

CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE
TRAILS AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY HALL 10 EAST CENTER STREET, NORTH SALT LAKE
FEBRUARY 10, 2026

FINAL

PRESENT: Brent Crowther
Pedro Huebner, Vice Chair
Ryan Oakes, Chair
Peter Wirthlin

EXCUSED: Ted Knowlton, City Council
Kyle Poulter

STAFF PRESENT: Jon Rueckert, Public Works Director; Ali Avery, Long Range Planner; TJ Riley, Parks Superintendent.

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Ryan Oakes, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

3. OPEN AND PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT TRAINING

Those present participated in the annual training on the Open and Public Meetings Act which was required training per State Code for all councils, boards and commissions that were subject to the Open and Public Meetings Act.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Trails and Active Transportation Committee meeting minutes of January 5, 2026 were reviewed and approved as drafted.

Committee Member Crowther moved to approve the minutes of January 5, 2026. Committee Member Wirthlin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by

Committee Members Crowther, Huebner, Oakes, and Wirthlin. Committee Member Poulter was excused.

5. STAFF UPDATES

Ali Avery provided an update on the Trails Master Plan and said a contract had been signed with the SE Group. She continued that SE Group had already set up a meeting with the US Forest Service (USFS) and was forming a steering committee for the Trails Master Plan. She asked which two members of the Trails and Active Transportation Committee would like to serve on this steering committee. She added that the steering committee would meet monthly for seven months and participate in the kickoff meeting.

Committee Members Wirthlin and Oakes volunteered to serve on the steering committee for the Trails Master Plan.

Ali Avery said the steering committee members would bring updates back to the Trails and Active Transportation Committee. She shared that she would attend the meeting with SE Group and the USFS. She mentioned that SE Group had requested to attend the Purge the Spurge event to announce the Trails Master Plan and obtain public input. She noted that there would be two public engagement events as part of the Trails Master Plan including one event at the beginning to obtain input on what should be part of the plan and one meeting at the end to review the results of the process. Ms. Avery explained that the Purge the Spurge event may be hosted by the Trails and Active Transportation Committee to introduce the project and receive public input.

The Committee discussed the potential to share this information at other City events including the Kite Festival as well as Purge the Spurge. They reviewed ways to notify the public including a survey and through social media.

Ali Avery spoke on the timeline and the items that were approved in the contract with SE Group. She said that the Committee should plan to receive public input at the Purge the Spurge and Kite Festival events and then allow SE Group to focus on preparing recommendations. She reported that she had submitted a maintenance request to the Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation (UDOR) for 2026 and was waiting to be added to their schedule. Ms. Avery then provided an update on the next steps for the Wild Rose to Bonneville Shoreline Trail (BST) Connector:

- Check in with Forest Service about alignment (field visits)
- Hire trail designer/builder
- Flag trail on the ground with USFS
- Build trail

- Agreement with USFS/Davis County regarding short-term maintenance
- Agreement with USFS/SLC/NSL about trail ownership
- Design and construction funding in FY26 and FY27 budgets

Ali Avery explained that the City could apply for the Utah Outdoor Recreation (UORG) grant. She shared that the application cycle would close on March 13th for a mini grant of up to \$30,000 or a Tier 1 grant of up to \$500,000. She confirmed that there was currently \$45,000 in the budget for this project (design, construction). She added that she would meet with the City Manager on pursuing the Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant for the Wild Rose to BST Connector.

Committee Member Wirthlin moved that the Trails and Active Transportation Committee recommended to the City Manager to pursue the UORG grant during this cycle to pay for and reduce the taxpayer spending on the Wild Rose to BST Connector. Committee Member Huebner seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Committee Members Crowther, Huebner, Oakes, and Wirthlin. Committee Member Poulter was excused.

Ms. Avery reported on the South Davis Greenway Feasibility Study and said door to door flyers would be distributed in the next two weeks for properties adjacent to the alignment. She spoke on the Town Center Urban Design Standards. She shared that results of the survey were presented to the Planning Commission on January 27th and that the results strongly supported active transportation and bike/pedestrian friendly design.

6. CONSIDERATION OF FY27 BUDGET REQUEST

Jon Rueckert reviewed the FY26 budget requests including:

Travel, education, and training	\$1,200 FY26	\$1,200 FY27
Operating supplies	\$2,500 FY26	\$4,000 FY27
Trails and Active Transport Co	\$600 FY26	\$600 FY27
Trails Development	\$45,000 FY26	\$30,000 FY27

Mr. Rueckert noted that nothing had been spent on trails development in the 2026 fiscal year and that he would request these funds be rolled over into FY27 to use for the Wild Rose to BST Connector. He mentioned the request for an additional \$30,000 in FY27 to be used for other trail projects.

Brent Crowther asked when the grant would be awarded. Ali Avery replied that the UORG was generally awarded in May.

Ali Avery mentioned additional items for consideration including bike racks (Capital Facilities) and Get to the River advertising signs (remove from TAT budget).

Pedro Huebner suggested that the bike racks could be the same vendor and design as the proposed bike racks for Hatch Park or Tunnel Springs Park. Ali Avery commented that there would be a standard design for bike racks and other furnishings in the Town Center. She also clarified that the Get to the River event signage would be removed from the TAT budget.

The Committee reviewed additional budgetary items including hats for the Committee to wear during events for identification. They discussed hat color and style, raffle prizes, and swag.

Committee Member Crowther moved that the Trails and Active Transportation Committee request the discussed FY27 budget from the City Council. Committee Member Wirthlin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Committee Members Crowther, Huebner, Oakes, and Wirthlin. Committee Member Poulter was excused.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Pedro Huebner reported on bike racks in parks and active transportation destinations throughout the City. He said only two locations had bike racks which were Wild Rose Trailhead and Tunnel Springs Park. TJ Riley replied that these were newer parks and the bike racks were included in the construction of those parks.

Pedro Heubner shared a map detailing existing bike racks and future locations for racks. He reviewed the preferred design for bike racks. He provided feedback on why the Wild Rose Trail bike racks were not the best design. He was in favor of a unified bike rack design throughout all City parks. TJ Riley spoke on stability concerns with the Tunnel Springs bike racks and said staff could review racks to determine the best design.

The Committee discussed whether to add bike racks to the budget request, staff installation of bike racks, installation locations, and signage at City Hall to utilize fencing as a bike rack.

Pedro Heubner shared images of the existing bike racks at Wild Rose Trailhead and Tunnel Springs Park. He reviewed the higher priority locations for bike racks including City Hall, Legacy Park, Eaglewood Events Center, Porter's Landing Boat Takeout, and Fox Hollow Park. He noted lower priority locations included Deer Hollow Park, Springhill Geologic Park, and South Community Park. He included one potential location being the community garden. He also presented example photos of where the bike racks could be installed and the reasoning on the priority levels for each location.

Pedro Heubner mentioned the Springhill Geologic Park and said there was no existing infrastructure. Ali Avery spoke on trail access there, the history behind the Springhill landslide, and current restrictions including the prohibition of any infrastructure on the site. She suggested a bike rack at the Foxboro Wetlands and Legacy Trail (Center Street Trailhead).

Peter Wirthlin thanked Pedro Heubner for his efforts on the bike rack locations. He spoke on installing bike racks in one or two parks per year. TJ Riley replied that staff could work on preferred bike rack styles within budget parameters.

Ryan Oakes reported on Robert's Rules of Order and said while these were very formal that the Committee could establish a more informal procedure related to minute approval, etc.

Brent Crowther left the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

8. DISCUSSION AND COORDINATION OF 2026 EVENTS

The Committee reviewed the 2026 events including:

- Purge the Spurge (Trails Master Plan input)
 - April 11th (10 a.m., Wild Rose-TBD)
- Cleanup events
 - May 9th (8 a.m., Wild Rose)
 - August
 - October
- Golden Spoke
 - May 16th (Legacy Park)
- National Trails Day
 - June 6th (America250 branding)
 - Trails Master Plan review
- 9/11 Day of Service
 - September 5th
- Get to the River
 - September 12th (8:30 a.m., Riverview Boat Ramp)

9. TRAINING ON SHAREPOINT SITE UPDATES

The Committee requested to table this item until the next agenda.

Committee Member Wirthlin moved to table this item until the next Trails and Active Transportation meeting. Committee Member Huebner seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Committee Members Huebner, Oakes, and Wirthlin. Committee Members Crowther and Poulter were excused.

10. DISCUSSION ON FUTURE AGENDA(S)

The Committee discussed March agenda items:

- Public comment
- Approval of minutes
- Staff updates
 - Update on Trails Master Plan
 - Update on BST Connector
- City Council updates
- Discussion and coordination of 2026 events (existing and proposed)
 - Adopt a trail
 - Bike with the Mayor
 - Health and Wellness joint event
 - Bike to Work Day (May 15th)
- Training on Sharepoint Site (trail work orders, inventory, events calendar)
- Review trail boss or other methods for community involvement (Peter)
- Committee Member Discussion Items
- Discussion on future agenda

Committee Member Wirthlin moved to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Huebner seconded the motion. The motion was approved by Committee Members Huebner, Oakes, and Wirthlin. Committee Members Crowther and Poulter were excused.

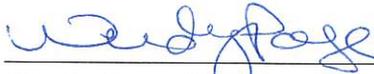
11. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

The foregoing was approved by the Trails and Active Transportation Committee of the City of North Salt Lake on March 10, 2026 by unanimous vote of all members present.



Ryan Oakes, Chair



Wendy Page, City Recorder

