

Agenda
Fairpark Community Council
January 24, 2019

6:30 ***Welcome and Start Meeting/Announcements***

6:35 **Introductions**

Officer elections coming up in April
Council members encouraged to consider running
Will convene a nominating committee at the February meeting
Proposal by Tom King to build in time at meetings for everyone to introduce themselves. Jo Killian second. Vote taken. No “no’s”. Motion carried. Will begin with the February meeting.

6:45 ***Public Safety***

Det. Bryce Curdie

Part 1 Crimes down 40%; sexual assaults up 1 ½ compared to this time last year.

Part 2 crimes down 17%

Citizens Academy begins March 6. slcpd.com for those interested. Click “Community Engagement”.

Coffee with a Cop event – Wed Feb 26 7-8:30pm at Sweet Library. Info at slcpd.com

Citizen suggested reporting on misconduct of police officers - #complaints filed against police officers. Det. Curdie said he would take the request to the PR Dept.

Fire Station 7

New website for SLC Fire Dept: www.slcgov/fire

150 medical calls responded to last month

50 fire calls last month

Station 7 is water rescue station – had an ice rescue at Liberty Park last month

Safety: Be careful on the ice

January message from the chief – safety tips in the bathtub, especially for children.

Citizen asked question about the nature and rewards of the job of a firefighter. On the new website there is information on how to pursue a career with the Fire Department.

Proposal to adjust the schedule to have the 7:35 presentations moved to this spot. Seconded. Call for concerns. None. Vote. No “no”s. Motion passed.

7:00 ***Presentations from community organizations:***
UAPB (Utah Against Police Brutality) - Dave Newlan

utagainstpoicebrutality.com

UAPB working on a law called SLC PAC – an oversight board that would in effect be able to make decisions.

Would give the current civilian review board more power.

Including subpoena information, have officers provide testimony, etc.

Would be an independent citizen board – voted in by citizens.

7 people on the Board – one from each of the 7 districts in SLC.

Would be able to recommend actions in situations where it is warranted.

Would have the power to approve/appoint a police chief.

Would be able to review and approve police policy.

Overall goal – to raise the bar for policing.

Police are part of the government. Be held to higher standards.

Want to make our police better.

Community control – not mayor/police chief control.

Questions:

How do we get background on those running for the Board?

Would be subject to same rules as any elected officials in the state. There would be requirements regarding conflict of interests – e.g., would not be able to be a former police officer or married to a police officer, etc.

Isn't this a check where there is no check?

Yes. Creating checks and balances.

Has anything like this been done before?

Yes, outside of Utah – e.g., Chicago, Jacksonville, Minneapolis, among others [descriptions provided].

When do you anticipate this to roll out?

We are here to ask everyone to speak to their city council members to urge them to pass this.

Could result in a ballot initiative if the city council path doesn't work.

Can visit slcpac.com for more information and a summary of what this would do.

Brown Berets -

Facebook – SLC Brown Berets

Email – RoseparkBrownBerets@gmail.com

Police Accountability and the School to Prison Pipeline

Brief history provided

Latinos have the highest rate of dropping out of school

Rose Park Brown Berets are autonomous – support everyone, esp in marginalized communities – all communities and ages.

Youth presentation – personal testimonies from youth.

Questions:

Is this the first community council?

No, we went to the Rose Park Council

Citizen suggested to choose different language.

Response – this was done purposely to demonstrate level of impact on youth.

We need to remember that youth are energetic and understand what experiences they have.

Council Members/Legislative Report-Those in Attendance

Andrew Johnston – andrew.johnston@slcgov.com

Regarding the Oversight Board – there is a protocol for elections outlined in state law. Described some of the details required for electing a board, including intricacies of funding. City Council doesn't have influence over the city school board (in response to better funding for schools.)

There are 2 vacancies on the current civilian review board, no one from our communities.

Wants to hear more from the students, UAPB and Brown Berets.

Crime on North Temple is down

Housing Affordability commission – proposing 20+million for affordable housing.

Feb 9: Part of sales tax increase was to put more funds into increased # of bus routes. Proposal to upgrade certain bus routes to every 15 minutes.

Single Residency Occupancy Units update: These are on the upswing due to affordability. Provides diversity in housing.

Sandra Hollins – District 23 – shollins@le.utah.gov

Opening day of legislature on Monday at 10.

Capitol is the people's house – everyone encouraged to come to capitol, find the people in green coats and request to speak to your rep.

Bills:

Medicaid Expansion. Sandra will not support a modification of how the people voted.

Running legislation to repeal the clause in the Constitution about slavery. Should be on the ballot in 2020.

Homeless youth and sheltering system – not having adequate shelter especially in the winter time.

ADA requirements

HB460 – Memorandum of understanding between school system and the SRO's (School Resource Officer) in the schools, especially as pertains to students with disabilities and from different cultures.

7:25 Meeting adjourned

***Note:** Out of respect to our invited guests, please refrain from talking to the people around you and hold your questions until the end of each presentation. If your question is not answered at the meeting, we will provide a way of contacting the presenters directly with your questions. Please feel free to use the bottom of this agenda to write down your questions during the presentations. and*