

Date/Time Opened	Contact Name	District	Source	Popular Topic	Subject	Description
5/18/2022 9:49	Robin Pratt	N/A	Online Forum	20 is plenty	Serious concern with proposed 20 mph residential speed limit	
5/18/2022 16:46	Stephen H. Bitteker	D3	Online Forum	City Budget	Budget priorities	Public comment regarding the Budget. I was unable to present in-person at the meeting on May 17, 2022. To: Salt Lake City Council May 18, 2022 From: Stephen H. Bitteker, District 3 in the FY22 Adopted Budget the largest General Fund increases were attributable to Human Resources (24.3%), the Mayor's office (22.6%), and Non Departmental expenditures (26.4%); meanwhile, Public Services decreased by nearly 27%. If demand on city services is increasing as the Mayor states, then this particular decrease doesn't make any sense? • The FY 2022 budget of \$367 million represented about a 13% increase over the previous year. Now you're proposing another increase of 15.5% even after receiving \$87 million in federal funds related to Covid, essentially free money that equals about 24% of the FY 2022 general fund. Yet still asking for more? • SLC handed out \$1,000 EBT cards with some of that money. The Salt Laker Card for the poor and illegal immigrants. An article from KSL in Dec 2021 stated you still have money left over. What are you doing with it? • Now you want to raise property taxes 5% to help pay for green spaces and the less fortunate among us during a period of hyperinflation that hasn't been seen in the U.S. since the 1970s. If you combine the current inflation rate with your proposed tax increase that means Salt Lake City residents are experiencing a 14% increase in their basic costs year over year, far outpacing wages for most of us. • Councilmember Wharton informed me the homeless problem, a serious, poorly managed issue in SLC (in fact my wife has been accosted several times just since March - in one instance another man had to intervene as she was walking without me) must be addressed by County and State officials as the City doesn't have any control. So why are you asking for more funds in the name of the homeless? I urge residents of SLC and the Council to reject the proposed budget and demand the Mayor start living within the already grandiose means provided by a bloated budget thanks to free federal funds and higher sales tax receipts (including revenues from the absurd 1% restaurant tax). How about working with State officials to lower the 25 cent tax on gasoline? The administration and council should be thanking taxpayers like me for choosing the city as a residence, not demanding more out of my pocket, especially now when everything has become more expensive. And instead of proposing a Bond issue which ultimately falls on the backs of residents and tourists, require the developers to put money into parks and open spaces while they continue profiting from city's growth. I believe the city needs to begin exercising fiscal discipline as well as explain past expenditures. Finally, equitable outcomes are only possible when the decision-makers are blind to income level and ethnicity, otherwise, you're perpetuating the insidious practice of classifying preferred constituents. Discrimination against whites has the exact same characteristics as when applied to any other ethnicity. Make decisions based on merit. I don't view the proposed budget as consistent with the Mayor's comments below. Part of achieving that vision includes forming the first-ever Innovation Department for the City, which will drive projects that make city government more nimble, efficient, and cohesive, the Mayor announced. "This team will lead out in creating a culture of innovation in city government, helping Salt Lake City to modernize business processes, standardize our approach to project management, improve public transparency, streamline inefficiencies, and promote the use of data to drive decisions," she said. <sup>1</sup> No to this budget. Reduce spending and return some of the city's surplus to those paying the bills. <sup>2</sup> SLC.gov Cc: KSL
5/18/2022 16:48	Alicia Adair	N/A	Online Forum	Police Funding	Police salary federal law broken and raise firefighters wage too	Hello, Police salary federal law is broken and federal law states that Police salary is supposed to be half of the mean income of the state. Increase firefighters wage too. Thanks, Alicia Adair
5/18/2022 16:49	David Mortow	D6	Council Comment Email	Affordable Housing	Zone Change	I am resident of Salt Lake City, REDACTED I was very upset to hear the Planning Commissions proposal to change zoning regulations in several Salt Lake neighborhoods. We chose the location where we live because of the house and the area being residential. We new there were a few rentals in the area but the houses were still single family homes. The idea that a zone change would allow a change to the current setbacks and force more cars on the street which is already crowded is not acceptable. We purchased our home understanding that it was zoned residential and never imagining that would change. There are so many other options such as requiring apartment builders to provide a percentage of their apartments to be low income. Why is the City promoting growth when it requires existing residents to be impacted. The traffic is terrible, we are short of water and the character of the City is being changed. Perhaps its time to stop or at least curb the growth before we become another Los Angeles. David K. Morrow
5/19/2022 13:00	Rick Glem	D1	Online Forum	Budget	Utilities Rate Increase	Hi, I'm a resident of the rose park area, you guys want to raise the water rate. It's kind of ridiculous we kind of experience the 30% baby food, and formula up to \$20 a can, and now you wanna add this more to people. It does make absolutely no sense to me. If you can explain this to me in English, I'd be appreciated it. Give me a call at <a href="tel:801-487-4444">801-487-4444</a> . Thank you.
5/19/2022 13:28	Anonymous Constituent	N/A	Online Forum	Budget	rate increase to utilities	I am going broke because of your increases, you just raised my property tax 200\$ per month, I am on social security, I cannot afford to have you guys keep doing this, please do not increase utilities.
5/19/2022 13:56	Cathy-lin Falkner	D5	Online Forum	City Budget	Flyer from SL Green announcing proposed increase for residential garbage pick-up fees	Perhaps before you propose an increase in fees you should assess the service or the lack thereof. At least once a month one of my cans is not picked up. Today, Thursday May 19, 2022 garbage collection came by but did not wait for the green can to empty, then dropped the can down with at least 1/2 the garbage still in the can. Last week I had to sweep/clean the garbage up off the street because the driver dropped the green can prior to emptying and my recyclable (blue) can wasn't picked up. Cans are not placed on the street they are dropped to the street. Two of my cans are damaged because of driver negligence. Today the driver of the recyclable truck came down 200 east (north bound) so fast when he turned the corner at Browning (eastbound) he nearly ran over the curb. Had a car been parked outside the home he would have hit it. If a child had been riding a bike down the street they would have been killed. Operating large equipment and replacing cans due to unnecessary damage is expensive; perhaps a way to reduce overall costs would be to hire responsible individuals and train/manage them appropriately. Adding money at the front door to be thrown away at the back door is irresponsible money management. Once this step has taken place and the city still needs to increase fees I would gladly agree. I am not sure who does schedule or communication, but can you explain why the street sweeper comes the day before garbage pick-up instead of the day after? I believe the city should clean up its own mess before increasing. On a side note, in the past when I called to report reckless driving/service your operator's response was "you obviously have never driven a big truck before". Her statement was correct, but I fail to understand what my driving experience has to do with how the city collects or manages garbage pick-up. Respectfully, Cathy-Lin Falkner
5/19/2022 14:04	Anonymous Constituent	N/A	Voicemail	City Budget	raise in waste and recycling rates	I would like to see the city use a system whereby people are required to pay based on how much trash they put out. I have the smallest size bin and still don't put it out even once every two months. The city might also consider allowing neighbors to share waste bins. I share a driveway, and it would be easy enough to share a waste bin, which would also mean fewer stops for your truck and therefore less air pollution from it idling while it dumps two bins at the end of the same driveway.
5/19/2022 14:31	James Staples	D5	Voicemail	City Budget	Proposed Rite Increases	This is on the recycling increase. For a retired person 2.30 is a lot of money. It always amazes me that everybody gets an increase, except the retired person. You came out with a street light fee, which is a big increase in my opinion, and now its a recycling increase. It looks like ill be calling to have my blue can picked up!
5/19/2022 15:33	Anonymous Constituent	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Garbage pickup fee	Voicemail: Hi, I've been paying for my garbage pick-up for \$13 a month, and this month it has gone to \$15 without notification. I think if you keep raising it, it is ridiculous because I only put out my garbage only once a month and maybe we can do some sort of collection then. Thank you so much.
5/19/2022 16:40	Monte Luker	D6	Voicemail	Budget	Raising Taxes	Voicemail: Hi my name is Monte Luker, My wife and I would like to go to council meeting but we're at our 80s so it's difficult for us to get around the place to place. So if I can leave a comment here and my vote here it will be appreciated. My vote is that do not raise any more taxes or if you'd raise just do it in the minimal amount of the money because people like us live on the minimum budgets. thank you very much. I used to be just a simple police officer with the SLPD for over 30 years. If you will call us please call us in the afternoon. bye bye
5/19/2022 16:43	Anonymous Constituent	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Garbage pickup fee	Hi, I'd like to call about increasing the garbage fee. that is nonsense. If you like to raise it, do it on in property taxes, and working in that way so we don't notice that the rate is increasing. Thank you
5/19/2022 16:49	Elisa Garcia	D7	Phone Call	Budget	Relieved Budget Mailer	Phone: Here are my notes from the conversation with the Spanish speaking constituent who called today: She was calling because she received our budget mailer, and while she wasn't sure what kind of comments we were looking for she had some ideas she wanted to share. She lives in a senior community/building, and she thinks that the City could help by sponsoring or hosting workshops (painting, crafting, arts, etc.) for the people who live in these senior communities. Help keep them motivated, especially those who don't get visits or go out much and just live alone. She also enjoys spending time watching the kids and pets play in park next to her home (Startford Park I think). The City should make sure there are more places like that park around. She also thinks the City should help subsidize senior's car insurance rates. "We need somebody in our corner and the insurance companies are just profiting off people who don't even drive that much anymore. We're on fixed incomes and we don't drive that far, as the authority figure in this scenario you should help us seniors out." Thank you! O. Isaac Camedo
5/20/2022 8:20	Joni Koncar	D7	Online Forum	Budget	Proposed Rate Increase-Garbage	I'm surprised at the rate increase on garbage. The way I read the increase it will be each year at \$3.50/month. That seems very high, especially when I see garbage with new jeeps and segways every year. Instead of buying new vehicles and sending minions out to check how full my garbage is, why don't you take that money and put it towards an efficient recycling program. Those workers can be put to work in the recycling facility sorting and instead of wasting out money and time.
5/20/2022 8:32	Nancy Bovee	D1	Online Forum	City Budget	Waste, Recycling, Sewer, Water, Etc. Rate Increases	Hello, My name is Nancy Bovee and I am a resident of Rose Park. I strongly disagree with raising the rates for the above mentioned services to citizens and taxpayers of Salt Lake City. The rates go up nearly every year for "infrastructure" while the taxpayers suffer. The past two years have been hard enough with job loss and substantial inflation and it's becoming increasingly difficult to purchase food, gas, property taxes, etc. Some relief comes knowing the monthly bills don't change but sure enough, every year, the city and state find a way to make their way into the pockets of people who are already struggling. Do everyone some service and keep the rates as is for a couple of years; you'd surely bring some relief to every household in Salt Lake City.
5/20/2022 8:36	Anonymous Constituent	N/A	Online Forum	City Budget	Rate Increases	Monthly utilities already cost too much. Raising the prices further is going over the limit of what I can handle on a montly basis. Please do not increase the price.

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5/20/2022 13:27	Elisa Garcia	N/A	Phone Call	City Budget	Budget priorities	She was calling because she received our budget mailer, and while she wasn't sure what kind of comments we were looking for she had some ideas she wanted to share. She lives in a senior community/building, and she thinks that the City could help by sponsoring or hosting workshops (painting, crafting, arts, etc.) for the people who live in these senior communities. Help keep them motivated, especially those who don't get visits or go out much and just live alone. She also enjoys spending time watching the kids and pets play in park next to her home (Starford Park I think). The City should make sure there are more places like that park around. She also thinks the City should help subsidize senior's car insurance rates. "We need somebody in our corner and the insurance companies are just profiting off people who don't even drive that much anymore. We're on fixed incomes and we don't drive that far, as the authority figure in this scenario you should help us seniors out."
5/20/2022 15:40	Chales McCrinmon	D5	Voicemail	Dangerous Drivers	Waste Truck Driver Safety Concern	Voicemail: Hi, My name is Charles McCrinmon. I've lived here and our concern is over many years, Waste/recycling Pick up Truck. They need us to put the garbages on on the east side of the street at the corner. We have the spa place where their employees would park their cars off the street in our neighborhood so makes the blind spot for these Waste truck and almost causing an accidents like the other times the City waste truck almost to hit into the car and many issues. This is talking about the safety concern. All my neighbors are not happy about this. I would like the City to come and take a look at this area's issues because the guy who I talked to seems does not care about this. If you can change the pickup time to Friday so that the road is clear and the truck driver doesn't need to have an issue turning around and will hit a car. Thank you if you can give me a call REDACTED
5/20/2022 15:48	Matt Savas	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Waste Service Increase	Voicemail: Hi, This is about waste service increase. Now I understand that everyone is going through increasing but you should understand that I can just dump everything into my regular bin and don't have to use the recycle bin at all so why don't you take the recycle bin and sell it and make more money off of it.
5/20/2022 15:55	Anonymous Constituent	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Waste service increasing	Voicemail: Hi, I would like to make a comment about the increase on the water/garbage cans and all of the issues that are coming more. I think that we using so much drain money, I can't believe that there's 15% increase. It's just a little bit too much. This is my input on it. and my end ennuuh k ennuuh.
5/20/2022 16:13	Barbara Russo	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	The Increasing in water	Voicemail: Hi, My name is Barbara Russo. I'm calling about the increasing water. The 1st public hearing on May 17th, I didn't get it until May 19th. What kind of scam are you guys are. People can't afford this. You need to find the money or null spending so damn money on other things.
5/20/2022 16:53	Spencer Stevens	D2	Council Comment Email	City Budget	Budget priorities	Council Comments Email Dear City Council, My name is Spencer Stevens, and I have been a resident of Salt Lake City for 5 years. It is a great place to live overall, and I am grateful for all that is being done on behalf of community residents like me. Thank you. Since the budget is going to be reviewed and worked on these next few weeks, I want to submit a comment on what services and projects are important to me: 1. Housing. Right now, everyone is aware that there is a dire need for housing, speaking to both the homeless and non-homeless citizens of Salt Lake City. Although there are complications in obtaining building materials for new housing, I believe we can work with what we have as well. For instance, I live by the Granary district (700 S. 400 W. is close to the heart of it), and there are multiple buildings over there that could potentially be converted into housing structures. Providing ongoing funding for building both new and renovated housing is crucial to the ongoing economic and social vitality of our community. And yes, I would say this especially includes providing stable housing for the homeless. Though homelessness is a complex issue, there is quite a bit of data to demonstrate that stable housing is absolutely essential in rehabilitating this population. Salt Lake City has been a leader in this approach in the past, and I would love to see renewed zeal in that this coming fiscal year. 2. Mental Health. At this time, Utah ranks 32 out of 50 in overall mental health care access (see here for data details), which contributes to other issues like domestic violence, increases in homelessness, youth substance abuse, and more. If we are going to prioritize Utah values like strong families, a vibrant economy, and the like, we need to prioritize mental health. I recognize that the Salt Lake County Health Department has several programs in place that attempt to address mental health, in several different places. However, basic psychological trauma awareness is absent in our community. As a trauma survivor myself, it is frustrating and difficult to experience the lack of trauma awareness in our community. It is a public health issue, one that the health department needs to prioritize more. Many, many people have been traumatized by the last 2 years of the pandemic, because of serious illness, isolation, death, and more. Allocating even a very small amount of the budget to trauma awareness would help people understand what is going on and how to heal. This, in turn, would turn to the community's benefit as a whole because people would become more capable of working instead of using welfare, less likely to engage in domestic violence, less prone to substance abuse, and more. Please consider it. 3. Education. Utah schools and teachers really, really need more support. We ask a lot with a little, honestly, and there are other options available to parents & students who do not feel like they are getting a quality education. If students and teachers have submitted feedback about what they need for a successful future, please listen. Not all requests are reasonable and can be honored, but some of them certainly can throughout the Salt Lake School District. I would challenge the City Council to dig into the feedback they have received from parents, educators, and students alike, and see what requests they can realistically fulfill. This might require changing what has been done before! But, I believe that at least a few things can change to ensure a better future for the young people in our city. Education is one of the pillars of an economically sound, socially equitable society. If we don't make it a financial priority, we'll pay for it later on. Thank you for reviewing my email, and have a beautiful day! Sincerely, Spencer Stevens
5/22/2022 14:04	Shara Hansen	D4	Online Forum	Affordable Housing	Affordable housing	
5/23/2022 9:15	Alessandro Rigolon	D6	Council Comment Email	UTA Bus Service	Re: (EXTERNAL) Support for the proposed bus routes in the Avenues	> Dear Dan, >> I'm writing to express my support for the proposed changes to the UTA bus service in the Avenues. >> I know this is not a District 6 matter, and that UTA is an independent authority, but I'm hearing some vocal Avenues residents are turning on the pressure on District 3 to prevent the bus from running in the neighborhood. These routes are of citywide importance (downtown, U of U, hospital), and the concerns of a few vocal residents in the Avenues who didn't get involved during the normal comment period should not derail these good transit improvements. >> If these routes were changed/not implemented, it would also be a really bad look in terms of equity. The well-connected residents of the Avenues already managed to stop the implementation of the foothills trails, even after there were numerous years of community engagement. Should they be able to stop new bus routes, too? I don't think we give the same power to Westside neighborhoods when it comes to saying no to change. Again, this is an issue of equity and power imbalance that needs to be addressed. >> I work near the Avenues (at the U of Utah), and the proposed improved service would enable me to go downtown or to the Capitol much more quickly, as well as to some areas of the Avenues that I like to frequent. >> Thanks, >> Alessandro >>
5/23/2022 9:18	George Chapman	D3	Council Comment Email	UTA Bus Service	FW: (EXTERNAL) Thank you for the UTA discussion - I disagree with several UTA comments	I have been a mass transit advocate and activist for over 40 years but I disagree with several UTA statements during the Youtube conversation. I complained to UTA before on the significant negative impact on riders with the August change day. Besides the lack of public engagement (no community councils had presentations - which was obvious with just a 30 day notice - community councils need 45 days plus to add to the agenda and provide time), the impact on riders was negative due to increasing the time between destinations and with students that will lose convenient access to their schools. I know that UTA is having issues with the lack of drivers and even bus stop services (which is why the last winter created barriers to access to buses with ice dams from snowplows - property owners are not responsible for them and for opening up park strips- UTA did remove snow/ice in previous years) but that negatively impacts ridership. A pleasant and experienced driver is one of the biggest reasons for riding a bus. UTA was down 100 drivers a few months ago. I look forward to UTA fixing the many non ADA compliant (and mobility challenging) bus stops around this County. I have many complaints into UTA on the issues like Walmart barriers and Smith transfer inconvenient bus stops. Moving a bus stop a couple of hundred feet away from a transfer bus stop is a challenge for mobility impaired/ADA potential ridership. And hopefully, UTA will stop ordering drivers to stay away from the curb. UTA seems to be trying to hit all areas by zig zagging around, much like the westside to supposedly be equitable. The Avenues, and even South Temple is an issue with ADA, especially since buses can't usually get to the curb and even close enough to deploy a ramp. Parked cars will exacerbate the situation in the Avenues. The Avenues have been asking for better bus service for years (at least 10 years at Greater Avenues) but zig zagging around is not the solution. I look forward to the results of ridership on the changed routes. Ridership due to Covid is still down and it may take years to return if ever since many who left bought cars and got out of the transit habit. I agree with Councilman Wharton on lack of appropriate outreach before the changes were finalized. I disagree with the outreach by the City and UTA on these changes and the lack of bus stop access. I don't remember hearing anything in my many community councils from the City or UTA on the bus stop issues (I complained to UTA and the City and got direct answers.) And the efficiency and lower emissions is a more complicated issue. If a car is getting 30-40 mpg with one person, a 5-10mpg bus will need 4 to match efficiency and the average passenger in a car is 1.7. Clean diesels also need higher speed than most buses in the slower stop and go service area of the City to reduce emissions (to burn up the carbon fully). CNG is lower except for NOX. I know of a bus stop that was removed due to noise, although UTA and the City refused to admit it. I know the people who complained. The noise of a bus stopping and going can be disturbing and disruptive and there will be more complaints on hills due to the need for higher engine speed to go up. Noise WILL be an issue which is also a problem with buses in the canyons but UTA seems to ignore it. The hilly areas should be prioritized for new electric buses (instead of questionable funding for expanding rail). And finally, a bus every 7.5 minutes is nothing compared to a FrontRunner Tier 1 locomotive going through SLC every 7.5 minutes (the UTA goal). UTA should either buy new tier 4 locomotives or rebuy the retrofits from tier 2 to tier 4. Again, Chris, thank you for pushing UTA on these issues. George Chapman SLC
5/23/2022 12:25	William Brown	N/A	Voicemail	City Questions	Question about reduce virginia st. and waste recycling service	Voicemail: Hi, I have two questions regarding 1. Reduce the Virginia Street. 2. Waste Recycling service. I would like to talk to someone. please give me a call. William Boren REDACTED
5/23/2022 12:32	Charles Gettig	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Need Trash Can to be different colors depends on each size	Hello, I'm Charles, Me and my wife is living by the assistance care and having a hard time getting around to go see anything. I have a problem with the Trash can that we couldn't tell the size of the can. I'm concerned and request that you guys can make the trash cans each size in the different colors so that way people like us easy to identify what size the cans are by the colors. that would be helpful. Call me I'm Charles Gettig REDACTED

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5/23/2022 13:31	Trish Harris	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Increase reat of garbage fee	Voicemail: I'm calling because I've seen that we have increased the garbage can fee but that's not a problem. I just don't understand why people who are paying for 40 gallons I only paying \$10 less than people who are producing more than twice as much garbage seems like those people's rates should be twice as much or more, the name of your department is sustainability. I would think that you want to encourage people who are creating more garbage to create less. We made a point when we have two kids we would make sure that we wouldn't exceed the 40 gallons
5/23/2022 13:53	Jesse Green	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Services fee increased	I would love to be part of any virtual meeting because I'm so tired of having my rate go up. you guys don't even improve anything. you guys are so lazy, and our council is a buddy system. So I'm really curious about what type of mental gymnastic system are you guys using for justified increasing the year over year when the taxes are going up over year and years anyway.
5/23/2022 14:21	Dorcy Rivera	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Garbage service increasing	Voicemail: Hi My name is Dorcy Rivera. I just received this paper saying that the garbage pick-up will be increased. And you know what We hardly ever used it besides the recycled one. Me and my husband just barely making money. We're on ssn and this is too much for us. I would like to get a callback so I can speak to someone. REDACTED
5/23/2022 14:43	Ralph Jeffery	N/A	Voicemail	Budget	Garbage Can Fee increasing	Voicemail: Hi I just received the information that you will be increasing the garbage fee by \$3 a month. I barely meet the \$3 I'm paying \$11 per month now it will be \$27 per month. I'm leaving on ssn on a small budget. if you'd raise it \$1 a year would be better. but this you win't me out. Thank
5/23/2022 16:18	Sydney Fonnesbeck	D3	Voicemail	Crime	D3 Noise and Speeding Complaint	Sydney is upset that motorcycles and vehicles are speeding and causing noise around A street in the Avenues.
5/23/2022 17:00	David Leta	N/A	Council Comment Email	City Budget	Budget priorities	Council Comments Email: To all SLC Council members: Thank you for your service to the SLC community. As you weigh and consider the FY23 budget, here are some of the priorities that I would like to see in the budget: 1. More commercial development at "intersections" within residential neighborhoods, much like what one experiences in other major Western cities such as Portland, OR and Seattle, WA. This may require some zoning changes. What I envision are more small, specialty shops and restaurants at more residential intersections, similar to what has happened in the 9th and 9th district, at the intersection of 13th So and 17th East or at the intersection of 15th E and 15th So. This type of development allows residents to access the developments on foot or with a bicycle, avoids vehicle traffic (also reducing air pollution, vehicle congestion, vehicle / pedestrian / cyclist interactions, and parking problems), and attracts residents. In certain sections of the city, these "commercial intersections" could also have a cultural orientation compatible with the respective surrounding neighborhood. Moreover, the increased commerce will boost sales revenues, which is a major source of revenue for the City. 2. Improved pedestrian and bicycle access along major transportation corridors. These routes need to be without cars. Bike lanes help, but they also encourage dangerous interactions between cyclists and cars / trucks. Moreover, driveways, intersecting streets and parking access necessarily cut across bike lanes, thus requiring bikes and cars to dodge each other. Dedicated bike / pedestrian lanes are much safer and, in fact, allow for faster bike travel to a destination. I understand that creating such lanes is difficult with the City's existing roadways, but as roads are improved, it should be a goal. 3. Improved parks in the city and trails in the foothills. One of the reasons SLC is growing is the ability of residents to live close to where they work and recreate. As residential density increases through the construction of more condos and apartments, more emphasis should be placed on improving and expanding outdoor venues that are easily accessible by residents. 4. Provide safe living spaces for very low income, or no income, residents to better manage the growing incidence of people experiencing homelessness. I am not Pollyannish; this is not an easy problem to solve. But, unless significant resources are devoted to this issue, people will continue to live however, and wherever, they can out of a need to survive. One thing the City should consider is providing incentives for homeowners to use extra space in their homes to take in people experiencing homelessness on a temporary basis as those people realign their lives. 5. Improved educational and instructional opportunities for disadvantaged youth to create alternatives to gang membership. A program that incentivizes people to serve as one-on-one mentors for these young people would be a step in the right direction. 6. More innovative public transit to discourage use of cars and trucks, while also shortening travel times. What I envision is an extensive shuttle bus network that allows residents easy and frequent access to transit for distances of 1-3 miles. 7. Serious and enforced water use restrictions, especially governmental use of water on public spaces. Thanks again for your service. David Leta
5/24/2022 12:22	Lee Besner	D3	Online Forum	Affordable Housing	Support for expansion of shared housing zoning	Council members, I support the expansion of shared housing and all zoning changes required to increase the areas where shared housing can be built. Salt Lake City is in the midst of a housing affordability and homelessness crisis. The only solution is to increase housing availability. I say Yes, In My Backyard. I would much prefer shared housing in my neighborhood than camps that relocate frequently among parks and vacant lots as the city pushes them around. I will continue to support candidates that support expanding all housing options.
5/24/2022 12:31	Lee Besner	D3	Online Forum	Off-street Parking Regulations	A city for people, not cars	Council members, I'm writing in support of updating off-street parking regulations. Specifically, I support a decrease in the number of required parking spaces. Too much of our city is dedicated to infrastructure dedicated to cars, which enables pollution and particulate matter in a city struggling with air quality. It also decreases density, making walking, biking, and public transit less feasible. If space dedicated to parking cars was reduced it could be used for additional business or green space, both of which would make Salt Lake City a better place to live and work. While considering updating parking regulations, please consider reducing the number of required parking spaces, especially in our downtown areas.
5/24/2022 16:36	Travis Straw	N/A	Online Forum	Budget	Proposed rate increases to garbage pick up	To whom it may concern, A true sign of mis-management is continual rate increases. The current proposed increase of \$3.50 is about a 15% increase if my math is correct. This is absurd. You're notice that came in the mail has absolutely NO INFORMATION in it as to WHY the increase is needed or where the money would be going. SLC residents deserve better, much better. Quit hiding the important information that we need to make informed decisions. It just breeds doubt and distrust in our government. The truth of how bad the recycling system is has already been exposed by local news networks over the years. Can someone tell me what these increased rates are for? Where is ALL the money going? Truck maintenance and other future expenditures should have already been calculated into the last increase so as to avoid more increases. You say in your notice, "Before 2021, the City had not raised the waste and recycling fee since 2014." What does that have to do with anything... as if we are so lucky to have gone so long without an increase. Spending other people's money sure is easy isn't it. Travis Straw