

**Open Space Advisory Committee  
November 3, 2021**

**Minutes**

**I. Call to Order**

**A.** The meeting was called to order by Chair Courtland Nelson at 6:03pm.

**B.** Members present

1. Courtland Nelson, Chair
2. Steve Stevens
3. Woody Woodruff
4. Glen Lent
5. Jared Neal
6. Natalie Streeter
7. Katie Villani
8. Rene Holm

**C.** Non-Members present

1. Michael Henke, Midway City Planner
2. Council Member Kevin Payne
3. Brad Winegar, Preserve Midway
4. Cheryl Fox, Summit Land Conservancy
5. Wendy Fisher, Utah Open Lands (via Zoom)
6. Kelli Gomez

**II. Regular Business**

**A.** Minutes of Oct 6, 2021 meeting were read and approved.

**B.** Steve Stevens briefed the Committee on the actions by the WOLB in submitting comments to UDOT objecting to the routing of the Heber Valley Corridor by-pass through the North Fields.

a. WOLB has submitted a detailed objection to routing the by-pass through the North Fields

b. Not only would the route impact the ability to preserve open space but it would threaten water quality and present other environmental issues.

c. WOLB inquired as to Midway's position.

d. The OSAC approved a motion to submit a draft letter for City Council's action objecting to the North Fields by-pass proposals grounded, primarily, on the adverse impact such a route would

have on open space preservation efforts. The draft letter also expressly concurred with WOLB's objections.

- e. The motion was passed unanimously; Michael Henke will put the item on the agenda for the next City Council meeting.
  - f. Members of the OSAC were encouraged to submit their own individual comments on the proposed by-pass routes on the UDOT website.
- C. Courtland Nelson announced that David Carson's term on the OSAC had expired and David elected not to serve a second term. The Committee expressed their appreciation for David's contribution to the work of the Committee.
- D. Natalie Streeter and Renee Holm briefed the OSAC on the work of the sub-committee concerning preserving small parcels.
- a. A broad-ranging discussion ensued centered around the process and policy issues unique to small parcels, the source of funds for preserving small parcels, the timing of acquiring small parcels, the education efforts directed toward owners of small parcels, and communication efforts with landowners and citizens.
  - b. Based on the lengthy discussion the sub-committee will refine their recommendations and present them at the OSAC December meeting.
- E. Michael Henke informed the Committee that the City's General Plan revision process was getting underway and invited Committee members to volunteer to participate as members of the General Plan Revision Committee. Council Member Kevin Payne underscored the importance of OSAC input into the various chapters of the General Plan.
- F. Cheryl Fox presented a plaque thanking the OSAC, the City Council, and the Mayor for their efforts in the successful closing of the Mountain Spa project.
- G. Wendy Fisher informed the Committee that the owners of the Dickman land (Cemetery Ridge parcel) have withdrawn from the agreement with UOL and have sold the property to another buyer.

### **III. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

