salt Lake City and disproportionately affects households of color**.
- The **patterns of displacement reflect historic patterns of discrimination and segregation**, with areas experiencing high displacement risk closely aligning with areas that were redlined in the past.

Additional Resources:

- [Study UDP's Displacement Analysis](#) for Salt Lake City, including maps showing displacement risk around the city and region.
- [Download the Community Survey Data Viewer](#) to see how responses varied by income, Council District and more.
- [Explore the details of community input](#) from Phase One interviews, focus groups and youth workshops.

RENTERS RIGHTS WORKSHOP - October 19, 2022 from 6:30 to 8:30pm
Sorenson Unity Center, 1383 S 900 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84104



Salt Lake City Housing Initiatives - continued. Thriving in Place - What Comes Next

Now comes Phase Two, when we work together to define our course of action.

To get started, we've drafted **Guiding Principles**. These will be refined and modified through community input and engagement in the months ahead.



1. Be pro-housing *and* pro-tenant.

- Incentivize new residential development where it will benefit the most people.
- Discourage new development where it will do the most harm.
- Enact policies that protect renters living in affordable homes.
- Establish policies and programs to minimize displacement from new development.



2. Increase housing options and choices *everywhere*.

- Create gentle infill and rental housing opportunities in every neighborhood.
- Support new housing at all income levels.
- Incentivize lower priced for-sale housing to provide homeownership opportunities to moderate and lower income people.
- Make it easy and attractive to build affordable housing.



3. Invest in equitable development.

- Increase spending on rental assistance and affordable housing construction and develop new funding sources to make it possible.
- Maximize community ownership of housing through mission-driven nonprofits, coops, shared housing, public housing, and land trusts.
- Support living wage jobs.
- Support cultural institutions, locally owned businesses and public spaces that help communities thrive in place.



4. Make sure the economics work.

- Incentivize projects that are catalytic and align with guiding principles.
- Target incentives in the areas where new development will have the least displacement impacts and maximum benefit.
- Ensure policies and regulations are meeting guiding principles and provide for flexibility to adjust as needed.
- Prioritize affordability in land use policy implementation.



5. Build an eco-system for action.

- Ensure ongoing communication and engagement with those who are most impacted so that they continue to inform action and are aware of the resources available to them.
- Identify key indicators to track success and share results.
- Create a platform for regular coordination between the City and key partners.
- Work together to fund shared priorities.

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