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4th Avenue Well Project	Shane Franz	<p>Dear Councilman Wharton, Mayor, and fellow Council Men and Women, Please find attached a letter I have prepared regarding the lack of acoustic engineering and proposed solutions for the Fourth Avenue Well project. I have worked diligently to share my expertise in this field. I think you will find the proposed engineering needed and solutions to be very inexpensive, and will go a long way to completing the original goals for the project to be small, silent and appropriate. The proposals should not materially affect the proposed architectural design. In fact, in light of the recent events with the riots downtown, a stronger design acoustically also provides for a much stronger building, which will resist intrusion and damage to such an important resource to Salt Lake City. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions. Kind regards, -Shane Shane Franz [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] Salt Lake City</p>	3

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Budget 2020 - 2021	Ben Chenot	<p>SLC Council, I am writing to address my concerns with the current distribution of funding for resources in Salt Lake City. I am certainly no expert in city budgeting, so I will word my concerns as questions in hopes of bringing my problems, and the problems of many others, to light. Why are police officers tasked with outreach to the homeless populations in the city? Is this truly the most efficient and just way to deliver resources to these vulnerable groups? Why do they need to be armed while doing this outreach? Could this not be performed better by an alternative trained city worker who is well versed on city resources and can approach these groups from a place of aid and support rather than "justice". Why are police officers encouraged in schools across this city? Statistics have shown systematically that a police presence in schools drastically increases the number of expulsions and suspensions while hardly having any impact on crime rates or feelings of safety. Oftentimes these student resource officers play a mentorship role for students, but why isn't this a task better suited for guidance counselors or other school personnel? An area that is oftentimes under-budgeted. Why are police officers the one's on the front lines of dealing with mental illness in this city? 1 of 2 *Continued Below*</p>	n/a

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Budget 2020 - 2021	Ben Chenot	<p>2 of 2 *Continued Above *Are armed men with minimal training in mental health the best ones to be interacting with these individuals? Time and time again, those facing mental illness are trapped in a cycle of minor arrests without effective, long-term treatment, severely draining city resources through the justice system. This seems like a failure of appropriate funding to me, in the sense that more money needs to go into mental health outreach workers and the resources that will result in long-term change rather than a cycle of arrests. Other cities have found great success in including a mental health medical professional along with patrols that can do most of the interaction and de-escalation, with the armed officers standing by as a last resort. It seems to me that police have been over-extended in their duties all across the country, but in Salt Lake City as well. I encourage you to do research into the effectiveness of police in these sectors and more and consider the most efficient and effective ways to deal with these city-wide problems. Armed police can not always be the answer. Oftentimes diverting funding away from police and into other resources can end up saving the city money, since imprisonment is such an expensive and resource-intensive process. Start fighting the roots of crimes rather than those who commit them. Thank you for listening, Ben C.</p>	n/a

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Budget 2020 - 2021	Charlie Junkins	<p>Dear Mayor & City Council, I'm sure you're aware of the George Floyd case and public reaction currently happening around the country. I'm a black citizen living here in Salt Lake. I am scared, and I am angry. What actions are you taking to prevent police officers from unjustly killing me, my family, or others in the Salt Lake City community? What are you doing? Are you fighting to narrow the allowance of use of lethal force? Are you creating and fostering relationships between the police force and black and other minority communities? Are you calling for anti-bias and anti-racism training requirements for all police officers? Are you calling for de-escalation training? Are you fighting for diversity in government and police administration? Are you fighting to invest in minority education? You are in positions of power. It is your responsibility, and your job to protect your citizens' lives, even from the police. If you do not take action, this will happen in our city. Officers will (and have, I'm sure) kill unjustly, and there will be protests. Sincerely, -- Charlie Junkins (he/him/his) University of Southern California, [REDACTED]</p>	n/a
Budget 2020 - 2021	Eli Kauffman	<p>I am a Salt Lake City resident and I strongly oppose the increase in SLCPD funding. Not only should the Salt Lake City Police not have an increased budget, they should be defunded. If you care about your residents you will move to use that funding for public transit, homeless housing, or literally anything else that actually helps our communities. SLCPD is violent, escalatory, and racist. When I see cop cars in my neighborhood I don't feel safe, I feel afraid, and them having an increased budget will only make that worse. Do not use my taxpayer money to fund the police, use it for something that is actually constructive.</p>	n/a

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Budget 2020 - 2021	Eliza McKinney	Dear City Council, I am deeply hurt and disturbed by the behavior of SLC Police. Continuing to provide such a massive budget to a murdering institution is a slap in the face to your local communities. As a resident, student, and employee here, I demand that you decrease the budget by \$30 million, and that you put a hiring freeze on SLCPD for the next year, NOT hire more officers. I also demand to see an investment in community growth through public health initiatives and housing support so that our city can weather COVID-19. I hope you will join activists in transforming our city. -Eliza McKinney	n/a
Budget 2020 - 2021	Glenn Forester	Glenn Forester called to register his opposition to the budget, specifically the amount for the Police force. He would rather see that money go to helping people through housing.	n/a
Budget 2020 - 2021	Izzy Fernadez	Hi, I'm writing to you to discuss public funding for 2021. I see that the mayor has recommended allocating almost \$85 million to the SLCPD. This is unacceptable. I have seen these cops in action and they are violent in the face of non-violence and seem to get joy from physically and emotionally harming Utah residents. The police are an overtly militant, corrupt and racist institution. Increased budgetary spending for the cops that could otherwise be allocated towards much needed resources for the community is inexcusable. Instead of funding violence against your citizens, I suggest redistributing the exorbitant amount of money intended for the police to go towards funding for housing, transit, libraries, and social workers/programs for mental health, homelessness and survivors of domestic abuse. I say this with a lot of love and hope for Salt Lake and Utah as a whole. Please listen to the people in their demands for a just society that greets the plea for change not with mace or flash-bangs, but with a deeper understanding of the systemic conditions that elicit these demands in the first place. Sincerely, Izzy Fernandez	n/a

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Budget 2020 - 2021	Jace Berbage	Jace Berbage left a voicemail asking the City to reconsider its proposed 12 million dollar increase to the Police budget. Mr. Berbage would rather see the money go into education, affordable housing, or further helping of the homeless community in the City.	n/a
Budget 2020 - 2021	Joe Roberts	Please put less of my tax money towards funding the police. Use more of it to fund community development and resources for minorities. The solution to what is happening right now isn't more policing. Help the minority communities and the homeless instead of paying the police to brutalize and murder them.	n/a
Budget 2020 - 2021	Mara Lemesany	Hi, I was recently made aware of the amount of the city budget that goes towards the police force. As a citizen of this Salt Lake, I would much prefer to see the budget to go towards things that are more effective at aiding root causes of community violence and harm. If that money were to be allocated more often and in greater amount to things like lower-income housing, healthcare initiatives for those without insurance, and shelters large enough to house those who need beds, we would be giving our community meaningful help rather than bandaids. Please consider this as you meet. Thank you, Mara Lemesany	n/a
Budget 2020 - 2021	Megan Kratz	Instead of investing in policing, which only keeps affluent members of our community safe, we should instead invest in providing housing, food and healthcare to citizens who need it. Instead of giving money to police to harass, criminalize, and disrupt the lives of our homeless neighbors we should instead invest in more shelters and more transitional housing.	n/a

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Budget 2020 - 2021	Steve Karmen	Steve Karmen lives at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] He is curious as to how the Council can formulate a budget when there is no coordination between agencies? He believes that the infighting among agencies is more like an University rather than a municipal government. Mr. Karmen did make mention that this was his experience with the last administration and hopes that the new administration can create a more cohesive governmental body.	1
Budget 2020-2021	Emily Radivoyevich	DEFUND THE POLICE. Their monthly incident counts are increasing year after year, and their budget increases accordingly. The public does not want to fund violence against our community, especially the black and brown communities. There are no department performance measures that do anything to measure officers use of force on duty, self-reporting when force or mechanical restraint is used with Use of Force Detail, or officer's duty to intercede per 300.2.1. Increase funds for departments that serve the communities best interests, such as public spaces, education and small businesses.	n/a

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Council General Comment	Brook Burton	Hello, Thank you for taking a moment to read and consider my e-mail. I am curious to know if the city has any current regulations or future plans to deal with Chinese Elm Trees. I live two houses South of a very large tree. Each spring, this tree dumps millions of seeds into my yard, causing a huge mess. Not only do I have to spend hours trying to clean up the seeds, I have to spend more time after the missed seeds root and start growing millions of tiny trees in my yard. I pride myself on my yard and garden, so I take the time to clean up this horrible mess, but I don't feel it is right that I should have to do so. If this was litter a neighbor was dumping into my yard, it would be illegal. Are there any current programs for dealing with these trees? If not, I would propose the city consider a plan to help with tree removal and control. Thank you again for your time. Best wishes, Brooke Burton, District #5	5

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Council General Comment	Joan O'Brien	<p>Dear Councilman Dugan, Why would you do this? For more than a year I have been seeking information about the project contemplated for Miller Bird Refuge at 900 South between 1600 and 1700 East in your Salt Lake City district. As a resident whose home borders the park, I oppose what I understand to be contemplated for a number of reasons. Among them: -- The project would not accomplish its stated purpose; -- Moving the trail would cause yet more disruption to the tree canopy and birds for which the park is supposed to be a refuge; -- The new trail would be moved close to Red Butte Creek, whose surprisingly deep water in places would be an attractive nuisance and pose a danger to children, and; -- The city's planning and funding process has been too opaque, preventing park users and neighborhood stakeholders from formulating a response. I think those are good reasons to shelve this project. But the winning argument against this redesign of Miller Bird Refuge (yet again!) has emerged in the last three months: In the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, state and local governments are anticipating serious budget challenges. The funding of a completely unnecessary project like this at a likely cost of well over half a million dollars would be fiscal malpractice. I know the CIP funding proposal for the maximum \$425,000 has already been granted and ratified by the city council. 1 of 2 *Continued Below*</p>	6

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Council General Comment	Joan O'Brien	<p>2 of 2 *Continued Above* But additional funding must be found to complete the project. I am aware that part of the money has been used to prepare a site analysis, feasibility and conceptual plan for the park. Although the community remains in the dark about what exactly is envisioned, one thing is already abundantly clear. This is not a wise use of city tax dollars and will appear even less so as the fiscal strain caused by the pandemic worsens. Please revisit this project plan now. May I make an alternative proposal for this park, which I have played in and walked through since the mid-1960s? The park neighbors and users I have discussed this with all agree that what Miller Bird Refuge really needs is care and maintenance. Rather than needlessly realigning the trail and building a new bridge, perhaps the city could instead use my tax dollars to keep a few municipal workers employed during the financial dark days ahead and direct them to take better care of this heavily used but greatly loved urban treasure. Sincerely, Joan O'Brien</p>	6
Council General Comment	Margaret Holloway	<p>Come on guys.. ladies. They are shooting in RP AGAIN AGAIN AND AGAIN. Same areas. If it was on the east side would they put up with it. We are told no biggie they are just driving around shooting in the air. Really. Just because you don't find a body is it any less intense. Margaret Holloway</p>	1
Council General Comment	Raymond Anderson	<p>Raymond Anderson who is claims the City does not have the right to close 600 East and 500 North. Mr. Anderson believe that because all of the taxpayers in Utah have paid for the right to utilize those roads if they need to, and this opens the City up to the potential of a lawsuit. Raymond Anderson</p>	n/a

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Council General Comment	Raymond Anderson	Raymond Anderson called to express frustration with road work that is happening over by 6th West and Jackson Place. The City is telling people they need to move their cars off the road, but many of the houses in the area were constructed without driveways. He wants the City to resolve this issue. Raymond Anderson [REDACTED]	n/a
COVID-19	Geri Siegel	My name is Geri Siegel I live in Salt Lake City And am very disappointed that Erin mendenhall doesn't speak or write to us during these difficult times. The same is true for Dan Dugan District 6. I am quite certain former city councilman Charlie Luke, District 6 and former Mayor Jackie Biskupski would have done so. Please let me know if this will change. Geri Siegel [REDACTED] Text or call I would like to hear from them either personally or to all of their constituents, not from an assistant.	n/a
Ivory Homes' Proposed Development for Capitol Park Ave.	Janice McKinnon	Chris. Thank you for your zoom call a few weeks ago with the residents of the Meridien. It was helpful hearing your philosophy of development in the city and it was good to get acquainted with you. My husband and I have been here for just under a year and we love our new neighborhood. We were quite concerned after listening to the presentation from Ivory Homes about changing the zoning of the parcel of land they purchased at F and 13th Street. Their development plan is not consistent with the existing homes in the neighborhood that all sit on fairly big lots with front and back yards. The infrastructure of our neighborhood could not support 45 new dwellings. I know there will be a time to discuss this development further, but I wanted you to know that we are opposed to the zoning change because it is inconsistent with the Avenues Master Plan. Thank you. Janice McKinnon	n/a

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Ivory Homes' Proposed Development for Capitol Park Ave.	Janie Mathis	Janie Mathis called me back and we spoke on the phone for a bit. Janie lives at [REDACTED] and is concerned about the potential Ivory Homes development at about Northpoint Drive and Capitol Blvd. She is very concerned about the following: If ADUs are allowed here, there will be an increase in vehicle traffic and potentially crime. She believes Ivory Homes will be allowed by the City to do whatever they want here. She believes the surrounding community are not given as equal a voice as developers on these decisions. She states she did not intend to build a home here to live next to a dense neighborhood like the one Ivory Homes has pitched to the neighborhood. I informed Janie it is our understanding this potential project has not yet come to the City but that I would let her know your concerns and keep her updated on any news we hear about this. She would like a call from you to discuss her concerns and can be contacted at [REDACTED]. Janie can also be contacted by email at [REDACTED].	3
Ivory Homes' Proposed Development for Capitol Park Ave.	Laura Cushman	Hi Councilmember Wharton, I hope you are hanging in there and most importantly, staying safe. I have spoken with a friend and concerned Upper Avenues resident, Linda Dean, regarding a parcel purchase and development plans nearby the Meridian by Ivory Homes. Linda and other concerned constituents who reside in and around the proposed development area would like to know the status of this project and how they may respond and be involved in the process going forward. Any information and/or directives would be very helpful. Thank you for reviewing this correspondence and the attached documents. Stay safe. Thanks, Laura [REDACTED]	3

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Ivory Homes' Proposed Development for Capitol Park Ave.	Linda Dean	<p>Hello Chris, Thanks for taking the time to meet with us a couple of weeks ago. Since that meeting my neighbors and I have discussed Ivory's rezoning petition at length. While we are not opposed to the development of the property, we do oppose the proposed rezoning change. I think you would have to agree that a jump from FR-3 to FB-UN1 is a pretty radical change. We believe this form based urban neighborhood-1 zoning (FB-UN1) generally used in denser more urban settings, is incompatible with the upper Avenues neighborhood and has never before been used in such a location. While we recognize the need for more housing, greater density and the role ADU's can play, we believe that such developments need to be planned where people are within walking distance of mass transit, shops, restaurants and schools in order to cut down the use of cars and resulting air pollution. None of these factors exist in this section of the upper Avenues. With almost zero public transportation options this development with 45 residences will add 90 plus cars, increasing traffic particularly on E Street and 11th Avenue. Our Northpoint neighbors are also concerned that the volume of cars could present a fire hazard to the Northpoint residential community which has only one entrance and egress via F street. Ivory Homes has informed us that the selling price for these homes is 800,000 to 1.2 million dollars depending on the model. 1 of 3 *Continued Below*</p>	n/a

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Ivory Homes' Proposed Development for Capitol Park Ave.	Linda Dean	<p>2 of 3 *Continued Above* That's not exactly affordable housing and probably not even for the rental of the ADU's. Furthermore the price point along with no yards (10 ft between houses) or sidewalks will deter most families with children, thereby not attracting more federal tax dollars to the Avenues schools. If I may share with you other concerns raised by residents and neighbors: The need for a traffic study specifically focused on 11th Avenue and E Street The need for a water run off study due to the lack of planned green space - there are no drains on Capitol Park Avenue The proposed development has five driveways entering Capitol Park Avenue, which is a private street. The curb cuts are planned on a curved section of street, which should require a safety study by the City who already determined Capitol Park Avenue is not compatible with Salt Lake City streets and engineering. 2 of 3 *Continued Below*</p>	n/a
Ivory Homes' Proposed Development for Capitol Park Ave.	Linda Dean	<p>3 of 3 *Continued Above* The ADU concept intended for individual homeowners did not envisage developments where almost every home has an ADU The ADU component will become short-term overnight Airbnb rentals, since the City has no ability to enforce against short-term rentals Increase air pollution from adding 90 plus cars Concerns regarding snow removal, Ivory has packed every inch of the plot such that there is nowhere to put the snow. The snow should not be pushed onto Capitol Park Avenue Homes come right down to the road unlike neighboring homes with sizable yards and extensive landscaping Again, I would like to stress that we are not against development of the property but are opposed to this radical rezoning proposal that seems so totally out of keeping with our location. Thanks for allowing me to express the thoughts and concerns of so many of our neighbors. Please stay in touch. Stay well. Best, Linda Dean</p>	n/a

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Ivory Homes' Proposed Development for Capitol Park Ave.	Michele Swaner & Tom Vitelli	<p>Dear Council Member Wharton, My husband and I are writing to express our concerns about the proposed Ivory Homes development above 13th Avenue and F Street. We have lived in the area for more than 30 years and are well-acquainted with the parcel on F Street. We reviewed the site several days ago. Here is our conclusion: we are not opposed to Ivory developing homes, but the current zoning for the area should be upheld, respected, and preserved. Ivory's proposed plan will build too many houses for the size of the parcel. The Avenues has never been intended to be a high-density neighborhood. In fact, this is part of the charm and lifestyle of the Avenues. The proposed density will bring additional traffic to the area, impacting residents not only on F Street, but also on I, E, and B Streets and 11th Avenue. Building all these houses will forever change the character of the Avenues and F Street. This is not good planning. I understand no sidewalks are planned for the development. This is a mistake. Residents love the Avenues because it's possible to walk for long distances, enjoy the outdoors, and get exercise. We are urging your support to keep the current zoning kept in place and allow Ivory to build an appropriate number of houses based on an ordinance that has served the Avenues well for many years.</p> <p>Thank you. Sincerely, Michele Swaner & Tom Vitelli [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	3

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Ivory Homes' Proposed Development for Capitol Park Ave.	Walter Jones	<p>Councilman Wharton, I oppose Ivory Homes' proposed development for the 3.1 acre parcel of land on Capitol Park Avenue and F Street. The proposal does not fit the current use of the land in any area within or surrounding Capitol Park Avenue, and I worry about the increased traffic and the crowded nature of the planned homes that Ivory Homes wishes to development. I live on 12th Avenue [REDACTED] streets and will be negatively impacted by Ivory Homes' current plans to put more than 40 structures on a piece of land has been zoned for only 11 homes. Please do all you can do to ensure that the city does not approve Ivory Homes' request for a zoning change. Thank you.</p> <p>Walter Jones [REDACTED]</p>	3
May 30 Protest	Bob Liano	<p>Mr. Liano is asking if the Council intends to weigh in on the prosecution of the individuals who committed criminal acts during the events on Saturday.</p>	6

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May 30 Protest	Ima Lucambio	<p>I am a woman of color with both black and Hispanic backgrounds. I live in the lower Avenues. I want to voice my strong request and expectation that you control the current situation happening today (Saturday May 30th 2020), within the bounds of the law before uncontrollable things happen. I am a naturalized citizen from Venezuela. What I see happening in the United States in recent days deeply disturbs me and reminds me of the beginnings of the trashing of Venezuela which ultimately led to two dictators and 11 million of my fellow Venezuelans losing their property and dreams and fleeing that beautiful country. I love the United States of America and what it stands for. I am a great respecter of the law “ both its protections and its freedoms. I support all things happening within the law. I want police officers, who have been given great power to act on our behalf, to be held to doing their jobs within the law. I also appreciate that if I was in trouble a police officer may give his/her life to save mine. I love and support people in America being able to express their feelings freely without breaking the law or infringing upon the rights of others. I have to admit that I am confused that people are currently protesting angrily on our streets about an event that the entire nation is in agreement about. I can also see that by their protest they are dividing a nation that was initially in agreement. 1 of 2 *Continued Below*</p>	3
May 30 Protest	Ima Lucambio	<p>2 of 2 *Continued Above* However, I respect that they have the right to express themselves within the boundaries of the law. I will feel very disappointed and angry about you and other local political leaders if even one property is damaged. Please defend the law, not lawbreakers. Please step up and do your job. Now is the time that requires your courage! Ima Lucambio [REDACTED]</p>	3

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May 30 Protest	William Woods	<p>The mayor's administration mis- prioritized terribly during the weekend riot and just afterward. Allowing people to protest was fine, but there was no effective plan to immediately deploy police when the arson started to prevent further anarchy. Sunday the mayor solicited complaints against police and witnesses to help prosecute an elderly and possibly cognitively impaired man who was beaten senseless by the mob. This, after 21 officers were medically treated for heat stress and injury. She is out of her depth and requires that the city council hold her accountable.</p> <p>William Woods [REDACTED]</p>	3