

Salt Lake Solutions Steering Committee

September 24, 2008, 12:00 am – 1:30 pm (lunch provided)
Room 126, City and County Building

Meeting Summary

Website Demonstration / Project Updates

Salt Lake Solutions website: www.slcgov.com/SLsolutions

- Focus on visual content – several videos and photo slideshows
- Thank you's to our generous donors posted on website
- Web visitor can leave feedback via web-form
- Links from home page:
 - Link for each project
 - Community objectives
 - Collaborative problem-solving principles
 - Committees – Steering Committee and project-specific Partners Teams

Project Pages (Fisher Mansion, Pioneer Park):

- All meeting notes are posted on the web – an example of the Mayor's commitment to transparency in City government

Fisher Mansion Update:

- Will be hiring architect to complete U of U students' Historic Structures Report
 - \$10,000 donation from Zions Bank to act as match for grant – **THANK YOU**
 - National Trust grant application to be submitted first week in October
 - Working with Structural Engineers Association of Utah -- seismic engineer Ken Willmore has done preliminary seismic assessment work at mansion *pro bono* – **THANK YOU**
 - After Historic Structures Report completed, Partners Team will meet again to evaluate community re-use options
- Summer activities at Fisher Mansion property
 - Several visits / personal tours
 - Jordan River cleanup sponsored by SPLORE – pulled out trash and canoes at mansion
(pictures: <http://www.slcgov.com/slsolutions/projects/jordanriver.htm>)

Pioneer Park Update:

- Pioneer Park Picture Show – Fridays in August
 - Coordinated by SLC Film Center – **THANK YOU**
 - Corporate and SLC Corporation financial sponsors, including Kennecott/Rio Tinto and two Partners Team members – **THANK YOU**
 - More than 150 viewers / show
 - Diverse audience
 - Families from shelter welcomed opportunity for a “normal” family evening, watching the movie and eating popcorn
 - Downtown condo residents
 - Arts community
 - Passers-by / bicyclists who just stopped to watch the movie
- Other summer activities – **THANK YOU ALL**
 - Yoga in the Park (sponsored by Downtown Community Council and IHC)
 - Sunday Bocce and BBQ (sponsored by Downtown Community Council)
 - Lunchtime concerts – every weekday in August, Fridays in September (sponsored by SLC Public Services)
 - Fitness in the Park – Mayor’s Office lunchtime sports challenge to other SLC departments
 - Basketball, bocce, croquet, tennis, ultimate frisbee, volleyball
 - Police Dept and CED took home the trophies
 - Would like to see downtown businesses and residents issue their own challenges
- New seasonal activity in park:
 - International Market, Sundays 9 am – 3 pm, until mid-November
 - Developed by a Somali refugee
- Next steps:
 - Salt Lake Solutions and City Council will co-sponsor a public process to:
 - Confirm that Phases 2 and 3 of park improvements are still what changing community needs and wants
 - Prioritize components of Phases 2/3 to see whether any individual components are seen as essential to “success” of park as neighborhood park
 - Community work together to find funding for those component(s)
 - Plan to conduct public process in late fall

Announcement of Third Salt Lake Solutions Project

Community-based Air Quality Improvement project

- Not publicly announced yet [NOTE: Kickoff meeting has just been scheduled for 10/15]
- Project objective: Mobilize community members – businesses, organizations and individuals -- to take personal action toward improving the air quality in the Salt Lake Valley.
- Could serve as a model for other jurisdictions within the state.
- Co-conveners: Mayor Ralph Becker, Mayor Peter Corroon, Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr.
- Umbrella stakeholders group
 - City, county, state, regional governments
 - Environmental and transportation
 - Business
 - Community
 - Education
- Identify community-based projects to reduce PM 2.5 emissions and ozone levels in Salt Lake Valley
 - Implement one project at a time according to greatest air quality impact
 - Assemble Partners Team for each individual project
 - Anti-idle campaign in schools is an example of community-based project
- Goal = no more “red alert” days
 - Action-oriented
 - Not policy-making (or policy-debating) group

Group discussion suggested additional stakeholders and specific project opportunities.

Collaborative Problem-Solving Model

Conceptual framework that underlies Salt Lake Solutions approach

- Salt Lake Solutions projects are intended to demonstrate “collaborative problem-solving”
- SLC is using this model as its approach on many issues under this administration

Group discussion about how the model is helpful, with suggested improvements to the description of the model.

Handouts Available at Meeting

- Agenda
- Salt Lake Solutions brochure
- Collaborative problem-solving principles
- Flyer announcing Sunday International Market in Pioneer Park – now through mid-November
- Anti-idling decal (“turn your key, be idle-free”) – more information and educational materials available at <http://www.idlefree.utah.gov/>