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3/10/2021 13:58	Tim Funk	Howdy! "No" on Lincoln Street and "Go Slow" on RMF-30. With Lincoln Street and RMF-30 both currently before the Council we thought it was important for you to see the enclosed op-ed piece sent to the SL Tribune this week. We are told it will run sometime in the next few days. Please read this short item and let us know if you have any questions. Thanks for all you do in these toughest of times. Best regards, Tim Funk Crossroads Urban Center [REDACTED]	General/Other
3/10/2021 13:59	Bonnie Bowman	Chris: At your City County Meeting tonight I Implore you to vote Against ordinance adoption for Zoning Amendments at Lincoln St. and 2nd South. Five historical properties should not be demolished to consolidate lots and build 3 market-rate apartment buildings. This is an charming historical district and should remain one. Thank you. Regards, Bonnie Bowman	General/Other
3/10/2021 14:02	William Littig	I am asking you to vote "NO" on the proposed zoning change for the properties at 949-963 E. 200 So. . These building are residential-historic in nature as is most of these neighborhoods around this property. The owners seem more concerned with profit than the impact cancerous proposal would blight this area. These buildings have been rentals for years and the need for housing continues but we need to protect the historic aesthetic of neighborhoods and control zoning proposal that hurt residents around them. Please apply NIMBY as if you lived here. Thank you ..... William R. Littig,	General/Other
3/10/2021 23:59	Scott Arnold	Councilman Rodgers, I am emailing you concerning the encampments that are along the Jordan River Parkway. I would like the city to finally take action. Please do something about this situation. I just had to clean up garbage from an encampment near my home (close to the river along 500 N. I am tired of the mess and needles and disgusting mess. This parkway is supposed to be a public place that my family can enjoy. I can no longer send my wife and kids into the park without fearing for their safety. If the public parkway can no longer be used by the public safely then it may be better to sell this public property so that the city can at least benefit from the tax revenue. I would prefer that the City start enforcing the posted rules of the park which states that camping is NOT permitted. Please help the city start doing their job again so that the public can safely enjoy the parks in our community. Thank you for listening and taking action. Scott Arnold [REDACTED]	

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3/11/2021 0:10	James Larsen	<p>Urgent Matter!!! Council member James Rogers, We live in such a beautiful city and my tax dollars go to pay for these wonderful parks and walkways along the river. The encampment mess along the river is such an eye sore not to mention my wife and I feel very unsafe using them. It is a shame that we have to drive to other cities to enjoy what is available right here in Rose Park, because we do not feel safe using them. If my yard looked like these encampments the city would find me in violation. I would also be fined if my property was not in accordance with the city statues. I understand the homeless need a place to live and stay and it is also their right, However they should also be held to the same standards. Please look out for the people you represent in this urgent matter. Thank You, James Larsen -- Best Regards, James Larsen</p>	
3/11/2021 0:15	Ryan Harding	<p>Unsettling situations in Rose Park especially near the fairgrounds Hello James, I just wanted to mention to you that for awhile now there has been a "community" of homelessness around the fairgrounds that seems to be growing rapidly. More tents along both sides of the riverbanks of the Jordan river have been filling up with homeless trying to establish makeshift homes. Then a few weeks ago in the middle of the night, I thought someone was in my back yard. As I checked and found everything "okay", from a distance I see a large glowing out of control fire. Obviously the small flame had seriously gotten away from containing a small one. Quite often I walk along this same path and see homeless people soliciting and savaging things they need. My children don't want to go walk with me anymore. They feel uneasy about the situation. Please help us in any way you can to clean up our beautiful Rose Park so that we all feel comfortable around our homes. I've attached some pictures of the things I saw by the Jordan river trail path. Sent from Mail &lt;<a href="https://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=550986">https://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=550986</a>&gt; for Windows 10</p>	

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3/11/2021 0:23	Tony Barnum	Subject: (EXTERNAL) Homeless encampments along and around the Jordan River Mr. Rogers, I am a resident of the Rose Park area of Salt Lake City. I enjoy using the Jordan River trail for exercise, relaxation and communing with nature. There are homeless encampments all along the river. These encampments have no dumpsters to dispose of the refuse they generate and no toilet facilities for the occupants of these encampments to use. Without dumpsters and toilets available, the occupants are leaving trash everywhere and who knows what they are using for waste facilities. As such, the Jordan river has become clogged with trash and debris and the water, most likely, unsafe and bacteria laden from it being used as a waste facility. As the councilman for our area, I'm asking that you come and take a look at the river and see for yourself what is happening to it. Please do something to help clean up the river and along its banks. Thanks for your attention to this matter. Tony Barnum.	
3/15/2021 15:07	Tim Funk	Hello! Just a quick word to you again to say "no" on Lincoln Street and "go slow" on RMF-30. Certainly both have taken a long climb but that is because you, the council, and the mayor together are doing the hard work of getting it right. The Lincoln Street project does not fit the neighborhood period. RMF-30 is being scrutinized more carefully because the times are changing and the review process with it. You know it better than anyone. We are with you on taking the time needed to get it right. Best regards, Tim Funk Crossroads Urban Center	RMF - 30
3/15/2021 16:05	Jain Willis	Hello, My name is Jain Willis and I am a Salt Lake City resident. I oppose these amendments as they are harmful to Salt Lake City and the city's residents. The city needs to address the issue of affordable housing. With these amendments, the City Council fails to meet your obligation to address affordable housing. This harms the residents of Salt Lake City that will face rent hikes, displacement, and evictions. The City Council must make affordable housing a priority, rather letting development to continue willy-nilly with affordable housing as a "maybe." City Council must reject these amendments and only approve amendments that explicitly include provisions for affordable housing. Thank you, Jain Willis	General/Other
3/15/2021 16:09	James Baggaley	Hello, Recently the Church of Jesus Christ quietly announced significant changes to its plans to renovate the salt lake temple. These changes include the demolition of historical and cultural frescoes and architecture created by pioneers. Has the city or state approved the changes made to its most recognized and endeared historical site? Regards, James Baggaley	General/Other

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3/15/2021 16:10	Durga Prasad	Hello SLC Council, I am writing this comment with respect to the article I read at below link. <a href="https://www.fox13now.com/news/local-news/religion-says-rezoning-request-in-slc-could-harm-spiritual-practices">https://www.fox13now.com/news/local-news/religion-says-rezoning-request-in-slc-could-harm-spiritual-practices</a> It has been a place for us as a family to go to Summum, meditate, and spend some time in spiritual activities. I am afraid this new development, would cause a lot of noise around and completely take away the peace we currently get at Summum. It could jeopardize the car parking situation as well. Overall, this new development could take away the Spriritual essence of the Summum, which is something, lack in almost all of us, and is very much required during this COVID-19 Pandamic days. So, I vote to stop this development. With Respect, Durga Salt lake City.	General/Other
3/15/2021 16:12	Rikki Sonnen	Hello Council members and Mayor, I am Rikki. A working mom of a 4 year old energetic human. He goes to school 4 days a week but does not currently have school on Friday's due to the pandemic. On Friday's I juggle work and playing with my child. Recently I tried to take him to the pool and the golf course, both having age restrictions for little people. I will be honest, we go to the park and the aviary and the zoo. We go camping and hiking and ride bikes. All trying to stay social:physical distanced from others. I am extremely disappointed that policies exist that prevent my child from engaging in these activities in our city. It is frustrating that these facilities are publicly owned and operated, yet I can not access them with my child in tow. While I know it's not a protected class of discrimination, I feel very slighted by the policies adopted by our city regarding public facilities. What makes us any less worthy than other citizens? We are very in touch with social distancing, wear masks, work from home, order our groceries, but this is something that really seems to punish certain citizens. I'm asking, respectfully, that you spend some time considering these policies. Rikki Sonnen	General/Other

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3/15/2021 16:13	John McElprang	Dear Council Members, I have recently been made aware of a zoning change that will affect the Summum Sanctuary on 707 Genesee Ave, in Salt Lake City. I have visited Summum many times and been able to walk the grounds and enjoy the peace and tranquility there, and have felt something special there. I feel that a 75' high rise apartment building that close and that high, around this sanctuary, blocking the sunlight and reflecting the noise from the freeway, would definitely and adversely affect the peace that is felt there. I highly encourage you to reconsider this zoning change so as not to disrupt what has taken so long to achieve. Please take this plea into consideration. Thank You. Respectfully, John W. McElprang	General/Other

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3/15/2021 16:15	Steven Swanson	<p>Dear SLC Council, I'm writing to protest the rezoning of M-1 property at approximately 706-740 West on the North side of 900 South. It has come to my attention that a property developer is seeking to build a seventy-five foot apartment complex in the empty lot. While I welcome more residential development in the area, I'm not happy with the plans to go higher than the thirty-five feet limit in nearby mixed residential zoning. For starters I became aware after talking with neighbors that crime in the area went up after the 8th and 8th apartments at 855 W 800 S were opened. It is built as two story complex with underground parking in line with height requirements of thirty-five feet. In addition to increased crime there was also a lot of trash left by tenants on the sidewalk and curb strip in front of the building. Now the new apartment complex being proposed will bring more renters to our quiet neighborhood. I'd much prefer to see townhouses built as home owners are much more respectful of property than renters and nice nice houses will bring up property values. Last I heard the developer was going to build storage units before this new project was proposed. Storage units would be far more desirable than a seventy-five foot apartment complex. What troubles me most is the proposed location is adjacent to the property that I treasure most, which is my church located directly North of the empty lot. I've been a volunteer there since 2000 and a member since 2003. I've donated tens of thousands of dollars and countless hours to help beautify the property including the embankment of I-15 where we planted 50 Austrian black pine trees. While we can't stop the developer from making a poor choice of building an apartment complex, we must insist on a reasonable height restriction of thirty-five. An increase of height beyond that will reflect traffic noise from I-15 into the neighborhood and cast a shadow blocking our church from receiving the sunlight that we require to meditate and grow our gardens. <b>*Continued 1/2*</b></p>	General/Other

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	Steven Swanson	<p><b>*Continued 2/2*</b> I purchased a small 850 sq/ft house in 2011 on the corner of [REDACTED] for \$[REDACTED] and now after ten years it is 2700 sq/ft and estimated value of [REDACTED]K, which is 33% above other houses in the area. The family directly South, on the South side of Genesee Ave at 800 West, also turned their tiny house into a extra-large single family house. Both of us contributed greatly to increasing property value. You can't see the beautiful homes we built on Google Maps as the images have not been updated. The neighborhood is dominated by single family houses and we would all love to keep it that way. In conclusion it is in the best interest of the '9 Line Community Reinvestment Area' to keep the single-family integrity of this small neighborhood from 700 West to 900 West and 800 South to 900 South. We don't want to allow impersonal developers to rezone any land for purposes that will bring down our property values or increase crime and reduce cleanliness by creating high-density multi-tenant rental property. Personally I feel the investor(s) would make more money and keep everyone in the community happy by filling the empty lot with townhouses or condominiums. I'm already having nightmares of careless renters stealing produce from the community garden across the street along the 9 Line Trail. Please consider driving around these few blocks and take a look for yourself all the work we have put into making a beautiful neighborhood of single-family homes. Online tours of Google Maps don't do us justice as the street photos are horribly outdated. If the SLC Council has any inroads with Google to request updated photos for purposes of the permits office it would be greatly appreciated. Sincerely, Steven Swanson</p>	

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3/15/2021 16:16	Chris Persky	<p>Hi, my name is Chris, I am writing with regards to the proposed zoning change next to Summum, a non profit religious organization. To give some context here, I have lived on Genesee Avenue for over 30 years. I moved to Utah in the early 1980's because I had heard about this organization called Summum, and I wanted to learn more about it. I developed a close friendship with its founder, Corky Ra, and I have been active in Summum ever since as a member and volunteer. I am not an officer of Summum, and I don't represent them directly. I don't speak for Summum. I'm just a person who has had the opportunity to grow and develop personally as a result of my involvement with Summum. All of us are very concerned about this proposed new development next door that will block sunlight and limit parking for our sacred grounds. I think what has been most hurtful to us is that we were never asked what we thought. We were never included in the discussion, and it is hard to believe that this was not intentional. Neither the planning commission nor the Poplar Grove Community Council asked us what we thought about the project, despite the fact that we attended an open house at the Salt Lake Public Library (no one showed up), and attended two Salt Lake Planning Commission meetings during which we made our concerns known. These concerns include the loss of sunlight (an integral part of our religious practice), parking availability, and noise. We have been here for almost half a century, we are a viable member of this community, and we deserve to be heard. We do not ask for much. I believe the officers have suggested an alternative zoning designation that would mitigate at least some of the real damage that this development will cause us. I believe in affordable housing, I hope you will help people. I myself work with the developmentally disabled. However, please acknowledge our concerns, please work with Summum to find an agreeable plan. Again, we are a viable member of this community.</p> <p>Sincerely, Chris Persky</p>	General/Other
3/15/2021 16:17	Carolyn Beichert	<p>I am very disappointed to learn that you are considering letting a developer construct a large apartment complex right next to the Summum Church. If you have ever been to Summum you would know what a beautiful place it is. It is a place to enjoy spending time. It is calming and to think it will be surrounded by apartments on two sides just makes me sad. There seems to be so many apartment complexes going up in Salt Lake City. Surely something less invasive can be done. I invite you to visit the Summum Temple before you make your decision. Thank you for your time and consideration. Carolyn Beichert</p>	General/Other



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3/15/2021 16:19	Steve McCleskey	<p>Dear Council Members, As an active member of Summum and a citizen of the Greater Salt Lake City area I urge you to consider the negative impacts that will befall the Summum organization, members, and the surrounding community if the zoning for housing allows builders to create tall high-rise apartments in Poplar Grove (9th Street Corridor) area. I attend and practice Summum philosophy in excess of three 3 times a week. This practice includes, but is not limited to, Mindful Meditation, Working Meditation, Classes and contemplation time for the review and study of scripture and other works. The environment found at Summum makes for a wonderful location for growing and developing a spiritual practice that has allowed me to find inner peace in myself. I feel the location and the grounds of Summum currently reflect this peace and allow for this growth largely in part of the beauty and tranquility that can be found there. Housing is a critical need for the area and I understand the importance for bringing in new residential housing. I just ask if we do this, could we possibly restrict the height of the building that will be directly South and West of the Summum sanctuary. The Sun, as in most religions, is a powerful aspect of the philosophy of Summum and vitally important to the growth and beauty found in the flora throughout the grounds. Least of which is a greenhouse that would be directly blocked from the sun most of the year. Especially during the winter months where the plants in the greenhouse survive the harsh cold months of winter to bloom anew in the spring. If the building were not so high, a lot of new residents could still move into the area to enrich and add to the growing city in a healthy and fair way. If the building is allowed to be as high as the freeway, or high enough to block Summum from getting Sun, the harm would be incalculable. In addition to the blocking of the Sun, there would be a higher noise volume directed from the traffic on the freeway bouncing off the new buildings disturbing the peace and our practice. The area already has a parking issue, if too many families are crammed together in such a small area with limited parking, this will drastically impact parking all around the neighborhood. I feel the city and the people can come to a compromise and find a solution that best respects the rights of all parties involved. Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Steve McCleskey</p>	General/Other

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3/15/2021 16:20	Natalie Allsup-Edwards	Hello City Counselors, I read recently that the state of Utah is furthering the experimental RCV program to implement instant runoff elections. As a Utah voter in salt lake county I wanted to express my advocacy and HIGHLY encourage your offices to implement ranked choice voting everywhere that you can, coupled with an educational PSA program to inform voters about the system and how it works. RCV is an essential tool to help elections be more equitable and accurately represent all political ideas. It would a prevent the "spoiler effect" of third parties and help our democracy break out of the problematic two party system. Please do all that is in your power to have ranked Choice voting in all elections held in the salt lake county and spread throughout Utah. What are you doing to implement ranked choice voting now? Sincerely, -Natalie	General/Other
3/15/2021 16:49	Tim Funk	Hello Andrew and Chris, Just a short message to encourage you one more time to say 'no' on Lincoln Street and "go slow" on RMF-30 The Lincoln Street project has such strong opposition because it just doesn't fit the neighborhood. Moreover the owners have been poor operators. There is no way of knowing they will suddenly be better at what they don't do now. On RMF-30 of course it is trying. Its been before the the city for along time. But the times are changing most probably for the better. By taking the time needed and doing things right you will be serving the community and especially the low income for many years to come. You will get there with much better results. Thanks for all you do. Best regards, Tim Funk Crossroads Urban Center	General/Other

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3/16/2021 5:49	Allen Roberts	<p>I am Allen Dale Roberts, an historical architect and historic preservation specialist. I am qualified to make the following comments because I have lived in the City's historic districts for nearly 50 years and I was was the leader in creating several of the City's historic districts, including the South Temple, Capitol Hill and Avenues Historic Districts, along with leading the preparation of the City's first historic district guideines and training the first Historic Landmarks Commission. I am strongly opposed to the text amendment which would allow tiny (400 s.f.) houses in the City's historic districts. My reasons are as follows: 1) Tiny houses are totally architecturally incompatible with character of the districts and their presence would severly compromise the historical quality and nature of our historic districts. 2) Tiny houses would entirely violate our historic district design guidelines, which call for new construction to be architecturally compatible with existing buildings. Our residential historic districts consist of 19th and early 20th century architecture, typically 1, 1-1/2, 2 and 2-1/2-story dwellings, mostly built of stone and brick masonry, with their first floors elevated 2-3 feet above grade, and with 1,000-1,500 s.f. main floor footprints, tall ceilings, varied roof shapes and architectural ornament consistent with a great variety of architectural styles. Tiny houses have non of these features as they are short and squatty, sit on-grade, are of wood-frame construction with wood or aluminum siding, with miniscule, 400 s.f. footprints and no outstanding architectural character. As such, none of them would comply with the compatibility requirements of our design guidelines.</p> <p><b>*Continued 1/2*</b></p>	

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	Allen Roberts	<p><b>*Continued 2/2*</b> 3) Tiny houses will not solve the City's need to create 1,000s of affordable housing units. Relatively few would be built and they are only single housing units to be located in dispersed areas. 4) A far better solution to the affordable housing need would be to allow isolated (not in intact streetscapes) "contributory" houses (by definition of low or no architectural significance), to be replaced with small apartment buildings containing affordable residential units. 5) An example: Allow the replacement of the three small, non-significant houses between 626-636 S. on 700 E. with a three-level, 12-unit, affordable apartment building. Two of the three houses have been vacant for years. The result would thus be an increase of 11 affordable units on the same property now containing just one, all without the loss of any significant residential architecture. 6) Tiny houses are an unproven, experimental housing type, so allow them and test their efficacy in the City's many neighborhoods which are not designated historic districts, thus preserving the character of our valued districts. Thank you for your consideration, Allen Dale Roberts, FAIA</p>	
3/16/2021 8:42	Jason Luther	<p>Hello, my name is Jason Luther, I am with Wasatch Tenants United. I am a Salt Lake City resident and I reject the RMF-30 amendments as reckless, short-sighted, and negligent. This zoning project refuses any obligation to address affordable housing. These amendments dismiss the issue of affordable housing by saying the project "may indirectly promote development of affordable units". This conjecture is not only insulting, it's harmful. It's insulting to residents who've seen excessive rent hikes every year. It's harmful to families and neighborhoods who face eviction and displacement. City Council must prioritize affordable housing in all zoning project decisions. We can't afford a zoning project that "may indirectly promote" affordable housing. We can't afford a project that has no clear plan or evidence to back up their assurances. Salt Lake City residents have no recourse to hold this zoning project and future developments accountable. City Council members must reject these amendments as they stand and any approval must be contingent on explicit provisions for affordable housing. The city should be looking out for its citizens, especially the most vulnerable.</p>	General/Other

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3/16/2021 8:43	Anonymous Constituent	I am concerned that these re zoning plans are designed to generate more money for the city at the expense of the low income and fixed income citizens of Salt Lake City that are struggling to make ends meet as it is. Cost of living in Utah is skyrocketing and wages are not increasing along with it. New zoning laws must guarantee protections for affordable housing. The median annual income in Utah is 30,800 for an individual. It should be considered and weigh heavily on the council how many housing options will this rezoning make available for citizens in that income range and below. How many units can be guaranteed for that income range and below with new development? How many individuals and families will be displaced by the rezoning? And what will the city do in the meantime for those that are displaced by new construction? It is the city's responsibility to look after the interest of all of their citizens, no matter the income level. These are families, mothers, fathers, grandparents who are affected by the decision of the council. What would you want for your family?	General/Other
3/16/2021 8:45	James Baggaley	Hello, Recently the Church of Jesus Christ quietly announced significant changes to its plans to renovate the salt lake temple. These changes include the demolition of historical and cultural frescoes and architecture created by pioneers. Has the city or state approved the changes made to its most recognized and endeared historical site? Regards, James Baggaley	General/Other
3/16/2021 8:47	John Doe	Rebecca Ashter lives [REDACTED] and she called in opposition to the rezoning at 900 E / 200 S. Ms. Ashter does not believe the parking situation was full thought out and she is worried what the change will do to their tightknit community. [REDACTED]	General/Other
3/16/2021 8:51	John Doe	Klay Taylor called into our office to voice her opposition to the rezoning at 900 E / 200 S. Ms. Taylor lives near the potential project area and wanted to let the Council know she's against destroying historic homes and believes this project will displace many people. Furthermore, she has concerns that this will drive prices even higher.	General/Other

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3/16/2021 10:18	Koly Swistak	<p>Dear City Council, My name is Koly Swistak. I am a Salt Lake City resident and homeowner living in zip code 84111 and I reject the text amendments to the RMF-30 Low Density Multi-Family Residential Zoning district. These amendments are reckless, short-sighted, and negligent. This zoning project refuses any obligation to address affordable housing. These amendments dismiss the issue of affordable housing by saying the project “may indirectly promote development of affordable units”. The median income in our city is \$31,000 a year and the average starting rent for a new development apartment is \$1,000 or more a month. Nearly 40% of the median workers income prior to taxes! The market will not "correct itself" if developers can make more money renting out high rent apartments. We must protect our low income residents of Salt Lake City. To add, this amendment is not only insulting, it’s harmful. It’s insulting to residents who’ve seen excessive rent hikes year after year with no renters protections provided by the government. It’s harmful to families and neighborhoods who face eviction and displacement. City Council must prioritize affordable housing in all zoning project decisions. We can’t afford a zoning project that “may indirectly promote" affordable housing. We can’t afford a project that has no clear plan or evidence to back up their assurances. Salt Lake City residents have no recourse to hold this zoning project and future developments accountable. City Council members must reject these amendments as they stand and any approval must be contingent on explicit provisions for affordable housing. Thank you for your time, Koly Swistak</p>	General/Other