

To: Cassie Younger, Salt Lake County Planner

Date: June 19, 2026

Hello, my name is Sarah Macriss and I'm a resident of Salt Lake City,

I'm writing today to voice my request that you grant the zoning map amendment to enable the townhome development at Wells on 5th.

As a member of this community, I believe that approving this advances the city's goals on housing, transportation, and climate. By locating the townhomes near public transit, the project will give the residents reliable, car-optional access to jobs, schools, childcare, and services, reducing commute times and transportation costs. Transit-proximate housing supports the shift away from single-occupancy driving, which in turn lowers congestion and emissions while making the most of our existing infrastructure, which is greatly needed in this city. Concentrating on new homes where transit already exists is fiscally responsible.

Equally important, the proposal directly addresses the city's documented shortage of homes for families. Larger, well-designed units near parks, schools, and everyday amenities help retain and attract families who are increasingly priced out or forced into long commutes. Housing in a walkable, transit-served area promotes equitable access to opportunity and supports neighborhood vitality which will promote more customers for local businesses and a steadier base in the community. Approving it sends a clear signal that the city is serious about delivering practical, sustainable, and inclusive growth.

With respect,

Sarah Macriss
Resident, Rose Park