



EAST BENCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

General Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, July 17, 2024, 7pm

1. **Welcome, Introduce Board Members in Attendance**
 - a. David Leta, Joan Ogden, Meg Roberts, Evelyn Lee, Jen Solomon, Polly Dracus
2. **Business Items**
 - a. Emigration Development update - Proposed zoning changes for Emigration Development. SLC planning commission considered developer's proposal for zoning changes and denies the request. The final word sits with SLC Council who haven't considered it yet. We suspect that it'll be heard in August. Our proposal was against the zoning change, Dan Dugan is also in opposition to proposed zoning request.
3. **SLC Police Department Report** Det. Sam Fallows, SLCPD Liberty Division Community Liaison (385) 261-3368 | Samuel.Fallows@slcgov.com
 - a. May was an anomaly of violent crimes, individual unfortunate events not a pattern. June has had an increase in property crimes, which is to be expected during the warmer months. Again reminded to turn on lights at home because lighting is the best preventative tool. At night, take everything of value out of cars - especially firearms.
 - i. April - 2 thefts and a burglary
 - ii. May - 3 vehicle, 2 thefts
 - iii. June - 4 thefts, 1 vehicle, 1 business burglary
 - b. Overall, there has been a decrease in crime compared to previous years
 - c. Report speeding within a neighborhood and for motors to come out and complete speed enforcement- SLC Mobile App or on SLC website
 - d. Questions regarding golf carts and other vehicles driven by children around the neighborhood - recommended report concern to parents and if necessary on SLC website
4. **Executive Director of SLC Public Library Presentation** Noah Baskett 385-560-7839 nbaskett@slcpl.org
 - a. Community has a lot of trust in the library system, very highly rated for patron experiences
 - b. Main Library roof project update of goals to have long term waterproofing, enhanced landscaping, multi-purpose use
 - c. Offers 3,230 public programs - including but not limited to arts/creativity, Healthy together, literacy and education, civic engagement/citizenship
 - d. Services offered - digital library, creative lab, Hear Utah Music (HUM), Summer Reading Challenge
 - e. Anderson-Foothill Library updates - looking at facility to create a more accessible and larger space
 - i. Fall 2026 there should be a ballot measure and opportunity for local community members to weigh in future of branch
5. **SLC Mayor's Report** Hannah Barton, Community Liaison 801-535-7110 | Hannah.Barton@slcgov.com
 - a. Construction updates
 - i. 18th E to Foothill on Sunnyside will be under construction for the next 10 weeks for University of Utah's new student housing development [Sherri Somers, Construction Project Manager, University of Utah 801-585-5826 sherri.somers@utah.edu](#)
 - ii. 1200 South is west bound only 9th E to Highland Drive and will continue until mid August.

- Highland Drive is now open in both directions
 - iii. Kenzington paving from Wasatch to Ute Drive should begin on the 25th
 - iv. LocalStreets@slcgov.com 801-535-6666 - for questions/concerns/updates on local construction projects
 - v. Requested better communication with residents
 - b. To encourage people to visit parks and spend time outside the city create Parks Bingo Cards. If you complete them, then you can bring to a parks ranger for a prize
https://www.slc.gov/mayor/wp-content/uploads/sites/51/2024/06/PARKBINGO_CA_RD_Options_R3b-present.pdf
 - c. Sport Entertainment and Culture District downtown update - City and County are involved also with Smith Entertainment Group (own the hockey team and Jazz), the State because they want the district.
 - i. <https://capital-city-revitalization-zone-slcgov.hub.arcgis.com>
 - ii. Participation agreement endorsed by the City Council and can be read at above site - part of ticket sales will go to a public fund for the city that could be used for improvements
 - d. Mayor went to Paris to submit SLC's bid for the Olympics on Pioneer Day
 - i. There will be a party to celebrate the Olympic Bid
 - ii. RSVP link to 'Celebrate 2034' for the Olympic bid on Pioneer Day!
<https://www.punchbowl.com/parties/a2b6af74afa156615ca9>
- 6. **Salt Lake City Council Report** Dan Dugan, District 6 801-535-7784 | dan.dugan@slcgov.com
 - a. Dan's opposed to proposed rezoning of Emigration Canyon Development
 - b. H Rock Trail
 - c. Foothill Village - hoping for funding to enable the connection between Foothill Village and the East side to prevent pedestrian traffic over Foothill Blvd
 - d. University of Utah Stadium building stadium on Guardsman Way
 - i. <https://ballpark.utah.edu> U of U Baseball Open House
 Date & time: Wed, Aug 28 from 6-8 p.m. Location: On the corner of the practice field site on Guardsman Way Agenda: We'll share the new designs for the ballpark.
 Representatives will be present from the architectural firm, construction company, planning department and Athletics to answer questions. Snacks: Cold drinks, peanuts and Cracker Jacks
- 7. **Recent Homeowners Insurance Policy Cancellations East of Foothill** Presentation Board member Joan Ogden
 - a. Insurance companies cancel policies when they don't have enough reserves, they fail to price the properties appropriately, reinsurance companies cancel their policies with the insurance company.
 - b. What's happening in the East Bench falls in the underwriting - with wild fires - If it's broad and states all East Bench if a wild fire risk or more laser focused - for example - how far is the house from a fire hydrant/fire station, what's the home made of, is there a wooden deck...etc.
 - c. Talk to neighbors who still have insurance and recommended to find out who their carriers are.
- 8. **Items from membership and general discussion**
 - a. **EBCC Halloween Costume Exchange and Sustainability Fair** Saturday Oct 12th 9am-12pm

Upcoming meetings:
 October 16th