

COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD
FEBRUARY 3, 1993 - 6:30 P.M.
BUTLER MIDDLE SCHOOL

The meeting was called to order by Gordon Thomas, Chairman at 6:30 p.m. in the Butler Middle School.

In attendance: Gordon Thomas - Chairman, Karen Eyre - Vice-Chairman, Dick Guthrie, Kendra Thuet, Steve Knudson, Cameron Hansen, Verl Buxton and Nick Morgan.

1. The invocation was given by Verl Buxton
2. The pledge was given by Nick Morgan.
3. Upon motion made by Richard Guthrie, seconded by Verl Buxton and passed unanimously it was
RESOLVED, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Pineview Drive Barrier

Ann Bowers from Salt Lake County Engineering presented for Salt Lake County and introduced Jess Agraz from Bingham Engineering.

Bingham Engineering have been conducting an independent survey for the past twelve months. The peak of the traffic survey was conducted in May/June of 1992.

Jess Agraz presented the findings of the survey conducted in the area of Pineview Drive. This included traffic travelling along Fort Union Boulevard in both directions, traffic to and from I-215 and the local traffic for the subdivision.

The recommendation of the firm was that the barrier should be removed. This would standardize the subdivision, would improve access for emergency vehicles, would improve the maintenance, and would lend itself to less acute travel routes.

They felt that the projected increase in traffic through the subdivision would not be excessive. The cut through traffic would be minimal and in the worst scenario the increase in traffic volume would be 200-300 vehicles per day.

They would recommend putting stop signs at all cul de sacs exits, an all way stop at Pineview Drive, 25 m.p.h. signs at both ends of Pine View Drive, and re-design the signal timing at the entrance to Virginia Hills Drive.

The public were allowed to respond. A list of their concerns is attached to these minutes.

The majority of those present who represented the Mill Hollow subdivision wanted the barrier to remain and presented a petition requesting this. The residents of Virginia Hills requested that something be done to the traffic flow on their street and the access onto Fort Union Boulevard.

Upon motion, made by Nick Morgan, seconded by Richard L. Guthrie and approved unanimously, it was

RESOLVED, to request that the barrier be left in place with consideration being given to the problems on Virginia Hills.

The traffic study was excellent and done correctly. The Community Council was acting more on the dictates of the community and what they were willing to live with than on the results of the traffic study.

Bengal Boulevard

Chuck Thomas presented a video and a review of the traffic and pedestrian flow on Bengal Boulevard, specifically around the area of Brighton High and Cottonwood Heights Elementary schools.

There is a problem with:

- the lack of sidewalks;

- the lack of a place to walk other than in the road, especially in the snow;

- the fact that two lanes merge to one right at the crosswalk outside of Brighton High;

- the non observance of parking restrictions and driving regulations;

- Jordan School District not removing the snow from their sidewalks and not providing drop-off zones for students.

Chuck Thomas emphasized that we are putting our children in danger every day as they walk to school and he would like to see;

- the County install sidewalks on the North side of Bengal Boulevard. He feels that the property owners feel strongly enough about this problem that they would donate the property;

- the traffic and parking rules enforced;

- the lanes and crosswalks redesigned so that the lanes do not merge at the crosswalk;

Jordan School District asked to remove the snow from their sidewalks;
the exit/entrances from Brighton High School parking lots redesigned to aid traffic flow;
a drop off zone designated;
a semaphore at the top of Butler Hills Drive.

Mr Tosh Kano and Mike Widdison from Salt Lake County Public Works were present to hear the presentation.

The Council will contact the County and Jordan School District with these concerns.

Park at approx. 6600S 2800E

As this property will affect most of the people present at the meeting the following announcement was made.

Richard Guthrie reported that developer Chris McCandless has notified the Council that he has reached an informal agreement with the County Commissioners for the purchase of approximately seven acres of the area earmarked for a public park.

The frontage along Mill Hollow Drive will be developed in conjunction with the Parade of Homes.

The transaction has not yet been inacted nor has any plans or budget been addressed for development.

Filling of the Vacant Seat

Jay Brown was asked to fill the vacant seat on the Community Council. He has accepted and will assume this position in the April meeting.

Sheriff's Report

The new sheriff substation at Whitmore Library will be operational in the middle of February.

U.A.C.C.report.

Cameron Hansen had attended the previous UACC meeting. He reported on S.B No. 35 on the Trails and Riverway Enhancement Program. If the money is appropriated, hopefully some of it can be utilized within the community.

Cameron will be unable to attend this month's UACC meeting due to another commitment.

Zoning

- PL-93-2004 Paula Worthen, 2393 Sundown Ave - day care - approved
PL-92-2338 Proactive Investments Inc - 6629S 1300E - single family to professional office - approved.
PL-92-4052 Michael Liljenquist - 7100S 1300E - zoning change to conform from R-M/zc to C-2/zc. - approved.
PL-92-2328 Susan Jensen - 7125S 2870E - already approved in a previous meeting.
PL-93-2001 Michelle Widener - 6648S 2000E - home crafts - approved.

Zoning and Text Change hearing report

A copy of the proposed text change was presented for Community Council action. A copy of this is attached to these minutes and by this reference becomes a part thereof. A discussion followed.

Upon motion made by Richard Guthrie, seconded by Nick Morgan and approved unanimously, it was

RESOLVED, to approve the text changes as presented with the following modifications. That there be more stringent height restrictions. The community felt that a maximum height of 25 ft be enforced and that the County refer back the Cottonwood Heights Master Plan which encourages height limitations.

New Meeting Location

The Community Council will meet in the Butler Middle School at 6:30 p.m on the first Wednesday of each month until further notice.

Gordon Thomas requested that a letter be sent to the County Commissioners, from the Council, thanking the County for doing such a great job of snow removal this winter.

There being no further business to come before the Council and upon motion made by Nick Morgan, seconded by Richard Guthrie, and passed unanimously, it was

RESOLVED, to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting will be March 3, 1993 at 6:30 p.m. in Butler Middle School.

PINEVIEW DRIVE COMMUNITY COMMENTS

- Ann Widmer - Take Virginia Hills into account when considering the removal of the barrier. Re-structure the entrance and exit from Fort Union Boulevard.
The traffic and the speed has increased since the barrier was installed.
- Tom Msakis - is concerned for the kid's safety on Virginia Hills.
- Mark Chadfield why was the preference study not used?
Answer - because it was not consistent. Not every house was contacted.
- Dolly Stetner -what were the dates of the study.
- Craig Steed - the barrier was built without crash bars, smaller than promised but it has improved the quality of life and united the neighborhood.
- Mark Bodell - erect another barrier on Virginia Hills
- Steve Worcester - it has created additional traffic on Virginia Hills.
There needs to be signage to direct traffic out of the subdivision. The traffic going West does not know to exit before getting to Virginia Hills.
- Mark Woods - It has helped the crime prevention watch
Property values would go down if the barrier was removed
In other cities that have removed barriers they have never been replaced.
They only purchased their houses because they have the equivalent of a dead end street.
- Roger Bland - Cut through traffic would be a problem.
- Ronald Day - would there be access to the storage area for RV's that is contiguous to the barrier. The Council replied that this has been addressed in previous meetings and there would not be access to this storage area.
- Kerri Bodell - train our own neighborhood drivers before we let strangers in
- Audrey Pertl - regardless of the outcome of the barrier let us all pledge to drive more slowly and carefully.
- Many more residents expressed their support of the barrier and Virginia Hill residents expressed their concern regarding their street safety and accessibility.