

# East Liberty Park Community Organization

Thursday, January 28, 2016 7:00 PM Regular Meeting - <u>http://elpco.org/</u>

#### Tracy Aviary Visitor's Center – Education Room Liberty Park, Salt Lake City

Enter Liberty Park from 900 South & 600 East

Parking entry north of Aviary - Main Entrance at Aviary Visitor's Center Directions: <u>http://tracyaviary.org/visit-us/</u> | Map: <u>https://goo.gl/maps/zuef7Z2kD2S2</u>

# **Meeting Minutes**

## Jennifer Seelig

Director of Community Relations at SLC Mayor's office

- Seelig said that the Mayor's priority is Community Empowerment
- The Mayor has indicated that things are not going to be the same as they were;
- She described her role not as conduit of information from City Hall, but as receptive and engaged on issues important to city residents; seeking dialogue and back-and-forth
- The Mayor has three priorities for her interactions with community councils like ELPCO:
  - 1. Skill building among community members sharing and receiving information.
  - 2. Instilling confidence
  - 3. Empower local community councils to make changes by sharing information

## Det. Andrew Cluff

Salt Lake City Police Department, Community Intelligence Officer

- If you have any concerns call him: (801) 799-3625 (cell)
- Crime is down 10% in District 5, especially in our area
- Robbery and aggravated assault are the problem areas; but they are generally rare
- Notice: SLCPD is looking for a male Hispanic, dressed in black with a black mask. He is targeting businesses and has even taken money directly out of the till
- 4 out of 9 residential burglars have been caught so far
- "Home and Possession Inventory" list, found on the SLPD web site. Use to document your property which helps with recovery if it gets stolen.
- Bike thefts are trending down
- In response to a question from the audience, Det. Cluff said that aerial drones are covered by the FAA and not the police, but drones with cameras can be in violation of voyeurism laws
- Two-minute idling law can't be enforced below 32 deg. F (lots of loopholes created by state legislature) (http://www.slcgov.com/idlefree/ordinance)
- Do not warm up your car in the morning. 1) It pollutes the air close to your home, 2) Modern car engines don't need to be warmed up, 3) You are asking for someone to steal your vehicle. Recently in SLC about 660 vehicles were caught idling during a 2-hour police patrol

# **Cooper Fare**

Tracy Aviary Conservation Scientist

- Caroline Roa is leaving Tracy Aviary and Cooper Fare is taking her place
- Bird Surveys in Liberty Park started in 2012
- Thirty-six different bird species have been identified in Liberty Park
- A non-breeding bird survey last fall identified 50 species
- Bald Eagles can be seen in Liberty Park, including during the winter months

- Urban areas are important because they provide food, shrubs, trees, etc.
- Goal is how to manage healthy urban ecosystem
- A city with the population of Vancouver, BC (600,000 people) is added every week somewhere in the world
- Andy the Andean Condor is 56 years old
- Treasures of the Tropics exhibit is now open at Tracy Aviary

### Phil Winston and Greg Ross (partner)

Northstar Builders

- Phil Winston (Northstar Builders) is a builder not a developer
- They are working on several projects in the ELPCO area
  - 705 E 900 S (NE corner of 900 S and 700 E) will be orthodontist office and gym facility
  - $\circ~$  1059 E 900 S (N side of 900 S adjacent to Hip & Humble) will be office space, restaurant, and small retail shop
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Redesign of building on 1100 E 1 block south of Kyoto restaurant

ELPCO discussion of redesign of building at 1059 E 900 S office building

- Currently structure is 1-story office bldg. with louvered windows and brick exterior
- This building renovation is being done under a Remodel Permit
- Plan is to add second story, add patio, add landscaping, and increase glazing (ie. exterior glass) for outer walls from 40% to 90%, especially on front
- New building will have same footprint (3,500 square feet), but adding second story will increase square footage to 10,000 sq. feet. Including basement
- Current building footprint actually exceeds setback limits; redevelopment will keep existing footprint and ask for variance to make the building compliant
- New design will swap required landscaping from the front of the building to the back to make room for outside concrete patio
- Parking lot in rear will include 5-foot buffer using trees and shrubbery for noise mitigation
- Dumpster and recycling bins will be in the back of the building on east side of parking lot and shared with hair salon to east of property

#### **Michael Stahler**

#### Attorney representing ELPCO – Mutual Beauty Project

- In 2015 ELPCO filed a lawsuit in district court to stop the development of a 28-unit, 35,000 sq. ft. condo building at the former Mutual Beauty Supply store at (932 E 900 S)
- Unlike Phil Winston of Northstar Builders, the developer of the Mutual Beauty Supply site did not present his condo development plan to ELPCO
- Residents were concerned about multiple requested zoning variances to allow increased size of building, height variances, and impact on neighborhood parking
- Developers were going to include 24 parking stalls for a 28-unit building and retail store
- Residents testified at SLC planning hearings and the project was rejected, appealed, approved, appealed, and finally approved in a confusing series of hearings and appeals.
- The project is still in court and has not yet been built.
- A 133-page brief was filed by the developer
- ELPCO's attorney filed an opposition brief and asked for a judgement based on the facts of the case
- Judge has scheduled a May 2016 hearing; six motions at play
- The city is backing the developer and is making exceptions to the Master Plan, but the Master Plan applies as per the Sugar House development.
- We will know about the timeline for the case and prospects for eventual resolution or settlement by May 2016
- ELPCO has learned that the original developer is no longer working on the project

### Erin Mendenhall

District 5 SLC Council Representative

- Erin said the best way to get in touch with her is via phone, not email. Her cell phone is 801-535-7786
- The city council is focusing on three priorities in 2016:
  - $\circ$  1. Streets
  - 2. Economic Development
  - 3. Affordable Housing (N.W. quadrant)
- Erin described how the city council would be voting next week on new rules and regulations to allow planning and zoning variances and decisions to reflect neighborhood externalities like parking, noise, traffic, and overall impact (Note: These new regulations were approved by the council).

#### **ELPCO Business:**

- Peter Harrison was confirmed by unanimous vote of the ELPCO attendees to represent the Historic Gilmore area.
- Next Meeting: Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> 2016





#### 9<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Development | 932 East 900 South (PLNPCM2014-00890) Representing the interests of ELPCO neighbors - Michael Stabler, Attor

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Parking Enforcement 801-535-6628

To see a list of completed calls for service in the last 48 hours, please visit: slcpd.com/policecallsforservice

To see a list of recent crimes in your neighborhood, (or sex offenders) visit: <u>https://www.crimereports.com/</u>

Graffiti Removal 801-972-7885 <u>http://www.slcgov.com/graffiti</u> Link to Work Order under, "click here"

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