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Meeting Minutes

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TRCC - Tourism Recreation Cultural and Convention

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1. Call to Order

- Present:** Board Chair Mayor Kristie S. Overson
Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer
- Excused:** Board Member Colby Hill
Board Member Mayor Erin Mendenhall
Board Member Kim Sorensen
- Call In:** Board Member Mayor Robert Dahle
Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes

No Minutes to approve.

4. Discussion Items

Joey McNamee, SLCo Community Services, Associate Director: Explained that the project tracking sheet had been updated and that it's a working document. She further explained that she updated the shared document based on color alignment with the green, yellow and red. She stated that they had reached out to all the projects they had any questions about or needed clarifications on. The red text in the shared document shows the updates based on those conversations. She said she is still waiting to hear from a couple of the groups, but the Board would be able to see those as they moved forward so they can use that for evaluating down the road.

4.1 USU - Bastian Agricultural Center Arenas Phase 2 and Completion

[23-0830](#)

Presenter: Joshua Dallin, Project Contact
Informational

Joshua Dallin, Project Contact: Introduced himself as the Director of Utah State University, Bastian Agricultural Center and talked about the school's project being in Phase 2 and its completion expectations and arena remodels. He said that the County had good suggestions and by working with professionals, this helped them to come up with better ideas. He explained how "it's like remodeling a house. You think you're going to do something simple, and you get in and you rip the sheet rock off and suddenly you realize there's a lot of other things that maybe you'd like to do before you put it back on."

He brought up that he did want to report was that they've been able to keep their promises, even without the full completion and start of Phase 1 that was previously awarded, that they've been able to continue with holding historic events. They've been able to bring in new events hosted in June, including the Ruby Buckle Barrel Races and the \$3 Million Dollar Barrel Racer. They had over 600 riders that came from across the country from some of the most elite places in the country. He included that the Buse family pulled them aside and said they wanted to share that it can be really hard to please barrel racers, and they have never received this many compliments about a facility. In receiving these compliments, he explained that they can now raise this level of expectations in these events. In having a higher level of commitment, they plan on returning the payoff back to Salt Lake County through the taxes and those types of processes that come from getting more attention. Josh also expressed how they are excited to be the home to multiple high school rodeo associations, as these are multiple-day events. These are big shows where people come to stay in hotels and go to restaurants and do those types of things to bring in more taxes. They're also gearing up for hosting more national types of horse shows, as they are currently being considered for such events.

He continued to explain that as their name continues to get out there, these arena remodels become more important because they are going to be able to accomplish more housing for these types of things, including multiple national dog shows, and specialized events such as the Renaissance Fair,

while continuing to keep their promise to keep local boarders. He said that he was proud to announce that they have a large waiting list of individuals that are excited to come and board with them, plus the amenities this brings for local riders. He stated that they have also updated their online system so users can understand where they can ride and when. By keeping 6 arenas fully functioning, they become unlike any other place in the state, as they are groomed every day for the safety of the horses and the safety of the riders.

Joshua began to speak directly to his PowerPoint presentation and showed the slide with the picture of the original arena improvement. They had some suggestions from the professionals saying, "if you're going do this, let's do it and let's make sure we do it the right way and not go back." He explained that this is going to create a much cheaper process when completing the overall project. Joshua went on to explain a slide with the picture of the fully enclosed arena and all of the amenities. This new outside arena has focused lighting so as not to bother the neighbors. He further explained that they're focusing on giving back to the community and working with users to make a safe place where they can use and store the sound systems that are specific to each club or local event, including large indoor and outdoor events. They also want to have event specific equipment, so they can have and store cattle shoots, return alleys, and those types of things.

He then went into how the upgrades are going to increase the return to the Travel, Recreation, Culture and Convention (TRCC) funds. He thinks that these improvements they're requesting will help with events and the massive amount of people they can gather. A lot of these small improvements, the lighting and the sound, are also going to be a giant benefit for the local users because they can come and enjoy those amenities, including on the nights and on the weekends.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Said Josh gave an excellent presentation. She then opened this up to the Board for questions. She went on to say she wanted to have clarity on a note made about a contract that has not been re-assigned for a contract.

Robin Chalhoub, Director, Community Services Department: Responded that she had just received the contracts.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Commented that if funded, this could be a fun project to go visit.

Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski: Asked if they were talking about expanding the capital facility itself or improving the quality of the dirt or the parking?

Joshua Dallin: Stated that in the original proposal, which has already been approved, all the footings, and all the dirt are going to be included. He explained how they had a professional soil scientist come to help with the footing hold ups, and how it works, as this soil quality is for the performance and safety of the animals. He stated how they are planning on state-of-the-art equine panels that will surround the arenas so that they're safe. He led into how the capital infrastructure is a big part of their request for TRCC funds and putting in another large indoor arena. This will help to focus on events, like roping, cattle type events that they otherwise could host better, but have a challenge with because of the set up and take down for each of the events. The hope is that with this new indoor arena, they can have areas of focus for those types of events. He explained that it's not a permanent fixture, and that they can take it down if needed, but have the goal of having more versatility to serve more. He then started talking about the focused lighting that really focuses on that area of arena. This makes it so there's not a lot of drowned or lost light. He then went into the infrastructure that's going to have to be laid to be able to run the power and run the conduits in those lighting polls. As they get ready to bring in rendered dirt, they are thinking how it's going to be a lot less expensive for them to have already dug up these pieces, then to lay that down and then put that over the top. This is better than going in as an aftermath, or after the fact, that these are the two main focuses for the final project.

Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski: Thanked Joshua for the explanation. What is so important is they're talking about the future of the equestrian center and the reasons Salt Lake County moved it to the Bastian School. It's to sustain the agricultural use and make that a complete equestrian destination. For so many years, they've talked about hook ups and trailer connections and arena sizes and optimizing that space. She commended them on their new opportunities and making this location that contributes to the valley being a destination. She continued to express that to get the marquee events with the performance horses and the big shows, there

must be a high standard of expectations of excellence and quality, and she sees the equestrian center meeting these marks.

Joshua Dallin: Thanked the board and included that the Ruby Buckle Series has already signed a contract for next year.

Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski: Commented on the lights and indoor coverage and how the arena is accessible to equestrians, so they don't have to rent out coin shows or be used for non-agricultural events.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Thanked Mayor Zoltanski for her expertise in this area.

4.2 Camp Kearns Historic Walk, PRT

[23-0831](#)

Presenter: Kayla Mauldin, Project Contact
Informational

Bianca Paulino, Camp Kearns Project Contact: Explained that she was there and stepping in for Kayla. She included that she is also an Outreach Planner with the greater MSD. She explained how they've been working on this project in partnership with Kearns Metro-Township, Salt Lake County Parks and Rec, Salt Lake Community College (SLCC) and the State Historic Preservation office. She stated how in 2020, Kearns created its first general plan and included the Historic Walk. This was shortly after they incorporated in 2017 and one of their main goals of the plan was to promote the culture and identity of the Kearns, given their rich history with Camp Kearns. Referring to the story timeline on the PowerPoint slide, she went on to explain that this is where the project led to a collaboration effort to do the storytelling and having an interactive way to document and highlight the West Side history with Camp Kearns.

She explained that SLCC students did research and gathered historical resources, photographs, interviews, and a lot of different historical storytelling resources. The idea is to compile this all together in ten different panels that highlight different things such as women and religion at Camp Kearns, and highlight what life was like, during Camp Kearns that the public, residents and visitors can learn about. Then to make this an interactive effort, the goal is to have the panels placed, but also have an online website where they could have visuals that the public can submit. They want the online website to be a place where the public could share their experiences, memories, photographs, and different stories that they have with Camp Kearns and generally Kearns. She further explained that they also want to have it accessible so that the public that are visually impaired can listen to the storytelling. They also want to work on having translated versions in Spanish, Tongan, and Samoan since Kearns is a diverse area of Salt Lake County. She continued to say they want to have a website where people could share their different stories. As of right now people are sharing stories, but they get lost in Face Book groups or on social media, so they want to create a digital archive. Bianca then talked about the slide regarding the project design. There is currently at Veterans Memorial Park by the Kearns Rec Center and the Oval. They want to have the panels to enhance and go along with that shape,

where this an arc and the panels would go alongside where the canon and flags are. She went on to say that they've been working with Parks and Rec, and have estimated, based on past historic panel projects, that they would need \$21,500. Kearns will be contributing \$3,000, and SLCC would be contributing \$300. Overall, she said they want this project to really implement some of the goals of the general plan, create a sense of pride and sense of place for current residents and expand on amenities at the Kearns Rec Center, the Oval, and meet some of the different plans such as the Parks and Rec's master plan.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Stated that she loved the project and how it highlighted the history of that area and could share the rich history that's not widely known. She then asked the board members if they had any questions for this applicant. There were no questions, and she thanked Bianca for the presentation.

4.3 Cottonwood Heights - Highland Drive Pedestrian Trail-Phase 3-PRT

[23-0836](#)

Presenter: Adam Ginsberg, Project Contact
Informational

Mike Johnson, Community and Economic Development Director for Cottonwood Heights: Introduced himself and Adam Ginsberg, the Senior Staff Engineer for Cottonwood Heights. He presented one slide and explained how they are requesting funding for what they are referencing as “Highland Drive Fronted Road Pedestrian Trail Project.” He pointed out on the presentation map displayed the area that was highlighted in blue.

He went on to explain that they're proposing an engineering and design for a pedestrian active transportation route, a 10-foot shared use path essentially along Highland drive, extending from Fort union Boulevard up to the boundary of Cottonwood Heights and then Murray and Holladay to share that boundary directly to the north across I-215. Currently there's some sidewalk infrastructure along this road, but this is the primary North South corridor through Cottonwood Heights. It's a heavy traffic road. It's not safe to ride a bicycle on, and they don't see a lot of recreational cyclists, active transportation users, or pedestrians on Highland Drive. It's a major commuter route as well to the interchange to the north. What this is proposing is to tie together a bunch of different already funded active transportation projects into a wider active transportation trail network that will take advantage of Highland Drive, being that it is a backbone route through the city. He also noted that the pedestrian improvement on this section of Highland Drive is noted in the city's parks trails plan and open space master plan that's adopted. It's in the Mid Valley Regional Active Transportation Plan, which was funded through the Wasatch Regional Council that includes Murray, Holladay, Taylorsville, Midvale and surrounding cities in trying to establish a regional active transportation network. It's also in the Wasatch Front Regional Council's Regional Active Transportation Plan as well. They feel that this funding will create a “shovel ready” project when this work is done. This active transportation network connects a lot of areas within the city but then connects regionally as well.

Adam Ginsberg, Project Contact, Senior Staff Engineer: Introduced himself. He talked about once the project is completed, in looking at the different colors on the map presented, it'll extend on Bangle Boulevard from

City Hall and Brighton High School and extend all the way to the city boundary to the north. He continued that they also have a future phase that will connect to Mountainview Park, which is located on Fort Union Boulevard and 16th East. He told the board that they have received previous funding from Salt Lake County, Regional Transportation funds, as well as Wasatch Front Transportation Improvement funds. Referencing the map again, he pointed out how the green section is fully funded, and it will be under construction in 2024. It goes from City Hall, which is located at 2300 South and Bangle Boulevard and will extend all the way down to the Highland Drive intersection. The second phase on the map is where the trail project is shown in orange. That is being funded through the Wasatch Front Regional Council Transportation Improvement Program. It's the TRCC funding and that is scheduled for 2025-2026. He expressed that his plan for today is to ask for funding for design engineering, a right-of-way study, also a trail crossing on the major road for Fort Union Boulevard, and also looking at a redesign of the Highland Frontage to accommodate this new pedestrian corridor that they're planning on having go all the way from the city boundary, all the way up to City Hall and eventually, other cities will connect to this and it'll be part of a larger backbone network. It will provide a North South corridor for the region for all of Salt Lake County to use as commuter traffic and increase recreational opportunities. There are several schools in the area that would have access to this, including Mountainview Park and City Hall. There's also the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center that is a block away from City Hall and then the High School. This TRCC request would fund design engineering, a right-of-way study, an intersection design, and would make this project "shovel ready." The plan is to start construction on this in 2026 so they could get this design going, then would seek other funds for the right-of-way study. This project is strongly supported by Cottonwood City Council and Salt Lake County Regional Development.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Asked Adam to clarify the project being "shovel ready" but not having the project officially start until 2025.

Adam Ginsberg: Responded by saying that once this project and the funding they're seeking from TRCC is received, this will complete the engineering and the right-of-way study that's required to make this project "shovel ready." The other projects, phase 1 and phase 2 are already fully funded. There's also the East Jordan Canal Extension, which is in red on the slide with the map and we have TLC funds for that Feasibility study, and that

would be the final phase to get it to Mountainview Park.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Asked if the trail to the North and South that exist would tie into this project?

Adam Ginsberg: Responded that it does not tie in yet. All the funding sources are in place for the trail connections all around this. He stated that they don't have any funds to study this section yet, but that they will have all the funding either for construction or design for an entire trail network along Highland Drive.

He then referred to the map and stated that the section in green is what will be built starting next year. It's right now currently fully funded and the engineers are designing it right now. Then the orange section will start in 2025 - 2026, so by the time those two sections are done, they would be completed if they get the funding for the blue section to start work from Fort Union Boulevard all the way to the city boundary to interstate I-215.

Board Member Colby Hill: Asked if once they get all the engineering and environmental pieces done, then they can go bid on it? He then asked if once they find the funding, would that complete the connection from Holladay - Murray border on the north, all the way up to City Hall?

Adam Ginsberg: Stated that this was correct. He explained that it would complete a fully 10-foot asphalt, pedestrian trail corridor from Murray, Holladay, and all the way on Highland Drive up to City Hall.

Board Member Colby Hill: Asked if this is the last piece to get funded?

Adam Ginsberg: Stated that this would be phase 3. Phase 1 and phase 2 have been funded. Then they hope to get the East Jordan Canal going because that's been a long time coming as well, trying to get a trail on that. Referring to the map, he pointed out that the pink is already built, and completed in 2017-2018. He went on to state that Mountainview Park is a wonderful park. It's used by a lot of people in the not just in the Cottonwood Heights residents, but people from all over Salt Lake County.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Asked about the pink section and if it is entirely in Holladay City?

Adam Ginsberg: Explained that the section of the map he was referring to is Cottonwood Heights. The border on the north is the I-215 and that's the border between Cottonwood Heights and the north of that, there is Murray. Holladay is on the east across the interstate and then Murray is on the west.

Mike Johnson: Stated that the intention here would be part of that engineering design to look at how to transition a trail under that interchange area that connects to the border.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Asked if the \$10,000 that they have funded was from Cottonwood Heights?

Adam Ginsberg Responded yes.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Asked why not more?

Adam Ginsberg: Stated that they would be happy if the board wanted to make any considerations in funding this project more money.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Corrected Adam, and reframed his question to asking why is the match from Cottonwood Heights not more? He stated the reason for asking is because once the project is designed, does Cottonwood Heights support and fund the building of the trail?

Adam Ginsberg: Responded yes, that Cottonwood Heights supports this plan. He explained that this is a project strongly supported by the City Council. He stated that Cottonwood Heights is funding a portion of the green, the orange, and a portion of the blue in coordination to the map. He included that they still need to seek funding for the blue section. He went on to ask the board if they would like to see a larger match, as that's something they would consider for this grant and thanked the board for their time.

4.4 Copperton - Copperton Park Upgrade Project, PRT

[23-0834](#)

Presenter: Kayla Mauldin, Project Contact
Informational

Brian Tucker, Project Contact: Introduced himself, and said that he is also with the MSD like Bianca, but is talking about the Copperton Park Upgrade Project. He began by telling the Board that Copperton was established as a company town for a Utah copper company and Copper Park was created in 1927 as a central recreation and meeting space for them. This is where the community gathers for events and family outings. It's about an eight-acre park. The children can walk or ride their bikes to the various park amenities given that Copperton is within about a third mile of the park.

Copperton's 2020 general plan calls for the preservation and enhancement of Copperton park. Copperton Council has noticed that there's a decline in the use of the tennis courts. There is a rise in resident interest in pickleball and it's not uncommon to see people who've brought their own equipment to use the tennis courts for pickleball. The nearest courts to Copperton are about 4 to 5 miles away and cannot be accessed by walking or biking because of Bingham Highway. Referring to the Power Point slide picture, Brian asserted that the project would be to demolish the existing horseshoe pit, restripe the existing tennis ball tennis courts into 8 pickleball courts and then retain the existing street hockey and multi-use space.

In terms of cost and benefit, the cost estimate is based on averages for demolition, grading, paving, fencing and painting courts, estimating about \$102,000, to \$103,000. Copperton would match this with \$25,000, so the total cost for TRCC would be about \$77,830. The Copperton match would come from their capital project budget. That expenditure would have to be approved by the MSD board of trustees. But every request they've asked for has been matched in the past, so they don't anticipate any problems with that in terms of benefits. They believe that Copperton park will be able to evolve to meet the needs of the current residents, allowing them to play pickleball and the things desired right now within their community within walking distance and reinvent these unused spaces, especially the horseshoe area and make them useful.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Referenced the map and the horseshoe space in blue on the map and asked if it was going to be

more pickleball.

Brian Tucker: Explained that the horseshoe pit is where the blue space is on the map, and that's going to be replaced by a tennis court. They're going to take the existing tennis courts and turn them into 8 pickleball courts.

Board Member Colby Hill: Asked to be reminded of the match, and how to score this, and that score it based on a percentage of the match.

Joey McNamee: Explained that the match is a requirement and that it can be a tricky situation to manage. For example, it's difficult, depending on the municipality, to have access to those funds until a grant is awarded. Craig's not here for this question, but as a Board, she assured them that they could make the decision if something in funding is sort of de facto secured, even though it's technically unsecured, and this is the case here. She stated that this project, and the MSD has funded every match request historically, so they were imagining that the Board might rely on that history to inform their decision here.

Board Member Colby Hill: Asked if they assume that the project is a de facto funding issue, how does that relate to the notes from staff? When a note shows there are funding match concerns, but those are not really a concern, do we assume they're going to get funding? He further inquired if it was safe to ask how you scored it at that point and if it would change the whole philosophy for how it was scored?

Joey McNamee: Responded "Yes." She explained that the note is left in red on the spreadsheet in the eligible column because that was our initial read. After they hear all the presentations, and have some discussion, she'd go back and change the colors on the spreadsheet based on the information heard to provide clarity to the process. However, if it does have the funding de facto, this does shift the review of the project.

Board Member Colby Hill: Asked if the project would still score well if it weren't for that?

Joey McNamee: Stated that was a primary concern of the TRCC Committee, and if that was addressed by Copperton, would make them feel better. They just didn't want a situation where a municipality or city can't

move forward because everybody is saying they must be the last funding source. Sometimes it's just a pro forma series of actions that need to take place and that does shift their review of the project.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Asked if other projects from Copperton had been funded in the past last few years?

Joey McNamee: Confirmed that they had not received an application from Copperton before.

Board Member Colby Hill: Asked if there was any way to get a statement from the MSD about if they're approving funding or is there a source regarding this match to give the board some confidence that if they move forward with the assumption that \$25,000 is going to be available and scored, that this is based on that assumption? It'd be nice to get a statement from the MSD about that assumption.

Brian Tucker: Said they probably could put a statement or a letter together. He explained that it would probably say what he's said here, which is that in the past, they've never said no, but that he would still do a search.

Board Member Colby Hill: Stated that he thought this type of note would be helpful.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Agreed that it would be helpful to have such a statement, especially if there's other projects that don't have funding in place and the MSD said no to them. She included that it would also be helpful to have a statement, especially signed, by people on that board.

Brian Tucker: Agreed to what the board members were asking for.

Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski: Asked if Brian could talk about community support and the impact on the community for the project. She noticed in the notes, it says it's part of a master plan, and inquired if there is an active transportation plan, or a county parks plan. She stated that it looks like a nice upgrade overall but wanted to know the impact anticipated for the local community on providing either a primary recreation area, or connectivity, or trail access, or active transportation access, and if it fit into

the future planning of the area.

Brian Tucker: Explained that in the area for the project is in the general plan. The park is around 8 acres and consists of all the houses combined which probably aren't even 5 times as large as the park in Copperton. It sits in the middle of the community so everybody's within a third of a mile has access to facilities within the town. It's the key to pretty much everything they do as a town. It's the central park, as they don't have any kind of formal city building. They use a Lions Club for meetings so it's central to what they do.

Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski: Went on to ask that it's not just the primary recreation source, but maybe the exclusive.

Brian Tucker: Stated that he agreed to this unless it was snowing.

Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski: Stated that's the context she was looking for, and thanked Brian.

Board Member Colby Hill: Added that it has almost become a regional park, a lot of West Jordan and South Jordan residents visit the park.

Board Member Colby Hill: Stated that he believed that Salt Lake County does maintain it as a regional park.

4.5 City of Holladay - City of Holladay Park Upgrades PRT

[23-0835](#)

Presenter: Holly Smith, Project
Informational

Gina Guarascio Chamness, City Manager of Holladay City: Introduced herself, along with colleague Holly Smith. She expressed excitement to present the newest project in Holladay City.

Holly Smith, Assistant City Manager of Holladay City: Introduced a map of Holladay City, and explained where the heart of our community is, being their city park. It is located next to their historic civic center, business district, a junior high, fire station, library, post office, and it's also the community's most walkable and highest density area at city park. She went on to name the different amenities, and how they have room for parks because they're built out. The two requests they are making are about the skate park and the trellis.

She went into the history of the skate park that was built in 2020 and how it started with a successful public process in 2018. They were able to obtain comments from people ages 14 to 20, which is a group that they rarely heard from about their support of the skate park. She reported that lighting was important to the park due to how the different seasons can affect this. She explained how this application is asking for support to get the light poles and light fixtures. The city already spent \$40,000 dollars putting in the conduits and the bases that are now in place. She went on to explain how they are doing an active community fundraising effort for the skate park and have received a \$20,000 Lead gift and an additional \$1000 to meet the full match in their application.

Holly then went into the second part of their application being the trellis refurbishment. She explained that this request serves many purposes and how the fiberglass polls are not holding up. Their goal is to treat polls to match the stone of the bleachers. She expanded on how they received a generous grant last year due to a historic walk in this area and how the polls will be part of this exhibit framework.

She then went into an overview of their budget, and the cost for the two requested features. This included an outline of the funding they've secured,

and how they will soon be at \$10,000. They are asking TRCC to help with \$125,000 to meet the total cost needed and that Holladay has a \$30,000 match.

Joey McNamee: Brought up a previous conversation they had regarding their budget request and how it would only be considered if they pulled out the stage request due to that not being an eligible expense. This is the reason for the original change in costs.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Asked to have it clarified that \$20,000 is from the City of Holladay, and then working toward an additional \$10,000 from active community funding?

Holly Smith: Stated that the \$20,000 is the gift from a donor in their community that is passionate about skating. They have then raised \$1,000 of the \$10,000 and believe from an upcoming fundraising event in mid-October, they'll receive the rest.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Asked Holly if there is any funding from the city?

Holly Smith: Stated that she'd let the Mayor Robert Dahle address that question.

Board Member Mayor Robert Dahle: Stated that they as a city have no problem with the City Council supporting it. He then explained how the City of Holladay is embarking on a city-wide project to create more private public partnerships on projects like this with a company called Pathway Associates. They are helping them create a fundraising arm within the cities. He continued by saying they have several projects, including the Historical Walk that's being reviewed that can also receive funding through other public private partnerships. He further explained the goal is to use these relationships rather than having to justify using tax dollars for these sorts of projects.

4.6 Create Reel Change DBA Mental Healthy F.i.T.

[23-0837](#)

Presenter: Chandler Jordana, Project Contact
Informational

Brian Jordana, Founder and Executive Director of Mental Healthy Fit: Introduced himself as a local nonprofit based in Salt Lake City that offers creativity and mental health for all ages, however they concentrate on impacted teenagers. They teach mental health awareness and self-care skills and how to access resources through schools. They focus on films because there's a lot of skills that are gained through understanding film, such as knowing how to operate media all the way to presentation to creation to performance and expression.

He went into the request and how it would be helping the “Ending Stigma” campaign. It's a major film festival that incorporates all the content that is created through the programs that they do throughout the year. It's been going on for about 8 years and they have seen at capacity audiences from across the state, from different cities and from around the world. He stated that they have people submitting films and content to come to Salt Lake and support its culture. He then explained some of the pieces that have been submitted. He further explained how the organization is attempting to get people out of being labeled while learning about mental health and how to get help from the community by telling their story in film. He expressed that they have created diverse events and attracted international audiences and submissions of art, including giving a platform to marginalized voices through offering opportunities of expression. He then told a personal story as to why he started the program and his motivations.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Asked a clarifying question regarding the online Dropbox and the letter.

Brian Jordana: Explained the letter was an additional piece to talk about the specific tourism elements and the attraction that they've gained over the years that bring tourism to Salt Lake.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Asked about where their funding was coming from, as some of it looked as though it was unsecured funding amounts.

Brian Jordana: Answered that they are funded by different family foundations, including Larry H. Miller, the Huntsman Mental Health Institute, ZAP, Utah Art and Museums, as well as crowdfunding, individual donations at events, although all events are free, donations can be made from those that attend. He explained that a lot of donations come from the end of the year events.

4.7 City of Bluffdale - Bluffdale Equestrian Park Improvements PRT

[23-0838](#)

Presenter: Amanda Luker, Project Contact
Informational

Amanda Lucre: Introduced herself and said that they have been before the Board a couple of times and are grateful for this opportunity. She began with explain their background and request to the TRCC Board. She stated that their equestrian park is part of a park network. They've been looking for years for how to improve this facility, as they have many users from the south portion of the county and not just from their city, but in neighboring cities. She went on to explain that equestrian activities, particularly with the rodeo are part of their heritage of the state, and having a place to offer equestrian amenities is vital to their group of users. She then went into explaining the slide with the photo of the current conditions of the arena, and how it serves dual purpose, one being the rodeo arena, and two having a trail that goes around the perimeter. She explained how the trail is also used to work with the school that is next to them to create a park connection for the fields so they can network within the city to get to other regional facilities.

She then started explaining the PowerPoint slide with the Concept Plan and that choosing the arena for funding has been difficult because there's other places that need upgrades. She explained how they are growing, especially on the east side of their community. She then briefly talked about the completion of the 20-acre park next to them, and how it has regional draw, and how it has been challenging to find funding for improvements needed in that area, despite putting money towards capital improvements through impact fees to save money. She further explained that although they're not making a lot of improvements, they're trying to enhance this facility in small ways for those who rent the facility, attend it for riding clubs or rodeo events.

She explained the Concept Plan PowerPoint slide, and how it's showing some of the improvements requests and that they include adding bleachers to the west side, as well as adding a concession booth and restroom building all in one pavement area, as it is currently all gravel and dirt, as they want to be more conducive to ADA standards. They will also be adding a security fence to separate the trail so that the users won't have any conflicts when there's vehicles or animals, but a specific the trail system. However, the most

important thing is the requested bleacher system. To add to the shown overall cost, Bluffdale will include \$500,000 from impact fees and capital projects. They also included \$300,000 in-kind for city personnel to do a lot of the work. These amounts will all contribute to the request from TRCC Board of \$2.7 Million.

Doing the projects in phases, the first thing would be to create an ADA safe metal type bleacher system that provides a more functional and safer place for people to sit for an event. She then described the brief history of the lot, and that the current wooden bleachers have been there since at least 2000 when they were acquired from Salt Lake County and moved from a place that the county had them, and Bluffdale has been using them ever since.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Asked about clarity for the total price of the request fund.

Amanda Lucre: Confirmed that their total project price is \$3.5 Million, and \$2.7 Million is of that request. She validated that it was a big request, however, is needed to better maintain the equestrian park and have a safe facility for users, considering they are drawing in more regional and out of state patrons to their events. This was clear through them tracking their ticket sales, and finding out where people were coming from.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Inquired about tracking the ticket purchases, and finding out about what other cities patrons were coming from.

Amanda Lucre: Stated that one of the furthest states that they tracked a patron from was Florida, and that the ticket was purchased there. She included that tickets were purchased from different cities and counties throughout the state. Other patrons she believes come from different groups of people and friends networking, and then used the examples of The Rocky Mountain Pro Radio Association. They have 700 members in that association that travel around the inner Mountain West, so they're going to all these facilities that are local to them.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Inquired about their budget, asking how much would be included for the bleachers, the fans, the parking to help with the ADA.

Amanda Lucre: Stated the bleachers are \$1.16 and that is the biggest need. They can use funding from their capital projects and impact fees to work on some of these other minor things. She further explained that it can be a phased project if they don't get all the funding requested and maybe look for other sources as years come.

Board Member Mayor Robert Dahle: Inquired about impact fees, and if that is parks and recreation impact fee or is it something different?

Amanda Lucre: Responded that it was from park and rec fees. She explained that they consider the equestrian area as part of our park system and the network that they are trying to enhance.

Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski: Inquired about how the park is in proximity to the Bastion Equestrian center, the arena in Draper, and West Jordan, how active is the Bluffdale Equestrian Park? She was asking how busy they are, and how much does the arena play into the daily life and culture of Bluffdale? She continued by asking how essential it was, or is it just a nice add on to the Bluffdale complex?

Amanda Lucre: Responded that it's a fixed point. It could be rented out every day due to its activity. She included that although Rodeo events do happen only once a year, their arena is more of a community arena. She included that with the growth that is happening on the south end of the valley, patrons are limited to where they can find facilities such as this to use, considering Bluffdale is a city that has a large percentage of properties and active zoned areas where people keep livestock. This makes it so that competition and rodeo culture are still very active.

Board Member Mayor Monica Zoltanski: Asked about the clubs and the marquee performance events. She stated that the park is at the other end of the spectrum of services for users, as it is more community based on a day-to-day basis.

Board Member Mayor Robert Dahle: Stated that the requested amount for funding is large, and they don't necessarily know how much money they must disperse yet. Referring to the bleachers as stated as the most important, he asked if Bluffdale would be willing to put in half a Million from the impact

fees? He stated at that point, once they know how much Bluffdale will contribute, the new number should be noted so that the Board can consider that once they know how much they can disperse.

Joey McNamee: Stated that they can follow up with that information and update the budget worksheet, including the possibility of phased work.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Agreed upon the actions from Joey. He elaborated that questions could come up if they did \$1.1 million, then what's the next phase? He was concerned that other parts could come up where they would ask for more money, and this could affect their funding level and what they could actually fund.

Amanda Lucre: Stated that the Bluffdale City Council would be willing to contribute money towards that project, however, it would be helpful to be able to start with updating the bleacher. She stated that any leftover money could be used to make other updates. She used an example of remodeling a house, "once you pull up the floor, then notice it all must go." She stated that as a city, Bluffdale would be willing to provide money to finish and complete the project if they could get funding for phase 1, which is the bleacher project.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Asked for clarity for what the phase 1 funding is, and if there needed to be an update on the request.

Amanda Lucre: Stated that phase 1 would cost \$1.16 as the total cost, and that has been the bid for 10 years, as the same company said they can keep the same bid.

Joey McNamee: Interjected that if they did the phase 1 portion of the project, and the request becomes just the bleachers at \$1.16 Million, they should look at matching the cost for a part of that.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Asked that from his understanding, the half a million they've talked about would be part of that application which means the ask would be \$616,000?

Amanda Lucre: Agreed that this is around the amount needed to be fully

funded, and that it just includes the bleacher system, and not concrete and other projects. She then explained that their ask is for the bleachers because they will be putting in more than \$500,000 dollars to the concrete and the work to be able to pay for that.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Suggested that because of his experience, and depending on how much money the TRCC Board has to offer, they should work their other projects into the request. He included that with this being tax money, if they adjusted their project budget request, it could save taxpayers money over the years. If they didn't want to do this, then they could drop back to that \$1.16 million. However, he stated that he did support the funding adjustment because he knows residents like to come there, and he thinks more funding would offer more options, and they would still have the \$1.16 million to fall back on.

Joey McNamee: Noted that the board does have the authority to fund part of a project, but that it does create a trickle-down effects for whether a project can be fully funded. She stated that she'll work with Bluffdale to make sure that they get updated information on the various projects so the TRCC Board can make the best judgment with the full slate of information.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Responded that although he is not lobbying for this project, in his experience, putting in full bleachers has many benefits in attracting others to their arena in Herriman, especially considering its additional usage.

Board Member Miranda Barnard: Asked about the ADA upgrades they want to make, and what people who need those kinds of accommodations currently experience?

Amanda Lucre: Answered that they currently just have gravel in the parking area. She also explained that with some of the bleachers, they are on ground level, and this can make it difficult for this population to see what is going on. They also have trouble getting from their car to the seating, and that's one of the biggest challenges. Also, with the wooden bleachers, there's no way for them to get up on them, as there's no walkway. She went on to say that their goal is to make all their park systems have amenities for users of all abilities.

Board Member Miranda Barnard: Stated that she appreciated their want

to making it ADA friendly because she's experienced pushing a wheelchair through gravel.

Board Vice Chair Councilmember Tawnee McCay: Asked if the \$1.16 Million for the bleachers is just for the bleacher installation or does it include the concrete and the footings that hold the bleachers?

Amanda Lucre: Responded that the \$1.16 funding would be the bleachers. Bluffdale would pay for the concrete, the footings, the excavation and the removal of all this work. She explained that the overall project is \$3 million and they would be willing to do it in phases and will include this in the updated budget request.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Concluded that it sounded like they needed a bit more detail on some possible phasing and cost of each upgrade. She then asked the Board if they had any more questions.

5. Other Committee Business

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Asked about the meeting in two weeks, and if they will see the rest of the applications?

Robin Chalhoub: Confirmed this was the plan. She included that Riverton would like to come and present a scope change for a project that was approved in a previous cycle.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Asked about the board wanting to know the number for the money the board will receive to disperse in TRCC funds.

Brad Kendrick, Associate Budget Administrator, Mayor's Financial Administration: Explained that with the sales taxes, the growth rate is slowing and so they're not anticipating as much growth next year. Right now, they have a \$3 Million budget.

Board Chair Mayor Overson: Thanked the board members, staff and all the presenters for their time, and asked if they had any follow-up questions before their next meeting in two weeks. With no questions, she asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Board Member Mayor Lorin Palmer: Seconded the motion.

There will be 7 more presentation occurring on September 22, 2023.

6. Adjournment

Chair Mayor Overson adjourned the meeting.