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4/13/2022 9:02	Redistricting Advisory Commission	Jan Hemming	Councilman Dugan: Here is a letter with my thoughts about the work of the Council Redistricting Advisory Commission map proposals. I hope you will place it in the public record. I understand the council discussed the Commission work today in a work session and will hear public comments April 19. Best, Janet (Jan) Hemming Chair Yalecrest Neighborhood Council
4/14/2022 12:57	Homelessness	Zach Gimm	Hello Council Members, Zach Gimm is a builder based in the city. He called about a project to build 10 tiny homes with a shower in a movable base. His idea is being movable would help by entering an area in need and moving on once stabilized. He is hoping for a 6 month program to help stabilize the area. He has already started gathering materials for the build. He wanted to see if there was interest in the idea on the Council and asked to meet with interested Council Members. Please let your Liaison know if you are interested in setting something up. Zach Gimm
4/14/2022 14:49	FY22 Budget	Anonymous Constituent	Caller asked Mayor and Council to consider seperating City Street Lights from the Water Bill. He also would like to see Condo Owners paying thier share and to make sure they share in the fee's for street lights.
4/18/2022 14:23	Affordable Housing	Anonymous Constituent	I think doing away with parking minimums is the correct way forward. If we want to have an environmentally friendly city and attempt to combat the smog, we have to move away from car centricism. If you really did believe in creating affordable housing, you would stop building 6+ lane roads that disrupt any type of coherence in the valley, and implement comprehensive and reliable public transit, protected biking lanes, and prioritize pedestrian safety. You ask for comments about off street parking, we we can avoid this debacle all together by prioritizing transit, bicycling, and pedestrian oriented planning. I understand that America has been built around cars, but we can stop, and change direction. and work towards a future where cars no longer hold the position they do. It's exhausting to push for alternative mode of transport in America, because we have failed as a society to implement transit. It saves people money, it's better for the environment, it is safer, and it can allow us to have more space that is otherwise taken up by lane after lane of road. Please, please, please take this chance to move away from the failed experiment that is a car, and move towards a denser, transit/pedestrian oriented community.
4/18/2022 16:34	Affordable Housing	Madison Merrill	Hello, I want to voice my support for the proposed affordable housing initiatives currently being considered. This is a major step forward for affordability in Salt Lake City. My only concern is: was there research conducted to ensure these incentives pencil-out for developers? We should ensure that whatever we implement will be effective. Also, as we move forward, it is important to note that the people impacted most by these policies are not typically as involved politically. We need to advocate for our lower-income households even when more affluent households push back. We need equitable and diverse neighborhoods in Salt Lake City! Sincerely, Madison Merrill
4/18/2022 16:37	Shared Housing	Anonymous Constituent	Shared housing is a degrading way of living. Everyone deserves private and ample space to cook and bathe. Shared housing is living in the setting of a prison without the incarceration. This is a waste of money and a waste of space and instead we should be finding ways to keep CURRENT housing affordable to all, STOPPING the development of studio and one bedrooms apartments being listed at over \$1000/month, and CREATING LAWS around the purchase of local development/buildings by out of state purchasers.

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4/19/2022 8:39	Parking	Esther Hunter	Dear All, I am very sorry to be so late with this feedback and that we as a Community Council were not more involved in this planning process over the long time you have been holding extensive outreach. We also noticed that there was no representation on the committee from District 4 especially from the eastern portion of the district who might have offered a few ideas a bit earlier. The many events of the last two years have taken a toll on all of us. We care a great deal about this plan and all it represents. We are wondering if islands (parkings) could be included in this master plan so they can be kept in our mind's eye, enhanced and protected. The islands in the City may not be classified in the same way as what is intended so this may not be possible but in our area, islands are especially critical and provide significantly needed green/open space for our community. With the most important movement to help our air quality and doing all we can to recognize the importance of trees to our well being, some of these areas could even be imagined as tiny forests with this key initiative sweeping the globe. Islands history is interesting depending on the area. While some were put in place in more recent years, many have a long and rich history. When the historic islands were first created (1913) they replaced the electrical poles and wires that ran down the center of the street. They were called "Parkings" intended as a park for those who were not able to travel to the City parks, mountains and open space as often as they liked. The idea was to bring the park to the neighborhood. One particular island on 1200 East and 200 South was used as a children's play area, day care, and for family concerts. Although never funded and built, there was a plan to install a skating rink (fed by the springs). Below are two historic photos taken in 1915 of the 1200 East and 200 South islands from the Shipler Collection housed at the Utah State History Library and one from a recent Porchfest Salt Lake event. Please let us know if these could be added. Without a plan and protection, it would be a real shame to loose this type of asset in our community to some future developments need for parking cars instead of "parkings" for the community as intended. Your consideration is very much appreciated. Best to you all, Esther Hunter, Chair East Central Community Council,
4/19/2022 10:30	Affordable Housing	Benjamin Wood	Shared housing offers a minimalist housing option to tenants with fewer resources or who prefer that style of living. We need to embrace alternate housing styles and encourage this type of design innovation citywide, including in my own neighborhood. While this housing type is not for everyone, we need to get out of the way of property owners who are making attempts to meet prospective tenants where they are and add variety and competition to the housing market.
4/19/2022 10:38	RMF - 30	Benjamin Wood	Change is difficult but the demand for housing and the growth of our city means we can no longer justify exclusionary zoning that prohibits multi-family lots. We need to remember that people are assets and inviting more neighbors into our communities means more eyes on crime, more vibrant public spaces, and more patrons for small, local businesses. That's why we also need to allow mixed-use development more broadly and incentivize ground-floor retail and neighborhood bodegas.
4/19/2022 10:46	Police Funding	Benjamin Wood	The city should always seek to pay its police force a competitive, if not generous, wage and to maintain full staffing levels to ensure the department is the best versions of itself possible. That said, there are uses of public funding outside of traditional police budgets that can also help to deter crime without expanding and extra-arming our officer pool. By diverting some police funds to improving the design of our streets, residents will be naturally invited back into our street spaces where their presence will push out aberrant behavior. A safe community is a vibrant community and that requires attractive and inviting public spaces where families can walk, bike and relax without fear of being injured or killed by a moving vehicle.
4/19/2022 10:51	Affordable Housing	Alessandro Rigolon	I support the city's shared housing proposal. I believe housing should come in different shapes and sizes. SROs are important for college students and for people who might be going in and out of homelessness. We need to make it easier to build this kind of housing units across the city.
4/19/2022 10:56	RMF - 30	Alessandro Rigolon	I strongly support the proposed changes to this ordinance because they would make it easier to build housing affordable for families. Single-family housing is now unattainable for most families, and many new large multi-family housing buildings are now leased and not sold as condos. That leaves middle-income families with very few options of they want to purchase a home in SLC. Increasing the flexibility of zones like RMF - 30 would facilitate the production of much-needed missing middle housing. The SLC School District is increasingly losing enrollment, and that has gone hand in hand with increases in housing prices. Without enabling the construction of missing-middle housing that can appeal families, SLC will keep using families with school-aged kids. A city without children is not a good city.
4/19/2022 10:59	RMF - 30	Jonathan Marsh	Appeasing higher density and new building forms is a welcome addition to zoning and will help with lowering housing costs
4/19/2022 11:09	Affordable Housing	Alessandro Rigolon	I strongly support the adoption of the Affordable Housing Overlay proposed by the Planning Division. It will help create deed-restricted affordable housing and, in general, more housing. We have a historic housing crisis, and inaction by city council (like with RMF - 30) is not going to solve the crisis. In other words, we can't get ourselves out of this housing crisis without building more housing of different types in different neighborhoods. Please be on the side of housing affordability and of climate change mitigation (more dense housing means fewer car trips).

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4/19/2022 15:18	Affordable Housing	Anonymous Constituent	I am lucky to have affordable housing, I am a senior and on a fixed income, however my daughter is not and really cannot afford the housing prices. You need 2 incomes to even survive and attempt to pay for all expenses. A 1 bedroom is over \$1000, that is not right! All these high rises that are being built around our beautiful city will have prices that are way too high, you can see just by looking at them. These types of places and prices are why we have so many homeless folks, people cannot afford to pay what they are asking. I love Salt Lake City, I love living here and the easy UTA transportation but the prices are getting out of hand and forcing too many to the streets. Get real affordable housing .
4/19/2022 15:30	Sewer Alignment	Anonymous Constituent	I received a notice regarding the 1800 N. Sewer Realignment and I think this needs to be re-evaluated. This road is our main road, we place our garbage on this road and we park here. It states it will be closed until October, there isn't a way we can have this happen. It may be okay if they allow us to park on 1100 N. 921 & 927 W Street.

April 12, 2022

The Honorable Dan Dugan  
Salt Lake City Councilman and Chair

Councilman Dugan:

I've reviewed the six district maps proposed by the Salt Lake City Redistricting Advisory Commission for the Salt Lake City Council Districts. I want to thank the members of the Commission who have worked on this initiative and for their time and effort to find workable solutions.

I harken to a statement by my fellow Community Council Chair Jason Stevenson in ELPCO: "boundaries matter. Where they are drawn can have real-life implications on representation, identity and belonging." For the most part, the Commission understood this and proposed maps that reflect the "psychological" as well as traditional and historical linkages between certain areas of the city. My remarks will primarily focus on the eastside, of which I have the greatest familiarity.

Let me start with the most disruptive and least favorite of the six: "Something Totally Different." Most of Yalecrest would move to a new District 7, while the northwest corner would get shipped to a newly configured District 6. District 5 would inherit more territory all the way to 1500 East. The Miller Bird Refuge and Nature Park along with the Bonneville Glen gorge – which are naturally connected by nature and habitat, would be severed in half – with the north end in District 7 and the south end in the new District 6. These are all non-starters. The U would remain in District 6. Like a marriage, "for better or for worse," Yalecrest and the U have been historically and emotionally tied together and this plan would separate them. Throughout its history, Yalecrest has been the favored residence of countless professors, the U's hospital and medical professionals as well as administrators. Keeping them in the same district preserves that continuity.

I also support Jason's statement that the Commission and Council "respect" the current community council boundaries. In the five other redistricting models there is an interesting "carve out" that I was previously unaware of – along 1300 East to 1300 South, 1600 East and down Emerson to reconnect with 1300 East. It is part of District 5 and why I don't wish to ruffle the feathers of my good neighbor Jason to the west, it seems to be psychologically more connected to the Wasatch Hollow/Yalecrest neighborhoods. The east boundary falls along the street where Emigration Market and Jolley's Pharmacy are located. Adding these neighbors would require ceding another parcel to District 3– perhaps on the northern edge?

Model 2022-02 partially addresses the "carve out" mentioned above but goes too far as it pushes District 6 west to 1100 East – which psychologically and historically fits more

appropriately in District 5. 1300 East is a division line that seems like a natural break between District 5 and 6.

The “Politely Compact w Minimal Changes” model addressed the carve out as well but goes too far by placing even more Wasatch Hollow territory into District 5.

I hope you will give some consideration to these opinions. Thank you for letting me share my thoughts about the redistricting process.

Respectfully,

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Chair  
Yalecrest Neighborhood Council