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## All Politics are Local, and Grassroots Efforts Change Communities

by Kim M. Bowman Jr.  
2017 Chairman

We give a lot of our time and attention to national and international affairs.

As important and exciting as political maneuvering in the Senate or a scandal in the White House can be, the biggest impact on our day-to-day lives doesn't come from the highest offices in the land, but from our local government. Snow plows, theaters, property taxes, sidewalks, and street lights are all local government issues.

The most local race we have in the Avenues is the non-partisan election for Salt Lake City Council District 3.

A group of just a few thousand people will get to pick one of the top of leaders of this, our capital city.

The person we send to the Council will be responsible for passing our ordinances and managing the civil servants that keep Salt Lake City running, including our police, fire, and library services. We should also be mindful that in many cases local offices serve as the "bench" for higher elected offices down the road.

Our next meeting will largely be devoted to a candidate forum. If you have a question you'd like our candidates for Council to answer, please submit it to [gaccchair@slc-avenues.org](mailto:gaccchair@slc-avenues.org).

No need to worry if you miss the debate, we'll be putting a video of the event up on our website ([slc-avenues.org](http://slc-avenues.org)) and our Facebook page ([facebook.com/GreaterAvenues](https://facebook.com/GreaterAvenues)). The Primary Election will be August 15, 2017 and the General Election is November 7, 2017, so please make your voice heard and vote.

Speaking of responsive local groups, recently we've been fielding questions about the GACC's place in the planning and zoning process. While our role is limited to providing input, we want to make sure we're as involved as we can be in these important decisions. The way the ordinance is written some projects are of a nature where 45 days notice is given and we have time as an organization to put the proposal on a meeting agenda, hear from all involved, and weigh in with our input.

Some projects only have a 14-day window, and there isn't enough time to go through our full process before the project goes before the City's boards and commissions.

While we won't always be able to have a full-length discussion about every Avenues project at one of our meetings, we can make sure the various notices and City updates on zoning, as well



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### GACC Community Meeting

August 2, 7:00 p.m.

Sweet Library

9th Avenue and F Street

**7:00 to 7:05—Welcome, Announcements (Chair).**

**7:05 to 7:35—Reports:** Library, Police, Fire, City, School Board, Legislature, Street Fair.

**7:35 to 7:40—Open Announcements**

**7:45 to 8:50—SLC Council District 3 Candidate Debate**

**8:50—Adjourn**

**8:50 to 8:55—Conversations with Neighbors/  
Clean Up**

as all the other important events and issues, get to everyone who wants to know about them.

Because of our desire to be able to send you more regular updates on what's happening in the community outside of the space available in this publication, we're starting a new monthly e-newsletter to supplement the information you receive each month in The Agenda. Our new publication will be called The Addenda, and will be sent to your inbox once a month if you should so choose.

Please sign up for The Addenda on our website, [slc-avenues.org/about-the-council/contact-us](http://slc-avenues.org/about-the-council/contact-us).

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**AVENUES COMMUNITY MEETINGS**

**GACC Council Meeting**

Wednesday, August 2, 2017, at 7 p.m., Sweet Library. For special accommodations contact the GACC chair at gaccchair@slc-avenues.org. Open to the public, all welcome.

**GACC Board Meeting**

Wednesday, August 9, 2017, at 7 p.m., Sweet Library. For special accommodations contact the GACC chair at gaccchair@slc-avenues.org. Open to the public, all welcome.

Community Life / Resources / Free Stuff!

**Sweet Branch Library**, 455 F Street (at 9th Avenue), 801-594-8651, www.slclpl.org. **August Calendar:** Summer Reading—through August 12. All Locations, all ages. **Kids Calendar:** *Book Baby*. Wednesday at 10:15 a.m. *Preschool Storytime*. Wednesday at 11:15 a.m. *Playtime @ Sweet*, Tuesday at 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and Wednesday, 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. (Playtime for children 0 to 5 years-old and their caregivers.) *Coding Club*, Monday, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Ages 8-18. Develop computer coding skills at your own pace in a creative and collaborative environment. Kids and teens ages 8–18 can take part in weekly workshops where they’ll be able to work through a self-guided programming curriculum with the help of Library staff. Registration is required. Call 801-594-8651 during library hours. *Build your Neighborhood with Utah Museum of Fine Arts*, Turn your vision of your neighborhood’s streets and houses into a unique sculpture. Kids can join the Utah Museum of Fine Arts in making replicas of their communities using wooden blocks. Thursday, August 3 at 11 a.m. *Music Together*, Bring your little ones to this exploration of music and movement brought to you by the experts from Music Together, Monday, August 7 at 11 a.m. *Storytime Celebration*, Join the Library during regularly-scheduled Preschool Storytimes for stories, songs, and other fun surprises. We will celebrate our storytime friends who will be graduating to preschool and kindergarten, and welcome new and continuing friends who will be with us for another year, Wednesday, August 16 at 11:15 a.m. **Teen Calendar** *Design Your Own Decal*, Use the Creative Lab’s Cricut machine to design and make your own vinyl decal, Wednesday, August 2 at 4 p.m. *Portal for Teens*, Portal is a single and co-operative puzzle-solving game for tweens and teens. Tweens and Teens are invited to think strategically and creatively to solve a variety of digital puzzles and obstacles

**The Agenda**

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**City Library System Goes More Reader Friendly**

Touts Automatic Renewals, No Overdue Fines

Our city library has undertaken some startling, and friendly, changes.

Starting in July, the library is now automatically renewing your items up to three times, and overdue fees will be abolished.

Better still, if you have a backlog of overdue fines, they're forgiven.

The change came about this Spring when the library board realized overdue fines weren't having much of an impact on library operations.

"Libraries across the country that have eliminated overdue fines have reported that patrons still return items on time, that more items are checked out (improving the return on the investment of their purchase), and that interactions between staff and patrons are more positive," the library's web site says.

Items are automatically renewed three times, unless an item is on hold for another patron.

Each auto-renewal gives an additional full loan period, and the library will notify you of the new, extended due date via email.

Patrons will be charged for the replacement cost of materials not returned four weeks after their due date.

Though overdue fees will be gone, items that have been lost, returned with damaged or missing parts, or otherwise did not return in the same condition as when they were checked out will be billed accordingly.

Once items are four weeks overdue, the patron will be billed as though the item has been lost.

in Portal. Space is limited, so arrive early. No registration required. Wednesday, August 9 at 12:30 p.m. *Film in the Crafternoon*, “The Princess Bride”: Friday, August 11 at 2 p.m. *Back-to-School DIY*: Wednesday, August 18 at 3:00 p.m. **Adult Calendar** *Art Exhibit*: works by Open Studio. Exhibit runs through August 19. *Sweet Reads at Avenues Proper*, 376 8th Ave: fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m. *Film in the Crafternoon*. “The Princess Bride”, Friday, August 11 at 2 p.m. *Board in the Library*, Take part in tabletop gaming and meet others from your neighborhood, Saturday, August 26 at 2 p.m.

**Avenues Open Studios** call for artists, all disciplines, for the event September 16th. Please call Anne Albaugh (801) 554-9805.

**Avenues exercise class** -free- Federal Heights church building, 1300 Fairfax Road. Mondays and Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Call Renate Nebeker 801-534-1443.

## Five Council Hopefuls in Primary August 15; They're Invited to August 2 Forum

Five Council District 3 residents are seeking your favor in the city's primary election August 15.

They're hoping to replace Stan Penfold, councilman who is not seeking reelection.

The five are Jeffrey V. Garbett, Brian Fukushima, Laura Cushman, Phil Carroll and Chris Wharton. Two top vote getters will move on to the Nov. 7 Municipal Election.

By law, city elections are non-partisan, so party labels do not apply.

Wharton is an attorney focusing on family law and LGBTQ

equality. Garbett is a contractor and real estate developer. Carroll is founder and president of the nonprofit Community Housing Services. Cushman is a former intern in the San Francisco Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice. Fukushima is an orthopedic surgeon.

These hopefuls have been invited to participate in our August 2 meeting, to present their positions, their experience and their goals and to answer questions from attendees.

The meeting, as always, is at 7 p.m. at the Sweet Library.

City Council District Three Hopefuls			
Phil Carroll	89 G Street	801-573-7009	altapac@aol.com
Laura Cushman	474 7th Avenue	415-308-3678	laura.cushman@gmail.com
Brian Fukushima	790 Northshore St.	801-450-1436	boardrider1@msn.com
Jeffrey V. Garbett	273 East Capitol St.	801-300-7610	jeffvdbgarett@gmail.com
Chris Wharton	123 C Street #1	801-910-6795	chris@chriswhartonlaw.com

## Defend Yourself Against a Wildfire

They called it a "fast-moving fire" spread by high winds. Four homes were in jeopardy, but were saved. It was in April 2015 at 13th Ave. and I street and it could have been a disaster, but it wasn't. That time.

Since we live on the edge of wildlands, we on the Avenues have to be careful of how we use campfires, tools that can emit sparks and of course, fireworks.

City fire officials have warned sparks from fireworks can carry some distances unexpectedly. Thanks to an incredible winter and spring, there's plenty of dry fuel ready to burn up there. Think 18th Avenue and northward.

We haven't yet had a California-style wildfire above the Avenues. But that doesn't mean we can't.

Fire officials have put out a lot of literature on protecting

your home from a sudden wildfire attack.

- First, of course, is be careful with fireworks or don't use them at all.
- Second, cut away weeds and brush as much as 30 feet around your home, creating a "defensible space." Have a 100-foot garden hose hooked up and ready-to-use.
- Create defensible space by clearing brush and dead and dying trees away from your home.
- Use fire-resistant landscaping and harden your home with fire-safe construction measures. Locate storage sheds away from the house. Keep lawns green and mowed.
- Assemble emergency supplies (best: a 72 hour kit) and keep belongings in a safe place.
- Plan escape routes and make sure your family knows the plan of action.

For more information: <http://slcfire.com/prevention/>.

### August theme for our monthly photo contest: "Staycation"

Congratulations to our photo contest winner ("Summer Travels") Malcolm Hastings! Please send your July photo submissions to [gaccchair@slc-avenues.org](mailto:gaccchair@slc-avenues.org) by August 15.



### Free concerts at Historic Brigham Young Park, North Temple and State Street. August schedule, all at 7:30 p.m.

- 1 New Hot 5, New Orleans-style Dixieland jazz band.
- 4 Ultimi, tenor trio, Isaac Hurtado, Tyler Nelson and Brian Stucki.
- 8 Octappella, spirited, toe-tapping a cappella.
- 11 An Dragan Ceilteach, Irish step dancers.
- 15 Wasatch and District Pipe Band Bagpipers, drummers and Highland dancers.
- 18 Silver City Pink, all-female bluegrass band.
- 22 Broadway and Company, evening of Broadway favorites.
- 25 The Malibu Revue, music of the golden decade of rock 'n' roll, 1956-1966.

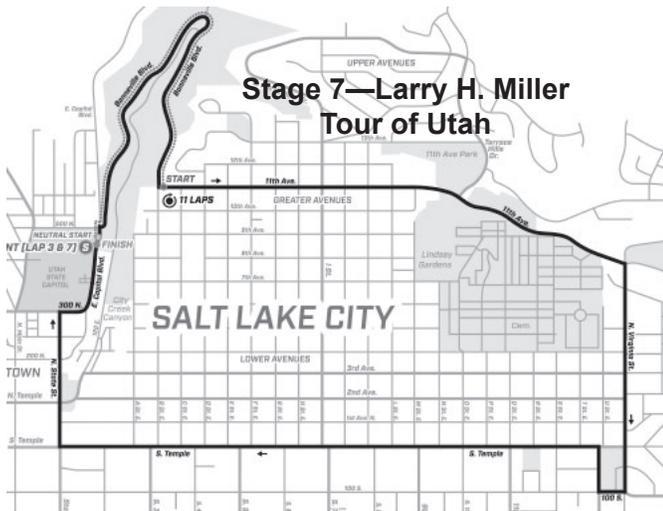
**Tour of Utah is Back Sunday, August 6**

The original Salt Lake City circuit is repeated.

With the start/finish line on the east side of the Utah State Capitol, this circuit is the same one used in 2013 and is a favorite of the racers and spectators alike.

There will be 11 laps, including two intermediate sprints and a time bonus at the finish for the top three riders, so the overall race champion may not be decided until the very end.

The major climb of the circuit is along State Street, and provides a great opportunity to see the racers up close as they suffer on this steep section. Other viewing areas include Bonneville Boulevard, around City Creek Canyon and the serpentine turns around Reservoir Park. (from the Tour of Utah website)



Race route will circle the Avenues, causing some traffic changes  
Tour of Utah lists these impacts:

Traffic will be restricted and no parking will be allowed on the following roads:

- The northbound lanes of East Capitol Blvd. will experience full closure from 9 a.m. on Saturday to 11 p.m. on Sunday.
- There will be a full closure of East Capitol Blvd. in both directions (from 4 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Sunday)
- South Temple between 200 South and East Capitol St.
- Bonneville Boulevard from East Capitol St. to 11th Ave. (Includes automobile access to City Creek Canyon)
- Eastbound East 11th Ave. between B Street and Virginia Streets
- Virginia Street / University Street from East 11th Ave to 100 South
- 1300 East from 100 South to South Temple
- South Temple from Virginia Street to State Street

Additional information:

- The race will start at 1:10 p.m. on East Capitol Drive and finish at approximately 3:45 p.m.
- The race features 11 laps of the 6.8-mile course for a total of 71 miles

- Police will begin closing the roads to traffic at approximately 12:45 p.m.
- Traffic will be allowed to cross the course at multiple locations, under supervision of local police.
- There may be a short delay as the race passes.
- There will be traffic delays, but no part of the area will lack access. Emergency vehicles will not be affected by road closures.
- On race day, residents and merchants who live or do business near the course should contact a police officer posted near their street so they can be assisted in accessing or leaving their home or business. Every effort will be made to accommodate residents and merchants.
- Use a GREENbike to reach the course. Check the website for bike stations near the course -<https://greenbikeslc.org/station-map>. (taken from Tour of Utah website.)



**Cop Corner**  
By Det. Alen Gibic,  
SLCPD Community Intelligence Unit,  
801-799-3623

Summer is in full swing. As always, traffic is a big concern. Please leave a little early or plan for traffic because speeding up and down the Avenues can be a big safety hazard.

There have been some incidents of animals left in hot cars. Please make sure your furry friend does not get left in a hot car and get hurt.

I am focused on transient camps in City Creek and have been coordinating efforts to clean them up. If you see any, please email me. I will forward all complaints to the city's new cleanup coordinator Sandra Hollins."

Note: Det. Gibic and the Salt Lake City Police Department will be at Hatch Family Chocolates (376 8th Ave) during the Block Party on Friday, August 11. The SLCPD will be available to answer any of your community policing questions. Visit [www.hatchfamilychocolates.com](http://www.hatchfamilychocolates.com) for more event information.



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## Update on 2017 Street Fair

Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 9th for the Avenues Street Fair!

This year's fair will be located on 8th Avenue between H & M Streets. Thank you to our wonderful neighbors on 8th Avenue who have agreed to share their street for a day with thousands of their friends.

The Fair will run from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Spend the day shopping in some of the 200 booths that feature area businesses and local artists. We'll have a Children's Activity Area open all day. There will also be two stages, with musical acts for all tastes. Be sure to come hungry, as we will have plenty of food and drink booths.

Official Street Fair Poster Art by Evan Smith



Here are some ways to participate:

- Join the Children's Parade! The Parade starts at 9 a.m. at the east end of the Fair. Children are encouraged to wear a costume, or decorate your bike, wagon, scooter, etc. Feel free to bring your pets, parents, or grandparents too.
- Enter the People's Art Gallery. All Avenues residents are invited to enter their artwork into the People's Art Gallery. Prizes

are given for Children, Youth, Teen, Adult Amateur, and Adult Professional categories. Last year's entries included paintings, photographs, and jewelry. Applications are due by August 15, and can be found on our website.

• Volunteer! We need a ton of help! The weekend of the fair is where we will need the community's support. From setting up, traffic control, children's activities, stage management, to closing and cleanup. You can volunteer for just an hour, if you like!



Brian Berkelbach

So, come have fun connecting with neighbors in our Avenues community! To volunteer visit our website or contact Rebecca Kestle at (801) 874-6094 or rebeccakestle@gmail.com.

The Street Fair website is [avenuestreetfair.org](http://avenuestreetfair.org)

Bands/groups scheduled to appear:

- Schematics • Black Bess & the Butchers
  - The Fangs • Pepper Rose • Scariff School of Irish Dance • The Distractions • Wasatch Music Academy • High Altitude • Brown Dog Band • The Performer Studio • Blue Zen Band.
- Watch for band details, stage placings and times in the September issue of *The Agenda*.

## WHAT TO PACK FOR A HEALTHY PICNIC

By Ali Spencer, Registered Dietitian

Summer picnics are a great way to enjoy good food, good company, and the outdoors. When you're planning a picnic, you want to choose foods that you can make ahead of time, that store well, and are easy to eat. Here are some healthier alternatives so you can ditch the mayonnaise-based salads and other calorie-dense picnic standbys.

### MAIN DISHES

- Create an entrée salad. Use a mason jar and layer your dressing, vegetables, greens & proteins. Just shake it up when you get to your destination.
- Sandwiches & wraps are also great choices. Build a healthier one by using whole grains or even lettuce as a wrap. Try avocados, hummus, or pesto as a spread and load up on fresh veggies.

### SIDES

- Fruit is a great healthy & portable option. My go-tos are grapes, sliced watermelon, orange wedges, & strawberries. Try using skewers for smaller berries & melon for convenience.
- Picnics are a great way to try new veggie-

packed salads. Heartier vegetables like broccoli, cauliflower, green beans, asparagus, cucumbers, celery, & cabbage hold up well and can be prepared beforehand. Try an oil & vinegar dressing with fresh herbs to add flavor.

### BEVERAGES

Nothing beats ice cold water, but these are some ideas for changing up your water routine:

- Sparkling water
- Infused water
- Modified "Agua Fresca" without the sugar. Mix water with blended fruit for an even more intense flavor!

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**WEDNESDAY,**  
**AUGUST 2, 2017, 7:00 P.M.**  
**SWEET LIBRARY,**  
**9TH AVE. AT F STREET**

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