

**Open Space Advisory Committee
December 7, 2022**

Minutes

I. Call to Order

A. The meeting was called to order by Chair Courtland Nelson at 6:02pm.

B. Members present

1. Courtland Nelson, Chair
2. Steve Stevens
3. Glen Lent
4. Jared Neal
5. Natalie Streeter
6. Katie Villani

C. Non-Members present

1. Michael Henke
2. Mayor Johnson

II. Regular Business

A. Minutes of November 2, 2023

B. Small Parcel Draft

- Small parcel draft 1-17-23 with City Council work meeting
- Straw Poll from City Council on document
- In January OSAC will discuss how to present to City Council

C. Brad Winger from Preserve Midway reported on the Volksmarch event

- They were able to raise funds
- They are discussing how to best run the event
- Mayor Johnson talked about the “Welcome Midway Packet” for all new residents and there will be about 100 of the packets to be sent out in 2023

D. Small Parcel Document

- Natalie Streeter introduced the document
- Put education first
- Discussion on #3 by Jared Neal

- Need to find out if the landowner wants to continue, what commitment do we need from the landowners
 - Katie Villani discussed #3 and asked if a nonbinding agreement is worth pursuing
 - Wendy Fisher commenting that if you want to leverage
 - Funds its difficult with small parcels
 - Cheryl Fox stated it's important to get understanding in writing
 - Wendy discussed intention and commitments, it's important to get a letter of intent
 - Mayor Johnson discussed that small parcels could tap into bond money and the city could possibly pay some costs, such as survey and approved out of the funds
 - Courtland discussed a pre-established value system per acre to pay for small parcels
 - Steve Stevens discussed creating a small parcel group to focus on this issue and to help landowners
 - Glen Lent submitted a flow chart that navigates an applicant route through the process
 - Wendy discussed a system in Maryland that the landowner would be higher on the list depending on the amount of leverage of funds to maximize public funds
 - Cheryl Fox commented a required donation might affect taxes
 - Mayor Johnson explained #4 and #5 are not a process and should be moved earlier in the document
- E. Certified Land Trusts
- Wendy Fisher shared a map
 - Laren Gertsch has talked with CLT about preservation
 - Kissell Michel are progressing as well as Lundin
 - Siggard, Larsen, Kohler, and Shelton- Sheila Siggard sent an email to Wendy Fisher that states all properties would like to pursue a conservation easement
 - Mayor Johnson discussed Founders Day on Kem Gardner's Main Street property
 - Cheryl Fox stated that the McLeary property on Center tried to submit and NOI, Miller is interested in preserving a conservation easement

- Steve Stevens reported on Wasatch Open Lands meeting for last month
 - EIS will be finished in early 2023 for the bypass road
 - Agriculture Protection Act was passed by the County Council, 5 - 1

III. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.