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9/15/2021 8:14	Victoria Manayan	Mr. Wharton The people of Utah do not want to be mandated any longer. Masks are fine for those who choose, but not safe or effective for everyone. We are counting on you to protect our freedoms. All the best, Victoria Manayan	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:16	Cynthia Roman	Please vote NO tonight on masks! Sent from my iPhone	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:18	Diane Zundel	Councilman Wharton, I am writing to ask that you please vote NO on extending the mask mandate. If people want to wear masks or send their children to school masked, they should be able to do that without subjecting everyone to mask wearing. Thank you for your time, Diane Zundel	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:19	Lee Moss	Dear Councilman Wharton, My name is Lee Moss. I am a nurse practitioner and your constituent. I strongly support Mayor Mendenhall's mandatory mask order for K-12 schools. I would very much appreciate your support to continue the mask mandate as requested by the Mayor. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you very much for your consideration. Sincerely, Lee Lee Moss, MS, APRN, FNP-BC, ANP-C, FAANP University of Utah, College of Nursing Adjunct Faculty	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:21	Rebecca Colley	Mr. Wharton: Please vote NO on extending the mask mandate tonight! Your constituency is expecting you to protect our liberty and freedom - which is paramount to our society. Thank you, Rebecca Colley Constituent	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/15/2021 8:23	Therese Huhtala	To: Chris Wharton and the Salt Lake City Council Please extend Mayor Mendenhall's mask mandate. All of the current and available data show that it has significantly helped keep Salt Lake City School District safer, with more kids in-person and less kids with covid. Even with hundreds of unverified/yet-to-be reported cases in other districts in Salt Lake County, namely the Granite and Jordan school districts, Salt Lake City numbers have been accurate and lower (in part, because it is the only district in the county with a dedicated covid team to help the health department contact trace and verify attendance records). My kids have been happy, healthy, and in school, and every single student, teacher, administrator, and parent with whom I've spoken at our two SLCSD schools are thrilled with Mayor Mendenhall's mask mandate for all schools, and are hoping that it continues as we weather this current surge. Even outside of the schools, and even while walking home, many kids and parents are willingly wearing masks. And in the classroom, the kids are learning and thriving. I appreciate your dedication to my children and all of the children in Salt Lake City. Their safety, the wellness of our city and its healthcare workers, and our hospital systems demand that we implement the best mitigation strategies available, which are masks in elementary schools and masks and vaccinations in our secondary schools. Thank you, Therese Huhtala District 3	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:25	Shannon Golladay	Hi, Please say, "No" to the mask mandate at the meeting tonight. Our kids are doing great without masks. Please don't bring the masks back. Thank you, Shannon Golladay South Jordan -- Shannon Golladay	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:31	Tysen Martin	We the people demand you vote no! Sent from my iPhone	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:33	DI Cooper	I urge you not to extend the mask mandate. In peer reviewed studies from the CDC, and many other respected medical associations, masks have been shown to be ineffective. If you honor your own freedom and that of your constituents, you will not extend this ascientific mandate. #trustthescience Sent from ProtonMail mobile Sent from ProtonMail mobile	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:35	Adam 12 trees	There is a ground swell of public sentiment AGAINST masks. I'm sorry. Nationwide and statewide there is no support for it. The media is missing this. I notice many of you are up for re-election. I am sure many of you will find out just how much this measure is unpopular should you choose to extend it, no matter how good of a job you are doing otherwise. Thank you for your work on our behalf. Adam 12	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/15/2021 8:36	Rob Scranton	Dear councilmember; I urge you to NOT extend the mask mandate. This is a false peace. Jeremiah 8:11 Peace, Peace, when there is no peace. Isaiah 10:1 Woe to those who decree iniquitous decrees. Sent from my iPhone	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:37	Rachael Yansen	As a longtime Salt Lake City resident I don't want anymore mask mandates. And neither do most of my neighbors. Don't extend it. We're fed up. Survivability rates are very high for COVID. Even among the elderly. I know. My husband and I both had it and we came through just fine. It's not constitutional under state law or federal law it will be probably be challenged this time around. SB 195 was worked around for this. Please stop it. Sincerely R Yansen	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:39	Brandon Stoddard	Dear councilmember; I urge you to NOT extend the mask mandate. Thank you!! Brandon Stoddard	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:41	Jolene Phelps	Dear Mr. Wharton, My husband and I are very grateful that the board has not mandated masks for our children and the county. The research is clear, it's not healthy on many levels. Also, please keep in mind what Benjamin Franklin once said, "Any society that will give up a little liberty to gain a little security will deserve neither and lose both." Thank you, Jolene Phelps South Jordan, UT	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:42	Kellie Martenson	Dear councilmember; I urge you to NOT extend the mask mandate. This is a false peace. Jeremiah 8:11 Peace, Peace, when there is no peace. Isaiah 10:1 Woe to those who decree iniquitous decrees. Sincerely, Kellie Martenson Herriman Utah Sent from my iPhone	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:46	Colten Hood	Dear councilmember; I urge you to NOT extend the mask mandate. This is a false peace. Jeremiah 8:11 Peace, Peace, when there is no peace. Isaiah 10:1 Woe to those who decree iniquitous decrees.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:47	Jeff Matson	Dear Councilmember, Thank you for your dedicated service to our community and the great State of Utah! As a doctor, I urge you NOT to extend the mask mandate for the sake of the public's mental health and wellbeing. Doing otherwise is acting in false peace. "Peace, Peace, when there is no peace." (Jeremiah 8:11) "Woe those who decree iniquitous decrees." (Isaiah 10:1) Regards, Dr. Jeff Matson D.C.	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/15/2021 8:48	Anonymous Constituent	I went to the Salt Lake County meeting for mask mandates. A prominent SLC Doctor spoke. He was very much against mask mandates. Many, if not most SLC residents are sick of these mandates. Mayor Mendenhall is incorrect with her numbers. Be aware many SLC residents will be very upset if this occurs. And will say it with votes. Respectfully Dee	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:50	Byron Yensen	Please don't extend the mask mandate. 14% of Utah small businesses FAILED last year. Covid and the mandates hurt our economy. When people lose businesses, jobs and money, they vent. Unfortunately on the public officials. Thank you --	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:51	Toby Crawford	Dear Councilmember, Please vote NO on extending the mask mandate. 1. Masks short of a military gas mask or medical fresh air apparatus do absolutely nothing to prevent transmission of any virus. 2. Mandates, masks or otherwise, are tyrannical and whether you realize it or not, they are being used to promote an un-American and fallacious agenda. 3. Furthermore, indoctrinating children in a lie (masks) is pure evil and you will be held accountable by God for your actions. V/R MSgt Crawford, USAF ret. Weapons Specialist, Disaster Preparedness, Chemical, Biological, Nuclear Warfare.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 8:53	Lorie Gambino	To: Wharton, Chris Subject: (EXTERNAL) Masks Good morning Mr Wharton, Please vote no on the mask mandate. Laurie and Ben Gambino 84020	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 9:57	Jennifer Horowitz	Amy, I just want to let you know that I support continuing the mask mandate in SLC schools. Jen Horowitz	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 9:59	Megan Johnson	Hi, Please do not extend the mask mandate. Do not make medical choices for other people. We have the right to choose our own medical interventions. Thank you, Megan Sent from my iPhone	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 13:23	Diane Zundel	Chris, Diane Zundell (who has also sent an email and contacted other CMs) would like you to vote no to the mask mandate. She thinks that if others want to wear a mask, that is fine, but we shouldn't require everyone to do so.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 13:24	Rebecca Colley	Hi Chris, Rebecca Collie would like you to vote no to the mask mandate. She believes it is unconstitutional, unnecessary, and has caused her kids and grandkids a lot of anxiety and suicidal thoughts. She expects the people who represent her to vote no to the unconstitutional mask mandate.	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/15/2021 13:25	Anonymous Constituent	Hi Chris, This caller would like you to not extend the mask mandate (he called several CMs). He has two kids in the district and they both come home from school crying about wearing the masks. . The caller says that if the mandate stays in place, he will have to pull his children out of school.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 13:28	Shawn Robinson	Chris, This message is from Shawn Robinson calling to express his support for the mask mandate.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 14:44	Alonzo Huntsman	I am a parent of two public school aged children and a public school volunteer. I respectfully beg and beseech the members or the council to vote to maintain a mask mandate. While admittedly not perfect, the use of masks is the best non-invasive method of reducing the spread of this virulent virus. Our school aged kids need to be in school to fend off declines in learning and adverse emotional and mental health. Masks will help keep kids healthy and schools open. They are in the public interest just like speed limits and non-smoking areas. Please, please vote to mandate their usage. Alonzo Huntsman, PhD	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 15:54	Brown Berets	Greetings, We are in support of our fellow community members Save The Utah Pantages Theater and demand that you all support the SLC landmark application. Also that the mayor and slc council fire RDA director Danny Walz & Deputy director Tammy Hunsaker. The RDA had lied to the people and they have known that the theater was historic since 2018 and never told anyone or submitted it as a historic landmark. We also demand that the mayor and city council, and RDA must cancel the corrupt Hines/Laselle deal. There was no transparency with the community and the RDA hid information and inflated restoration costs behind closed doors without the public knowing. Accept the Utah Pantages Theater as a historic landmark. Thank you, -Rose Park Brown Berets	Utah Theater
9/15/2021 15:55	Jennie Stevens	I'm a parent of two children attending Whittier Elementary. The mask mandate was the only reason I felt comfortable sending them back to school this year. Please extend the mask mandate!	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 15:56	Tiffanie Knight	Please continue to extend the mask mandate in the SLC school district. My little 5 year Owen is a high risk kid and I am only sending him to school because there is a mask mandate. Please continue to help protect my child and others. Thank you, Tiffanie knight	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/15/2021 15:57	Kirk Huffaker	Dear City Council Members, Please extend the Mayor's mask mandate for K-12 schools in the city. Follow the science and the numbers, but know from us parents that this is giving us more peace of mind that in person school can continue to work well with greatly reduced risk for our kids. Thank you for considering this comment and opinion. Sincerely, Kirk Huffaker and Kristie Thompson-Huffaker District 7	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 15:59	Stephanie Cheng	I am writing in support to keeping the mask mandate in schools. It is insanity to consider repealing it now when our numbers only continue to rise in kids and our testing is increasingly difficult to access. We need to have masks in place for our kids. Please keep the mandate in place. Thank you, Stephanie Cheng Salt Lake City	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 16:11	Shelby Herrod	To whom it may concern: I am a parent of a freshman at Highland High and I implore you to PLEASE extend the mask mandate for Salt Lake City schools! The health of our students, staff and families must be top priority. Thank you, Shelby Herrod	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 17:00	Anonymous Constituent	Dennis, This person called to ask you vote no to the mask mandate. They believe it is unnecessary and unconstitutional and it violates citizens' rights.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 17:01	Diane Zundel	Dennis, Diane Zundell (who has also sent an email and called all other CMs) would like you to vote no to the mask mandate. She thinks that if others want to wear a mask, that is fine, but we shouldn't require everyone to do so.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 17:01	Rebecca Colley	Hi Dennis, Rebecca Collie would like you to vote no to the mask mandate (she called multiple CMs). She believes it is unconstitutional, unnecessary, and has caused her kids and grandkids a lot of anxiety and suicidal thoughts. She expects the people who represent her to vote no to the unconstitutional mask mandate.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 17:02	Anonymous Constituent	Dennis, This caller would like you to not extend the mask mandate (he called several CMs). He has two kids in the district and they both come home from school crying about wearing the masks. The caller says that if the mandate stays in place, he will have to pull his children out of school.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/15/2021 17:03	Jolene Phelps	Dennis, Jolene Phelps, from South Jordan, UT, (previously sent an email) called last night to ask you vote no on the mask mandates "because they do not work and are not a healthy thing."	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/16/2021 8:18	Jason Keetch	I am a concerned parent just like any other parent that messages you guys. I'll share one thought and you can take it for what it is worth. It is not to be crude, but it is simply to prove a point. The human mouth is dirtier than our anus. That is a scientific fact. Do you know anyone that would go around breathing in anus air all day, or for 6 hours a day, or 8 hours a day? I bet you could not find anyone that would agree with that. So why would we require our kids of all people to re-breathe in so much of the garbage they exhale each day? If the mouth is dirtier than the anus then why keep that stuff stuck at our mouth and nostrils instead of exhaling it like we are designed to do. We keep the junk close to us? It is wrong. I hope you get the point. Please don't mask our kids. Take it to God please and ask Him if it is the right thing to do. He loves kids. He will direct you with wisdom. The above is a small example but I don't see the wisdom in doing this to our kids. With that example, it seems insane to me and then to slap the name of for your safety to it takes it to a whole other level of wrong. Thanks Jason	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/16/2021 10:23	Mark Payne	Hello Mr. Rogers, Thank you for serving our community. Please reconsider your position on the mask mandate upon expiration of the current order. Below is a link to a recent AP article regarding mask: https://apnews.com/article/lifestyle-health-media-social-media-coronavirus-pandemic-cb9d23a531ed796aa684e62b9972eea4 Unfortunately, youth deaths are currently happening across the US with many linked to Covid exposure from their schools. These deaths will bring heartache to their families and officials linked to their exposure along with costly litigation. We must do all that can be done to protect the unvaccinated. Please make it your responsibility to insure children in your district are as safe as possible. Support the mask mandate. Kind regards, Mark Payne	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/16/2021 15:17	Karen Nelson	Hi Elizabeth! I do support masks in schools, BUT I actually reached out to the council about a HUGE CONDOMINIUM (12 story) DEVELOPMENT proposed in the University Historical District AT UNIVERSITY STREET BETWEEN 2nd & 3rd SOUTH. The developers may already have met with the SLC council on this issue and I WANT TO MAKE SURE THE SLC COUNCIL IS AWARE OF MY CONCERN AND SERIOUS OBJECTION TO THIS PROJECT. If this e-mail is not the appropriate vehicle to communicate about an issue not officially before the council, please advise me what I should do, Thank you, Karen	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/16/2021 16:27	Nate Crippes	Councilmembers, Please see the attached comments from the Disability Law Center. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you. -- Nate Crippes *See Corresponding Attachment*	Mask mandate
9/16/2021 16:29	Judy Dencker	Nice - could you have made the print any smaller and make it impossible to enlarge doc? I'd be up for a "try again".	Racial Equity
9/16/2021 16:30	Kathy Yeates	This bill is racist to the core.	Racial Equity
9/16/2021 16:31	David Young	Our family opposes this expansion of supportive services in the neighborhood we call home. While we as a community are not blind to the needs of the most vulnerable in our city, but Central 9th/Ballpark already host two adult and one youth homeless shelters. We do not believe our neighborhoods can sustain an additional one; the corridor along State Street and the TRAX Station at 900 S remain a challenge to keep free of violence, syringes and human waste - we know the City tries its best but it just isn't possible to maintain the public space with so many troubled people concentrated in such a small area. --dave	Homelessness
9/16/2021 16:40	John Doe	Constituent called in to support the mask mandate in schools. She states that it is the only reason they sent their children back to school and sees masks as mandatory for safety considering the rising COVID numbers in school age children.	Mask Mandate in Schools
9/16/2021 16:49	John Doe	Constituent called in to express support for the mask mandate in SLC.	Mask mandate
9/16/2021 16:53	John Doe	Constituent called in to express support for the mask mandate in elementary schools, where kids cannot be vaccinated. She thinks that it should be extended through the end of the school year or until kids can get vaccinated considering the number of case in schools that are not requiring masks.	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/17/2021 16:19	Ira Hinckley	<p>Hi Chris, Unfortunately SLC has a dismal record of historic preservation. So many architectural treasures have been lost that it boggles the mind. It is these beautiful buildings that make a city interesting, worth living in and a destination. Shamefully this current administration continues apace with this reckless behavior. Witness the imminent destruction of one of the crown jewels in the Pantages Theatre. Stolen from the hands of the citizens before they even had a chance to gather resources to restore it. Additionally this administration is set to usher in even greater destruction with current laws that would make it easier and not more difficult to tear down historic buildings. As pressure expands for development this city is allowing for tearing down of historic structures. If RMF-30 passes I'm worried about the loss of the architectural integrity and uniqueness of our downtown-adjacent neighborhoods. I understand the Dinwoody mansion may not be eligible for teardown after all due to it being on the local historic register, but what about the Chateau Normandie and the Weir mansion? These beautiful treasures must not be permitted to be destroyed! A 1976 ordinance amending Title 51 Chapter 32 (now 21.A.34.020) automatically placed all sites then on the national register on the local register. Why can't something similar be done now to protect our city? SLC must do better at preservation or we will end up with all the character of a strip mall. It is up to you to do the right thing and protect our historic buildings! sincerely, Ira Hinckley resident</p>	RMF - 30

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9/17/2021 16:45	Robert Scott	<p>Chris, I live in the Avenues and am very disappointed at the decision to stop construction on the Foothill Trail system. I've read through the Save our Foothills page and the numerous articles they landed in the SL Tribune, and spoken to a couple of their members. I could not discern any consistent, objective complaint. Some thought the trails were too flat or too smooth (if you make them steeper or rockier, you'll get complaints too), while some just seemed upset that some of the trails were made for mountain bikers. Some didn't like the closing of old trails. Some were concerned about erosion (a valid concern), but as far as I can tell, there's one turn in all of the new trails that might be unduly susceptible to erosion. Certainly that's a mistake the builders can learn from in building new trails without grinding the whole thing to a halt for another year. (And, on a side note, there's plenty of erosion on the old trails after the heavy rains this summer). The only unifying theme I've heard from the all the complainers is that they wanted a stop to trail building. And I'm afraid that's where things will stand, because you'll never come to a consensus that makes everyone happy moving forward. I think the biggest threat to the quality of experience in the foothills is too many people and not enough trails. On a nice afternoon this fall, we will once again reach a near gridlock state up there. And it will happen next spring and next fall too, because we're not expanding this resource to address the increased supply of citizens who are interested in using the trails. I hope this time the stop proves to be truly temporary and building resumes in June. But I'm very pessimistic. Please prove me wrong. Rob Scott</p>	Foothills Trail System Master Plan
9/20/2021 11:57	Aimee Burrows	<p>Hello City Council members, The East Bench Community Council has unanimously voted to support several CIP funding requests in our neighborhoods. I've attached a letter outlining the specific projects which address street reconstruction, traffic calming, and pedestrian infrastructure. Members of our community will submit the requests following the normal procedures, but I wanted to share with you the items that we've prioritized. Thank you very much, Aimee Burrows, Chair East Bench Community Council *See Corresponding Attachment*</p>	CIP FY2021

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9/20/2021 12:04	Darrell York	<p>I think you need to do your homework on how effective masks are because they are not effective to prevent the spread of Covid contrary to what the CDC wants you to believe. There is not ONE peer reviewed clinical study that supports that position. In a matter of fact, Chris Wallace had a medical expert on his Sunday morning show last Sunday and Wallace specifically asked him if the cotton mask he wears is effective and the expert said only about 10-20% if that. He said the masks people are wearing are not very effective at all. The mask supporters point to the study done by a couple of doctors in North Carolina where they conclude that wearing a mask prevents school children from spreading it. If you read the study it is a complete joke and would not pass peer review. If you do some research you will learn that back in 2006 a study was done regarding the purpose a surgeon wears a surgical mask- the ones the majority of people are wearing today- and this study found the masks do not prevent the spread of viruses, they are used to prevent the transfer of bodily fluids from patient to surgeon. So you go ahead and mandate the masks for the kids but it is a complete joke. I congratulate you for falling for the mask nonsense. The bottom line is MASKS- other than the KN95- DO NOT PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID. -- Sincerely, Darrell J. York</p>	Mask Mandate in Schools

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9/20/2021 12:07	Mike Vandeman	<p>"My kids get bored riding the same trails": Duh! Mountain bikers always get bored! Mountain biking is inherently boring! It's like riding a bike through an art gallery: it's impossible to pay attention to controlling the bike, while looking at anything else! There should never be trails for bicycles; all mountain bikers are capable of walking; bicycles destroy nature! What were you thinking??? Mountain biking and trail-building destroy wildlife habitat! Mountain biking is environmentally, socially, and medically destructive! There is no good reason to allow bicycles on any unpaved trail! Bicycles should not be allowed in any natural area. They are inanimate objects and have no rights. There is also no right to mountain bike. That was settled in federal court in 1996: https://mjvande.info/mtb10.htm . It's dishonest of mountain bikers to say that they don't have access to trails closed to bikes. They have EXACTLY the same access as everyone else -- ON FOOT! Why isn't that good enough for mountain bikers? They are all capable of walking.... A favorite myth of mountain bikers is that mountain biking is no more harmful to wildlife, people, and the environment than hiking, and that science supports that view. Of course, it's not true. To settle the matter once and for all, I read all of the research they cited, and wrote a review of the research on mountain biking impacts (see https://mjvande.info/scb7.htm). I found that of the seven studies they cited, (1) all were written by mountain bikers, and (2) in every case, the authors misinterpreted their own data, in order to come to the conclusion that they favored. *Continued 1/3*</p>	Foothills Trail System Master Plan

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	Mike Vandeman	<p>They also studiously avoided mentioning another scientific study (Wisdom et al) which did not favor mountain biking, and came to the opposite conclusions. Mountain bikers also love to build new trails - legally or illegally. Of course, trail-building destroys wildlife habitat - not just in the trail bed, but in a wide swath to both sides of the trail! E.g. grizzlies can hear a human from one mile away, and smell us from 5 miles away. Thus, a 10-mile trail represents 100 square miles of destroyed or degraded habitat, that animals are inhibited from using. Mountain biking, trail building, and trail maintenance all increase the number of people in the park, thereby preventing the animals' full use of their habitat. See https://mjvande.info/scb9.htm for details. Mountain biking accelerates erosion, creates V-shaped ruts, kills small animals and plants on and next to the trail, drives wildlife and other trail users out of the area, and, worst of all, teaches kids that the rough treatment of nature is okay (it's NOT!). What's good about THAT? To see exactly what harm mountain biking does to the land, watch this 5-minute video: http://vimeo.com/48784297. In addition to all of this, it is extremely dangerous: https://mjvande.info/mtb_dangerous.htm . The latest craze among mountain bikers is the creation of "pump tracks" (bike parks). They are alleged to teach bicycling skills, but what they actually teach are "skills" (skidding, jumping ("getting air"), racing, etc.) that are appropriate nowhere! If you believe that these "skills" won't be practiced throughout the rest of the park and in all other parks, I have a bridge I'd like to sell you! ... For more information: https://mjvande.info/mtbfaq.htm . *Continued 2/3*</p>	

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	Mike Vandeman	<p>*Continued 3/3* The common thread among those who want more recreation in our parks is total ignorance about and disinterest in the wildlife whose homes these parks are. Yes, if humans are the only beings that matter, it is simply a conflict among humans (but even then, allowing bikes on trails harms the MAJORITY of park users -- hikers and equestrians -- who can no longer safely and peacefully enjoy their parks). The parks aren't gymnasiums or racetracks or even human playgrounds. They are WILDLIFE HABITAT, which is precisely why they are attractive to humans. Activities such as mountain biking, that destroy habitat, violate the charter of the parks. Even kayaking and rafting, which give humans access to the entirety of a water body, prevent the wildlife that live there from making full use of their habitat, and should not be allowed. Of course those who think that only humans matter won't understand what I am talking about -- an indication of the sad state of our culture and educational system.</p> <p>Mike</p>	

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9/20/2021 12:08	Royal Hartigan	<p>To the Salt Lake City Council, I am strongly opposed to any project that allows mountain biking in natural areas. They can ride the roads where bikes won't destroy anything, or do like everyone else and walk through nature to fully appreciate its uniqueness and beauty. But mountain biking, a new form of wreckreation, isn't really about those positive things, it is only about the bikers' narcotic-like ego-addiction. The truth is that mountain biking is an anti-environmental, destructive, industry supported, self-centered activity that creates destruction where it attempts to penetrate natural lands and the public trust. Unlike the misinformation from proponents of this invasion, it is clear to see this is an industry/bike association/single-minded advocate agenda to penetrate public programs, buildings, and natural areas for self-centered gain, whether it be corporate sales, association control, or self-centered thrills, all with undue pressure/influence on local officials and at the expense of unique treasures like local parks and natural venues. It is a strategy that plays out across the nation, poisoned by the mantra of the privatized radical individual as opposed to the common good and public trust. These spaces are meant for all of the people, not the minority of a few to pursue restricted single-use narcissist adventure. Open space parklands remain places of reflection and undisturbed connections with nature, among the diverse animal and plant life, terrain, and peace those things create. Objective national research documents the destruction that mountain biking wreaks on the environment as well as on people who want to pursue passive recreation. Despite their false P.R. promotional distortions, mountain bikers are only interested in their constant self-indulgent thrills at the expense of nature and people.</p> <p>*Continued 1/2*</p>	Foothills Trail System Master Plan

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	Royal Hartigan	<p>*Continued 2/2* It is only about themselves and their addiction, not about others, animals, birds, plant life, the environment, nature or anything beyond their myopia. It is a pathetic mutation of what makes us truly human. Our problems are caused mostly due to the fact that the wildlife, birds, and plant life can't speak for themselves or vote. We need to do that for them, shamelessly. It's not that hard to know what they think, since they vote with their feet: they run away whenever we get close to them! That's the first thing that every child learns about wild animals. But then we "forget" this "inconvenient truth". You must confront this intrusion and deny any use of the park for mountain biking or similar restricted-use disruptive activity. Do you as a city want to turn every park into yet another industry-lobbied sports complex? Parks and natural environments are not gymnasiums, race tracks, sports complexes, or circus adventure rides, despite the propaganda from the industry and IMBA bike association partners, replete with their websites, consulting, and talking points, a 21st century snake-oil medicine show. Do you really want the invasion of this destructive, dangerous, and restricted self-centered activity for a few with its consequent documented national history of future expansion, destruction, and danger to people (with permanent injuries and lawsuits against the city), or do you value something more: a place of reflection and connection with nature, others, and oneself, giving us our full humanity, nature's gift to us all for generations past, present, and future? sending good vibes and bright moments! in spirit and music, royal hartigan, phd</p>	
9/20/2021 12:10	June Taylor	<p>Dear Council - this from Sunday Sept. 19: "Pretty disappointing to see the SL Fire Dept unmasked and shopping at Smith's at 9 & 8th the morning. Many of the shoppers had masks but they did not." I love our firemen, but they need educating about the efficacy of masks...and their duty to safeguard the public & not just from fires. June S Taylor</p>	Mask mandate

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9/20/2021 12:12	Deniz Bolbol	<p>Mayor Mendenhall Thank you for halting trail building until next summer. Before moving forward it is important to understand the negative impacts to wildlands and wildlife who rely on those lands for their very lives. Human usage of any natural area has unintended consequences. We have more recreational options and locations than ever before. Mechanical-recreational options (e.g. bicycles, AT, etc) expand and increase the destruction that recreational usage. This is because mechanical-recreation vehicles (e.g. bicycles, ATVs, etc.) allow users to travel greatly-increased distances in shorter times. This is behind the push for more trails. These user groups are not a part of the push for the mass destruction of our open spaces, but these user groups push out not only wildlife but other users like those of us who want a peaceful experience of seeing wildlife and calm reflection in nature. It is unpleasant and unsafe to have bikes and ATVs on our trails. ATVs and mountain bikers should do what many recreationalists have had to do throughout the ages -- buy private lands and create their own clubs. These user groups should not be catered to when their usage is clearly detrimental to the resource, wildlife and other users. I hope you will take time to read the well-documented article that addresses the negative impact human presence has on wildlife in open spaces. *Continued 1/2*</p>	Foothills Trail System Master Plan
	Deniz Bolbol	<p>*Continued 2/2* The article discusses how wildlife is pushed out - not only from the immediate area where the human usage occurs but also from a zone around that usage. This causes wildlife to lose access to important habitats these user groups are not companies human usage of what human usage Once trails are built, they are rarely reverted back to pristine natural wildlands. This issue, the disturbance caused by human presence, is directly related to trail density in open spaces: the more trails, the fewer places where wildlife can live (forage, nest, rest, etc) in a safe, undisturbed environment. I hope you will consider wildlife and those of us who enjoy wildlife viewing and hiking when you make decisions about recreational usage of our open space. What some may consider a "playground" for their recreational usage is our wildlife's only natural habitat home in the area ... a home that is quickly deteriorating. Thank you for your consideration. Denise B</p>	



September 17, 2021

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RE: CIP Grant Requests in East Bench Community Council

Pedestrian and street safety has been a priority of the East Bench Community Council for several years. We've used the Adopt a Crosswalk program extensively, discussed and negotiated for new or repainted crosswalks to improve the school commute, and stayed active with UDOT and the East Bench Master Planning Group. Some of our streets and intersections just need infrastructure improvements at this time.

The following proposed Capital Improvement Projects were given unanimous support by the Executive Board and the members in attendance at the September 15 2021 general meeting of East Bench Community Council:

Traffic calming at these intersections or stretches of street:

1300 South and Roxbury Road
Foothill Dr and Blaine Ave
St Marys Way and Oak Hills Way
Crestview Dr between Vista View Dr and Oak Hills Way
1300 South between Wasatch Dr and Roxbury Rd

Sidewalk or other pedestrian improvements to student walking route along Beacon Drive between Wasatch Dr and Kensington Ave

Street repaving or reconstruction of Belaire Dr from Scenic Drive to the northern terminus

Our neighborhood is hilly with lots of steep streets, so we often see vehicles going too fast. Our highest density housing area is at the top (literally) of Kennedy Drive which is a steep street that fronts Donner Trail Park with its large fields and two playground areas. All of the streets in our neighborhood are residential, as our only commercial zones front on Foothill Drive. Indian Hills

Elementary School is situated almost in the middle of our geography, and the 2/3rds of those students who don't have bus service are on our streets and intersections twice a day every school day. The highly utilized Bonneville Shoreline Trail is routed on our neighborhood streets for the length of our geography, which means we have a lot of runners and bikers mixed in with vehicle traffic. There are kids and families and pets using or traveling to the Wasatch Hills Tennis facility, Bonneville Golf Course, the Hogle Zoo, the H Rock trail, Arcadia Trails, etc.

We appreciate your consideration of these funding requests and hope to see a failed street reconstructed and pedestrian safety improved in our neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Aimee Burrows". The script is cursive and fluid.

Aimee Burrows, Chair
East Bench Community Council





Public Comment / Mask Mandate in Schools

September 14, 2021

Nate Crippes / Public Affairs Supervising Attorney

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The Disability Law Center (DLC) supported the Mayor's ordinance requiring masks in the Salt Lake City School District, and we hope the Council will extend that requirement. As the State's designated Protection and Advocacy Agency, we seek to protect the legal rights of Utahns with disabilities, including the rights of students with disabilities in Utah's schools.

We have received numerous concerns from parents of students with disabilities about H.B. 1007, the bill the State Legislature passed prohibiting districts from issuing mask mandates. These parents are faced with the difficult choice of either sending their high-risk children into a school without all students wearing masks, a proven strategy to reduce the spread of COVID, or continuing with remote learning that has not been effective in providing their child with an appropriate education.

We, too, had significant concerns with the legislation, and we provided those concerns to both the Legislature and the Governor, encouraging them not to put students with disabilities at risk and put school districts in a difficult position. We are sharing those concerns with you now, and we urge you to consider keeping the mask mandate in place in Salt Lake City schools.

We expressed concern with the legislation's disparate impact on students with disabilities under Title II of the ADA. Specifically, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibits the discrimination of individuals with disabilities by public entities, which includes state and local governments. Specifically, regulations state that public entities "may not deny a qualified individual with a disability the opportunity to participate in services, programs, or activities that are not separate or different, despite the existence of permissibly separate or different programs or activities." 28 C.F.R. § 35.130(b)(2). They go on to state that public entities "may not, directly or through contractual or other arrangements, utilize criteria or methods of administration: ... That have the purpose or effect of defeating or substantially impairing accomplishment of the objectives of the public entity's program with respect to individuals with disabilities." *Id.* at § 35.130(b)(3)(ii). These concerns remain, and we hope you will do your part not to disparately impact students with disabilities.

Because the lack of a mask mandate could have a disparate impact on Utahns with disabilities by providing a separate, unequal benefit to students with disabilities, public entities may have liability under Title II of the ADA. Further, it may result in a situation where a school district is unable to provide students with disabilities with the services and supports that they are entitled to under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) because they cannot safely return to in-person learning. As such, it would be prudent to consider the difficult position that a district

will be in if forced to potentially violate federal law because they cannot require a mask mandate, as they would not have the flexibility and nuance that these difficult issues require.

While we do have concerns about the legal aspects of not continuing a mask mandate, the fact is that it is bad policy to remove effective safety precautions that will negatively impact students with disabilities. All students should be able to safely return to school after such a difficult year. A mask mandate would ensure that students with disabilities are not forced to remain at home, segregated from their peers, nor are they forced to receive a lesser education. We urge you to keep the mask mandate in place. Thank you for your time and consideration of our position.