

Opposition Kills Sidewalk Project On Three Streets

City Council Survey Shows Homeowners Object 67-to-7

Strong property owner opposition has killed a proposed sidewalk project on three streets in the El Rancho subdivision. City Manager Richard L. Larsen told the City Council Thursday night a survey found 67 property owners involved opposing the project, seven in favor and two not responding.

Following this report and considerable discussion with one property owner favoring the project, the council ordered the manager's report filed.

The council ordered the survey two weeks ago after a meeting in the area showed there wasn't the support for the project that it had been earlier believed.

Mr. Larsen said all 78 property owners on Harrison, Collins and Jackson were contacted during the survey.

He said there were some indications that at least part of the property owner opposition stems from the relatively high cost estimated for installing the walks.

The city engineering department had estimated the cost at better than \$8 per linear foot for the walks, about double the normal cost.

Master Plan Ordered On Recreation

PLEASANT VIEW—The City Council here Thursday night approved preparation of the first phase of a comprehensive recreational master plan.

The council acted on the recommendation of Councilman Raymond Rhee, in charge of parks and recreation, who said it is needed to meet requirements for federal money.

Jay Nielson, representative of a private community development and growth management firm in Logan, said preparation of the first phase will cost the city \$1,400.

Councilman Rhee said the planning is needed to retain a \$35,000 Title 10 federal grant already approved and also qualify for Bureau of Outdoor Recreation monies.

MAILING LETTERS

In addition, the council approved mailing letters to city residents outlining proposed recreational developments and announcing a special meeting Nov. 29 to discuss them.

The input by residents is a requirement for obtaining the outdoor recreation funds, it was explained.

The first phase will include a master plan and specific projects at present city recreational areas.

The long-range program will cost the city about \$7,000 and include complete construction plans for recreational facilities at all of its three park areas.

It's suspected that initial programs will include construction of a better children's playground, improvement of present tennis courts, ball field improvements and picnic areas.

Recreational development is contemplated at the main city park on Pleasant View Drive, Shady Lane Park on 600 West and the proposed city complex at 500 West and Elberta Drive.

Councilman Rhee also said he has been in touch with an Air Force reserve unit that is looking for community development projects it can accomplish.

MEETING DATE CHANGE OK'D

The Weber Area Council of Governments will meet Dec. 11 at 4:30 p.m., instead of on Dec. 4, Chairman J. Farrell Shepherd announces.

Postponement of its regular meeting date—the first Thursday of each month—is due to the National League of Cities Conference the first week in December.

FOREST RANGERS CHECKING

Slow-Moving Slide Discovered in Canyon

Forest rangers have found a large, slow-moving landslide slipping down the south wall of Ogden Canyon that could pose a threat to Highway U39 and homes in the Fairmont area.

Ogden District Ranger Dee Ritchie said today somewhere between 25,000 and 40,000 cubic yards of earth are shifting down the mountainside, lubricated by springs at the base of the slide area.

The slide has apparently been moving for some time and it has not been deter-

mined if there is immediate danger of slippage.

However, Mr. Ritchie indicated the potential of the slide is great enough that efforts will be made to "closely watch" earth slippage, especially during spring runoff.

An inspection team from the ranger district and the local State Department of Transportation division surveyed the slide area this morning to discuss implanting an electric monitor that would chart slide movement.

"If this slide should release, it could cause more problems than the landslide that took place in Ogden Canyon last spring," Mr. Ritchie warned.

"It is directly in line with the Fairmont housing area and is anywhere between half as large or equal to the size of the slide that took place near the hermitage," he explained.

Rangers found the slide area last week while arresting a group of people who had cut down trees to build a shelter in an old Forest Service

campground across the canyon from Fairmont.

They noticed several large cracks in the earth and saw other evidence of earth slippage indicative of landslides.

A subsequent study of the area was conducted by Inter-mountain Regional geologist Earl Olson and Wasatch National Forest soil scientist Douglas Muir.

"They determined that the total movement has been almost six feet with a vertical displacement of anywhere from six to 18 inches," Mr. Ritchie noted.

"However, to get more accurate data on the slide will require either drilling or some backhoe work," the district ranger added.

Forest geology experts have indicated the earth movement is taking place on an ancient slide "track" where similar movement has occurred in the past.

They noted the bulk of the moving earth is a "heavy load of outwash material" deposited during the Lake Bonneville era that is slipping along a hard clay base.

Funding of Highway Intersection Work Requested

A high priority for federal funding of a half million dollar intersection improvement near the new St. Benedict's Hospital was requested Thursday by Weber County officials.

The request to put the Adams-Washington intersection high on the list of federal projects was presented to the Wasatch Front Regional Council's Transportation Committee (TransCom) by Mike Jusko, a Weber County engineer.

Davis County TransCom members objected, stating they

have projects of equal importance.

Mr. Jusko said the Washington-Adams project should be placed behind the 20th-21st and Monroe extension projects on the list of projects to be financed by the Ogden area's share of federal highway projects for Utah.

The federal highway funds are divided among the Ogden, Salt Lake and Provo areas. The Salt Lake area includes the southern half of Davis County,

while the Ogden area includes the northern half of Davis.

Since the highway funds are limited, being third on the list as proposed by Weber County engineers, would still put the project three or four years away, officials said.

TransCom makes recommendations to the WFRRC which decides jointly with the Utah Department of Transportation where the money will go.

After the Weber County officials proposed sandwiching in

their project, Davis County Planning Director Joe Moore said he didn't think "Davis would move down their priorities."

Davis County Commissioner Chairman C. E. "Bill" Moss said a hospital was being built along Interstate 15 on Antelope Drive in Layton but the county had been unable to get the federal government to build a freeway exit at the location until traffic volume increased.

Mr. Moore said a major route

near Hill Air Force Base in Davis County had also been on the list of federal highway funds for urban areas.

TransCom Chairman Conrad Harrison, Salt Lake City mayor, suggested the request go back to the county councils of governments before TransCom took action.

The Weber County officials said the intersection project included realigning the intersection, putting in signals and almost doubling the right-of-way.

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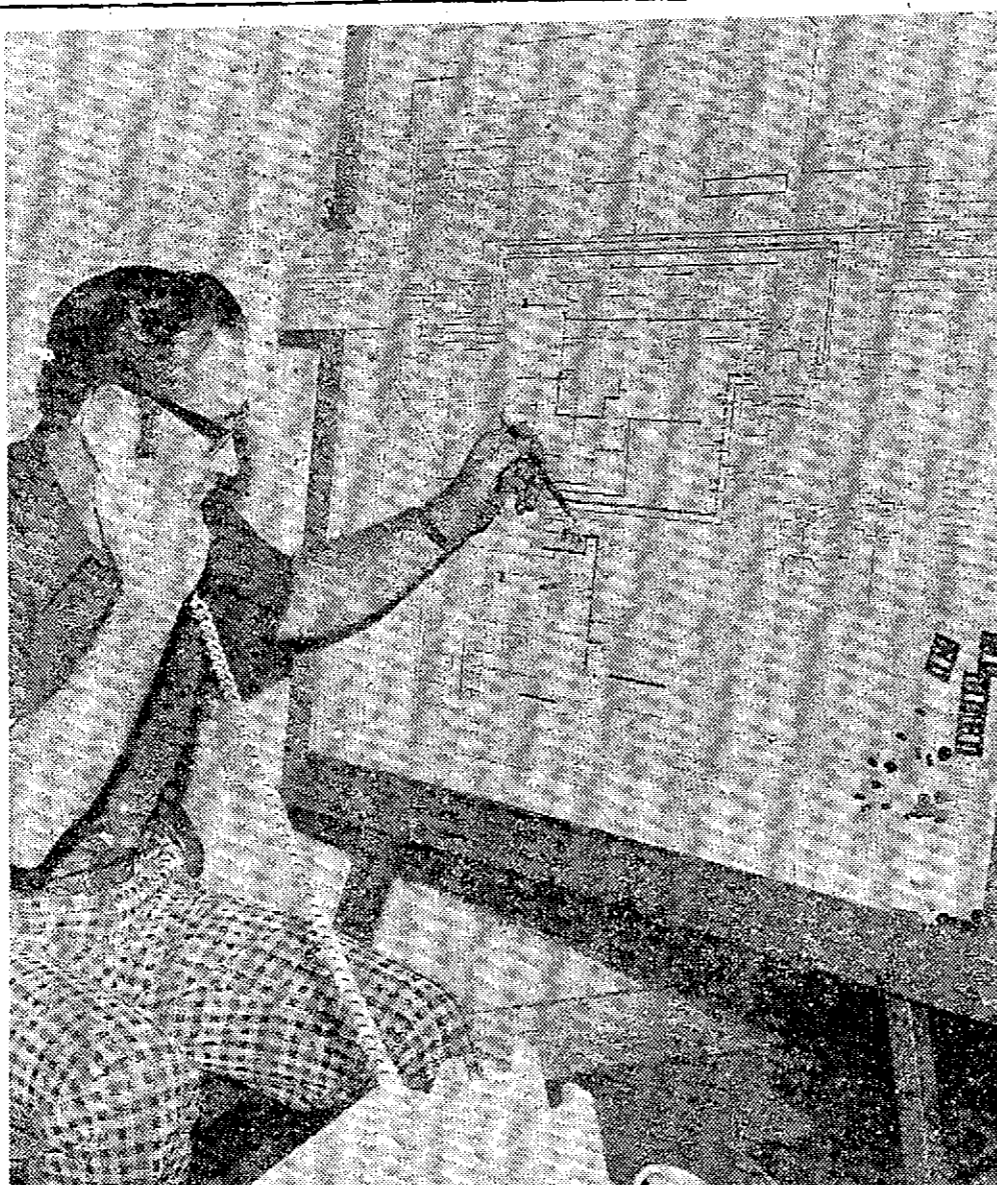
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FRIDAY EVENING

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DISPATCHER Charles Bradshaw checks a map for locations of outages at the 29th station of Utah Power & Light Co. during today's widespread outage. Mr. Bradshaw said he was "very busy" during the early morning hours.

Power Outages, Icy Highways Foul Up Early Work Schedules

A widespread power outage combined with light snow and icy highways fouled up work schedules and snarled traffic in Weber and Davis counties early today.

The inability of the Utah Department of Transportation to sand overpasses on Interstate 15 between Layton and Roy, due to construction, contributed to many multi-car pileups along the freeway.

Extremely slippery conditions also were reported on U84 at Nye's Corner, north of Roy, and on the 31st Street Expressway between Nye's Corner and Wall.

The snowstorm, which struck about dusk Thursday and continued until shortly before midnight, moved out of the area, leaving skies partly cloudy.

Temperatures dipped as skies cleared, adding to driving problems.

FAIR TONIGHT

Forecasters said skies will be fair tonight and Saturday with higher temperatures and light winds. Temperatures should hit the low 40s Saturday with tonight's low in the middle 20s.

The power outage, which kept most of Hill Air Force Base dark for 4½ hours—the longest outage at the base in its history—occurred when a 46KV line on the north side of the base broke.

The break tripped out switches in the Riverdale Substation, knocking out power for short

periods of time in sections of Ogden, Plain City, Warren, West Warren, West Weber and Roy.

Repair crews attempted to feed power onto the air base from a line connected to the Syracuse Substation but a fault on the line prevented it.

20 MINUTES

Power also was out briefly in Clearfield, for 1½ hours in Sunset, and in Layton and Farmington. Layton was without power for about 20 minutes.

Mr. Foley said there was "no reason" for the line at the north side of Hill AFB "to go down."

All power at the base had been restored by 9 a.m., he added.

Part of the west commercial area in Ogden was without power for a short time. That area is fed by underground lines from the 15th and Lincoln station, Mr. Foley said.

The Davis County Sheriff's Office in Farmington was off from 5 to 6 a.m. and had to transfer dispatching duties to the Clearfield Police Department.

The Utah Highway Patrol reported 21 fender-bender accidents this morning as people drove to work on the icy highways, many of them running late because of the power outage.

The light snow, which measured anywhere from 2 to 3 inches, melted as it hit early Thursday night coating high-

ways with ice that was covered by a second coat of dry snow.

Construction of new bridge decks at six locations between Layton and Roy prevented the highway crews from sanding that section.

The 31st expressway wasn't sanded, either, due to a cutback in highway funds which has limited the areas which the state can sand.

Temperatures skidded to 21 in Ogden and to 17 at Pine View Reservoir after daytime highs of 36 and 29 respectively.

At Hill AFB, all facilities except those with auxiliary power—fire stations, the base hospital and the headquarters building—were without electricity from about 4:30 to 8:30 or 9 a.m.

A spokesman said no determination had been made at press time whether the outage occurred on or off the base.

Mr. Foley said, however, that the line was on base and is leased to the federal government.

POLICE CHECK ON BOMB CALL

Police responded to a bomb threat at about 11:30 a.m. today at Ogden High School.

Ogden police officials said a call was received at the school. The area was not evacuated and no device was found.

Creation of Tax District For Incinerator Proposed

Would Raise Revenue For Yearly Operation

Creation of a solid waste taxing district to raise about \$425,000 annually for operations and improvements at the county incinerator was proposed to the Weber County Solid Waste Board Thursday night.

Ogden Councilman Robert H. DeBoer said in his proposal that the levy would free additional funds already budgeted to help meet the obligation to rebuild two old furnaces.

Councilman DeBoer also recommended research into metals recovery and said he feels a scale system is a necessary part of the operation.

With the exception of Huntsville, most of the community representatives in the county endorsed a taxing district.

However, Commissioner Keith Jensen, who represents Weber County on the board, said he's not convinced that a special taxing district is the way to go.

He said, however, that the County Commission is—and has been for some time—ready to "sit down" with the Ogden City Council to discuss the special district and any other proposal.

Later, at the City Council meeting, City Manager Richard L. Larsen was directed to try to set up a meeting with the commission for Dec. 9 or 10 at 4:30 p.m.

"I could argue a mill levy as opposed to scales and weights and making those who use it (the incinerator and landfill) pay for it," Commissioner Jensen told the board.

Looking at it from a personal standpoint, the commissioner, who lives in Ogden Valley, said as an owner of open land requiring no garbage disposal, he would be unfairly taxed as opposed to an apartment house dweller or other city resident.

SUPPORT DISTRICT

Councilman Dennis Chugg, who chairs the board, said Roy City "wants a better type of management than we have now" and would support a sanitation district.

Councilman Wallace Knight of Riverdale said his council would "favor a taxing district."

Mr. DeBoer rapped a recent statement by Commissioner Jensen that the cities should channel their federal revenue sharing funds into the \$750,000 furnace improvement project.

Rebuilding of the furnaces will be necessary if the solid waste facility is to comply with federal Environmental Protection Agency regulations.

Mr. DeBoer said each of the cities are separate entities but they're all part of the county and questioned where the County Commission is putting its revenue sharing money.

Commissioner Jensen pointed out that when he took office three years ago the county was \$1 million in debt over original construction of the incinerator.

"Much of our revenue sharing money went into paying that off," the commissioner said, adding that other shares of the federal money went into the industrial park fire station, the Roy branch library and other projects.

INTO COFFERS

A 2-mill levy, based on the county's total assessed valuation of \$242,197,614 would raise about \$484,000 a year, less some \$60,000 for Huntsville.

This would leave approximately \$424,395 to go into the coffers to help defray the expense of operating and maintaining the incinerator and rebuilding the furnaces, Councilman DeBoer said.

Solid Waste Director John R. Barker said his employees already are researching the metals recovery program.

A weighing program using borrowed scales has been completed by his department and \$20,000 toward the purchase of scales is included in the \$555,000 calendar year 1976 budget.

SANTA COMING WITH PARADE ON SATURDAY

Santa Claus was reported en route to Ogden late today to make his first appearance here Saturday for the holiday season.

The jolly old gent from the northland will be the star attraction in the annual Christmas parade scheduled to roll at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The parade will move along Washington from 22nd to 27th and down to Kiesel. It will feature a number of marching groups, bands and floats.

Washington has been clothed with its yule attire from 22nd to 27th and the Christmas Village is up and ready for its 1975 preview at 6 p.m.

Defense Takes Over In Bank Fund Trial

Gordon L. Belnap will testify that a \$13,200 check was never Commercial Security Bank's money, said defense attorney C. DeMont Judd Jr. today in U.S. District Court, Northern Division.

Mr. Belnap of 1592 Oakcrest Drive is charged in a grand jury indictment of misapplication of funds while he was a vice president of Commercial Security Bank.

At the opening of today's court session, Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Hunter rested the government's case.

In his opening statement, Mr. Judd said Mr. Belnap will be one of three witnesses he plans to call.

WILL TESTIFY

He said Mr. Belnap will testify that he had no need of a Park City condominium because Commercial Security Bank owned a condominium there which was available to him.

Mr. Judd said Mr. Belnap only entered into the partnership with two Pennsylvania bank officials because owners of the condominium needed to sell to a Utah resident.

The bankers are Rolland Smolzer, president of First Federal Savings and Loan in Harrisburg, and his vice president Clarence M. Kell Jr.

Both men had been charged with aiding Mr. Belnap but the charges were dismissed.

Mr. Kell testified Thursday afternoon that he never endorsed a \$5,000 cashier's check which the government alleges was misapplied to Mr. Belnap's \$82,000 Park City condominium loan.

Mr. Kell said a year ago, Mr. Belnap mailed him two \$5,000 cashier's checks as fees owed the Pennsylvania banking institution.

One check was an overpayment and Mr. Kell said he returned it to a Commercial Security Bank in Salt Lake City during a trip west in early 1975.

"I never instructed Mr. Belnap to put that check in the condominium account," said Mr. Kell, who was a partner in the purchase of the Park City residence.

He testified his bank purchased a \$759,000 Commercial Security Bank loan made out to Partnership Eight, which includes among other Ogden attorneys Mr. Judd.

He said Partnership Eight used the funds to remodel a bowling alley in the 2600 block of Washington into a business complex.

Also testifying was Loren O. Kay, a local contractor and a member of Partnership Eight, who said he gave \$13,200 to Mr. Belnap, a member of Partnership Eight, when more assistance was needed in securing their loan.

"There was some question in my mind about what it was going for. I don't remember if it was going for (credit) points or for Gordon Belnap's services," said Mr. Kay.

Mr. Kay said when he wrote the check for "cash," one of Mr. Belnap's attorneys, John Sampson, also a member of Partnership Eight, was present.

Mrs. Kay Friese, long-time secretary for Mr. Belnap testified again stating that Mr. Belnap was once in charge of real estate loans for the entire Commercial Security Bank and handled setting interest rates.

Icy Highways Blamed For Crashes; Trio Hurt

Slippery highways resulted in three persons injured in two accidents at about 10 p.m. Thursday.

A rash of fender-bender type accidents were reported Thursday night and today—none apparently involving injuries, however.

Kay East Johnson, 32, of 527 W. 4925 S., Washington Terrace, was reported in "fair" condition today at McKay-Dee Hospital, while Curt McDonald, 18, of 4868 S. 2675 W., was listed in

"satisfactory" condition at the same hospital.

Their cars apparently collided head-on on an icy hill at 300 West and approximately 4100 South, according to Washington Terrace police.

Gary Black, 18, of 836 36th, was treated and released at McKay-Dee Hospital.

South Ogden police said he was hurt when his car hit an icy spot on Washington at about 4200 South and went over a traffic island, ending up off the road.