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5/19/2021 11:38	Gayle Dawes	Please find our houseless children in dire straits; no desk, no closet, no dining table, no toy box, no yard, no bathtub & no bed to sleep in & cuddle with a favorite fluffy, stuffed animal. We must act now in their best interest & your best practice. Thank you for finding it in your hearts to put a child's heart at rest & mind at peace.	Affordable Housing
5/19/2021 16:02	Mona Kimbrough	Dear Salt Lake City Council Members, I would like Salt Lake City Council to consider expanding the budget to improve its capacity to enforce the zoning laws prohibiting short term rentals in Salt Lake City's residential neighborhoods. In spite of the fact that short term rentals are not permitted, the number of them is increasing rapidly and threatening the livability of our neighborhoods. I'd like the city to increase the number of Civil Enforcement Officers to investigate violations and enforce the zoning codes related to short term rentals. Short-term rentals permanently wreck the character of a close-knit residential neighborhood. My neighborhood is currently experiencing the negative impacts of a short-term rental business operating here since February of this year. It is currently under investigation by the Zoning Department's Civil Enforcement, although the Enforcement Officer has shared with me he has twenty other cases like this one. That's a pretty high workload for cases that tend to require a lot of evidence to enforce. Here is my story and why I feel that greater enforcement is important and necessary for preserving the livability and character of Salt Lake City's residential neighborhoods... I purchased my home 28 years ago. I love my neighborhood, and I love my neighbors. The large, open front porches make it easy to meet and interact with others as they come and go, or take their dogs for walks, or walk by on their way to nearby restaurants, shops or the local yoga studio. It's the friendliest place I have ever lived. Until recently, that is. For 25 of the past 28 years I have lived in this neighborhood. A few of my neighbors have also lived here for many, many years, others less. *Continued 1/4*	FY21 Budget

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	Mona Kimbrough	<p>*Continued 2/4* We all get along. During this time, I have had 11 different families living in the two homes on either side of mine, combined. Even being an introvert, I have developed friendly relationships with each. So, I know how it feels when familiar neighbors move away and new strangers move in. It's uncomfortable at first, perhaps even stressful, and I don't feel at ease - at least not for a while. I make an effort to be friendly and introduce myself, hopeful for each of us to build enough familiarity to move beyond this uncomfortable phase. It takes some time just to get comfortable with new neighbors. That doesn't happen in just a few days. Just like any relationship, it takes a bit of time, at least a few weeks and usually more. It helps if there's at least some effort from both parties. But with each neighbor knowing that they will be living next door to the other for a while makes it easier to get along, and become comfortable with each other, and maybe even consider each other friends. That is the nature of a residential neighborhood, a neighborhood zoned for residential uses only, and for families to live in on a long-term basis. People move in to live there long-term, long enough to become comfortable with and get to know your neighbors, and respect each other's right to live peacefully. Long enough to create a cohesive community, one where neighbors look out for each other. That is the nature of my neighborhood. Recently, the peaceful, respectful nature of this neighborhood has been threatened, when a home in the neighborhood was purchased for the purpose of operating a non-owner-occupied Air BnB. The owners told neighbors that they purchased it to use as their second home. In spite of the fact that they live out of town, and in spite of the fact that short term rentals are not allowed in the city, it took just over two months of weekends to have the home remodeled and furnished as a vacation rental, and to begin marketing and operating their new business in our residential community. In the fifteen weeks since January, there have been roughly 15 different groups of people who have stayed in this one particular vacation rental.</p>	

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	Mona Kimbrough	<p>*Continued 4/4 *Every few days it's a new group unfamiliar with, and oblivious to, the city laws - non-residents parking illegally in residential parking or blocking the right of way over the sidewalk, and unconcerned about the neighbors. They may have a party or otherwise disturb or be a nuisance to the neighbors. Even if the owners have established house rules may not permit certain behaviors, there's no owner present to enforce it, so who's to know? Sixth, the neighbors have to endure the constant uneasiness and stress of not knowing who is living in the house so close to them. This must be especially true for those neighbors with children. The worry is real enough to affect multiple neighbors' sleep, blood pressure, and health. Every few days there is a new large group of strangers coming and going. They don't know and don't care to get to know the neighbors. Seventh, short-term rentals expose other homeowners in the neighborhood to increased insurance risk that they are not compensated for. Short term vacation rentals don't just harm our residential neighborhoods. They effect the local economy. They do not charge or pay local taxes, such as hotel tax, yet they compete with and take business away from other businesses that do, such as hotels and motels. What's more, the rapid increase in the number of people buying dwellings to turn into short term rentals is driving up the price of homes and rents, making housing much less affordable in Salt Lake City, particularly for younger families. I am all for promoting tourism in Salt Lake City. However, Salt Lake City residents shouldn't have to suffer the ill effects of having short-term rentals in their neighborhoods while absentee Air BnB owners and their out-of-town guests profit and benefit at their expense. I appreciate the opportunity to provide my comments for your consideration. Best Regards, Mona Kimbrough</p>	
5/19/2021 16:15	John Doe	Constituent expressed his support for the vacation of the subdivision alley.	FY21 Budget
5/19/2021 19:03	Jennifer Soulier	I would strongly urge council members to allocate money in the budget towards maintaining the tennis courts at Liberty Park and Coach Mike's Oak Hills. Tennis is such a wonderful sport that teaches kindness and respect. It makes better citizens and community. I am the high school tennis coach at Skyline, and can see such a positive influence tennis has on these kids. I strongly urge you to continue to support the tennis community. Thank you.	FY21 Budget

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5/21/2021 16:25	Lou anne Stevenson	<p>Hi , My name is Lou Anne Stevenson . I am a resident in Salt Lake City. The city Issues I would like to see addressed are 1.problem with storm drains on 4th East and 3rd South getting clogged up with leaves or debree and overflow especially in the fall but this happens in all wet seasons flooding the street when there is moderate to heavy rain or snow falls. There are other streets down town that this happens to too also. I can't remember which ones they are now but This needs to be looked into and fixed. Because we can't cross the streets in either direction without getting our shoes and the bottoms of our pant legs wet. 2 The sides of our freeways need to be more consistanly checked and cleaned because there is too much trash like things that fall out of people's trucks , regular trash and blown out tire pieces that get dangerously close to or fall in the middle of the freeway itself that can cause accidents especially to motorcyclists.Besides that it is an eye sore and is a bad reflection on our City and state to outsiders that visit here. 3 we need to do more about our homeless population problems here. The tent cities just get cleaned out , homeless people lose their property in these clean ups and they just keep returning back to the same spots they were chased off of. These people need more other resources than just homeless shelters because it splits up homeless couples or partner's. And shelters alone, arent the answer for every one in their situations. We need more port o potties around the city for them . To stop or cut down on the defecation and urination on public and private property. We need more tiny houses and a designated and supervised tent city area with Port o potties ,wash up stations and trash cans. And be more serious about funding and bringing in more affordable housing for people who have no or very little income. Our homeless population aren't just going to go away. Thank you for your time in listening to me.</p>	Homelessness
5/21/2021 16:39	John Doe	<p>Constituent is concerned about the the 1300 E exit and the homeless population in the area. Additionally, the constituent emphasizes that repairs are needed on the overpasses at 1300 E and 1700 E and suggests a sound barrier for 1700 E.</p>	Homelessness

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5/22/2021 7:01	Laurie Summers	<p>I am contacting you to ask for your financial support for the Salt Lake County owned tennis facilities Liberty Park and Coach Mike"s at Oak Hills. These courts are wonderful facilities that are, at this time, in need of maintainance!! The community has been doing it's part to raise money for a new perminant bubble at Coach Mike's. The four courts at Coach Mike's need to be replaced before the perminant structure is built!!(\$500,000) This improvement will last for many years being covered by the bubble (20+). The other courts at Liberty and Coach Mike's (22 tennis courts) need to be resurfaced, too. (\$300.000) Budgets are tight and ALWAYS spread thin. I appreciate the City Council respecting input from the citizens of Salt Lake City. Keeping productive businesses like these tennis facilities in proper working order is vital to a healthy community. I hope the Council can see fit to allocate spending on these projects. Thank you, Laurie Summers Community member, tax payer and tennis player!</p>	FY21 Budget
5/23/2021 20:08	Ben Throndsen	<p>I run a business in Sugarhouse and we have an issue with vagrants loitering and harrassing cutomers in our shopping center. We use to call the police but they would take hours to show up if at all. Recently it has gotten so bad that I have personally confronted them so they would leave and this has not been a good remedy. My car has been vandalized multiple times and because of the violent threats I now have to carry a weapon (not a firearm) with me when I am in the parking lot. What other remedy is there to protect small businesses like my own and those in the area. We are struggling enough because of the current enviroment and can't afford to lose customers to the internet becasue they don't feel safe shopping at our stores. I am open to any solutions. Thanks</p>	Homelessness

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5/24/2021 9:20	Peter Wright	<p>Hi Chris, I thought I would touch base with you to say hello and let you know the latest on Ivory Homes application to rezone 675 North F Street. When we met in mid April we had anticipated that the application would come before the Planning Commission in May or early June and I know we were both anxious to put this matter behind us. When we checked with the Planning Division a couple of weeks ago we were told that Ivory had put the application on hold and had asked for the Planning Commission hearing not to be scheduled. We have subsequently learnt that they are reviewing setbacks. This comes as no surprise to us, as we had studied this and knew they were seriously non compliant with many of the setback requirements of the SR-1 zone they are applying for. We are also informed that they are considering an application for a Planned Development as a way of escaping the detailed setback and lot size requirements of the SR-1 zone. I trust that you would find this as much of an overreach as we do. First a rezone to gain almost twice the number of lots, then an unprecedented use of the ADU ordinance to add ADUs to 75% of these lots, followed by a Planned Development application to escape the detailed zoning requirements of the new zone. This seems like a complete manipulation of the zoning regulations and something of a triple whammy! If they do decide to go this route then it will require yet another 45 day period for public comment and will likely delay the Planning Commission hearing until the Fall. Chris, I do not expect you to take a public position on this and fully respect your decision not to take a stand ahead of the Planning Commission hearing, but did want you to be appraised of what we see happening. On a brighter note the CDC guidance that vaccinated people can in most circumstances mix and go maskless, both outdoors and indoors, seems like a giant step back to normality. Stay in Touch, Best regards, Peter</p>	Ivory Homes Rezone Request

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5/25/2021 10:02	Henrietta Prater	<p>To all concerned, I'm adding my voice to residents OPPOSED to the unrestricted cell towers proposed by Verizon. SLC government should be in charge of where these towers are placed and cannot, without approval by city council and citizens, hand over the destination of what happens to our neighborhoods and its residents to any commercial entity. The city should follow the guidelines according to zoning rules. The council represents its citizens who have a vested interest in determining what happens to their neighborhoods. Many of us, including myself, have spent decades and hard-earned money to make our homes and neighborhoods into a place where we want to live. Please don't let commercial interests steal control. Salt Lake City should retain its existing land use policy of conditional use for ALL towers—regardless of height, let alone those higher than the maximum height for the area zoning. Height limits are one of the most important design elements of local zoning. Giving wireless carriers the authority to ignore height limits without review in large areas of the city damages the integrity of the zoning code and infringes on citizens' rights to have a voice in determining the future of their neighborhoods. Henrietta Prater 9th and 9th —ELPCO neighborhood</p>	Small Cell Wireless Facilities