

CITY COUNCIL TRANSMITTAL

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TO:

Salt Lake City Council

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SUBJECT:

Homeless Site Evaluation Commission

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### ROLE AND PURPOSE:

Strategy #4 in Salt Lake City's 6-point homeless strategies is an evaluation of the site and configuration of our homeless services. The Commission will review critical homeless services currently provided, work together to establish goals, and outcomes for the homeless and the surrounding neighborhood. (6-point strategy attached)

A recommendation from the commission to the Mayor and City Council is expected by December 2015. Due to the importance of this work, the Council may opt to have regular briefings on the Commission's work. We are happy to provide either written or verbal updates at intervals selected by the Council.

### PROCESS:

The Commission will meet six times beginning the end of January and every 6 or 7 weeks thereafter through the end of the year. In addition to the six commission meetings there will be two public outreach meetings where the public will be invited to make comment. Over the course of these six meetings the Commission will analyze best practices from across the country, define essential elements of our services and create criteria for a site. The Commission meetings will be open to the public and will be at the Library. (Tentative schedule attached)

### Organization:

Mayor Becker and Mayor McAdams have convened this process and have asked Gail Miller and former Mayor Palmer DePaulis to chair the Commission. The City has contracted with Bill Evans to provide staff support to the Commission members. Thru an inter local with the County the County will pay for a facilitator for the meetings. The Commission membership is made up of representatives from the service providers in the pioneer park neighborhood, government leaders and public officials and the business community. Business representation includes property owners and businesses in the neighborhood of the facilities and representatives from the greater community and business organizations who frequently partner with the City in addressing community challenges. (List of Commission members attached)

### Outcomes:

The Commission will recommend a preferred site and/or configuration for homeless services. Their recommendation may be for a new site or it may be to keep facilities at the existing site, but configure the facilities in a way that better interfaces with the surrounding neighborhood. The recommendation will come to the City Council and the Mayor. If the facilities are reconfigured or relocated, the Council will also be responsible for zoning.

### Parallel Processes:

Salt Lake County has initiated a collective impact process that will be convened at the same time as the Site Evaluation Commission. This process will evaluate services and methods of services. The participants in collective impact will determine measurable outcomes for dollars spent on services. Those outcomes will be evaluated over time to assure we are best meeting the needs of the homeless population. Collective Impact participants in some cases will overlap with participants on the site evaluation commission. The Collective Impact process will be a multiyear evaluation of services. Mayor Becker is serving the Leadership commission for this process and Elizabeth Buehler is also participating in this process.

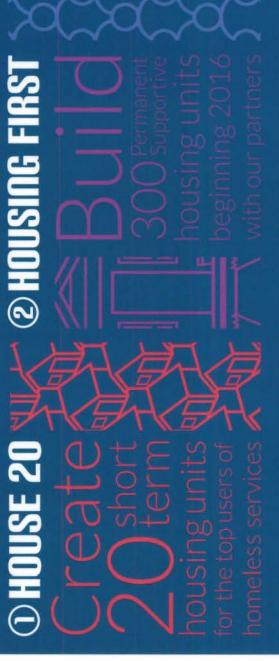
Salt Lake City's HAND division is continuing to implement the other homeless strategies that are leading our efforts with the homeless. This includes building long term, supportive housing. The Goal is to build 300 units of new long term supportive housing over the next 5 years. This project will continue to move forward, as the Site Evaluation Commission meets and as Collective Impact is developed. The Site Evaluation Commission will not make a recommendation on the sites for long term housing. These units could be built in smaller numbers throughout the City and County. It will not be one 300 unit project. HAND is working with our community partners to move this project forward.

Pioneer Park Coalition is a nonprofit group that meets independently from the City and the County to coordinate the businesses in the pioneer park neighborhood. They are advocates for the business community and meet monthly to coordinate their efforts and initiatives. Members of this coalition are represented on the Site Evaluation Commission as well as the collective impact process.

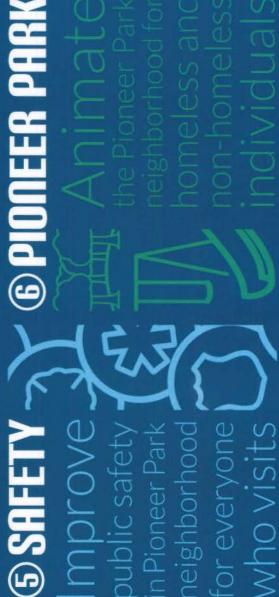
# HOMELESS SERVICES POINT STRATEGY

Salt Lake City has developed a services strategy to guide the City's efforts in homeless services. The strategies are based on the Situational Assessment, Solutions Retreat and proven methods.

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# **Homeless Commission Tentative Schedule**

| Meeting #1:                              | Monday, January 26 <sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:00 pm   |             |                                     |
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| Meeting #2:                              | Friday, March 20 1:30-3:30pm  |             |                                     |
| Public Input # 1:                        | Friday, April 17 9:00-10:00 am  |             |                                     |
| Meeting #3:                              | Friday, May 22 1:30-3:30 pm   |             |                                     |
| Meeting #4: Meeting #5: Public Input #2: | Friday, August 14 1:30-3:30 pm Friday, November 13 1:30-3:30 pm Thursday, November 19 12:30-2:30 pm |             |                                     |
|  |   | Meeting #6: | Thursday, December 17 12:30-2:30 pm |

## **Commission Members**

Atkinson, Pamela

Beattle, Lane

Becker, Ralph

Bray, Kathy

Burbank, Chris

Crosswhite, Chris

DePaulis, Palmer

Drake, Brad

Evans, Bill

Garbett, Bryson

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Hughes, Greg

Mathis, Jason

McAdams, Ben

McNabb, Forest

Miller, Gail

Miller, Greg

Moore, Mikelle

Seghini, JoAnn

Simmons, Harris

Stransky, Mike

Taylor, Melanie

Wester, John

Winder, James

Wood, Cherrie

Goldman Sachs - update to follow