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10/5/2022 10:21	Diane B Whittaker	D6	Online Source	Homelessness	Tiny Homes Project	I applaud these efforts to get the homeless off the streets. At the same time, there has to be a corresponding plan to move from the tiny homes to permanent housing. Drug treatment, mental health care are imperative. If we don't have treatment / move on plans, then word will spread about SLC's tiny homes and we will attract more homeless people.
10/5/2022 11:13	Diane B Whittaker	D6	Online Source	Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Overlay	I received links, from my council person, to several documents regarding affordable housing, off street parking and so on. I read the information and found too much "city planner" speak and couldn't understand how these plans affect my neighborhood. I couldn't tell if the interactive maps were current zoning regulations or planned zoning regulations. Very confusing, wish the information was in more lay terms.
10/5/2022 15:19	Sherri Mabey	D1	Online Source	Affordable Housing	regarding the other side academy	No!!!! Absolutely not!!!! Why is it that the city thinks they can dump everything on the west side of Salt Lake? Several years ago, the city decided to dump low-income housing in the area without bringing anything to the community. We had no idea this was happening. This was the beginning of the demise of our neighborhood, this was the start of many good hardworking families moving out. If this happens again our property values will take a huge drop in value. We do not need this to happen again, we have many hard-working families in the Popular Grove area who care and take pride in their neighborhood. The type of community you are talking about putting in this area will not be good for our community. Many of these people do not want to work, do not take care of things and as a rule bring crime into the area which is a great problem. Also, who is going to take care of this place (the other side academy)? Everything always looks nice at first then the city says they don't have the money for the upkeep. Anyone who lives there should also be accountable for the upkeep and paying rent, when this happens people take more pride in the neighborhood as well as feel good about themselves. We as a city need to stop giving free handouts. We do not need any more of this in our neighborhood. Let's begin improving the neighborhood instead of making it worse. Please, please stop adding problems! Make the Popular Grove neighborhood better! Make it a place where families want to live! Mrs. Mabey

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10/6/2022 10:20	Emma SCANLON	N/A	Online Source	Homelessness	The Other Side Village	<p>Hi City Council, I'm writing to ask you to vote in favor of The Other Side Village. Salt Lake City is in desperate need of real, sustainable solutions for our housing crisis. While some people have financially benefitted from the population explosion and economic growth of this city, the city's most vulnerable people have found it hard to keep up with sky-rocketing rent. Although our city does have several shelters and soup kitchens, those are just temporary fixes for a much deeper problem. Some close-minded and cold-hearted individuals see homelessness as an indication of flawed character. They might see these people as addicts, criminals, or just lazy people who are looking for handouts. In reality, homeless people are simply people who cannot pay their rent. When you compare our minimum wage to the average cost of even the most humble apartment in this city, it's honestly a miracle that more people aren't homeless. Once a person is exposed to homelessness, that person then becomes much more vulnerable to the things we unfortunately associate with homelessness: addiction, mental health issues, physical health issues, crime and a decrease in fortitude and self-efficacy. This list of afflictions, that not only wreak havoc on the individual's life but also put a giant financial strain on our city in many ways, are caused by simply not being able to afford rent. Housing is a primary ingredient in leading a healthy and fulfilling life and contributing to society. The Other Side Village is not just another homeless shelter. It is not just a government handout. It's a stepping stone for our city's most vulnerable citizens. It is a simple and financially sustainable way to meet the essential need of housing for some people in our city who wouldn't be able to access it any other way. Residents of The Other Side Village will be expected to pay rent and follow the laws of the community and the city. As you consider how you will vote on this issue, please remember that every person deserves a healthy and fulfilling life, and every person is capable of creating that for themselves when they have their most basic needs met.</p>
10/6/2022 17:20	Amy Rowland	D3	Online Source	Homelessness	Shared Housing	<p>I think this could be a positive change for affordable housing, but am concerned that there are no accompanying income/rent restrictions. The assumption that the smaller sizes will automatically result in these being lower cost units is not reasonable if these can essentially become weekly hotel rooms for people who have primary residences elsewhere. We don't need more hotel options in our residential neighborhoods, we need more housing options.</p>
10/6/2022 23:42	Sylvia Nibley	D7	Online Source	Homelessness	The Other Side Village	<p>Please vote yes to the Other Side Village moving forward. Many solutions are needed and this is a good one.</p>

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10/7/2022 13:37	Anonymous Constituent	N/A	Online Source	Homelessness	The Other Side Village	<p>Hi City Council, Things really worked out for me when I moved to Salt Lake 6 years ago. I went through a career change that nearly doubled my salary right off the bat, and its still growing. Salt Lake is growing. The economy is doing well here...for some of us. For many people, the explosion in economic growth meant an explosion in the rent they needed to pay, and their salary just couldn't keep up. Some people can't afford to live in this city. I am reminded of this almost every single day when I see transient people taking a break on the grassy strip across the street from my house and when I take a drive through downtown and see lines of tents and shopping carts and bikes. Honestly, it's hard for me to get excited about my personal financial success when I see this in my city. I truly believe Martin Luther King Jr.'s words from his Christmas Sermon on peace: "In a real sense all life is inter-related. All men are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly. I can never be what I ought to be until you are what you ought to be, and you can never be what you ought to be until I am what I ought to be...This is the inter-related structure of reality." Homelessness affects me too. I see homelessness as a city-wide economic issue that affects me directly, even though I am currently housed. This is a list of some of the ways it affects me personally, and I can assume it probably affects you too: a. My housemates and I have been the victims of several significant thefts, including my roommate having our car stolen right from our driveway. b. I have found dirty needles in the street, including one that looked like it still a significant amount of the drug remaining in the syringe. c. My overall happiness and outlook on the world and my life changes when I see people suffering, like one man who lived under a blanket for three days in a very cold stretch during the winter. This is real and I will not allow myself to get desensitized to seeing this. d. Trash piles up on my street, because if you don't own a home that means you also don't own a trash can. It is an eye sore, and if my neighbors and I do not pick up this trash, it runs through our stormwater system and eventually ends up in the Jordan River.</p>
10/7/2022 13:37	Anonymous Constituent CONTINUED	N/A	Online Source	Homelessness	CONTINUED! The Other Side Village	<p>My roommates and I have been approached by transient people when we are out in the yard or coming in from our car. This significantly decreases our sense of safety and our trust in others. f. I have come across human feces. We live in a developed country; no one should ever come across anyone else's feces. This is not a complete list, but these are the ways the homelessness affects me personally. I'm sure that if you open your eyes to it, you will see that homelessness also affects you personally in similar ways. This is why I am asking you to vote in favor of the Other Side Village. The Other Side Village is not just going to "take all these homeless people and move them a few blocks down the road from me so I don't have to deal with them any more". The Other Side Village will offer homes to these people; homes that these people will have to pay for and take care of. When people have homes, it is much easier for them to address their mental health needs and addiction needs. It will also allow them to have a toilet and a trash can, so the rest of us don't have to deal with their trash! In short, if we allow these people affordable housing, they will be able to contribute to society instead of putting a strain on society. This should be our goal. Everyone wants to live in a city where people have what they need. Its safer and cleaner and happier for everyone. Please vote in favor of The Other Side Village.</p>

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10/7/2022 14:57	Jessa Tuminez	D5	Online Source	Affordable Housing	Citizen Input - Ballpark Area Station Plan	Please change 'Heart of Neighborhood' to include BOTH north and south side of Paxton. Currently, it excludes north side of Paxton. I have commented on this many times and have not been provided with a sensible reason why north side of Paxton street has been excluded while south side is included. The north side of Paxton street faces the south side, it doesn't make sense single family homes face large structures! Finally, I live on the north side of Paxton and provide additional affordable housing with my duplex and wish to have the opportunity to provide more affordable housing that is transit oriented- my place on the north side of Paxton is literally a 2 min walk to the Ballpark station! It doesn't make sense all the way to State Street on 1300 S that is not even close to ballpark station is 'heart of neighborhood' but not north of Paxton?
10/10/2022 13:10	Pamela Silberman	D4	Online Source	Air Quality	Inland Port Contract	Given the recent study that showed that Salt Lake doesn't have access to a large enough market to make the inland port economically viable, along with all of the air quality concerns the port raises, I believe the City Council should hold off on signing any contract that commits the city from moving forward with the inland port until we have a clearer picture of its future.
10/10/2022 13:13	Elizabeth Smith	D4	Council Comments		Public defecation and urinattion, vagrancy, encampment, graffiti	We own a condo unit at REDACTED. The homeless man/men who has been sleeping and "camping" next door, at REDACTED, has defecated and urinated in the prior weeks (and continues to do so) behind the dumpsters at our condominium complex. The HOA had the area hosed down and cleaned out last week, but it continues. There is signalling and other graffiti on the dumpster. The homeless who "live" next door try to get into the dumpster. As of a year ago the HOA put a lock on the dumpster, but they still try to break into it. I took photos of the man who is most likely the current defecator, even though he tried to hide his face. This is a concerning and potentially serious health hazard as all residents go to that dumpster area with some frequency. The flies and stench are nauseating. Can the police please remove this man and patrol the area so that no one sleeps or "lives" there? I have filed a police report online today regarding this. But it is also a public health issue and a governmental will and leadership issue. Utah Code 76-90702.3: public defecation is against the law in Utah. Salt Lake Valley Health Department Health Regulation # 7: General Sanitation Regulation: 4.19 encampments prohibited. No person shall establish an encampment on private or public property not licensed and zoned for overnight camping. We realize that our condo complex is just the tip of the iceberg of this horrific problem in Salt Lake City. It does not need to be this way. It has not been this way under past leadership/governance/police/public safety personnel. Attached are photos showing the setting, the current offender, and the feces. We will appreciate your indicating what action you will be taking to protect the people you serve. Thank you. Gary and Elizabeth Smith
10/10/2022 13:20	Gene Fitzgerald	D3	Online Source	City Budget	Inland port	This port is a scam to make money for one Greg hughes among othe things. No contract should be signed, and this should not be a fait accompli. Indeed, the whole idea should be scrapped post haste. Gene Fitzgerald.

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10/10/2022 13:30	Richard Villata	D4	Online Source	Off-street Parking Regulations	Residential Parking	<p>Salt Lake City Council, Residential neighborhoods such as the those around Judge HS already have strained parking situations. The high rents charged by landlords has led to an increased number of tenants sharing rental units. This means more cars on the street rather than on the owners' property. Many of these landlords do not even live anywhere near Salt Lake City. They have nothing invested in the community other than their own personal need to collect rent. This has to stop! Decent residential neighborhoods are being degraded by families moving out and absent landlords buying the properties. The hypocrisy of the "Green Agenda" is that people leave Salt Lake and then migrate to more distant locations, thereby using more resources to commute to work in SLC. The building codes have become burdensome to homeowners who would like to construct additions. There are many one-story homes on the East Bench that could be enlarged to accommodate a family in lieu of them leaving to find a larger home. Changing how people live and work requires more creative and flexible thinking. Just finding a structural engineer who is willing to work on a small residential remodeling project is difficult. All of the firms only want to work on the big projects that are engulfing SLC. It is an absolute mess. The permit office needs to work in an integrative manner with civil and structural engineers who will directly work with SLC homeowners. The permit office is a roadblock that homeowners and small builders try to avoid at all costs. Progress is not measured by how many architectural monstrosities can be built in SLC. There are great examples of how good architecture can improve the quality of life in Salt Lake City. You just have to take the time to really listen to people who know. For example, tearing down Western Gardens and replacing it with more apartments is just another example of poorly guided supposedly green policy. It is sad that a property that could be used as a mixed housing and arboretum only blocks from the city library is destined to become another housing eyesore like the others around Trolley Square. You guys have got to get it together. Salt Lake City is on the road to becoming another Portland. Richard Villata</p>
10/10/2022 13:54	Anonymous Constituent	N/A	Online Source	Homelessness	The Other Side Village	<p>City Council, Please vote in favor of the Other Side Village. We must learn from other cities that have gone through explosive growth like we are now-we NEED to build affordable housing into our plans. The Other Side Village could really be a worthwhile experiment for us. Affordable housing is a difficult challenge. We need creative ideas executed by people who are willing to adapt and learn along the way. I believe The Other Side Village could do exactly this for our community. Please consider voting in favor of this necessary experiment.</p>
10/10/2022 16:58	Don Gale	N/A	Council Comments	UIPA	Inload port	<p>The inland port is a bad idea. Period. Protect the city, of course, but register opposition to the overall project.</p>
10/11/2022 9:37	Dorothy Pappas Owen	D1	Council Comments	UIPA	UIPA/SLC proposed contract	<p>Want to congratulate City on this effort and discuss how the City can increase its impact on the upcoming UIPA master plan effort by UIPA</p>
10/11/2022 14:03	Sandy Kerman	D7	Council Comments	Homelessness	Please approve The Other Side Village	<p>Everyone deserves a warm space. It's o it human! Sandy Kerman</p>

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10/11/2022 14:05	Derek L Hughes	D3	Council Comments	Bike Lanes	South Temple Traffic Pattern	<p>My name is Derek Hughes and I have lived in the Avenues for 3 years now. I want to officially file a complaint about the new traffic pattern on South Temple between 1300 East and 700 East. I do not see how anyone benefits from turning it from a four line road to a two lane road with a bike lane on each side, not even the bicyclists. First off this road already gets congested with automotive traffic with four lanes. Taking a lane from each direction is going to make this substantially worse. When it was a four lane bicyclists could and would use the right lane. I never saw very many bicyclists but a few every now and then. What makes this road dangerous for bicyclists is not the two lanes of traffic but all of the turning on and out of this road which will not change. This new dedicated bike lane is not going to improve it safety. In fact I venture to guess it will make it more dangerous because now the road will be more congested with a single file of automotive traffic who won't be able to see the bicyclists coming when they turn because of the added congestion. I also don't know why there needed to be a bicycle lane on South Temple. There is already a dedicated bike lane on 300 South and 3rd Ave. If a bicyclists didn't feel comfortable riding legally in the right lane on south temple they had other options that already existed. This new design is only going to increase automotive congestion, provide no additional safety to bicyclists, and increase the residents' anger who try to access their homes in the avenues or delay people who are trying to get to the U for work. I honestly believe you will see an increase in bicycle accidents from the cars turning on and off of South Temple. This is a bad design by our public officials and I ask that it gets repainted back to a four lane road. Thank you.</p>
10/11/2022 14:10	Karen Etal Marsden	N/A	Council Comments	Homelessness	Homelessness and a bike trail concern	<p>Council Comments: I don't understand why the housing the homeless initiative that was so successful is no longer being used. It is a craven thing to use the homeless as a distraction or human shield to gain advantages that developers and builders community have been seeking for a long time, e.g.: zoning changes. If we want to keep housing affordable and available one zoning change would be to limit ownership structures (no investment funds) and occupation rules (vrbo, airbnb). Second: there is a road that runs alongside Dimple Dell and could be made appropriate for bikers so they don't need to use sections of 1-80 along that biking trail.</p>