



## EAST BENCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes for  
Wednesday, May 21, 2014  
Anderson-Foothill Library 7:00 p.m.

- i) Welcome
- ii) Pledge of Allegiance
- iii) Business Items

Kim Peterson  
Douglas MacLean

### a. SLC Fire Department Report

Firefighter Patrick Merschdorf

- SLC ordinances referring to **open burning, bonfires, and recreational fires** can be located at <http://www.slcfire.com/external/content/document/3687/1334859/1/Open%20Burning.pdf>. A recreational fire has flames of 3' wide by 2' high and do not require a permit. Open burning (such burning a field or leaves) and bonfires *do* require permits and they are \$195 for one year and are site specific. There are no fires permitted on "red burn days" which consist of very high temperatures, low humidity, and high winds. Fires must be at least 25 feet away from a building and there must be at least one extinguishing agent nearby.
- If there is a **fire nuisance**, you can call 801-799-3000 for dispatch. Call 911 for fire emergencies.
- The May 2014 **SLC Fire community** newsletter can be found at <http://www.slcfire.com/external/content/document/3687/2157218/1/SLCFD%20May%202014%20Community%20Newsletter.pdf>. Topics include arson awareness, fire safety tips, and dispatched fire call totals for the month and year.

### b. SLC Police Department Report

Detective Brett Olsen

**See attached monthly bulletin for the East Bench.**

- Burglaries that have no force of entry accounted for almost ½ of all burglaries in the city. Lock your homes and cars. More burglaries on Mondays and Tuesdays and during the middle of the day with Noon being the peak. **Close doors and windows** when you leave the house.
- **East side crime has been going down** and it's likely due to the fact that we're doing a better job of locking our property and reporting suspicious activities.
- The **SLCPD is going through reorganization**. More information will be forthcoming.
- There are lots of **cyclists** around this time of year. Cyclists need to obey all laws and ride with traffic and defensively.
- If belongings are left out and visible, they can be stolen. **Don't leave keys in the car**.
- A resident told Det. Olsen that the request **speed sign** at Scenic between Lakeline and Thunderbird isn't there. It may have been misplaced on another street. Det. Olsen will have it moved to the intended location.
- A resident asked about young people cruising down our steep streets on **longboards** and other wheeled devices. If the people are riding in the road, they need to obey traffic laws. The problem regarding placing an enforcement patrol for this situation is that once police arrive, the kids are usually gone and the police officers could have been dispatched on more

critical calls. Please do call 801-799-3000 and report this kind of activity so there is a record. With enough activity, it might warrant the police to come out especially if they know the exact streets and time of day these things occur.

- If you see suspicious people, please inform the police. If it doesn't feel right, it probably isn't.
  - **Text:** send keyword **TIPSLCPD** plus information to **CRIMES (274637)**
  - **Web:** [www.tipsubmit.com](http://www.tipsubmit.com) and fill in the form
  - **Call 801-799-3000** (For non-emergencies. You may remain anonymous.)
  - Call **Detective Olsen directly at 801-799-3626** or email him at [district6@slcgov.com](mailto:district6@slcgov.com)

c. **SLC Mayor's Report Summary**

**Kim Peterson**

**Please see the Mayor's Office Update attached for all of the latest issues, Open City Hall topics, and city projects.**

- Residential **plumbing repair insurance** coverage through HomeServe: A resident asked if HomeServe were to default, would Salt Lake City pay for any repairs needed by an insured homeowner. City Councilman Charlie Luke said the city would not pay and that homeowners are encouraged to do their due diligence and also explore other options. A resident said she called her homeowners insurance company and they recommended she take the coverage and put an inexpensive rider on her homeowner's plan. She also shared that for \$100, a homeowner can have a plumber do an investigation of your water and sewer lines to check their condition.
- The **U of U shuttle** as a method of transportation for the East Bench still has some conflicts and they are working with UTA on it.

d. **District 6 Update**

**City Councilman Charlie Luke**

- The issue of the **Sugarhouse Streetcar** will be raised again in the next month. Ridership was projected to be far lower than many expected.
- A **dog tether** ordinance passed whereby a dog can only be tethered for 1 hour a day in an 8 hour period.
- The city is in the middle of the **budget process** and it should be finalized by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in June. Right now there are no discussions of a tax increase. The recommended budget from Mayor Becker was comprehensive and included 3% increase for city employees who have not received a raise for the past several years.
- The city's **golf program** is a big issue. Over the past several decades the golf department has been operating on deferred maintenance. Bonneville and Mountain Dell are the 2 premier courses and have been carrying the others. Over the years, the infrastructure of all courses have degraded. They are trying to figure out how to make the golf program sustainable. There is talk of closing some courses or selling portions of golf courses for development. Charlie is against land development of golf courses unless the city purchases the land to use as general open space/parks. Green fees have been raised and the golf program still operates with a million dollar deficit. The U of U wants to play at Bonneville but this would decrease the number of rounds available to be played by paying citizens. One proposal would be to have The U use Rose Park and rebrand it and redesign it to the U's standards. Golf courses pay Tier 2 or Tier 3 rates (tier 1 is wholesale, tier 2 is residential, and tier 3 is much more expensive) and use a lot of water due to antiquated sprinkler systems. Charlie is for funding a new irrigation system for Bonneville and using secondary water to pay tier 1 rates.

d. **Emergency Preparedness**

**Cathy Knight & Alexis Kruel**

- The second part of the **SAFE Neighborhoods training** - a program developed by the SLC Emergency Management Department, the Utah Red Cross, and SLC School District to operate Red Cross sanctioned emergency reunification shelters at SLC elementary schools - was held at Indian Hills Elementary on May 1<sup>st</sup> and was highly successful. Thanks to everyone who participated. We're on our way to having many East Bench residents certified to open, operate, and close a shelter at Indian Hills. We will have a follow Up Shelter Hands-On Exercise in September/October and more information will be forthcoming on that. Anyone interested in shelter training should contact Cathy Knight at [cknight6464@gmail.com](mailto:cknight6464@gmail.com). For more information visit <http://www.bereadyslc.com/go/doc/6354/2118597/>.
- On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, there will a **Vigilant Guard Exercise** at Indian Hills Elementary in which the Utah National Guard, Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), the Red Cross, HAM radio operators, and SLC Emergency Management will have a coordinated emergency response exercise. This is an incredible opportunity for us on the East Bench because our elementary school will be one of 2 sites in the city participating in the exercise and it gives us the opportunity to make a dry run of our East Bench emergency teams and shelter management training. If you are interested in participating or learning more, contact Cathy Knight.
- On April 24<sup>th</sup>, Cathy Knight and Alexis Krueel met with Cory Lyman and John Flynt of SLC Emergency Management and JaLae Thompson and Isabeau Hansen of the Utah Red Cross at the Public Safety Building to inform the city and Red Cross of how the East Bench was organizing and promoting our emergency preparedness efforts. Apparently, the **East Bench is one of the most innovative neighborhoods in the city** in terms of emergency preparedness coordination and we were honored that our city leadership wanted to hear how we do it.
- On May 10<sup>th</sup>, Cathy Knight and Alexis Krueel attended the **quarterly SLC CERT briefing** at the Public Safety building and gave a brief presentation to the audience about East Bench emergency preparation efforts and our experience with the SAFE Neighborhoods training at Indian Hills.
- The **new magazine SALT**, which is being distributed to homes on the East Bench for free, has graciously offered to allow the East Bench Community Council to run a monthly ad and write articles. We will be using this opportunity as a way to better communicate with our residents for both emergency preparedness and council topics.
- Several residents have expressed interest in getting HAM radio training and certification. We plan to have a **HAM radio training** take place sometime in the late summer or early fall here on the East Bench. If you are interested in becoming a licensed HAM radio operator, please contact Alexis Krueel at [alexis@krueel.cc](mailto:alexis@krueel.cc).

**e. Waterwise Plants and Water Conservation**

**Master Gardener Miriam Bloom,  
PHD, ELS (D)**

- Cathy Knight introduced Miriam Bloom and thanked Suzanne Sakas for securing Miriam as our guest speaker. Miriam has a PhD in plant genetics and is a certified Master Gardener.
- Miriam generously brought many of waterwise plants for our residents to take home with them from a garden she dismantled earlier in the day.
- With draughts projected for the future, we have to use less water. It's up to each of us to figure out how to use less water. Can conserve indoors and out. **Watersense Program** - <http://www.epa.gov/watersense/> - in coordination with the EPA are appliances and devices that use less water. Watch for the logo.
- Sprinkler Systems: **Slow The Flow Program** run by the USU which is free where they will come and check your sprinkler system and measure what comes out of every head, will tell you problems with your heads, and how often each of them should run. Best time to water is when it's not sunny and not windy. You can also get water sensors so the sprinkler system

comes on and off when needed. Grass just doesn't belong in the desert. Visit <http://www.slowtheflow.org/index.php/forms/free-water-check> for more information

- **Waterwise gardening:** We get 13" of water a year and ½ of that is in the season and we need about 30" to grow vegetables and such. There are many fact sheets on the USU site. You must to plan your garden, separate sprinkling arrangements, look at soil, and determine what plants will grow there. Lists of nursery companies that have special labeled Utah water wise plants <http://www.waterwiseplants.utah.gov/>. Perennials and shrubs in one section and a separate zone where there is turf. Mulching is very important. Natural mulches keep water in and regulate temperature. Glass or stone mulch can heat up the ground below. Mulch shouldn't be all the way to the stem.
- **Utah Native Plants:** There's a fact sheet on attractive native pollinators and one way to do that is with native plants. The Utah Native Plant Society meets at REI at 3300 South and has lots of great information. <http://www.unps.org/index.html>
- Other pertinent information:

**Turfgrass** in the water-wise landscape

[http://extension.usu.edu/files/publications/publication/HG\\_Turf\\_2006-01.pdf](http://extension.usu.edu/files/publications/publication/HG_Turf_2006-01.pdf)

**Water-wise plants**, USU Extension fact sheet

<https://extension.usu.edu/files/publications/publication/HG-2003-01.pdf>

**Gardening for native bees**, USU Extension fact sheet

<http://extension.usu.edu/files/publications/factsheet/plants-pollinators09.pdf>

**f. Chairman's Report**

**Kim Peterson**

- **Goals and Objectives of EBCC**
  - Inform and education
  - Neighborliness and building a sense of community
  - Please let us know what you think is important and should be on our agendas

**g. Items From The Floor**

**Kim Peterson**

- **George Chapman** is running for State Senate. Former Navy officer, local activist. We will invite him back as we get closer to elections.

**Donations to the EBCC are appreciated and accepted**

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# Mayor's Office Update

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May 19, 2014

**One-on-One Meetings with Mayor Becker:** Mayor Ralph Becker continues to promote an open-door policy by inviting residents to schedule one-on-one meetings to be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2014. To schedule a 10-minute meeting with the Mayor to discuss City issues, please call 801-535-7704.

**Mayor Becker Proposes 2014-2015 City Budget:** On May 6, Mayor Becker presented a fiscally prudent budget to the City Council focused on taking care of basic city needs efficiently and maintaining Salt Lake City's trajectory as one of the most livable cities in the country. Some highlights of the proposal included: no tax increase, continued investments in air quality, a new set-aside for ongoing maintenance needs, savings from closing the underutilized Fire Station #9 in the industrial sector, reduced employee health insurance costs, and a 3% salary increase for City employees. Mayor's Speech: [www.slcgov.com/news](http://www.slcgov.com/news). Proposed budget: [www.slcgov.com/budget](http://www.slcgov.com/budget). Provide input to the City Council: [www.slccouncil.com/contact](http://www.slccouncil.com/contact) or at the City Council Public Hearings on May 20 and June 3 at 7:00 pm. 5/12

**Mayor Becker Announces 2014 Twilight Concert Series Lineup:** The series returns to Pioneer Park with a stellar selection of summer music with admission at a mere \$5/concert or \$35/season. [www.twilightconcertseries.com](http://www.twilightconcertseries.com) 5/12

**New Homeless Services Grant:** The Salt Lake County Council of Governments awarded the first Homeless Services grant of \$200,000 to The Road Home, Volunteers of America, and Fourth Street Clinic who will use the grant to create a Street Engagement Team (SET) to facilitate intensified outreach services for currently underserved, highly vulnerable individuals living on the streets or long-term in shelters. [www.slcgov.com/news](http://www.slcgov.com/news) 5/5

**City Announces Insurance Provider for Big Residential Plumbing Repairs:** Through a new program with Salt Lake City Public Utilities, HomeServe, an independent provider of home emergency repair service plans, is offering *optional* Sewer Line Repair coverage for households in Salt Lake City for \$7/month. Also available is Water Main Repair for \$4/month and Interior Plumbing & Drainage Service coverage for \$10/month. Learn more at [www.YourServicePlans.com](http://www.YourServicePlans.com), or by contacting HomeServe toll-free at 1-855-716-6277. [www.slcgov.com/news](http://www.slcgov.com/news) 4/15

**City Council Accepts Mayor's Hive Pass Challenge:** The City Council District that sells the most Hive passes by June 1 will receive tickets for a Salt Lake Bees game for every Hive pass holder. Passes are now available for purchase at City Hall (451 S State), the Unity Center (900 W 1300 S) & the Public Utilities Building (1530 S West Temple)! Any Salt Lake City resident may purchase a one-year transit pass, good on all UTA modes (buses, TRAX, Street Car & Frontrunner) for \$360. For more details, visit [www.ridewithhive.com](http://www.ridewithhive.com). 3/5

**City Council Meeting Topics:** Tuesday, May 20: Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2014; Zoning: Assisted Living Facilities in Sugar House Business District; Budget Items for Fiscal Year 2014-2015; Hearing: Fence Heights, Setback, and Concrete Pads in Park Strips; Hearing: Budget Amendment No. 3 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014; Hearing: Partial Street Closure: 300 South Width Reduction; Hearing: Proposed Fiscal Year 2014-2015 City Budget; Hearing: Capital Projects Budget for Local Building Authority; Ordinance: Vicious Animals and Dog Tethering; Ordinance: Zoning: 289 North Almond Street; Ordinance: Alley Closure, 364 West American Ave; Ordinance: Urban Vegetable Garden Adjustment Program <http://council.slcgov.com>

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## Active “Open City Hall” Topics [www.slcgov.com/opencityhall](http://www.slcgov.com/opencityhall)

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1. ***Sugar House Streetcar Corridor Master Plan and Zoning Amendments***: What do you think of the proposed Sugar House Streetcar corridor master plan and zoning amendments? (no deadline yet)
2. ***Google Fiber and Salt Lake City***: A blog chat about applying for Google Fiber and other opportunities for fiber service, with a debate on pros and cons. (no deadline yet)
3. ***Dog Tethering Regulations***: Share your thoughts on two proposals relating to dog tethering regulations. (no deadline yet)
4. ***Design Guidelines for Historic Apartment and Multifamily Buildings***: Salt Lake City is drafting Design Guidelines for Historic Apartment and Multifamily Buildings. What are your thoughts on the guidelines? (no deadline yet)
5. ***SLC Golf Course Study***: What are your thoughts about this study of SLC golf courses? (no deadline yet)
6. ***Drive-Through Regulations***: What do you think of proposed changes to Salt Lake City Development Standards for Drive-Through Facilities? (no deadline yet)
7. ***Downtown Streetcar***: Share your ideas and learn more. (no deadline yet)

## City Projects

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***1300 South Street Rebuild***: Awaiting funding. Construction target is July.

***1300 South Viaduct***: Construction begins this summer. Target opening June 2015.  
[www.slcgov.com/engineering/1300-South-Viaduct](http://www.slcgov.com/engineering/1300-South-Viaduct)

***9 Line Corridor***: Trail was paved in 2011. Master planning is under way.  
[www.slcgov.com/planning/planning-current-projects](http://www.slcgov.com/planning/planning-current-projects)

***900 South Water Treatment Wetland***: In the bidding phase. [www.slcgov.com/Utilities](http://www.slcgov.com/Utilities)

***Glendale Library***: Under construction. Target opening is November.  
<http://glendalelibraryslc.wordpress.com>

***Jordan River Trail, North Temple to 200 South***: In negotiations for a bridge design.

***Marmalade Library***: In the bidding process. Construction target is May.  
<http://marmaladelibraryslc.wordpress.com>

***Parks Projects***: Bike Terrain Parks; 600 East Median Irrigation; Parley’s Nature Park; Off-Leash Parks; Integrated Weed Management Plan; Regional Athletic Center; Model Airport Relocation; Wasatch Hollow Preserve; Dog Guardian Policies [www.slcgov.com/parks](http://www.slcgov.com/parks)

***Planning Master Plans***: 9 Line; Downtown; East Bench; West Salt Lake; Plan Salt Lake; Sugar House Streetcar.  
[www.slcgov.com/planning](http://www.slcgov.com/planning)

***Portland Loo***: Two locations identified. Target opening Summer.

***PRATT Trail***: Construction begins this summer to complete the trail.

***Railroad Quiet Zone***: At Navajo St, 1400 West, Pueblo St, 1600 West & Orange St. Negotiating agreements with RR’s.

***Regional Athletic Complex***: Construction began in March. Target opening is late Summer 2015.  
[www.slcgov.com/RAC](http://www.slcgov.com/RAC)

***Riparian Restoration Projects***: Jordan River Trailside 1800-2500 N. target opening is June. Liberty Lake target opening is July. Oxbow target opening is August. Miller Park target opening is September.  
[www.slcgov.com/open-space](http://www.slcgov.com/open-space)

***Solar Panel Installations***: At PSB, Plaza 349 & 1995 W 500 South. Most paneling will be installed by Spring.

***Transportation Master Plans:*** Transportation; Downtown; Bicycle & Pedestrian; Sugar House.  
[www.slcgov.com/transportation](http://www.slcgov.com/transportation)

***Utah Performing Arts Center:*** Target opening Spring 2016. [www.newperformingartscenter.org](http://www.newperformingartscenter.org)

## ***Stay Informed, Get Involved!***

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***Press Releases:*** Catch the latest City news. [www.slcgov.com/news](http://www.slcgov.com/news)

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[www.slcgov.com/opencityhall](http://www.slcgov.com/opencityhall)

***Boards & Commissions:*** A great way to volunteer! Learn more & apply.  
[www.slcgov.com/bc/vacancies](http://www.slcgov.com/bc/vacancies)

***Service in the City:*** See the many volunteer opportunities. Join the email list.  
[www.slcgov.com/volunteer](http://www.slcgov.com/volunteer)

# Salt Lake City Police Department

## Monthly Bulletin: District 6

Detective Brett Olsen



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## East Bench Community Council

May 21, 2014

### Significant Events

- Part I crimes are down in District 6 except for Burglary. Burglary is down over the previous year but up over the previous month.
- See Burglary Analysis Summary for further details on burglaries.
- The police department is reorganizing to better facilitate the issues plaguing the downtown area. Information can be found at [www.SLCPD.com](http://www.SLCPD.com)

### Chief's Message for October

- Bicycle safety.
  - Even with share the road laws, ride defensively.
  - Always ride with traffic and obey all traffic laws.
- View the chief's message at [SLCPD.COM](http://SLCPD.COM)

### Things to Know

- Do not leave valuables in your car and if not possible, never leave them in plain sight.
- Always keep an open eye for suspicious people or activities.
  - Suspicious activity should be reported immediately to police at 801-799-3000
  - Keep the mantra in mind: "if something doesn't feel right, it probably isn't"
- Report minor crimes online by going to [SLCPD.COM](http://SLCPD.COM) and clicking Online Reports.



Want to volunteer with the Salt Lake City Police Department to help keep your neighborhood safe? Join Mobile Neighborhood Watch, Neighborhood Watch or Operation Safe Passage

Visit [www.slcpd.com](http://www.slcpd.com) for more information or call 801-799-6397





## Part I Crimes

District 6 Data		Layer 7 of 8			
	Last 28 Days (2013)	Prior 28 Day Period	Last 28 Days (2014)	Last 28 to Prior 28	Last 28 to Last 28 (2013)
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	2	1	0	100	100
Robbery	0	1	0	100	0
Aggravated Assault	1	0	1	0	1000
Burglary	10	3	8	1267	100
Larceny/Theft	41	26	26	100	100
Motor Vehicle Theft	3	0	3	0	1000
Arson	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Part I Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1007</b>

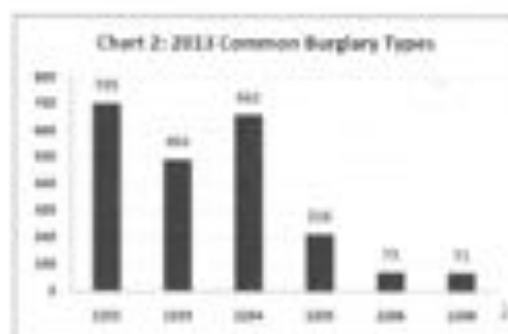
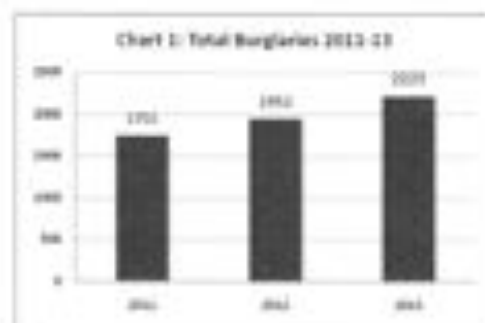
Citywide Data		Layer 1 of 8			
	Last 28 Days (2013)	Prior 28 Day Period	Last 28 Days (2014)	Last 28 to Prior 28	Last 28 to Last 28 (2013)
Homicide	0	2	0	100	0
Forcible Rape	19	22	15	100	179
Robbery	26	29	40	138	154
Aggravated Assault	58	44	59	134	100
Burglary	154	109	110	101	171
Larceny/Theft	960	834	953	114	100
Motor Vehicle Theft	129	88	109	124	104
Arson	3	9	7	79	233
<b>Part I Total</b>	<b>1349</b>	<b>1137</b>	<b>1293</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>100</b>



## Burglary Analysis Summary

An analysis of burglaries completed by the Salt Lake Intelligence Center shows the information displayed in the following charts. Some key information gathered from this analysis includes the following:

- Burglaries with "no-force" accounted for almost half of the incidents reported. (43%)
- More burglaries were committed on Mondays and Tuesdays than other days of the week.
- Most burglaries were committed during the middle of the day with noon being the peak.



2202-Burglary-Forced Entry-Residence  
 2203-Burglary-Forced Entry-Non-Residence  
 2204-Burglary-No Forced Entry-Residence  
 2205-Burglary-No Force Entry-Non-Residence  
 2206-Burglary-Tools Possess  
 2299-Burglary-Aggravated Injury/Weapons  
 2295-Burglary-Free Text

