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6/9/2021 8:47	John Doe	Wally Cromar called in to express his concern regarding the amount of AirBnBs. He lives in District Five and has noticed an increase in the amount of homes that are purchased and then turned around and used for short-term rentals. Wally believes this is a problem because they're taking homes off the market for people to purchase.	Affordable Housing
6/9/2021 8:57	Boyd Vogeler	The city seems to be involved in a plethora of issues all requiring budgets. Many appear to be nonessential in a setting of limited moneys. Basic services seem to be secondary in importance. A visible example of this is the great number of potholes in our roads. If you drive our district you won't be able to avoid them. They are everywhere. I have spoken to some of the good men who fix them. They are consistently shorted of the resources needed to stay on top of potholes. Touchy feely endeavors can be good, but not at the expense of basic services that impact all of us. Please fund the streets department adequately. Or create a wheel alignment service every driver can take advantage of. Sent from my iPhone	FY21 Budget
6/9/2021 13:21	Paul Jerominski	Subject: (EXTERNAL) PLNPCM2021-00472 I wish to complain about having a hideous electrical box outside my front door. This should have been installed in the alley behind the houses, please stop this atrocity happening in our nice neighborhood. Thank you Paul Jerominski	Small Cell Wireless Facilities

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6/9/2021 23:38	Michael Waldron	<p>.. James Rogers, Thank you, I will follow up with the Senator and Representative. The following is an email I sent to the Mayor. I thought you might be interested in my thoughts on homelessness in District 1: Housing first, new alcohol law, bus ticket or van driven, breaking up homeless camps, length of occupancy, traveling psychiatrist, traveling therapist, education, recruitment van, no contact with past homeless acquaintances and job integration are some ideas I've been thinking about. I understand some of these ideas are not new and they have been proven to work. Other ideas are new and might need to be implemented constantly to see expedited and continuous progressive results. Which is basically someone hired and trained by the city to do their job. Housing first is a great place to start if implemented correctly. I'm sure you're familiar with AA and other drug and alcohol treatment programs. One of the problems with some of these programs is when they have clients or participants associating with each other beyond a certain point. Everyone needs a thinking chair. People call this space different things, but everyone needs a space where no one will disturb them long enough to come to the realization of the different thoughts in their head. I would not put homeless people in the same building. I would find a home for every individual or family and place them in a different location. Experts say you are the equivalent of your five closest friends. It would be hard to grow fast if four of the closest people you know are homeless and broke. Like crabs pulling each other back into the bucket(homelessness), who never need a lid. It would be almost impossible to grow if they see their fellow homeless pals daily. Getting the housed ready to maintain and thrive in their new position. The traveling psychiatrist and therapist can make their rounds to the different homes healing the minds of the homeless. They can schedule and travel like a delivery route would, reducing driving time and fuel consumption.* Continued 1/3*</p>	Homelessness

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	Michael Waldron	<p>*Continued 2/3* There would be a dispatch that would monitor time, distance, and location. Job integration would work on sealing or clearing up their criminal background report, significantly improving their credit score, and giving them a job. The city must contract with companies to immediately put the now housed to work. Education is key, once individuals are given a home, their education begins. Wealth building strategies, facts about alcohol and drugs. How to build healthy relationships. It should be mandatory they must watch 1-2 hours(via internet) of this education five days a week. The idea is to take the hand of God and reach down into the depths of one's soul and lift them to a safe and healthy environment while nurturing them to become a healthy productive citizen once again. Instilling in the minds of the homeless they can, and giving them the opportunity to, achieve anything they want in life, must resonate in the minds of all. The constant push to eliminate the homeless. The recruitment van picks up homeless people daily. Maybe the van can hand out free treats, flyers, the promise of a house, etc.. The homeless are screened on how long they have lived in Utah, a little background on their situation, and determining if they are from here or how long they have lived here. Word travels fast in the homeless community. The questioning would need to be done very carefully. The questioning would need to be about their story and within the questioning or story, determine if the homeless person came from a different city or has been here for some time. Depending on the story, if they traveled here from another city, we send them back via bus ticket or van. There needs to be a clear message that Salt Lake City does not help every homeless person in the United States. If the homeless have been in Salt Lake County for quite some time, then they should receive help. The process of breaking up homeless camps should be done every two weeks. If programs are available for new recruits, we do not want to make being homeless comfortable for the homeless. There should be an alcohol law passed that states: "Only people who have a residency will be able to purchase alcohol." The residency can be from anywhere in the U.S.. This law would help prevent the homeless from purchasing alcohol.</p>	

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	Michael Waldron	<p>*Continued 3/3* This is not full proof, but it's to help wake up the homeless and give them more time to think about that recruitment van that comes by. I hope this helps in the process of lowering the homeless population. If you have any questions about any of these ideas, please email me back. Thank you, Michael Waldron James Rogers, I appreciate you forwarding my email to UDOT. I understand there are policies and procedures in place to identify areas that would benefit from a sound wall. I kept wondering why the little league baseball field was not being used very often at the West Pointe Park. It didn't take much time to realize that I couldn't hear my wife's voice from twenty feet away, and there was my answer. How can you teach a team to play baseball when they can't hear what you're saying? A park that was ill designed before construction began. I'm not here to point blame at the City, Ivry Homes, UDOT, or anyone else, rather I would like to focus on the solution to the many problems related to the lack of a sound wall in this community. I know a lot of people who suffer from asthma and sleep apnea who live in close proximity to the freeway. I believe the homes closest to the freeway are within 200 feet and the db rating is well above 67. If I understand correctly, this allows cities/UDOT to receive federal aid from the government through the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1970. It is a shame that the homes closest to the freeway are not able to use their backyards in the way other homes further away are able to. I see a lot of people's homes who are against the freeway not using their backyards at all. They barbeque in the front, hang out in the front, and even the children are forced to play in the front due to the pollution. I understand this may take a big push, a multifacet approach with pressure from different parties. I hope I can count on your support to have a sound wall built in the West Pointe community. What are your thoughts on building a sound wall along I-215 on the east side of the freeway from 700 N. to 2100 N. in the West Pointe community? Does James Rogers think building a sound wall is a good investment to the community? Thank you, Michael Waldron</p>	

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6/10/2021 9:46	Greg Airhart	Hello, I have a "Non essential" yoga business in SH on 1100 E and buying the building. I managed to stay in business. I want to keep my property taxes even lower, not higher. I prefer maintenance on what we have. Not creating more stuff for future tax increases. Water, sewer, roads, pothole repairs and even new pavement on roads. Keeping infrastructure current. I still have wind damage city trees with broken branches ready to fall on cars in my parking lot. This is an example of not being able to take care of what we already have. If you must throw money at something how about more pickleball courts. Fairmont Park has room for 2 more. Thanks Greg Airhart Sent from my iPhone On Jun 9,	FY22 Budget
6/10/2021 15:50	Julie Hirsch	Hi there, I work at Cotopaxi downtown and am frequently intimidated and scared by the homeless population while walking into our office. I've seen illegal drug use in recent weeks and I believe the situation has escalated since downtown had been quieter during covid. Please help us feel safe in public spaces of SLC! We need more policing and regulation of these groups. Thank you Julie Hirsch	Homelessness

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6/11/2021 8:25	Ted Frederick	<p>Council Member Fowler, Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed city budget. After reviewing the documents, I have just a few comments: 1. The Mayor's Office is experiencing excessive bureaucratic growth and you should vote against that. A 20%+ budget increase is a bad indicator and we definitely do not need more "senior staff" on the city payroll. If she wants more staff, she should bring funding offsets from her office to pay for it. 2. The surge in violent and property crimes needs to be reversed. The only effective and direct solution is more and better policing, so please spend more there. A budget neutral action city leaders should also take is to stop vilifying our city police force. The Mayor, without evidence, has declared our police systemically racist. That emboldens criminals, makes police less effective, and our community less safe. Empowering police and standing against criminals that victimize our city and residents is a great place to start. 3. The criminal vagrancy problem remains bad and getting worse, so please spend more money there. It gets cold every winter, so allowing the "shelter resistant" to summer in the parks and have a crisis every winter is not effective policy, planning, or use of resources. As we discussed in your office 3+ years ago, there are full-time, resident homesteaders in Sugarhouse Park. Same ones. Still there. A budget free action to immediately improve the city is to reverse the sanctuary policy of allowing our public spaces to become the chosen lifestyle option of the troubled and those who just opt out of our shelter support services. I've been a resident of SLC for almost 20 years. Things are definitely getting worse in the city, not better. While the budget is essential to fund city priorities and services, there are a number of better policy choices that would immediately halt the city's recent, but unmistakable decline. SF, Seattle, Portland, LA, and Austin are excellent models of what Salt Lake City must work to avoid becoming. Thank you for soliciting the input. Ted Frederick Resident, District 7</p>	FY22 Budget

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6/11/2021 17:27	Anonymous Constituent	James rogers is out to lunch thinking parks should not become a department. They have the biggest job in the city! Save that extra money it will cost by getting rid of economic development and sustanibility. They have no corporate function other than feel good nonsense. Parks has a huge function and has to manage tons of land. BTW, make all the park strips parks so they can close at 11. Just saying.	FY21 Budget
6/11/2021 17:43	Anonymous Constituent	it is surprising this needs to be said, again and again and again but the city needs to defund the police. i think city councils are in service to fascism because I should not have to hope that a group of people see the obvious problem with giving murderers millions of dollars to continue murdering people. the money needs to go to the library, parks, UTA. anywhere BUT the police. i hate the city council and dont see your value. but since I have the ability to tell you that you need to not give the police department an iota of cents. the police, like the city council, bring no value to the city or people's lives defund the police	FY21 Budget
6/11/2021 19:22	Scott Weaver	I have lived at my property for over 20 years and every year since I have been told there is no funding for alley repair/upkeep. The alleys are your property and your responsibility to maintain. Currently you are in a budget session where funding for alley repair is possible. Please stop being the alley slum lords that you are. Thanks	FY21 Budget
6/11/2021 20:44	Rob Thompson	Basic infrastructure has been ignored—please accelerate street reconstruction and repair without sacrificing public safety.	FY21 Budget
6/11/2021 22:24	Drew Trafton	Hi- I was disappointed to see the Mayor's recommendation to increase police funding. I see that the explanation for this is to have necessary staff to respond to calls for service in a timely manner. The police are being asked to do too much and the emphasis should be to shift to reducing their involvement in situations where they are not needed or helpful. This explanation suggests we need to keep funding at the current levels to keep things how they are, but they are not working as things are. I am in favor of reducing funding and reallocating that funding to different places like mental health.	FY21 Budget

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6/12/2021 0:06	Ira Hinckley	Dear City Council, I am asking that you substantially increase the budget for our Police Department. We are tired of living in an ever increasingly dangerous city. I am happy to pay more in taxes to keep our streets safe. On April 10th my friend was stabbed, unprovoked, in broad daylight on Main St. downtown and almost died. Enough is enough. I understand that this city council has an antagonistic streak when it comes to our Police and that now we are paying dearly in crime for it. It's time to reverse this trend. This city has become a very dangerous place to live. Please take some substantive actions to make our streets safe again. Ira Hinckley	FY21 Budget
6/12/2021 8:09	Anonymous Constituent	Please allow plenty of funding for our overworked and under-appreciated police dept. Please designate plenty of funding for the acquisition of land for parks & open space. That's the main contributor to quality of life in Salt Lake City.	FY21 Budget
6/12/2021 23:53	Chris Orrock	Water costs are becoming exorbitant for myself and my neighbors. The proposed water price hike is inequitable due to differing water charges across different municipalities in Utah and in light of upcoming federal infrastructure assistance and investment. If SLC government intends for residents to let their lawns and foliage turn to zero scape, then this price hike will start that transition. As a homeowner, I feel there are better solutions. Please reconsider this onerous tax hike.	FY21 Budget

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6/15/2021 10:46	Ric Tanner	<p>Dear City Council: I write to voice my support for the proposed FY21-22 budget of \$83,370,502 for the Salt Lake City Police Department. The perception of Salt Lake City to be a safe and welcoming destination is critical to the successful recovery from the ravages that the pandemic imposed on our tourism and business travel industries. Additionally, the well-publicized scarcity of hospitality workforce means that any hotel or restaurant employee has a clear opportunity to work either in downtown or in a suburb that is perceived to be safer during their commute on public transportation, while walking between their vehicle and their employer, or even in the workplace itself. A couple of weeks ago, our overnight desk agent reported to me that a group of "suspicious-acting" guests had checked into the hotel. Once they had left the front desk, the agent went online and discovered that two members of the party had outstanding felony warrants. One of them was indicated to be on the states "most wanted" list. She called police dispatch and was informed that "unless they are causing any trouble" the police would not take action. It is difficult to determine what "causing trouble" should be interpreted to mean. Apparent prostitution? Drug activity? Human trafficking? Where do we draw the line? Increasing violent crime is undermining businesses and property owners' efforts to create a vibrant city and reactivate Salt Lake's economy. If our Central Business District deteriorates, so will the City's sales tax base. We need a strong downtown economy to support vital services across the City. Please fund the police staffing and programs needed to deter crime and keep Salt Lake City safe. Ric Tanner General Manager Kimpton Hotel Monaco [REDACTED]</p>	Police Funding

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6/15/2021 12:07	Mike Johnson	<p>Dear Council, Over the past year and a half, I have proactively voiced my concern to the city council and SLC trails committee that the master plan for the SLC foothills neglects the wildlife, beauty, and design of the existing trail system. Rather than improving on the current trails, the plan destroys the beauty we all seek in the foothills by infilling trails between existing trails and cutting through the vegetation. As a civil engineer who works daily with geomaterials, I am familiar with the soils the existing plan built through in Phase 1. Morris Meadow is a prime example of the poor design and poor understanding of the soils in the foothills by the design firm. Later phases of the existing plan call for placing major switchbacks on the faces of Mt Wire and Mt Van Cott, two of the pinnacle peaks towering above Salt Lake City. If these trails are constructed with the current plan the switchbacks will permanently scar the mountain faces and will be the backdrop for SLC forever. Additionally, the plan calls for the trails to be graded to permit mountain bikes to the summit. This will only result in additional downhill mountain bike scarring caused by social trails down the face of the peaks. I understand the city has frozen the existing construction until this fall but is soliciting for Phase 2 construction at the moment. I believe this is a shortsighted view. The current plan has shown major flaws in Phase 1. It is clear the current design did not adequately consult foot users for the project design. I am asking that you freeze the project and open the design up for feedback from the entire user community given the poor implementation and learnings taken from Phase 1. Thank you, Eric Edelman</p>	Foothills Trail System Master Plan
6/15/2021 12:08	Beverley Cooper	<p>Dear Councilmembers, Thank you for your service to our City. I have spoken at the past two public hearings about the new trails that sadly were built quickly and not in line with the goals of the master plan. Attached are three documents that support slowing down the process until we can learn from what has been done and do better in the next two phases. As I write this, trails crews are busy realigning one of the new trails in City Creek Canyon. A mistake on the first go? It is an expensive process that needs oversight. Thank you, Beverley Cooper Beverley Cooper 801- [REDACTED] May I live this day Compassionate of heart, Clear in word, Gracious in awareness, Courageous in thought, Generous in love. John O'Donohue</p>	Foothills Trail System Master Plan

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6/15/2021 12:10	Roger Borgenicht	<p>Dear Salt Lake City Council Members, June 15, 2021 I am writing to express my deep concern over some of the trail work that has recently taken place in the foothills above City Creek Canyon and the Avenues neighborhood. I will focus on just one significant aspect, although there are other serious problems with the trail work so far. I hike almost every day in the foothills with my dog. My usual go to is at the top of Terrace Hills Drive. The Terrace Hills West trail goes up a switchback and then onto a wide ridge, an old jeep trail, to head to the upper City Creek Saddle or onto a contour trail to Terrace Hills East, also a wide trail. These wide trails serve a very important function in the trails system because they act as collectors from higher and narrower trails and comfortably accommodate a mix of users; hikers, trail runners, dog walkers and mountain bikers with minimal conflict. A couple of months ago when I came upon the new trails I admit I was a little shocked at their extent. But then, when I learned that the plan was to close the existing wide multiuse trail up the Terrace Hills West ridge and send ALL of the foot and bike traffic on a new single track cut into hillside on a contour below the ridge, I was aghast. What worked well for all users, hikers and bikers, was to be eliminated and everyone would be forced onto a new, single track piece of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail *Contiuned 1/2*</p>	Foothills Trail System Master Plan

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	Roger Borgenicht	<p>*Continued 2/2* A few years ago at the beginning of the dramatic increase in mountain bike activity there were some hard feelings and sometimes tension on the trails between hikers and bikers. The wide trails on the east and west of Terrace Hills trailhead allow cooperative shared use much better than a single track (and helped immensely in the past year with Covid where people could easily social distance from one side of the trail to the other). I believe the lack of stress or tension on the wider trails and the interaction with all trail users on them contribute to what I've experienced as an increase in common trail courtesy. I want to point out that the ill-conceived proposed closing of Terrace Hills West ridge trail was done with 30-foot long pole fences and 3-foot deep trenches dug crossways across the ridge trail, an incredibly heavy handed method to message trail behavior. Never have I seen such an imposing method used. Lastly, the Foothills Master Plan uses social trails as a derogatory term but I think it is the opposite. The existing trails are there because that's where people wanted to explore. Our goal should be to protect existing social trails that have been there for decades and discourage or prevent spider trails. This will protect the hillside habitat for the flora and fauna that share our wonderful foothills. Thank you for your consideration of revisiting the Trails Master Plan, restoring closed trails and repairing mistakes made. Roger Borgenicht</p>	