

Minutes of Open Space Advisory Committee Meeting
December 5, 2018
6:00pm
Midway City Offices

Call to Order

- A. Member present:
 - a. Courtland Nelson, Chair
 - b. Natalie Streeter, Vice Chair
 - c. David Carson
 - d. Steve Stevens
 - e. Katie Villani
 - f. Woody Woodruff
- B. Members excused
 - a. Kevin Stickleman
- C. Non-members present
 - a. Jeff Drury
 - b. JC Simonsen
 - c. Michael Henke
 - d. Wendy Fisher

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Courland Nelson at 6:03pm
Minutes from the November 7, 2018, were read and approved.

II. Chair's Report

- A. City Council adopted the Open Space Chapter to the Midway City General Plan
- B. Council is considering a "letter of intent" regarding use of bond money. Nothing has been finalized or approved; still a work in progress
- C. OSAC will meet with City Council at 9:00am on Jan. 15, 2019 for a work session on Open Space process.
- D. Courtland met with Wendy Fisher, Utah Open Lands
 - a. Key takeaways from that meeting:
 - i. Transparency is critical
 - ii. Must explain process to land owners and public
 - iii. Make all aware of tools, options, grants, IRS requirements, etc.

- iv. OS projects will require some budgetary support for surveys, appraisals, etc.
- v. Involvement of knowledgeable and experienced 3d party to work issues with landowner is critical
- vi. Midway must establish criteria for its projects and recognize that other entities (foundations; gov't agencies) have their own criteria that will influence whether and how much they are willing to contribute to a given project.

III. Presentation by Wendy Fisher

- A. Wendy Fisher reviewed how Utah Open Lands handles OS projects
- B. Encouraged Midway to create a budget item to cover upfront costs of OS projects
- C. Suggested a draft "notice of intent" form so landowners can submit something to express interest and get process started.
- D. Expressed willingness to appear at "landowner forum" to explain how UOL can assist in moving project along.
- E. Reviewed other funding sources and discussed several of the criteria applied by those sources in determining whether to participate.
- F. If project can't meet IRS, gov't agency, or foundations' criteria for funding it is probably not a viable project for UOL.

IV. Tasking

- A. Woody and Katie will draft landowner info packet and guide
- B. Steve and Natalie will draft Notice of Intent form for landowners to submit to start process.
- C. Courtland will explore with City staff the budget issues

V. Adjournment

- A. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm. Next meeting Wednesday, January 2, 2019, at 6:00pm.