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Technical Committee Meeting #1

September 28, 2018, 2:30pm, City Hall

IN ATTENDANCE:

Sarah Carroll	Senior Planner
David Johnson	Economic Development & Public Relations Director
Jeremy Lapin	Public Works Director
Daniel McRae	Engineer II
Heston Williams	Recreation Director
Mark Vlasic	Landmark Design
Madison Merrill	Landmark Design
Lisa Benson	Landmark Design

SUMMARY

The meeting began with introductions and discussion of the project's purpose. This was followed by introducing the project schedule and scope of work. The meeting concluded with discussion of the steps to take before the next meeting. The notes from the meeting follow.

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS

General

- The project came about because of a petition from equestrian users in the community. They were concerned that equestrian users were being confronted by other users who thought horses weren't allowed on any City trails. Trail uses are not specified through signage.
- Population has double since 2011, which brings a new dynamic to the process.
 - Will be looking at the current population, 10 years out, and to build-out. Also looking at age, children at home in age cohorts in 5 year increments
 - Household size is now 4.28.
- Plan needs to tie into Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan
 - Look for inconsistencies in current engineering standards as well: ST-15A, ST-15B, ST-34
- Still want to keep the schedule aggressive.
- Recreation and Parks Departments are separate.
- Top three amenities they don't yet have: skate park, rec center, splash pad
- No partnerships between cities
- Need better accommodation for civic events
- Alpine School district rents facilities to City – potential for partnership
- The look of the final plan needs to speak to the aesthetics of what parks, rec and trails wayfinding may look like.
- Technical Committee - Shelly will be the City Council Rep.
- Plan needs to present consistency, and not create any false expectations.
- Look at the Park Impact Fee Facility Plan done by ZBPF.
- Splash pad, skate park and rec center are the three major facilities we don't have. The plan can say what would be required for these to become feasible.
- County doesn't have a parks and arts funding program like Salt Lake County.

- Alpine School District – do rent their facilities out, but not really working with them yet. Could be a potential new option to consider.

Parks/Rec

- Showcase parks: Shay Park, Neptune Park, Patriot Park
- Impact fees being used for larger regional parks. Looking at a central location by Patriot Park to locate new City Hall, police, library. One central location for park and rec amenities can present equal access issues.
- Don't just want to rely on developers giving them land to meet the City's park needs.
- Rec has a full time staff now and runs a lot more programs than when the last plan was done
- There is usually good communication between parks and rec.
- Parks is understaffed – the workload is large – hard to keep up with maintenance expectations
- Remote Control Park – County provided the land, the RC Club has done the capital improvements, City maintains the park.
- Trains at Shay Park – have formal agreements with train operator club.

Open Space/Unique Features

- Would like to use the hot springs for something similar to Lava Hots Springs. The State owns this land but is letting the City use it as long as it is maintained for public use. Maybe enter into a public/private partnership? Also involve Forestry, Fire and State Lands and they currently manage the land.
- Need better open space maintenance plan
- Open space/natural areas – hard to keep up with the weeds, have contracted this out before, but it's very expensive

Trails

- Plan needs to identify which uses are allowed on which trails
- Need consistent trail width standards. Use and type will help determine width. Right now plan says 12' wide. Trails are being installed at 8', 10' and 12', although most are 8'. Pioneer Crossing has one trail that is 12' wide.
- 12' width is good for higher use trails, like major regional trails.
- Corridor preservation is a big issue – need to identify where trails will go so the City can maintain those corridors
- Regional trail connections: trails on Lake Mountain need tie into the trails in Eagle Mountain. The Utah Lake trail ties into the Jordan River Trail. How do these connect with the rest of the network?
- Look at user levels, surface materials
- Trail widths are not consistent and need to be analyzed according to usage (types/volume)
- Trails have some different maintenance requirements
- Israel Canyon Trailhead – erosion problem, added a debris basin - need a contiguous trail going all the way through to this trail
- Trail maintenance – who maintains – not clearly defined. Streets or parks department? Trails are under the parks department, but the street department is better able to deal with maintenance of the trail itself
- Trails have some deferred maintenance

Community Master Plans/Future Development

- Mt. Saratoga – 800 acres, 200 of that will be open space.
- Jordan Promenade/Oakwood Homes – Patriot Park Phase I is under construction
- North Shore – DR Horton – future marina
- Large chunk of Forestry, Fire and State Lands north of Utah Lake – this will always be preserved as open space – the North Lake Trail will be a contiguous trail running through this area
- Church Property – Tickville Wash/Beacon Point – planned to have a City park – large drainage that should include a trail
- Fox Hollow – 21 acre park that will be dedicated to the City
- Taquayo
- Heron Hills – beachfront improvements

Events

- Dave manages the City-wide events
- Popularity and growth of community and therefore of events is a huge issue
- Need spider boxes at all parks that will host events
- Would be fun to move Splash Days to the new marina park.

Next meeting/Tasks

- Pros/cons of statistically valid survey, update mapping, review existing documents, identify inconsistencies and issues that need to be resolved
- If possible, have the Social Pinpoint page set up.
- Come with an outline of what we will be doing at all of the future Technical Committee meetings.
- Email Jeremy for PDF of future marina plan
- Sarah will provide Community Development Plans/Master Development Agreements
- Focus interviews with staff:
 - Engineering
 - Planning
 - Recreation
 - Parks
 - Events and public outreach