From: Paula Melgar
To: Scott Gifford
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail - Top of the World Neighborhood
Date: Monday, July 6, 2020 11:35:44 AM
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Mr. Gifford,

Thank you so much for your input. I will make sure your comments are forwarded to the City Manager and Community and Economic Development Director.

If there is anything else, please let me know.

Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

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From: Scott Gifford [redacted]
Sent: Monday, July 6, 2020 10:42 AM
To: City Recorder Email <cityrecorder@ch.utah.gov>
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail - Top of the World Neighborhood

Honorable City Recorder,

I am writing this letter to address my family's objection to the possibility of local access being granted at the end of Mountain Cove Circle for the to be developed Bonneville Shoreline Trail. Our home is located across the street from this local access opportunity (location #4) on Top of the World Drive. We oppose creation of this local access point for the following reasons:

1. Any entrance to the trail located at this location will turn into a de facto secondary or even regional sized trailhead access. There are approximately 100 parking spots on the LDS church property. Citizens are opportunistic and will use this as their home base to access the trail.
2. There is already a problem with speeding on the Top of the World Drive. Just a few months ago the police department placed a radar speed sign to demonstrate the problem. Presently, the speed bumps and speed limit signs do almost nothing to slow speeding cars.
3. There is a deaf child living in this section of the neighborhood, with a deaf child sign posted. The last thing that we need is a trailhead with hundreds of cars a day speeding by on a very straight neighborhood road. This will make Top of the World Drive dangerous.
4. If there is a local access created at the end of Mountain Cove Circle, members of the LDS church, will feel entitled to park in the church parking lot, since it is 'their' church parking lot. This fact will be abused on a daily basis.

Creating local access next to a large parking lot will make this section of neighborhood into a congested mess of cars and hikers. The Ferguson Canyon trailhead, which only has 16 parking spots located next to the trailhead, has become a tangled mess, much like a grocery store parking lot, in a spot that was once a quiet neighborhood. If you ask any of those neighbors, they are absolutely furious with the way their yards and neighborhood have turned into basically a public park parking lot with people who disrespect their property by leaving garbage and animal feces.

We are strongly opposed to local access being granted to the Shoreline Trail along Top of the World Drive, especially at the end of Mountain Cove Circle. Please feel free to contact me any time to discuss further.

Best Regards,

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From: Larry Larsen
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 5:56:11 PM

PLEASE READ THESE COMMENTS INTO THE PUBLIC HEARING PORTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING.

My name is Larry Larsen and I live on Timberline Drive. I DO NOT support the proposed Bonneville Shoreline Trail section going south of Ferguson Canyon as proposed. It would only cluster heavy traffic congestion and other problems with excessive traffic and parking on narrow streets in residential neighborhoods. I DO support the proposed plan when they improve Wasatch Boulevard to have a public paved path offset alongside to the east side of Wasatch Boulevard. That Plan is not a sidewalk, but an offset part parallel to Wasatch Boulevard. This path could be called the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. This area is closer to the old Bonneville shoreline which was not way up on the mountain. Also, I DO NOT SUPPORT Cottonwood Heights spending our tax dollars on this proposed trail.

From: Paul
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Cottonwood Heights Planning Commission Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 6:42:35 PM

Please read my email at the meeting on July 15,2020

My name is Paul Garner. My wife and I have lived at [redacted] S Kings Hill Dr. for 43 years. I am an avid hiker, mountain

biker and walker. During the time living here we have had multiple experiences with deer hunters both rife and bow in

our back yard. Many of which came through our property. Plus add the beer drinking partiers. How would you like it if

strangers could come walking through your backyard with guns or were drunk?

I don't understand the need for this trail considering the cost in tax dollars and cost to the natural look of our foothill

mountains. We don't even know the real cost considering terrain construction and acquiring the private land.

Another problem is when you add dogs, who is going to pick up the waste. People don't even pick it up on our

neighbor hood side walks and streets. That doesn't include the trash left behind by people using the trail.

Utah is full of fantastic areas to hike, bike and enjoy our mountains where is the need for this?

When I look at the proposed access locations of #7 South Kings Hill Dr and #8 Kings Hill Place there is not enough

parking available for more than 2-3 cars, if that, at each sight. I would estimate that 90%+ will drive cars to access the

trail, there simply isn't the space to accommodate the traffic and parking in our neighborhood. This has been proven

at the Ferguson canyon trail access. What a parking nightmare. There should not be any neighbor hood access

points, the only access should be from the large outside of neighbor hoods access points.

In the past the Planning Commission has not heard the words or the will of the community so I don't hold much hope

this time. I really hope I'm wrong this time.

Sincerely,
Paul Garner

Claude D. McKinney
[redacted] Top of The World Dr.
Cottonwood Heights, Utah 84121
[redacted] Cell

Cottonwood Heights Planning Commission
2277 E. Bengal Blvd
Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121

To Whom It May Concern, (You may read this during the July 15th CH Planning Commission Meeting)

I understand you are considering establishing "local" trailheads for the Bonneville Shoreline Trail ("local" meaning, accessing the trail from residential neighborhoods between Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons).

I don't think there needs to be trailheads on the Shoreline Trail between the two canyons. Certainly, those using the trail can traverse the three or so miles between the canyons.

If trailheads are decided upon (Which I hope does not happen!), one such location under consideration may be on property that would be secured from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 8100 S. Top of the World Dr.. My concern of doing that is overflow parking when the trailhead parking fills-up.

I have observed the overflow parking at other trailheads in the near area (in particular Ferguson Canyon, and The Boulders). On weekends especially, trailhead parking spills onto the access streets, occupying both sides of the roadway with bumper to bumper vehicles, for many blocks (up to a half mile on occasion). I am concerned the same would occur with this trailhead and plug Top of the World Drive, and other near side streets, with non-neighborhood vehicles. I know that because of overflow parking problems on Timberline, the access road to the Ferguson Canyon Trailhead, Timberline has been designated with "permit only" parking for residences of that street - now Ferguson Canyon trailhead overflow parking is spilling onto Prospector Drive, the access road to Timberline. I can see the same happening on all the streets near to a trailhead developed at 8100 S Top of the World Drive.

I am firmly opposed to having any "local" trailheads established. However, if it is decided to do that, you must give consideration to the residences near to it.

Solution 1: Do not have "local" trailhead access to the Bonneville Trail between Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons. Only access the trail at the mouth of both canyons – where there is ample parking available (surely those using the trail can go several miles between trailheads).

Solution 2: Make all the streets near to any "local" trailhead, permit only, and then enforce parking violations.

Solution 3: Make trailhead parking in the lots at the mouth of the Canyons, and then shuttle hikers/bikers to "local" trailheads (this could be extremely costly, and a logistical nightmare – I recommend against this options myself, but it is an option).

Solution 4: In addition to Solution 2 above, wave 50% or more of all property tax for residences on the affected streets.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. What may seem a small thing will affect residences and their property value for years to come. Please weigh carefully my Solution 1 during your deliberations.

Thank you,

Claude D. McKinney
Resident, [redacted] S. Top of The World Drive

From:	Erica Moore
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail Comments for 7/15/20 Meeting - Top of the World Resident
Date:	Friday, July 10, 2020 6:08:10 PM

I would like these comments to be read into the public hearing portion of the July 15th 6:00pm Planning Commission Public Hearing meeting.

My name is Erica Moore and I am a homeowner resident of Mountain Oaks Dr, a part of the Top of the World neighborhood.

I would like to voice strong opposition to the placement of proposed trail access points 4, 5, and 6 located within the Top of the World neighborhood. This access to the shoreline trail project will surely result in several hundreds - if not thousands - of extra cars and unprecedented heavy traffic in my neighborhood and I am concerned about the impact this will have on the streets which currently do not have the infrastructure (stop signs, speed bumps) to support such traffic.

I would like to remind this committee that the Ferguson Trailhead as it is today already causes severe congestion and blind turns along Prospector Dr during the spring, summer, and fall months well beyond the designated access and parking areas. This congestion is today spilling over onto both sides of the road, causing unsafe conditions for neighborhood walkers, runners, bikers, children, and pets. This issue that the neighborhood already sees every day would exponentially replicate across the whole neighborhood with the proposed added access points.

Also, of the three entry streets to the neighborhood from Wasatch Blvd (Prospector Dr, Honeycomb Dr, and Kings Hill Dr), two don't even have a stoplight for protected turns. With the added traffic caused by the trail, the congestion at these points will be significant - adding issue to the already crowded Wasatch Blvd.

These concerns, coupled with the noise pollution from the additional through traffic, are very important to me as a member of this community.

Thank you,
Erica & Greg Moore
[redacted] Mountain Oaks Dr, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121

From: Marilee Christensen
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date: Friday, July 10, 2020 9:13:56 PM

PLEASE READ MY COMMENTS AT THE MEETING (I timed it: It's exactly 3 minutes)

My name is Marilee Christensen and I live on Timberline Dr.

First, I would like to express my deep disappointment and concern that this meeting was not mentioned at all in the July issue of the Cottonwood Heights newsletter. An item of this significance and importance to so many Cottonwood Heights residents needed to be brought to EVERYONE'S attention. Under the heading "City Council Highlights Upcoming Tentative Agenda Items", not one word was mentioned. How did you expect people to know about this meeting? How were we to add input when we didn't even know about it? This neglect is really disconcerting.

I am adamantly opposed to our neighborhood becoming a REGIONAL TRAILHEAD for the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. This entire neighborhood is already inundated with excessive traffic, parking problems, litter and dog messes as it is. Your proposal will bring thousands more people driving, biking, and walking past our homes (including Timberline Drive, Prospector Drive, Quicksilver Drive and Mountain Oaks Drive) each year, not once, but twice as they cross back on the trail in front or back of our homes depending on the way our homes face.

Having a trail so close to homes will assuredly DEVALUE our properties. Would you buy a home that has a regional trailhead practically at your doorstep and a trail in your front or back yard? We have already had one neighbor on Timberline sell their home this summer because of the traffic, noise, and fear of the trail being so close to their home. The proposed trail is way too close to homes from Big Cottonwood to Little Cottonwood Canyons.

I invite you all to sit on the lawn in front of my house any Saturday or Sunday (I will provide the chairs, donuts and orange juice) so you can witness first hand the amount of people that already are using Ferguson Trailhead **without** making this area a REGIONAL ONE! Of course, every day is busy, not just the weekends. If you council members lived in the neighborhoods close to the mountains from Big to Little Cottonwood Canyons, I'm sure you would vote against this proposal.

Even with the proposed parking lot near Wasatch Blvd., people will still park on Prospector Drive, Mountain Oaks Drive, and Quicksilver because they want to park as close to the trailhead as possible. Parking is already a HUGE problem. If they park on both sides of the street (which they already do) it becomes especially dangerous on curves and knolls making it a one-way street. This will also become a problem in each "local access" that you are proposing.

The least the planning commission could do if this trail absolutely must go in, is put it higher on the mountain and out of view of the neighborhood. Why do you want to scare up these mountain foothills with erosion, trails, bikers and hikers? The proposed trails are practically in the front or back yards of people's homes. You may think it is high enough, but believe me, we will all be able to see the hikers and bikers as well as hear them.

I urge you to reconsider this proposal for the Bonneville Shoreline Trail.

From: ZONA MARAFFIO
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan
Date: Friday, July 10, 2020 8:03:18 AM

I live in Cottonwood Heights on Quicksilver Dr. I do not like the parking/park area being considered for the area just below our house and other similar parking/park areas along this bench. There are already a lot of people in the neighborhood accessing Ferguson trailhead. This new park would bring in even more. We don't need that kind of influx of activity. In addition, raising taxes or sales taxes or whatever funding is required, is a financial burden on those of us living in Cottonwood Heights. What we get from this new development in our neighborhood is more cars and more people and more noise - not great for those who live here!

Concerning 3. FERGUSON CANYON OVERFLOW: REGIONAL OPPORTUNITY on your access plan, this is a wonderful natural wild area. Instead of filling it with people, cars and noise and costly upkeep, lets just leave it natural and wild and no costly upkeep.

Zona Maraffio

From: Afshin Kazemini
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]RE: Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date: Saturday, July 11, 2020 5:35:40 PM

In regards to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail, there is simply not enough space for visitors to park in, having the trail access in the neighborhood will cause a huge burden on residents and increase traffic risks for the children in the area and potentially theft and home invasions as most houses don't have a barrier from the trails. I propose to have the Trail and parking be accessible through the Wasatch road rather than through the neighborhood this shall lower the possibilities of threats to the neighborhood and ease of access for visitors. My house is especially at risk as it is the house at the beginning of the trail ([redacted] s Kings Hill Place)

From: JIM HARMER
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date: Saturday, July 11, 2020 3:04:25 PM

~AGAINST PROPOSAL~

Debra Harmer

[redacted] Mountain Oaks Drive

From: Lawrence McGill
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline trail above Top of the World
Date: Saturday, July 11, 2020 2:51:57 PM

Dear City staff:
I am certain our opinion will not mean much but here it is. We are located between the 2 accesses off of Top of the World Drive.
We would appreciate much more having a trail up there than opening up this cove to housing development. We will join neighbors in opposing housing development up the cove above us very strongly!!! A trail will allow access for us and others to have a walking trail alternative instead of the street. We want the trail much more than housing and hopefully the presence of a trail will decrease the interest in housing development.
To repeat, we are for the trail but it will take some money and manpower to keep it up and see that the area remains clean. This is after it is built and completed.

It would be good for Cottonwood Heights to own this Cove to restrict development.
Thanks for allowing us to have input.

Lawrence and Marilyn McGill

L.D. McGill, DVM, PhD, DACVP
[redacted] Top of the World Drive
Cottonwood Heights, UT, 84121
[redacted]
cell: [redacted]

From: MICHAEL WIMS
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Masterplan
Date: Saturday, July 11, 2020 11:47:51 AM

Please read these comments into the public meeting scheduled for 6:00pm, July 15th. We live on Quicksilver Drive. We restrict our comments to the proposed Ferguson Canyon Overflow which would have a vehicle entrance and multi-car parking area just off of Prospector Drive. We oppose this project.

The neighborhood is an established reasonably quiet residential area with typical residential streets and several cul-de-sacs. With the existing Ferguson Canyon hiking entrance just off of Timberline Drive, the neighborhood already experiences significant vehicular and pedestrian traffic. We have, over the years, experienced an increase in foot-traffic into the neighborhoods and parking in restricted parking areas. We have personally witnessed hikers cutting-through private property, people's back and side yards and even climbing down steep terrain on residential property and walking down the side of houses onto their driveways. The amounts of trash have increased every year, not to mention the amount of noise including yelling back and forth late at night. This is no longer a quiet, peaceful cul-de-sac neighborhood that we had when we bought our home. This proposed expansion of the Ferguson Canyon access would greatly exacerbate the problems we already experience from the hikers and further diminish this as a residential neighborhood.

In sum, consider the people who live here in Cottonwood Heights. Don't further degrade our neighborhood. Disapprove the Ferguson Canyon Overflow proposal.

Respectfully,
Michael and Pamela Wims
Quicksilver Drive
Cottonwood Heights.

From: Andrew Riddle
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]BST Access Master Plan Resident Comment
Date: Sunday, July 12, 2020 9:16:51 PM

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Please allow my comments to be read in the public hearing portion of the meeting.

My name is Andrew Riddle, and my family and I have resided at [redacted] S. Prospector Dr. for the past 16 years. Please let it be known to the city of Cottonwood Heights BST planning commission that we are GREATLY opposed to BST trail and accesses in the vicinity of our neighbor due to the traffic, noise, crime, pollution, and the overall reduction in the quality of life and property value that the residents in the neighborhood of the proposed plan will be subject to as a result.

A few years ago, the Ferguson trailhead, amphitheater, parking, directional signs all over the streets, were built right next to the houses on Timberline and Prospecter drives, and it is a ZOO. It's so bad at times, imagine the BST trail and several accesses, on top of that, built throughout the entire length of the neighborhood. If this plan is adopted Mr.Johnson, I will not be able to live in this neighborhood any longer. I'm sorry, but I just can't believe that the city of Cottonwood Heights cares so little about their residents, and it is very evident from the implementation of the Ferguson canyon trailhead nightmare and the newly proposed BST accesses. You are on the verge of destroying a great, desirable neighborhood. Thank you for your time.

Best Regards,

Andrew Riddle

Sent from my iPad

From: Brooke Sasser
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]BST Access Plan
Date: Sunday, July 12, 2020 8:49:48 PM

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS INTO THE PUBLIC HEARING PORTION OF THE MEETING.

As a resident living directly adjacent to the proposed Local Access Site #7 I am strongly opposed to this location, as well as the location of Access Site #8. While I understand that the proposed "local sites" are intended for neighborhood use, unfortunately we have seen what this truly looks like in the North end of our neighborhood at the Ferguson Canyon Trailhead. Limited parking creates a huge increase in street parking by people using the trail. We currently live at the end of a street with zero thru traffic. What you are proposing would affect the quiet and safety of the neighborhood we invested in when we purchased our home nearly 10 years ago. As a mother of young children I am seriously concerned about the year-round traffic these access sites would create on our street. I would no longer feel safe allowing my children to play in our front yard with strangers passing by constantly. As we have seen at the Ferguson Canyon Trailhead, most of the people using these sites are not in fact residents of the neighborhood, and cleanliness, safety, and noise pollution are of little to no concern for them. I would like to make it clear that our family are avid hikers, bikers, and enjoyers of the outdoors. This is a huge part of why we chose to make Cottonwood Heights our home. My frustration lies in the city disrespecting its residents with a plan that changes the entire feeling of a safe, quiet neighborhood removed from city life. In looking over the proposed access plan it seems completely unnecessary to include these so-called "local sites", when the proposed "regional sites" do not infringe on private property or directly affect residential property. I hope that the City of Cottonwood Heights and Blu Line Design will truly take the time to consider the feedback provided by myself and my neighbors and eliminate Access Sites #7 and #8 before the final proposed master plan. Thank you for your time.

Brooke Sasser

From: Charles McNall
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]public comment for BST parking near furgeson canyon
Date: Sunday, July 12, 2020 8:06:08 PM

Hello,
Having lived on timberline drive the last few years, I have appreciated having walking access to a trailhead. While I support the BST completion through Ferguson canyon I do not support a larger parking area at the lower overflow lot. The current overflow lot only causes more people to speed up timberline drive and the surrounding streets hoping to get one of the few spots available and then speed back down or park dangerously all over the place. Not only that but the upper lots have become an excellent place for car break-ins that have unfortunately extended outward toward cars in driveway break-ins in the neighborhood. If possible I would much prefer there be no overflow parking for Furgeson Canyon Period. But if a BST Lot must be added then I strongly believe the main trail parking lot be eliminated and leave the break-ins, late night drug users and loud pipe motorists closer to Wasatch BLVD. Eventually people will learn to just park at the lower lot and stop speeding around almost running children over with the many blind turns and hills.
Think of the children, won't someone think of the children? Their blood is on your hands!
Thanks.
-Charles McNall

Dear

Hello! My name is Emery. I am 9 years old. I dont wont the trail because, thers lots of wild life in my naber hood and if you put the trail here all the animals will run away! Also myr naber hood is so peacful But if you put the trail here it would be soooo noisy! Also I wont to be able to play in my front yard because thars soooo many cars and people! Thank you for lisning to me.

From Emery Sasser

From: GARY COMMAGERE
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Comment on the bayline shore trail
Date: Sunday, July 12, 2020 12:19:23 PM

As a resident home owner that would be greatly impacted, [redacted] E Timberline dr. (South side corner of Timberline Dr. and Prospector Dr.) I am greatly concerned as to the proposed regional access from parking area to the trail head. A little current history. On weekends we see and hear hundreds of autos turn onto Timberline in an attempt to access 16 available parking spaces currently at the Ferguson trail head. Being directly above the poorly designed and maintained transition from prospector we experience crashing bottoms and screeching tires of folks going up only to find out there is no space then proceed down with the same disturbing transition throughout the day. From there they either go to the overflow or the much easier parking on both sides of the road along prospector above my home. This creates a major safety issue that has gone unchecked as the road go up a hill and becomes a one way street due to parked cars on both sides.
I am opposed to the regional access, that said, it would appear the plan will proceed and needs improvement due to hundreds of hikers and bikers are traveling though out neighborhoods.
1. Absolutely no parking in the current parking lot at Ferguson nor any motorized access to the trailhead. Local traffic only on Timberline. No parking on prospector with permit that is strictly enforced with penalties or towing. This would be the minimum mitigation.
2. Access from the dog park up to prospector should not be allowed as this creates a nuisance for neighbors and a never ending stream of hikers with dogs destroying property to the trailhead by their animals using the bathroom on the lawns and owners crossing the lawn to shortcut the sidewalk. This is especially an issue with my home. Any point the regional access transits neighborhoods those home owners should have at their option a barrier that protect their property from the pedestrian and animal traffic at the city's cost. A minimum mitigation.
3. As to the proposed trail. Diagrams have the trail running below the B above timberline. As an avid hiker myself, the scar is ecologically unacceptable. A few extra switchbacks would enable the trail above the tree line hiding any scars and providing shade to hikers and bikers. Another issue is access for bikers. There will be many bikers. There must be access points where bikers can climb to the trail but certain designated trails where they can descend and trails where hikers can descend without the threat of bikers running over them as safely done on the Armstrong trail in Park City.

Sent from my iPad

7/12/20

Gentlemen,

I just thought I'd write and express my present views regarding the Bonneville Shoreline Trail, and say that I'm really in favor of it, I'm an avid hiker and camper, and a long time member of several wilderness organizations. We NEED to preserve the urban interface.

I've hiked several sections of this trail and they are great.

sincerely,
your friend,
Randy Long

From: Eric Gold
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]BST Access
Date: Monday, July 13, 2020 9:43:23 AM

Good morning -

I'm writing to you regarding the BST access master plan. While I understand the desire and need to have ready access to nature and hiking, this needs to be balanced with preservation and conservation. As an example, the Ferguson canyon trailhead is dominated with unleashed dogs and poop bags scattered throughout. Extending this to the entirety of my backyard mountain view is unconscionable. I do know that both the regional access points are currently owned by private interests: the one by the church currently for sale with residential zoning and the one further south owned by a healthcare company and not listed for sale. If we are able to purchase these lots to ensure no further development and as a tradeoff having trailhead access points, I believe this would be beneficial for all of us and future generations to continue to enjoy our nature. Otherwise allowing for further residential development while also introducing a flood of hikers would just undermine our ecosystem and degrade the beauty of Cottonwood Heights.

Thanks for listening
Eric Goldstein
[redacted]

From: Mark Barrett
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]bonneville shorline trail access
Date: Monday, July 13, 2020 10:48:30 AM

Thank you for your work on the BST. We need this. I live on the east site of Top of the World Dr. I know that people are concerned with traffic, parking, etc, but if some parking is available and enforced, i think the benefits far outweigh the negatives. I am very much in favor of improving our trail system.

Mark Barrett
[redacted] Top of the World Dr, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121

From: Mike Sasser
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]BST access plan
Date: Monday, July 13, 2020 3:18:01 PM

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Mike Sasser

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From:	Rebecca Good
To:	Michael Johnson
Cc:	"Rebecca Good"
Subject:	[EXT:]FW: PROPOSED BONNEVILLE SHORELINE TRAIL ACROSS MASTER PLAN as and addendum to the Cottonwood heights general plan
Date:	Monday, July 13, 2020 4:08:04 PM

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Please have the comments/email below this email read verbally into the record during hearing portion of the meeting!!!
Please distribute to CH City Council, planning commission and anyone else that might have interest.

I almost did not write as we have been manipulated so much in the past and "tricking" us into the trailhead and park and ride after so many long meetings at the planning commission and accepting the planned offices! City also did not listen when we did not want a parking garage and large "hotel" or whatever it is at the mouth of our beautiful previously well planned canyon, I almost did not write. We are so worn down from past 27 years of trying to maintain our residential area as just that. Many have sold and moved! My husband spearheaded much of it and found it useless. I only hope that I can sell when I am ready, and get out of this home what we have put into over the past 27 years. Our higher taxes, etc. So tired.

Thank you again for responding.

Rebecca

From: Rebecca Good [redacted]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2020 2:51 PM
To: 'ttingey@ch.utah.gov' <ttingey@ch.utah.gov>; 'cmikell@ch.utah.gov' <cmikell@ch.utah.gov>
Cc: 'mjohnson@ch.utah.gov' <mjohnson@ch.utah.gov>; 'Rebecca Good' [redacted]
Subject: FW: PROPOSED BONNEVILLE SHORELINE TRAIL ACROSS MASTER PLANas and addendum to the Cottonwood heights general plan

From: Rebecca Good [redacted]
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2020 7:25 PM

Subject: PROPOSED BONNEVILLE SHORELINE TRAIL ACROSS MASTER PLAN as an addendum to the Cottonwood heights general plan
No Trails or Trailheads extended in and through residential areas
Safety and Wellbeing of residents have already been compromised and needs addressed immediately

Dear Tim Tingey, Representative Mikell, Mr. Johnson and CH City Council and whoever else this needs to be directed;

Bear with the length of this response to the proposed Addendum to the Cottonwood Heights

General plan to allow for Bonneville shoreline trail. Send copy to all members of City Council and all CH officials. WE HAVE HAD IT! MANY ISSUES LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN HAPPENING TOO LONG WITH NO ACTION!!! NO ONE HAS LISTENED TO DANGERS, FEARS and FRUSTRATIONS OR DONE ANYTHING ABOUT THE SAFETY AND WELL BEING OF ALL CONCERNED! NO ONE SEEMS TO CARE ABOUT OUR WATERSHED AREA EITHER?

Why do you all keep ruining our residential areas?? You are losing quality residents affording the high taxes. No need to do repairs, upkeep or care anymore. Can't use our back yards as we have no privacy with loud groups of people, barking dogs, etc in our backyard, literally, etc
Our previous Mayor Culimore undermined our meetings and neighborhood's expressed desire to keep nonresidents/strangers out of our neighborhood!
Prospector I, II and III neighborhood Residents had negotiated through multiple Town meetings with builder that office buildings in the large vacant area on faults below and on Wasatch Blvd would have gated access only to offices to avoid weekend and evening parking and using office parking lot as a public one!
Residents had already declared to Culimore NO PARK AND RIDE possibilities instead of offices. Keep strangers out of our neighborhoods!
Behind our backs, Culimore made a deal with the County to make that land a "trailhead" . He used trailhead as a guise to also develop a 70 space park and ride with bathrooms etc. Access was changed to only off our residential road, Prospector Drive, instead of Wasatch like the Office complex!!

AN Aside: Another example of not listening, The Mayor and City betrayed us by allowing that large monstrosity of a building and very large parking garage at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon – the "Gateway to Cottonwood Heights" and greatest skiing on earth. Great first impression!?! NOT. Road and intersection and main way in and out for emergency vehicles, resident's commuting, esp. during ski season will not handle traffic. It already gets backed up all along Wasatch and down to 215!!! Why are you all allowing the residents and access to livelihoods and essentials to be overtaken and our limited access roads to be overloaded more and more at the mouth of Little Cottonwood below and above? Our safety and welfare is compromised. Sandy uses Wasatch as a commuting road and Wasatch is backed up in AM and PM.

BACK TO TRAILS AND TRAIHEADS THROUGH OUR RESIDENTIAL AREAS
We continue to oppose intrusion and strangers access to our neighborhoods!
We vehemently oppose the addendum to the Cottonwood Heights Master / General Plan allowing such.
We are already inundated with strangers accessing Ferguson Canyon through our neighborhoods disrupting our life, safety and wellbeing, not to mention Polluting our watershed.

We live at 7730 Quicksilver Drive on corner of Prospector just up from parking for Ferguson! We have had an ongoing onslaught of strangers and their dogs daily and most especially on weekends and holidays. No more quiet and private breakfast lunch or dinner on our deck. They throw garbage in yard side and over our fence, mostly disgusting feces filled doggy Doo bags!! They let their unleashed and leashed animals defecate and urinate on our grass. Because of poor signage which was pointed out many times, they think the canyon is down Quicksilver Drive and walk all through our neighborhood which is a dead end to access Ferguson instead of going up one more block.

A supposed compromise to avoid parking on Quicksilver was to put no parking signs. However, residents are not allowed to park either unless a little blue chip is on dash. Each chip is charged to residents at 5.00. I was informed by the police dept that even business trucks like plumbing, etc require the chip.

Our physical and mental safety is also compromised. The only safe access to Smiths for groceries is Prospector to Honeywood, then through the light at Wasatch to Smiths. NOT SAFE ANYMORE to drive or bike or walk on Prospector. Hikers cars and trucks are parked on both sides of Prospector beginning at Timberline and a long distance south. This leaves a very narrow lane for access for cars going either north and south. There have been many close calls if one cannot see around the curves and there is car coming the other way in that narrow lane. Can't back up to allow the car through if another car is behind either! I have almost been hit too many times.
Hikers treat the street like a parking lot letting kids and dogs out on street side stopping and blocking cars trying to get through. Dangerous.
It is even more dangerous when a biker is coming fast downhill or slow uphill the opposite way and unable to stop or get out of way fast enough from mine or another car. Several near collisions! The Hikers also park on narrow lower Prospector below us. DANGER Danger Danger. Accident and lawsuit to CH waiting to happen!
I fear driving on Prospector above or below my home. I fear possibly hurting someone, their child or their unleashed animal!!! I leave my home to get groceries in fear that I won't see a biker and have no time to stop. I fear a car will coming the opposite way will not see me and we crash. I fear a hiker will open their car door not seeing me and a child will get out and get hit. No one should fear driving in their neighborhood to the store or anywhere fearing they could hurt someone that thinks they are in a park or trail and don't need to mind themselves, their kids and/or dogs.

This brings me to the fact that, In addition, Prospector and Top of the World from about 7200 Wasatch and south the whole road has been designated a bike trail!!! Lower Prospector to upper prospector through the "Prospector Trailhead" area and all along prospector and Top of the World bike trail is a narrow road and has many curves. Even going slow, one is confronted with bikers flying down the hill or zig zagging up the hill in the middle of the road. Almost ran into bikers as curves block vision both up and down! ANOTHER fear and Danger!

No Trailhead should be through any residential area and especially NOT where it is now designated along Prospector to Ferguson. A bad accident is waiting to happen. Please remove that trailhead from the General or Master plan when meeting about the Bonneville Shoreline Trail addendum!
STOP ADVERTISING IT AS TRAILHEAD!
Our neighborhood is not a Park. Our neighborhood must not be a tail or trailhead!!! Families live here! We pay high taxes to live here!!!! We pay for our roads and to maintain access for our residents and families. We do not pay to have invasions of hikers and bikers using our neighborhoods as their recreation area!

Leash law Not enforced on streets or in Ferguson and hikers not cleaning up after their animals and keeping them under control. We have to! A slap on hand or warning is not enough if officials see them. They laugh at us or makes some snide remark if we ask them to leash their animal, esp in Ferguson.

Amphitheater is a waste of space and an eyesore. Instead, we need a covered three level parking garage where the unused "amphitheater" sits! Wasted tax dollars. It is unkempt, and wasting precious space.

No more Ferguson trailhead through our neighborhood!
No Bonneville Shoreline trail either!!!

Summary;
Neighborhood and canyon is overrun with disrespectful hikers, strangers and unleashed dogs. I testify to that as we continue to live it. UNSAFE, UNCLEAN AND DANGER TO OUR WATERSHED AREA.
Safety, wellbeing of residents, hikers and bikers at risk!
Narrow Residential streets are lined with cars on both sides causing difficult and dangerous access for residents to even go for food, gas and essentials.
DANGEROUS ACCESS FOR ALL, Including fire, ambulance and police access.
Accident/s waiting to happen. Residential streets too narrow for bikers and walkers plus cars.
Sidewalks not wide enough.
Bottom Line Unsafe access for residents and hikers and bikers.
DO WE NEED A Lawsuit to Cottonwood Heights City to happen when accident to hikers, bikers and/or residents on narrow streets.
Streets were made to be residential access only, not groups heading to hike nor a bike trail. Keep the streets that way!
Private residential area overtaken by strangers to access a Hiking and bikers use of now designated bike trail is outrageously inappropriate and dangerous on narrow residential streets in Prospector Hills and surrounding residential neighborhoods.
NOT APPROVED ALLOWING NIEGHBORHOOD ACCESS BY RESIDENTS. NO VOTE TAKEN.
Not in favor of trailhead and parking access (doubling as Park and Ride) to everyone off our residential street Prospector Drive neighborhood from land previously proposed to be gated offices.
Mayor acted behind our backs to make the area a trailhead and just announced it was a done deal!!
Withheld information about park and ride.
IF ANY Development of empty land on Wasatch into a Parking lot with bathrooms, etc ONLY **access from Wasatch** or DO NOT develop at all. Leave as open space. It has several faults and was originally designated as open space. Wasatch Falutl lined. Stop this area being used as trailhead!!! NO ACCESS TO OR FROM THE PARK AND RIDE TO or FROM PROSPECTOR!
NO TRAILHEAD ON PROSPECTOR!
Residents only approve of maintaining residential neighborhoods residential!
No trailhead/s through neighborhoods.
This has all been a disaster allowing Prospector south and north as a trailhead to Ferguson.
It has all been a disaster making Prospector and south and north a bike trail.
Property values are going down!
Watershed is being contaminated by dogs feces and uncaring outsiders.
SAFETY ISSUE ALSO INCLUDES Our kids and grandkids need to be supervised continuously with all the strangers through our neighborhoods!
We can't take them in canyon as they get accosted by unleashed large and small dogs!

Do not turn any of this area into a Bonneville Shoreline Access. Protect our residential area and the safety and welfare of the residents!!!!
Give us back our private residential neighborhood tranquility, safety and wellbeing for which we bought and paid high prices and pay high taxes.

Thank you!
Respectfully,
Rebecca Good Family
[redacted] Quicksilver Drive Corner of Prospector Drive

From:	Chris Diener
To:	Michael Johnson
Cc:	Moonkat
Subject:	[EXT:]Comments on proposed Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan
Date:	Tuesday, July 14, 2020 4:19:14 PM

Dear Mr Johnson,

We request that this be read into the record at the meeting July 15th at 6pm. We want the city to be successful in creating this resource for us and for the community. We have some significant, practical concerns that if not addressed can be a blight upon our city and the efforts here.

We own a home across the street from the current Ferguson Canyon trailhead and would like to urge, with the strongest emotion we can, the city council to change the Shoreline Trail Master Plan. Please take into consideration our concerns and proposal for an alternative.

The current trailhead already has issues with pedestrian access, too much traffic and not enough parking. We have people and their dogs already having to park down on the other street from Timberline. And they walk up to the trailhead. In the summer we see dogs overheated on the side of the road not able to walk further. We have traffic concerns as we have already had many near misses with people and their pets as they walk up to the trailhead.

So we are concerned about having folks walk on public roads through the neighborhood to get to the actual trailhead on Timberline Dr. They have to walk up steep roads and they have to cross and walk along roads that are windy and curved and it's hard to see around corners, etc. There is a very real safety issue with this arrangement of having the parking etc down at the bottom of the hill and neighborhood. It's not a very functional arrangement.

We do understand that the already-appointed land is there down by Wasatch drive, but unless there is another way to access the actual trailhead there will be big problems. If you send people up a quarter mile steep hill and along a set of curvy roads without good visibility, this is not a recipe for success. It's a recipe for accidents, injury and even deaths. We should not do this.

Have you or any in the planning efforts tried to walk up from Wasatch to the trailhead?
It's very strenuous and time consuming. And during the summer months (highest usage) it's dangerous for health and limiting for access.

We are also concerned about having so much public driving through the neighborhood because the upshot of having the parking so far away is that folks will drive parts of their group up to the trail and then go park. This will create traffic problems with congestion and folks turning around etc that the road and culdesac are not built for -- and really make the safety issues huge as these folks are not even as familiar with the topography of the roads.

We also have the fact that this is a big trailhead for rock climbers. They need their rock climbing gear. We often, almost every day, have vans parked here for the gear and for groups (probably classes) so that will make it even more strenuous (bringing on health issues) and promote even more drive by drop offs. This is a recipe for danger, accident, and increased health concerns.

We also have the concerns of so much public foot traffic, the trash that it brings, the impact on watching out for our children in the neighborhood and thefts. There are also noise issues with the cars and the conversations of the folks at the trailhead and during the walk. The noise isn't as much of an issue right now but we do already have issues with thefts from yards. Drive by drop offs and foot traffic will increase the issues.

Furthermore there is a sanitation issue. Yes it's great that there will be bathrooms down by the parking but what about a quarter mile up through residential neighborhoods to the actual trailhead? We are very concerned about the impact of not having restrooms at the actual trailhead.

Finally, please note that up at the water tank is an array of high powered cell towers that are not raised up above the ground. As such anyone walking by is exposed to dangerous levels of radiation. There are signs to this effect all around the tank. Do you really want this to be the place we direct the regional flow of people to and to walk past? The trail needs to be diverted up and around the tank at the least but it seems like a horrible statement by Cottonwood Heights to everyone using the shoreline trail and to everyone we invite into our trailhead to have to pass in close (feet) proximity to these four high powered cell phone emitters. These are not raised up high, they are down by the folks who walk by them. This is clearly a health issue even as evidenced by the signage around them currently.

So we have outlined the reality of this poor locational choice. Because the parking and facilities are 1/4 to 1/3 mile away down a steep hill with a windy curvy set of streets and need for crossings, the current plan is unsafe, unhealthy, unsanitary, dangerous and as such very much ill advised. The plans should be changed immediately.

A more practically viable alternative is to create the third main regional trailhead at the currently proposed local access point that is actually up along the side of Big Cottonwood canyon. This is much more feasible from many angles.

Please we plead with you and the others doing the planning here to consider the realities of this location and the dangers and impracticalities of creating a higher traffic/volume regional trailhead with the current plans for the Ferguson Trailhead.

Thank you for your consideration,

Chris & Kat Diener

From: Laraine Christensen
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]BST Access Plan
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 10:27:06 PM

To Cottonwood Heights Planning Commission:

We oppose the construction of local access points to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail along Top of the World Drive. We live adjacent to that street and fear the increase in traffic and noise that will result from this development. You must be aware, of course, that "local access" is a euphemism, since once installed, all of Salt Lake Valley will know of their existence and will use them, overwhelming any existing parking. We incorporated Cottonwood Heights to get more local control of our community, and are disappointed in this leadership. If you are truly concerned about local citizens, put the access points only at the mouths of the two canyons.

Douglas and Laraine Christensen
[redacted] Top of the World Circle
Cottonwood Heights

Sent from my iPad

From:	Gary Millet
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]Comments for the Wednesday July 15th Meeting at 6 pm.
Date:	Tuesday, July 14, 2020 12:38:50 AM
Attachments:	image001.png

Hey Mike,

I am responding to the Notice of a Public Hearing for the Proposed Bonnevile Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan and would like my comments read during into the public hearing portion of the meeting. My comments conform to the 3-minute limit when read spritely.

Please find my comments below

My name is Gary Millet. I live at [redacted] Prospector Drive. During the late spring, summer and early fall we are treated to a traffic and parking nightmare in front of our house and my neighbors' houses. Imagine the annoyance and danger of wall to wall cars lining both sides of a two lane street? Although there is a parking next to the trailhead it is quickly filled by 10 cars, and why would people use the designed parking lot below on Prospector when you can park closer to the canyon right by my house because there are no "No parking signs, or permit parking only signs?" In addition, I do enjoy the beer cans, food wrappers, and other general debris the ends up on my lawn.

I previously contacted Christine Mikell, Mike Johnson, and Tim Tingey asking why the city can't simply put some no parking signs in this neighborhood and remedy this situation quickly?

Here were their responses.

From Ms. Mikell…

Hi Gary,

Yes, I am very aware of the terrible situation you face and sent a photo of the situation to the Mayor and City Manager Tingey copied here.

We have been working hard to create more parking near Wasatch Blvd. Assuming we get it approved, we hope to build a 75 car overflow parking area.

Tim, can you share the details of the timing of the design and construction with Mr. Millet?

Also, Tim, is it possible to post a no parking sign?

From Mr. Tingey…(paraphrasing)

Gary, we are in process of working through a federal process to direct funds for development of an overflow parking area for the Ferguson Canyon Trial. If the funding is finalized, we will begin the design process and we will likely construct the parking early next year which will provide 61 spaces for the area. We will know if the funding is approved by the end of next month.

From Mr. Johnson (paraphrasing)

Gary:
I have the highlighted 'process' section gives a good idea of what to expect in terms of requirements for you to complete an application and get that in front of the Council for consideration.

I estimated it would take at least 90 days with no guaranteed outcome.

In conclusion. I don't see why living near a trailhead condemns your property and neighborhood to a constant barrage of traffic and parking issues? I don't care if people utilize the beauty and features of Ferguson Canyon, but access to that canyon shouldn't be at the expense of my rights to enjoy not having significant traffic and parking issues because of that access. I call on this committee to (1) quickly pass an appropriate parking policy forcing canyon goers to park in designated spots or on Wasatch Blvd, and (2) construct other appropriate parking spaces with perhaps shuttle transportation to accommodate the volume of Ferguson Canyon users now and into the future. What is happening right now isn't acceptable at any level.

Thank you for considering my remarks and I am available anytime for further dialogue and discussion on how to solve the problem.

Best Gary

Gary Millet
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Please read this letter at the July 15th meeting

My name is Kelli Orchard. I have been a resident of Cottonwood Heights for 30 years and have lived on Prospector Drive for 25 years. I live one block from the Ferguson Trailhead and have noticed a significant increase in the past 2 years with traffic and parking near and around my house and neighborhood. I have two “Parking by Permit” signs in front of my house and hikers will part six feet away from the sign and think this is okay because they are not parking right in front of the sign. In some areas of Prospector Drive hikers will park on both sides of the street making it very dangerous for cars and people to navigate through the neighborhood.

The Bonneville Shoreline Trail coming to our neighborhood will only make this parking situation worse. Traffic will increase, people will be driving around the neighborhood and on Timberline Drive looking for a parking space. Therefore there should be NO parking allowed on the streets of the neighborhood including the 16 parking spots on Timberline Drive. I recently read a Blog post from girlonahike.com and this is exactly what she posted about parking: “follow the brown signs for Ferguson Canyon. Park at the trail, or along the road (if it’s crowded).”

The other issue I have with The Ferguson Trail/BST is dogs on the trail. So many people bring their dogs and this will greatly increase when the BST opens. Dogs should be on leash and this is just not happening. I hiked The Ferguson Trail last Saturday morning with my son and two of my grandchildren, age 2 and 3. We were on the trail for only 15 minutes and saw 9 dogs during that time. Only one dog was on a leash. All other dogs were not on a leash. We commented to a few of these hikers that this was a dog on leash trail and hikers were rude and yelled at us that no one follows this rule. My neighbor was bitten by a dog not on leash on Ferguson Trail last year. I don’t feel safe on this trail with small children. The same Blog post that I quoted above, had this to say about dogs: “There is a sign at the entrance that says dogs must be leashed, but most people don’t.” Why can’t this leash law be enforced?

My last comment involves this meeting. Why was this meeting NOT listed or talked about in the recent Cottonwood Heights newsletter? Last week I talked to a lot of my neighbors about the proposed BST and no one knew about this meeting or anything about the BST and possible “private access trails” in their nearby yard or neighborhood and the possibility of increased traffic and parking in their neighborhood.

From:	EGIDIJUS SANDRA LIEPINIS
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]Re: Bonneville Shoreline Trail / Public Hearing Responce
Date:	Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:50:50 PM
Importance:	High

Thank you Planning Commission members for the opportunity to speak to you about 10-9a-204.

We are representing a family living on Timberline Drive. Our neighbors and ourselves are concerned about connecting the Bonneville Shoreline Trail with the Ferguson Canyon Trail because it affects us by overpopulating the culdesac and trailhead and creating a dangerous environment for both hikers and residents of the neighborhood.

We are opposed to 10-9a-204 because of the increase in traffic, and the increase in danger this connection will provide.

Ferguson Canyon already experiences extensive traffic by hikers on a daily basis. On a weekend alone, our neighborhood counted 200 cars visiting and using Ferguson Canyon. Ferguson Canyon has limited parking space and although explicit signs are erected across the culdesac, hikers continue to park alongside our houses and face the ticket rather than parking further down the road. Connecting the two trails will create an increase in traffic, an increase in guests, and an increase in patrol. Because of the limited space offered, hikers will continue to park alongside our homes obstructing views and invading privacy.

Connecting the two trails will also compromise the safety of both the residents and the guests of these trails. Hikers often use the main road to walk on rather than the sidewalks. Due to the nature of the road and the incline, vision is obstructed for both drivers and hikers. There have been countless times where guests and drivers have come close to colliding, along with the unleashed dogs running into the road. While there are rules set, guests rarely follow them. Connecting these two trails will increase the volume of hikers and compromise safety for both parties.

We are opposed to 10-9a-204 as a family and as a community. Thank you for your time.
Sincerely,

Liepinis Family

From: Lynn PARKER
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Proposed Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:49:18 PM

Please read the following at the public hearing portion of the meeting on Wednesday, July 15, 6:00 p.m.

The idea behind improving access to the Bonneville Shoreline by adding additional access points is great in theory but trying to add restrooms and parking and drinking fountains and all additional amenities doesn't make a lot of sense. Most of the proposed access points exist in tightly packed residential areas off of residential streets designed for local traffic only. Proposed access areas such as Mountain Cove Circle, South Kings Hill Drive, 8335 South, Golden Oak Dr. and Ferguson at Prospector could cause serious damage to property values in the area. Ferguson at Prospector is already developed with parking places, a small amphitheater, trash cans and drinking fountains for people and pets. In the years since that access point was developed, visitors have created numerous problems for property owners in the area. Traffic is heavy and many visitors to Ferguson park illegally, blocking local residents, make a mess and leave dog droppings everywhere. (despite provided clean up materials)

The residents in the Golden Hills area already provide extensive access to the mountains for the people of Salt Lake City. The popularity of Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons has created a nightmare of traffic for Golden Hills residents attempting to access or cross Wasatch anywhere. Not only do visitors to the Canyons block passage across Wasatch Blvd but often attempt to circumvent traffic by tearing through the neighborhoods above Wasatch between Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons at high speeds without regard for residents or property.

I recognize that the city wants to provide access to people of all ages and abilities but the fact is that much of the Bonneville shoreline is NOT physically accessible to everyone and the city can't make the geography of the mountain change to make it so. Most of the trails in the Golden Hills area of the Bonneville Shoreline are difficult to hike; wet and icy in the winter, rattlesnake infested, slippery, rocky and sandy during the rest of the year These trails are quite dangerous to experienced hikers and the taxpayers have had to pay for rescue operations repeatedly in the area. We already have well developed existing bike and walking trails throughout the Greater Salt Lake City area which provide access for people of all ages and abilities. Hiking and recreational areas also already exist for people of all ages and abilities up in the Cottonwood Canyons adjacent to existing parking areas that don't sit next to private homes.

If people wish to "hike" then they should walk from parking areas that already exist for ski traffic and carpooling in the winter time. If walking is the goal then providing safer access across Wasatch for example or across Big Cottonwood Canyon Road is recommended with money spent on maintenance, snow removal, restrooms in existing parking lots and sufficient signage and lighting.

People who own homes in Golden Hills neighborhoods pay a great deal in taxes and have been influential in improving Cottonwood Heights in so many ways already.

Pushing this development is like cutting off the hand that feeds you. People already have wonderful and extensive access to much of the Bonneville Shoreline trails. Why create additional problems by adding additional access?

Thank you.

Lynn A. Parker
[redacted] S. Mountain Oaks Dr.
Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121

From: Margie Jensen
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville shoreline trail access master plan
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 4:32:37 PM

I am very concerned about this latest development on our beautiful foothills ---and the accesses that would be made available—I was unable to find a detailed map on the master plan site of the trail from Ferguson –south I am strongly opposed to this development as the plan IS at this time very concerned --Margie Jensen (cottonwood heights residence

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	Matthew Taylor
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	FW: [EXT:]BST access comments (also relating to Wasatch widening)
Date:	Tuesday, July 14, 2020 2:18:52 PM

From: Nicole Zeigler <nicole@enzydesign.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:30 AM
To: Matthew Taylor <MTaylor@ch.utah.gov>
Subject: [EXT:]BST access comments (also relating to Wasatch widening)

Dear Planning Commissioners,

I live east of Wasatch ([redacted] Escalade Ave.) and moved here from downtown SLC because of the access to the mountains. Needless to say, it's been a bit frustrating to learn how little access we currently have to trails above our neighborhood, and to also experience up close how crowded the roads and parking lots are for canyon recreation. So I am completely supportive of developing the BST and creating several access points, both local and regional.

I'd like to suggest something else to consider here, which I feel will help with BST access AND issues with the widening of Wasatch Blvd. **A pedestrian bridge over the widened road.** I've come to accept that Wasatch probably needs to be widened. I worry about this cutting our neighborhood off even more from the west side of Wasatch. I want to let my child bike to a local store for ice cream, or even bike to school, but I don't feel comfortable letting him cross Wasatch now, even without the widening. A pedestrian overpass would fix this.

A pedestrian overpass would also create additional options for access to the BST points in our neighborhood, eliminating the need for some people (especially bikers) to drive and park here, which I know is a big issue with many people in the neighborhood. It would also make Golden Hills Park more accessible to families who live west of Wasatch.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Best,
Nicole Zeigler

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From: Melissa Fields
To: Michael Johnson
Cc: [redacted]; [redacted]; [redacted]; [redacted]; [redacted] Melissa Fields; [redacted]
Subject: [EXT:]Comments for the Planning Commission from the PTOS
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 2:18:30 PM

Hi Mike,

Please see comments on behalf of the PTOS Committee for the Planning Commission regarding the BST Trailhead & Access Plan.

Bonneville Shoreline Trail planning and promotion has been a priority of the all-volunteer Cottonwood Heights Parks, Trails & Open Space Committee since it was formed almost two years ago. As such, several PTOS members contributed directly in development of the proposed BST Trailhead & Access Plan. These efforts included participating in a site tour of the open space-urban interface along the eastern edge of the city where the BST alignment is proposed; attending multiple meetings to provide feedback to blu line designs, the consultants hired to create the BST Trailhead & Access Plan; and helping to facilitate the BST Trailhead & Access Plan open house hosted at City Hall on February 20, 2020. In addition, blu line shared two different iterations of the plan with the greater PTOS committee to garner even more feedback. The PTOS endorses the BST Trailhead & Access plan for how it will naturally funnel users arriving by car to amenity-heavy regional trailheads and provide lower profile access points for neighborhood users arriving by foot or bike. This plan also helps to meet a PTOS goal of providing greater connectivity between existing trails in the city.

Thanks!!

Melissa Fields
Freelance Writer & Editor
[redacted]

From:	Richard Muller
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date:	Tuesday, July 14, 2020 5:11:23 PM
Attachments:	image002.png
Importance:	High

To whom it may concern,

I am contacting you to express my deep concern as a resident of Cottonwood Heights that will be personally and significantly impacted by decisions related to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. We have lived at [redacted] Top of the World Drive for 20 years. During that time we have seen the negative impact to our neighborhood as a result of increased traffic, litter, dog waste and parking issues at the Ferguson Trail. I felt grateful that I did not live adjacent to the Ferguson Trail and I felt sympathy for my neighbors whose homes have been overrun. Further development of local trails and trail access will continue to degrade our neighborhood, reduce the enjoyment of our homes, create safety issues within our community and should be strongly opposed by our community representatives. With the continued growth in Salt Lake County we are seeing increased traffic and issues with current trails and do not want these issues brought to our front door. The issues are evident at the Ferguson Trailhead, Bells Canyon Trailhead, Mount Olympus Trailhead and Neff's Canyon Trailhead. Nearly every day we see cars spill out of the designated parking lots overflowing into the streets. To intentionally bring this increased traffic and resulting problems into our neighbor would be unconscionable.

The residents of Cottonwood Heights who reside on or around Top of the World Drive/Prospector Drive adamantly oppose the Bonneville Shoreline Trail as well as any primary or local access points that are within our neighborhood. While we understand the desire for mountain access it should not be at the expense of those residents who have chosen this community as our home. Should the Bonneville Shoreline Trail continue and some access to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail be required, trail access should be provided only at the North and/or South ends in undeveloped areas that will leave long term current residents unharmed by this decision. Additional access from the Ferguson Trail should be avoided at all costs as that area is already overrun and beyond capacity.

Sincerely,

Richard Muller
[redacted] Top of the World Drive
Cottonwood Heights, Utah 84121

Richard Muller
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To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Comments to be read into the public hearing on Wednesday July 15th
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:05:05 AM
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Importance: High

Please read these comments into the public hearing portion of your meeting thanks.

July 14, 2020

To the Cottonwood Heights Planning Commission

I would like to address your proposed plans for what you think is a necessary improvement to our quality of life by improving access to the Ferguson Trailhead part of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. Homeowners who have lived in this beautiful area and paid taxes for 35 years should not need to put up with the additional traffic, noise, congestion and other problems that this will bring. This will definitely **NOT** be an improvement to our quality of life.

But if you are going to try to push this through, I would suggest the following:

The dirt parking lot at the bottom of the hill on Prospector needs to be expanded and improved. I also think that the parking on Timberline should be eliminated, replaced by a bus stop, for small commuter buses that could pick up folks at the improved parking lot down the hill off Prospector Drive, or the lot at the base of Big Cottonwood Canyon or the gravel pit site when improved. This would help to reduce the amount of foot traffic and dog poop that the neighbors need to pick up of their lawns left from people and their dogs walking through the neighborhood to the trailhead. This would also eliminate 90% of the traffic with cars driving up & down Timberline and Prospector looking for a non-existent parking spot.

Also, the 'parking by permit only' signs should be extended another block South on Prospector to eliminate the hazard of cars parking at the top of the hill, forming a one lane road on a curve. Very dangerous!

Lastly, you should eliminate the planned switchback and walkway to exit up the hill at 7800 S Prospector. There are already 2 access points from the parking lot to the road, giving direct access to Prospector for the walk up the hill to Timberline Drive and the Ferguson trailhead. This access point would actually drop off the walkers about a hundred yards past the Timberline access to Ferguson, meaning that they would need to backtrack along Prospector back to Timberline Drive. This access point would actually run through a right of way, which is right next to our property, is owned by us and has been landscaped for 25 years. This right of way was designed as access **INTO** a proposed building lot behind us, **not OUT** of it. That building lot has since been deemed non-buildable.

Sincerely, Rick & Paula Jensen

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From: Rick Russell
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 2:09:54 PM

Please read my comments during the meeting.

Dear Mr. Johnson,

I, like many other Cottonwood Heights residents, have to endure the constant flow of visitors who love to hike in our neighboring areas. I currently live at [redacted] S. Prospector Drive and can attest to my own experience having lived near Ferguson Trailhead for over seven years. Weather it's picking up liter along the road/trailhead or dealing with illegally parked cars on my street, I can assure you that additional access points will only create more problems in our neighborhood. I'm not suggesting that all hikers are bad but most will find a place to park even if they decide to do it illegally. The parking along Prospector Drive is dangerous not only for passing cars but also for the many hikers who often use the road as a pathway. Parking/littering will always be a concern and no resident should ever have to deal with a constant flow of foot/bicycle traffic through their neighborhood. For this reason, I am **AGAINST** adding more access sites to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (Utah Cod Ann. 10-9a-204).

Sincerely,

Rick Russell

Rick Russell
President, Sensors
[redacted]

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From:	Shelly Muller
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date:	Tuesday, July 14, 2020 5:18:48 PM
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To whom it may concern,

As a resident and taxpayer in Cottonwood Heights I wish to express my agreeance with the thoughts in this email. I'm confident our community representatives will do what is right and moral for our neighborhood.
I am contacting you to express my deep concern as a resident of Cottonwood Heights that will be personally and significantly impacted by decisions related to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. We have lived at [redacted] Top of the World Drive for 20 years. During that time we have seen the negative impact to our neighborhood as a result of increased traffic, litter, dog waste and parking issues at the Ferguson Trail. I felt grateful that I did not live adjacent to the Ferguson Trail and I felt sympathy for my neighbors whose homes have been overrun. Further development of local trails and trail access will continue to degrade our neighborhood, reduce the enjoyment of our homes, create safety issues within our community and should be strongly opposed by our community representatives. With the continued growth in Salt Lake County we are seeing increased traffic and issues with current trails and do not want these issues brought to our front door. The issues are evident at the Ferguson Trailhead, Bells Canyon Trailhead, Mount Olympus Trailhead and Neff's Canyon Trailhead. Nearly every day we see cars spill out of the designated parking lots overflowing into the streets. To intentionally bring this increased traffic and resulting problems into our neighbor would be unconscionable.

The residents of Cottonwood Heights who reside on or around Top of the World Drive/Prospector Drive adamantly oppose the Bonneville Shoreline Trail as well as any primary or local access points that are within our neighborhood. While we understand the desire for mountain access it should not be at the expense of those residents who have chosen this community as our home. Should the Bonneville Shoreline Trail continue and some access to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail be required, trail access should be provided only at the North and/or South ends in undeveloped areas that will leave long term current residents unharmed by this decision. Additional access from the Ferguson Trail should be avoided at all costs as that area is already overrun and beyond capacity.

Sincerely,

Shelly Muller
Partner & Owner
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From: Stuart Browne
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Proposed Bonneville Shoreline Trail (BST) Access.
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:51:18 PM

Please read at the public hearing July 15th Planning Commission

Mike Johnson, & Members of the Planning Commission:

RE: Proposed Bonneville Shoreline Trail (BST) Access.

Two concerns:

1. Parking:

We purchased our house on Timberline Drive in November 2019, just down the street from Ferguson Trail access, proximity to proposed site 3. At the time of purchase, we were unaware of the trail expansion. We recognize that an expansion of the trail connecting it to other trails is an overall benefit to the community at large and praise those working on this project for their efforts. Regarding our neighborhood, we have concerns for ourselves and our neighbors that the trail expansion will bring an additional influx of cars seeking limited parking. Those cars today quite often park illegally on the street and in neighbors' driveways. Police are often called to ticket violators. This influx of cars and people create congestion on Timberline unconducive for a suburban street. We ask the committee to strongly consider banning any trail parking on Timberline Drive. Less cars may also increase the safety of the neighborhood. We understand that additional parking is proposed between Prospector Drive (3835 F) and Wasatch Blvd and support that proposal.

2. Noise:

With additional traffic on the proposed BST, additional noise will come with it. We ask that the trail be located high enough on the hill parallel to Timberline not to disturb the residents. Reviewing the map on page 9 of the June 2020 Access Plan, it looks like going higher, than the proposed trail, parallel to Timberline Drive may be better for connecting the trial over the next incline.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart Browne & Nina Shah

From: Sydney Shaw
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]To Be Read at the July 15th 2020 Meeting Concerning the Proposed Bonneville Shoreline Access Trail
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 5:33:03 PM

I am a concerned Cottonwood Heights citizen and mother living on Quicksilver Dr. I cannot stress it enough how detrimental this Bonneville Shorline trail access will be to the safety of our homes but also my small children and many other young children now living in this neighborhood. Our safety and peace of mind are being threatened.

We live right below where the access point will be and right above where the cars park to head that way... we have already had unwanted attention and traffic below our home and looking into our yards and windows at my children with the new traffic going up Ferguson. It is already a huge concern without this trail access. I DO NOT WANT IT! PLEASE! I beg you to not allow that traffic and these unsafe conditions this change can bring to our neighborhood. This has always been our safe haven away from the hustle and bustle of the real world and truly want to leave it that way and protect the children of our neighborhood and community.

Please take into consideration what this could mean for those not only living here but those of us that seek refuge in these neighborhoods we call our home and the lives that have been built here.

A new recreation access point and trail will never be worth more than the safety of our neighborhoods and most importantly our children.

Thank you,
Sydney Shaw

From: Matthew Taylor
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: FW: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail Extension proposal
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:33:11 PM

-----Original Message-----
From: Vladimir Makarov [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:12 PM
To: Matthew Taylor <MTaylor@ch.utah.gov>
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail Extension proposal

Dear Planning Commissioners,

Free access to public land is of paramount importance. There is a natural access to Deaf Smith canyon via Golden Hills Canyon Road, which has been used by locals for more than 30 years now. That road is called "private", but people obviously have the right to walk on it (not vehicles, but just hikers on foot) to get to public land, in particular Deaf Smith canyon with a stream in it and numerous trails, some of which are going to be parts of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail.

I suggest that road (Golden Hills Canyon Road, coming off Kings Hill Drive) to be considered as Local Access Opportunity (alongside with Golden Oaks Drive).

OPPORTUNITIES:
- Existing Informal Trail Access
- SHORT and EASY Access to Deaf Smith Canyon
- Favorable Grades
- Well Known and Appreciated by Local Residents

CONSTRAINTS:
- Ownership
- Adjacent to Homes
- Existing Uses

Also, the Golden Oaks Drive access point does not actually provide access to Deaf Smith canyon: hikers will inevitably come to the same Golden Hills Canyon Road at its upper part.

So, pronouncing that road a Local Access Opportunity (with limitations to vehicular traffic) and removing "No Trail Access" sign at its entrance would serve the wellbeing of the whole neighborhood.

Thank you.

Vladimir Makarov
Resident of Golden Hills Subdivision

From:	Robert Desmond
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]Proposed BST Access Master Plan - July 15, 2020 Public Hearing
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 2:32:47 PM

*****PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS AT THE PUBLIC HEARING ON JULY 15, 2020*****

To: Mayor Mike Johnson, CH Planning Commission

From: The Desmond Family – [redacted] Kings Hill Drive

Contact: Bob Desmond – [redacted]

Subject: BST Master Plan

Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in on the BST access plan. We live adjacent to the cul-de-sac identified as Local Access Site #7 on the south end of Kings Hill Drive. We are opposed to the development of a local access point at this location, and at other "local" sites identified in the Plan for several reasons (in our opinion):

1. The Regional access points identified in the Plan provide sensible and adequately spaced BST access without the need to disrupt or burden the local neighborhood. The south end of the neighborhood where two of the local sites are identified, is narrow and hilly, and leads into a dead-end. There are already inherent ingress and egress issues. These sites are not situated or otherwise suitable for access as described in the Plan and after considerable review we are opposed to establishing or funding so called "local" access development in our neighborhood.

2. The local trail access points identified in the Plan, including the Kings Hill Drive cul-de-sac and dead end, will become magnets for locals and non-locals alike. People will drive their vehicles to this location once they discover it. This will degrade the integrity and aesthetic value of the neighborhood.

3. Fire-Life-Safety and other service access to the homes in the immediate vicinity will be impaired. We already have issues with trash pick-up, deliveries, and snow removal, due to the limited, small size of the cul-de-sac and the narrow, steep streets around it.

4. The cul-de-sac and dead end cannot accommodate ingress & egress from ANY additional traffic.

5. The cul-de-sac and dead end cannot accommodate parking however proposed or modified. People will park up and down the street in front of homes, maneuver and turning around in driveways until they squeeze into a spot, especially during early mornings and evenings, when residents are at home or going to or from work. Resident access will become impaired. Our home, and those homes around us will be most affected since we are adjacent to the cul-de-sac.

6. The disruption to the neighborhood (and particularly to our home) around the access point will most certainly include vehicle traffic, noise, car doors opening and closing at all hours, vehicle music systems playing, people congregating, dogs barking, dog waste, trash, etc. All of which are expected to peak at prime hiking hours between sunrise & sunset daily and surging

on weekends and holidays.

7. We believe the above factors will seriously elevate safety risks to the families and property of the residents in the path of these local access sites, especially those closest to such sites.

8. We believe the value of our home and others around us will be negatively impacted. The safe, quiet street we bought in to will be lost. Our street will quickly become recognized for its parking overflow and related disruptions.

Thank you for your leadership and for the opportunity to provide our comments. We love our neighborhood and hope for the best outcome for our residents and our neighbors.

-Bob and Melanie Desmond

From:	Tim Tingey
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	FW: [EXT:]Please submit this letter to be read at the Planning Commission Meeting. Thank you.
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:29:37 AM
Attachments:	image001.png

Tim Tingey
City Manager
D: 801-944-7010
ttingey@ch.utah.gov

From: Debbie Tyler [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:28 AM
To: Tim Tingey <TTingey@ch.utah.gov>; Mike Peterson <MPeterson@ch.utah.gov>
Subject: [EXT:]Please submit this letter to be read at the Planning Commission Meeting. Thank you.

To the City Council and Planning Commission of Cottonwood Heights

Recognizing the BST has been in the works for decades, it is imperative that the issue of parking be addressed prior to approving trailheads. Living near Ferguson Trail has taught all of the neighbors that cars parking illegally, traffic, foot traffic, trash, and loose dogs, do not make for a desirable neighborhood**. Please do not approve trailheads in our city UNLESS ample parking is provided**.

It is ironic, but true that hikers want to park very near the trailhead and not walk far to get there. We see many cars avoid the lower parking area and circle and circle to find a parking spot close to the trailhead, thereby congesting the homes near it. **Again, parking is the issue that needs to be addressed.** There should be no trailhead unless there is a large parking lot. Plan for many more than you think!

On dogs in Ferguson Canyon: it has become an unofficial dog park. I took my friend, from Idaho, who had just had a shoulder replacement on any easy walk up to the water tower to oversee the city. From around the corner came 5 dogs running towards us. I asked the woman following them to leash the dogs. She replied, "They are just making friends with you." Unless the trail is monitored, the on-leash dog rule is not followed.

We understand a proposed dog park will tie in with the Ferguson Trail parking. It will fill up with dog owners and cut down on parking for the trail.

Therefore we are absolutely against the idea of a regional BST head at Ferguson Trail!! It is already overcrowded. Please consider the residents of Cottonwood Heights, not just the hikers of the valley in your planning.

Debbie Tyler

44 year resident of Cottonwood Heights

From:	m jones
To:	Michael Johnson
Cc:	new mail
Subject:	[EXT:]Fw: Comments Regarding Local Access to BST
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:06:32 AM

Dear Members of the Planning Commission,

Please read my comments regarding this matter at the Planning Commission meeting on July 15, 2020. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

The comments in this email are from me and the other residents on Kings Hill Place. We have repeatedly expressed our concerns about not wanting a local access to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (BST) at the end of Kings Hill Place.

Kings Hill Place is a short double dead-end street with numerous driveways and many residential cars already on the street. Both of these factors limit the space for additional parking by persons accessing the BST. The trail access from KHP would be very narrow and would not provide room for the proposed bench, waste receptacle and signage without encroaching on the adjacent private properties. This access point is not needed when the proposed Regional Trailhead Access, Site 9 to the south is only 3-4 tenths of a mile away. For these reasons, the KHP location is poorly suited for a "local access" point. The residents are very concerned about the potential increased traffic, noise and trash issues that would be created by this access point and ask you to reconsider and not select this site.

Further, the recommendations of the consultants in the BST Access Master Plan for 5 local access points throughout the Golden Hills neighborhood (Sites 4-8) are unnecessary and contradictory to the guideline of one local access point per mile of trail. The distance between Sites 4 and 8 is barely one mile and there is no need to have 5 access points in this residential area. Granted, the consultants are not recommending that all sites are selected, but **none** of them should be chosen. Already we know that there are extensive problems for area residents with traffic, noise and parking problems by the Ferguson Canyon trailhead access on Timberline Drive. All of these proposed sites are on dead-end streets with minimal space for parking and site amenities. Does the City really want to multiply the Ferguson Canyon issue by 5 or even one?

Please don't waste our city funds on acquiring access to any of these 5 sites and creating endless problems for the surrounding residents. Instead focus your funds and efforts on the proposed Regional Trailhead access to the south of the neighborhood where there aren't any homes. This site off North Little Cottonwood Canyon Road by the water tanks is not in a residential area and is only 3-4 tenths of a mile away from the residential area. There is access to this site from both the north and south and would not involve drivers going into residential areas with numerous dead-end streets. It is much better suited to accommodate the traffic to the BST.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns.

Gigi Jones [redacted] Kings Hill Place
Cole and Ashley Powelson [redacted] Kings Hill Place
Ellen Mears [redacted] Kings Hill Place
Afshin Kazemini [redacted] Kings Hill Place
Bob and Camilla Shaw [redacted] Kings Hill Place

From: Ginni Brown
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]BST
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 4:53:46 PM

Please read this at the meeting.

I've been a resident in the area east of Wasatch blvd for 35 years. The traffic, congestion, noise, litter, and the possibility of the BST is out of control!!! It would be in our back yard. The neighborhood couldn't handle the amount of people, cars, bikers, hikers, dogs along with EVERYTHING that goes along with it! This would SCAR and ERODE our BEAUTIFUL PRISTINE MOUNTAINS.
I'm highly OPPOSED to the BST being in our backyard. It will devalue our properties along this east bench. It's already too much traffic and this would greatly enhance the condition of traffic in a lovely residential neighborhood. It is Zoned for Low traffic.

From: Hannah Montoya Lazar
To: Matthew Taylor; Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Resident Comments on Bonneville Shoreline Trail Extension
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 4:49:59 PM

To whom it may concern,

I am writing as a voter and the homeowner of [redacted] Timberline Dr, which backs directly onto the existing Ferguson Canyon trail. Please read my comments at the July 15 meeting. I support and appreciate access to nature not just for myself, but for the community at large. The plan for the park looks promising. That said, I have serious reservations about the plan to make Ferguson Canyon a Regional Trailhead for the Bonneville Shoreline Trail as it currently stands.

1. **Parking:** I do not see a clear plan in the current proposal about what will happen to the existing parking and other structures on Timberline Drive (i.e., the never used "outdoor classroom" and always empty informational signage). Even with the existing permit parking, enforcement has been at best toothless and relies on residents to call the city to enforce. If ANY parking remains on Timberline Drive, we can expect most visitors to come to Timberline first looking for the best spot and potentially violating the permit parking only rules. This is why ALL trail parking should be at the overflow lot and nowhere else between it and the trailhead. Timberline Drive should be permit parking ONLY and Cottonwood Heights MUST enforce these rules with STIFF fines. Maybe the fine revenue can be used to help fund repaving our beat up road. The car traffic on this street has chewed up the road, made it less safe and enjoyable for residents and creates resentment in our community that doesn't need to be there.
2. **Trail Extension:** It appears that this extension will cut across the hillside visible from Timberline Drive, which will change the view, impact property values (including a recent homeowner that sold in part because of the traffic the trail has created on Timberline), and increase foot traffic in a highly visible and audible way. I cannot support an extension that reduces the peace and privacy of myself and my neighbors. As someone who backs directly onto the trail, I can say that I regularly hear people yelling, dogs barking and at least once a week someone blasting a speaker they have on their backpack. I am also regularly cleaning up litter that people leave on the trail behind my house. The trail should be extended in a way that preserves the natural beauty of the hillside and respects the peace and privacy of residents.
3. **Wayfinding:** If the Ferguson overflow lot will become the sole place for parking at this access point, there needs to be clear signage on Prospector and Timberline that there is no public parking, the street is permit parking only, fines are enforced, that the street is dead end, etc. The current proposal does not mention anything other than "additional wayfinding needed" - What is the plan?

Finally, I am extremely disappointed in the leadership of my local officials who planned this meeting without making any effort to make the residents impacted by these changes aware of this meeting. The Cottonwood Heights newsletters that go out monthly are usually filled with puff pieces about the high school sports team and fun activities happening, but why was notice of this meeting not included? This is an unacceptable pattern, as there has been very little information provided previously about local elections and other important local matters as well. It is a failure of government that an otherwise informed and concerned citizen like myself was only made aware of this meeting by her neighbor, who also only happened to find out about this meeting by chance. Furthermore, I made multiple attempts by phone and in writing to reach my district 4 city council member (after struggling to navigate the website to

even locate her contact information) with my questions about this proposal, and never received a response.

With concern,
Hannah Lazar

From: Marilee Christensen
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:43:18 AM

(I am sending in this for my neighbors Jagdish and Surjit Gill who reside at [redacted] Timberline Dr.)
PLEASE READ AT THE MEETING

I built this home in 1995 to enjoy my retirement in peace and quiet. I moved to this area as it has high income custom made homes. The other attraction was that it has through traffic and it has a wonderful view.

Ferguson Canyon is right in front of my home. There are lots of cars and foot traffic as people go hiking. People go hiking with unleashed dogs. These dogs run in our neighborhood yards and pee and poop. This leaves killed grass spots in our yards.

Due to this foot traffic, car windows have been broken quite a few times. The visitors park their cars in front of our homes despite NO PARKING SIGNS in front of most homes.

Visitors keep parking their cars in late night hours. I suspect that these are some illegal activities going on.

In case Bonneville Trail is built in front of our homes, it will tremendously increase cars and foot traffic. This will increase window breaking and chances for doing deals.

This trail will definitely ruin the peace and quiet atmosphere of the neighborhood and tremendously lower our home values. Therefore, we request you not build this this trail so close to homes.

From: Jake Nicholson
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]comments to be read at meeting
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 5:28:06 AM

Dear CH planning commission,

Please read the following comments into the public hearing portion of the meeting July 15th, 2020 6pm. Thank you for taking the time to let our voices be heard.

My name is Jake Nicholson. My wife Kathy and I live at [redacted] S Kings Hill Drive. This is the cul-de-sac-at the south end of Kings Hill Drive identified as "local"access point site #7. Our home is adjacent to the proposed trail head and trail. Our property also extends down Kings Hill Place on both sides of the narrow lane, 9001 S (9010 on street sign).

We are asking the planning commission to reconsider selecting sites #7 and #8 (as well as others 4-8) as access points to connect with the BST.

Following are several reason this and other proposed "local" access points should not be considered for trail heads.

1. Regional site #9 is just a few tenths of a mile to the south and would provide ample space for parking and amenities while avoiding the need for cars to transit through our fragile, steep, and difficult to navigate neighborhood.

2.The analysis report states a "local" access point is needed every 1-1.3 miles. These are averages in which each city has different circumstances. Must we abide by these statistical averages? Fergusons trail head to proposed site #9 is only a little over a mile. BCC, Fergusons, and site #9 together should provide sufficient access to BST.

3. The cul-de-sac and surrounding area at proposed site #7 is very steep, already difficult for mail delivery, trash pick up, snow removal and emergency vehicle access. This is a notorious snowplow slide off and get stuck zone! There have been numerous stuck vehicles here in the past further reducing emergency vehicle access.

4.There is no room for parking in any cul-de-sac, this one in particular because of the configuration of driveways that empty into it.
Our neighbor and ourselves cannot safely back out of our drive when there are any cars there.

5. Concerns over increased traffic, noise, pollution, trash, dog poop,and crime.
Safety is also a big concern. Trail heads gather people in groups, in front of your home, cars, cars, cars... We have all seen what has happened at the Fergusons Canyon trail head. Its a mess. PLEASE lets not make another mistake that devalues the quality of our unique, precious, and fragile neighborhood.

6."local" access will turn into regional access by word of mouth and social media. The proposed "local" access point will become known and overcrowded.

7. As stated in the report section(1.1) trail heads are to be Safe, Controlled, and Appropriate. Who is going to patrol theses sites to ensure thier safety and control? Is it "Appropriate" to have trail heads 10' from ones home? We don't see that as being appropriate.
The proximity of our home(s) (adjacent to trail heads) is a constraint NOT listed at site#7 in your report.

8. Trails leading from sites #7 and #8 cross large abandoned mine tailings which could be hazardous to our citizens, especially children and dogs.

For these reasons (and many more not listed) we ask the planning commission to reconsider site

evaluations and the long term effects to those living near the proposed trail heads.

Thank You

For reading into the public hearing portion of the Cottonwood Heights Planning Commission meeting, July 15, 2020.

"Is the City of Cottonwood Heights certain that they are making the right decision by inviting literally millions of fellow Utahns to congregate along a small stretch of its east side? We want to be good neighbors, but all we have to do is look at the overuse of the neighboring canyons to know we will quickly lose control of the congestion created by a BST and local access points. There will surely be an increase in public safety costs with little compensation for those costs. The trail encroaches on the most pristine area of Cottonwood Heights. The development will impact the nesting owls and raptors and other wildlife, to say nothing of the permanent scar that will now be visible on the side of the mountain. This can only diminish the quality of life for those impacted.

Virtually all of the trail and access point plans involve the use of private land. How will that land be acquired? Will it just be taken? If so, won't that diminish those property values? East bench residents are willing to suffer low water pressures, long hauls to trash collection, poor or no snow removal for the benefits of living next to the mountains with its privacy, pristine views and closeness to nature. There WILL be a loss of privacy, seclusion, security and property value each of us paid for.

The proper role of Cottonwood Heights should be to develop public, not private lands for its resident's use and not use its bureaucratic weight to impose on its own private landholders. I would submit that if the State or County was proposing to use eminent domain on residents of Cottonwood Heights, you, as City authorities, might have a very different view. Given that the vast majority of congestion will come from residents outside of Cottonwood Heights, it would seem that on balance the proposed development will shift value away from us to residents outside of the City. We are counting on you to look out for the interests of Cottonwood Heights residents.

I urge the City to reverse its position and oppose the development of the BST and associated access points."

Sincerely, James Bunger, [redacted] Aerie Cove, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84121

From: Christine Gore
To: Michael Johnson
Cc: Christine Gore; Joe Masi
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access: PLEASE READ THIS INTO THE PUBLIC HEARING
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 4:22:46 PM

Please read our comments into the record

Dear Mr. Johnson and planning commission for Cottonwood Heights:

As owners of the land south of the proposed Timberline Trail access point we are extremely concerned to see our property listed as a portion of the trail, especially considering how close that is to our backdoor. This 8.44 acres, intentionally undeveloped, is used regularly by our family and was purchased to ensure it stayed wild.

As residents of the area in question, we are voicing our opposition to the proposed access locations for the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (BST). While we appreciate Utah residents and visitor's desire to access a connected BST, we feel that creating access points in this residential area would cause an unfavorable impact on our community. The current canyon trailhead off Timberline is already poorly managed, the abundance of traffic creates hazards for our children, and this neighborhood was not originally designed to be a high traffic community. Adding additional trail access points would exacerbate this problem.

Your plan should focus on using government/BLM land exclusively in this area and not infringing on private land. Considering that our entire neighborhood backs up to BLM land, why not create an access point in Big Cottonwood Canyon, on government land? Then you could run the trail at a higher altitude on BLM land and have the southern end point in Little Cottonwood Canyon, **on government land.** This would give the state the connection it seeks without adversely effecting an entire community. I understand the state of Utah's desire to have something similar to the Appalachian Trail or the Pacific Crest Trail, however, this is a residential community and opening us up to the impact of hundreds of cars circling our streets on a daily basis, putting our children, pets and wildlife at risk, is an unreasonable and reckless request by the city of Cottonwood Heights.

The City of Cottonwood Heights seems to have lost touch with what is best for their constituents. Our neighborhood **in particular** seems be fending off assaults on both sides - a massive expansion of Wasatch Boulevard on one size and selling off our cul-de-sacs for trail access on the other side.

This would be an extremely poor decision by our elected officials, as it turns a blind eye to what is best for our community.

Respectfully,

Joe & Christine Masi
[redacted] S Mountain Oaks Drive
Cottonwood Heights
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: Comment
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:14:55 PM

DATE: July 15, 2020
TO: Whom It May Concern
FR: Prospector Neighborhood Homeowner
PLEASE READ THESE COMMENTS IN THEIR ENTIRETY DURING THE JULY 15th MEETING
This project has been brought to our attention recently by another concerned neighbor. (THANK YOU SO MUCH!) We had previously been unaware of any prior open houses or notices regarding plans to create new trailheads and trail access through our neighborhood. We have MANY REASONS to wholeheartedly OPPOSE THESE PLANS, specifically with regard to the proposed #3 Regional Trailhead (plus a Pavilion, Signage, Restrooms, Furniture, etc) as well as related paths being placed in and through our Prospector Neighborhood (right behind our home no less !!!)
We searched for almost a year to find the kind of home and neighborhood we would like to live in moving forward. We have had the opportunity to purchase less expensive homes with better views that were much closer to trailheads. We specifically did not want to live next to a trailhead and paid much more for less of a view to have more privacy in a tranquil neighborhood on a quiet residential cul-de-sac. That was the environment we searched for and found and have been happy in our neighborhood ever since. Now, you are proposing to put a Regional Trailhead directly behind our home which will undoubtedly elevate noise levels (given that intermittent sound already carries and echoes considerably but not often), it will greatly increase foot traffic (by the thousands each year), and it will decrease the privacy, security, and views of our home (an additional costly fence would need to be erected to maintain some degree of privacy and keep people from peering directly into our bedrooms). All of these are negatives would surely translate to a reduction in the value of our home.
It is very disheartening to see that the proposed plan is to put a larger Regional Trailhead, Public Parking & Park, Signage, Amenities, and other paths in and around an existing neighborhood while considering a much smaller Secondary Access point up Big Cottonwood Canyon Road. Apparently, there is a smaller existing space there but if you put in the time, money, work and ground preparation, it would make much more sense to have this sort of large Trailhead Access, Amenities, etc in some location (new, if not existing) off of Big Cottonwood Canyon Road that would avoid negatively impacting existing neighborhoods and homeowners altogether.
As far as we can tell from your Proposal, the other two Proposed Regional Trailheads (#1 and #9) do not run through, abut, or disrupt any neighborhoods like the #3 Proposed Regional Trailhead does. If three Regional Trailheads are “wanted” but “not required”, then the Proposed #1 and #9 should suffice without creating so many problems for homeowners and the neighborhood. If a third Regional Trailhead is “needed”, it would still be worthwhile to more thoroughly explore the southern or northern sides of Big Cottonwood Canyon Road rather than unnecessarily and negatively impacting an existing neighborhood. There must be a way to come up with a WIN-WIN SOLUTION for a third trailhead (if absolutely necessary), even if it takes more effort and funding.
IF THERE IS NOT ADDITIONAL TIME TO READ THESE COMMENTS ... STILL MARK THEM AS RECEIVED AND TAKE THEM INTO CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU!

If other permissions or loopholes allow you to construct the Regional Trailhead and Park Area with Amenities in and around a Residential Neighborhood (in this case, Prospector Drive) against the wishes of existing homeowners, then you should make more efforts to curtail the negative impact on the neighborhood and its residents.
Examples include the following:
1.) The access point to all new parking and the proposed park area, Pavilion, additional signs, etc should be along Wasatch Boulevard NOT on Prospector Drive. There would be more impact on Residents getting to and from their homes (if there is any backup at all from trying to find a parking spot, when leaving or entering the parking at popular times, etc) if the entrance/ exit is on Prospector Drive. Additionally, Prospector Drive is a 1-lane road in each direction whereas Wasatch Blvd is a 4-lane road with turn lanes, making it easier to get around any potential backup or slow down. If you are truly trying to limit negative impact on residents in the area, there should be no access to these areas and amenities from Prospector Drive. Make the vehicle entrance/exit from Wasatch Blvd only.
2.) Due to the increased foot traffic/activity/amenities available, security is a definite concern. What security measures (e.g. monitored cameras, patrols, area locked between certain hours, etc) would be taken to deter unwanted activity and problems?
3.) According to your proposal, residents have already raised clear concerns about security due to the proximity of the proposed plan to existing homes. However, the plan indicates a maximization of the most southern portion of the park area (with the zig zag pathway) to the point of coming entirely too close to existing homes. A rectangular area from the Asphalt Loop Path to the straight footpath access to Prospector Drive could pull the park area in away from existing homes and still permit the proposed access. Adequate consideration is certainly not being given to homeowners' interests.
4.) Cannot tell if the existing proposal calls for a secure fence surrounding the ENTIRE AREA so that so many visitors will not be inclined to walk from the new parking spaces, through the green area, and cross out onto Prospector Drive from various points (as this road has mini blinds and curves in this stretch).

[redacted]

Please read these comments into the meeting record

<u>Comments for the Proposed Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan</u>

My name is Kelly Calder. My wife, Bernie, and I live at [redacted] Prospector drive. Our property is within one and a half blocks of the "Local Access Point" to the Ferguson Canyon Trailhead. We have experienced the unpleasant aspects of having a "Trail Access Point" in our neighborhood every summer. We feel our comments are a testament to the hazards the community experiences with a trailhead in the neighborhood.

The Ferguson Trailhead development is a perfect example of the problems of having a trailhead in the neighborhood, and punctuates the short-sited planning and lack of enforcement that has unfortunately plagued the affected neighborhoods where this occurs. Clearly the City has taken some effort to lessen the impact to the surrounding neighborhood by adding some limited parking stalls in the vicinity of the trailhead; however, the very nature of a trailhead invites people from all over the valley to congregate in the neighborhood, looking for the closest and most desirable parking. The limited parking available in a neighborhood doesn't work. People resort to driving up and down the surrounding streets and ultimately parking on the neighborhood streets. Some community literature concerning the trailhead access refer to the "Local Access Points" as being established to serve the city residence. This is utter nonsense. People come to the Ferguson trailhead from all over the valley. In fact, we see out-of-state licenses parked in front of our house quite often.

Without significant parking established at the "Access Point" the neighborhoods in the immediate vicinity become a parking lot with all the associated negative impacts. While some limited parking, 15 stalls, has been developed at the "Local Access Point" for the Ferguson Trailhead, and a makeshift overflow parking (a dirt road) has been developed on lower Prospector Drive, the parking for the trailhead still bleeds into the neighborhood. From the overflow parking to the Ferguson trailhead is 3 tenths of a mile. From our house to the Ferguson trailhead is one tenth of a mile. Nobody wants to park on a dirt road in the sun and walk an extra quarter mile when they can park on the street in a nice neighborhood in the shade. The parking in front of our houses fills up before anybody parks in the overflow parking. We believe the City must enforce no parking on the streets in the vicinity of the trailheads. To allow neighborhood parking closer to the trailhead than the overflow is certainly misguided and pointless.

Finally, we would like to share with you our experience with this nightmare and what everyone can expect when their neighborhood is blighted with a "Trail Access Point" developed in the vicinity: There is continuous parking on both sides of street; dog droppings, dirty diapers, beer cans, coke bottles, and other trash on your grass or gardens adjacent to the street; and people lounging on your grass as they await their friends who have not yet arrived and who are also going to park at your house. Some parked cars remain overnight. Additionally, the visibility on the street is greatly impaired by the continuous parking on both sides of the street creating significant traffic hazards for children in the area. Our house at Prospector is at a high point of the road, is on a curve, and is packed with cars both sides of the street for a block or more to the south creating very limited visibility for drivers.

These are just a few of the conditions we are plagued with every summer weekend, holiday, and nearly every day since the Covid Pandemic began. We feel very strongly there should be NO "Regional or Local Access Points" developed in Cottonwood Heights neighborhoods.

From: Kent Maraffio
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]NO to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail - Trailhead and Access Plan
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:12:58 AM

Mayor Johnson and Planning Commission members,

My name is Kent Maraffio. I live on Quicksilver Drive. I am opposed to the Plan in general, and particularly the Regional Access points (including the Ferguson Trailhead upgrade) proposed in the Plan. There is no reason for the citizens of Cottonwood Heights to be saddled with the cost for the construction of parking and parks, and then continuing general maintenance and upkeep on behalf of the residents of Salt Lake County and the other surrounding areas. More importantly, aside from the cost, the increase in transient foot and vehicle traffic for this entire neighborhood is not in the best interests of our community. Considering the staggering economic impact of Covid-19, now is most definitely not the time to increase the financial burden for the citizens of Cottonwood Heights, or anyone for that matter, particularly for something that will negatively impact our community.

If a plan of this nature were to be implemented and paid for by Salt Lake County or the State of Utah, then only parking should be developed, and access to the parking lots needs to be directly from Wasatch Blvd or other major roads. There should be no increase in vehicle traffic in existing neighborhoods.

If for some reason this plan is allowed to move forward, remove the parks and all facilities besides just the parking lots at the regional access points, and change the entrance to access points to keep vehicles out of neighborhoods. There is no need for the added cost of park and restroom upkeep at these locations. Our tax dollars could be used in much more constructive ways.

In short, do not allow this proposal to move forward. If Salt Lake County, or the State of Utah, wants to pay for a project of this nature, let them provide a proposal to our city and we will work with them on allowing it to move forward in a way that does not negatively impact our community.

Thank you,
Kent Maraffio

From:	Leslie Rinaldi
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]Comments for BST Master Plan - CH Planning Commission meeting
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:28:39 AM

To be read into the record of the July 15, 2020 Meeting of the Cottonwood Heights Planning Commission meeting,

My name is Leslie Rinaldi and I live at [redacted] Kings Hill Drive. My partner James Mathewson and I are avid hikers and chose to live in CH due to its proximity to the foothills. We would like to voice our enthusiastic support of development of any trail system providing more access to the foothills above CH in general, and the BST specifically. We have read the Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan and find it to be very well done and hope that it is adopted by CH. The main issue seems to be land ownership that blocks access to public lands to the east of certain currently undeveloped private parcels. It seems that easements could be negotiated with the landowners to deal with access across the private parcels. Allowing such access has been done in many areas here in Utah and across the country.

As for parking areas and additional traffic, that is going to happen no matter what as the population of the SL Valley continues to grow. More population means we need more places and access points to allow for citizens to access outdoor recreation. Better such needs be addressed in a coordinated manner as suggested in the BST Master Plan.

In sum, we ask the City of CH to adopt the Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan as an addendum to the CH General Plan.

Thank you.

From:	Mary Sinden
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]BST Access comments to be read
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 1:17:27 PM
Importance:	High

Dear Members of the Planning Commission,

Please read my comments regarding BST Access at the Planning Commission meeting on July 15, 2020 currently scheduled at 6:00 pm MDT. Thank you in advance for addressing our concerns.

My name is Mary Sinden. My family andI live at 8999 S. Kings Hill Drive, we own half the cul-de-sac property adjacent to the proposed trail head at the end of Kings Hill Drive, identified as “local” access site #7. We are opposed to the development of a local access points # 7 & # 8 (and any of the sites #4-#8) to connect with the BST. I am asking the planning commission to reconsider these selections for several reasons:

1. This access point is not needed, given one proposed Regional Trailhead Access, Site 9 is only 3-4 tenths of a mile south in an undeveloped area. This would easily accommodate the needs expressed by your proposal of controlled parking for multiple vehicles, easy maneuvering for area maintenance and upkeep, and waste receptacle garbage removal.

2. Analysis report states that, “local” access is needed is on average, every 1 to 1.3 miles. Each city is going to have its own different needs and restraints. We should not have to abide by this average. The distance between Sites 4 and 8 is barely one mile, the distance to Site 9, would likely accommodate with little added distance.

3.Fire-Life-Safety access to the homes in the immediate vicinity will be impaired. Should any cars park in the narrow street feeding site #7-#8, no emergency vehicles including fire emergency crews would be able to access neighbors and the surrounding hillside. It is a challenge enough for firetrucks to turn around in the cul-de-sac without any parked vehicles.

4. With more access and people fire hazard concerns increase. This area borders grassy, sage brush hillside, a high fire hazard area from March to snowfall. Large signs are posted at every entrance to the neighborhood warning about NO fireworks or fires.

5. Proposed Site #7 cul-de-sac is on a steep incline, where many vehicles attempt to turn around on one full sweep. There is no room for parking as to the configuration of the two existing drives that empty into the cup-de-sac. If 1-2 vehicles park in the restrictive minimal space it is a further hazard with vehicles being unable to complete the turn or worse, skid in winter thereby threatening property damage. We have already replaced one mailbox so far due to this complication.

6. In addition this steep cul-de-sac, the surrounding area is already very difficult for mail delivery, garbage removal, snow removal, and emergency vehicles. In winter multiple vehicles and even snow ploughs going into or exiting this road, have slid and been stuck after snowfall between Oct-Nov and have had to be towed.

7. A prime factor in purchasing property here was for the serenity and quite of the neighborhood, with manageable traffic and safety for children and animals. A major concern is the increased traffic, noise, pollution, trash, dog poop, crime, and safety. People will gather, and cars will massively accumulate if this plan goes through. ”LOCAL” access becomes non-local and publicized with word-of-mouth and media, a prime example of which being Ferguson’s Canyon trailhead. The property of this precious neighborhood will devalue.

8. Years ago we were forced to call police on multiple occasions for intervention when groups

started bon-fires on the hillside at night and parties occurred with underage drinkers.
Your report (1.1) Introduction and Purpose of BST Access, states trailheads are to be Safe, Controlled, and Appropriate. Who will control these and keep them safe? At what frequency? And only 15 feet from our home?

The proximity to our home way too close. Family safety in terms of traffic, fire, and crime are highly at risk, a constraint NOT listed for site#7 & #8 in the report!

From:	Matthew Taylor
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	FW: [EXT:]Public Comment - Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 3:43:13 PM

From: Sam Fisher <j.samfisher@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 3:37 PM
To: Matthew Taylor <MTaylor@ch.utah.gov>
Subject: [EXT:]Public Comment - Bonneville Shoreline Trail

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Sam Fisher
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From:	Memmott, Yumi
To:	Michael Johnson
Cc:	Memmott, Yumi
Subject:	[EXT:]Please read before/at the tonight"s meeting about Proposed Bonnevile Shoreline Trail Access
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:52:16 AM
Importance:	High

To whom it may concern;

I would like to voice my strong opinion as well as a half of my neighbors whom I have talked/discussed about this proposal, especially to local access locations, "Mountain Cove circle(Site #4)", "8335 South (Site #5)", "Golden Oaks Drive(Site #6)", "South Kings Hills Drive(Site #7)" and "King Hills Place (Site #8)".

First of all, I thank you to those who genuinely concerned about this proposal and great concerned neighbors, Larry Larsen and Marilee Christensen.

To be honest, this proposal was very offensive, appalled, disappointed and frustrated when I think about our great **RESIDENTIAL** neighborhood. Below are the questions came to my mind when I heard about the proposal.

Does any of them who has such an inconsiderate proposal of having entrances to the trail in **RESIDENTIAL** neighborhood lived in such neighborhood? Do they asked any of those neighbors' opinions about living in such area individually? Researched? Crime rates, risks of having strangers/non-neighbors around their house area for 365 days? Would they feel comfortable having strangers walking around, parking in front of their streets, dogs' droppings (poops, pees), trashes and etc. for all year around? Would they feel safe having their children/grandchildren riding on bikes, running around and playing outside in such neighborhood? Would they like their friends and families cannot park right in front of their house whenever those people visit them? Even delivery cars will have hard time to find a parking spot just to drop off their orders. Or Post office give them warning/complaints of those cars parked in front of their mailbox though they have nothing to do with those parked cars? Are there police officers make sure to enforce the regulations to those stranger hikers 24/7 x 365 days? Some people just don't even care about getting parking tickets so they still park where it says "Permit parking only". Also, I have seen people with unleashed dogs going up on the Ferguson Trail (One trail entrance in our neighborhood) ignoring the rules posted right in front of the trail entrance "Dogs need to be leashed." How about the streets? Those are not built for busy traffic. Have they ever gone for jogging/walking in such street, both side of those streets are packed with hikers' cars. So many blind spots, do not feel safe. I can go on and on about so many cons to this proposal.

How are you as a cottonwood-heights city to make sure none of those I mentioned above will not happen and we, who live in this great neighborhood to be protected? As a city, you cannot even regulate those who cannot/do not follow neighbor ordinances in this area. I

thought we as a community to **protect** our neighborhood not taking away/stealing our nice neighborhood. We work hard to be able to live in this such a great neighborhood and pay quite expensive property tax for every year. We pay those tax to **PROTECT** our neighborhood not to serve for people who doesn't even care or live in our neighborhood.

We will always have solutions and options since we have all the Big cottonwood and little cottonwood to have plenty enough trails/trail entrances. We do not need to take away our great, safe neighborhood. Please protect our neighborhood and please keep being considerate, great Cottonwood Heights city **who serves/protect us, Cottonwood Heights residents**.

Thank you for this opportunity, your time and service as always.

Thanks and have a great day

Yumi Memmott
RidgeCrestElementary

From: Spencer, Yvonne
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]access to public trails in CH
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:25:46 AM

Mr. Johnson,

As you consider plans to add parking facilities for to access public trails in the middle of private properties owned by families, please understand the risk to people and property. Property values will be effected. Traffic will be greatly increased posing a threat to home owners, all local pedestrians and residents who use the streets to bike and jog.

Thank you for your time.

Yvonne Spencer

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From: Zachery Prince
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Bonneville Shoreline Trail
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9:31:54 AM

To whom it may concern,

As a resident and taxpayer in Cottonwood Heights I wish to express my agreeance with the thoughts in this email. I'm confident our community representatives will do what is right and moral for our neighborhood.

I am contacting you to express my deep concern as a resident of Cottonwood Heights that will be personally and significantly impacted by decisions related to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. We have lived at [redacted] Top of the World Drive for 20 years. During that time we have seen the negative impact to our neighborhood as a result of increased traffic, litter, dog waste and parking issues at the Ferguson Trail. I felt grateful that I did not live adjacent to the Ferguson Trail and I felt sympathy for my neighbors whose homes have been overrun. Further development of local trails and trail access will continue to degrade our neighborhood, reduce the enjoyment of our homes, create safety issues within our community and should be strongly opposed by our community representatives. With the continued growth in Salt Lake County we are seeing increased traffic and issues with current trails and do not want these issues brought to our front door. The issues are evident at the Ferguson Trailhead, Bells Canyon Trailhead, Mount Olympus Trailhead and Neff's Canyon Trailhead. Nearly every day we see cars spill out of the designated parking lots overflowing into the streets. To intentionally bring this increased traffic and resulting problems into our neighbor would be unconscionable.

The residents of Cottonwood Heights who reside on or around Top of the World Drive/Prospector Drive adamantly oppose the Bonneville Shoreline Trail as well as any primary or local access points that are within our neighborhood. While we understand the desire for mountain access it should not be at the expense of those residents who have chosen this community as our home. Should the Bonneville Shoreline Trail continue and some access to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail be required, trail access should be provided only at the North and/or South ends in undeveloped areas that will leave long term current residents unharmed by this decision. Additional access from the Ferguson Trail should be avoided at all costs as that area is already overrun and beyond capacity.

Sincerely,

Zachery Prince

From: Melissa McDermott
To: Michael Johnson
Subject: [EXT:]Proposed Shorline Trail through Prospector Hills Neighborhoods - meeting 7/15/20
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 5:25:46 PM

Please read in tonight's meeting

To whom it may concern:

I found out about this whole situation thanks to a neighbor's diligent efforts. I wish that there had been more public notice of the proposed shoreline trail, as this is a huge decision.

The proposed parking area is beautiful on paper but unrealistic for this neighborhood. There is already so much traffic on Wasatch Blvd year round. My feeling is that to have more cars turning onto Prospector Drive will only lead to more accidents and congestion for the long time residents.

We purchased our lots on Quicksilver and Timberline, near Ferguson, in 1984. We never imagining all the traffic that has continued to pass through our neighborhood. The proposed "no parking" on Timberline, will force the cars to pour out on to the surrounding streets. As it stands now, the trail head for Ferguson Canyon not only affects the people living on the surrounding streets, it has increased the traffic throughout all of the neighborhood. The streets, especially on weekends, are now crowded with parked cars lining both sides. The foot traffic alone on Quicksilver Drive has increased, as most people don't realize that the actual trail head is on Timberline Drive. Online info is in correct when it states that there is access from Quicksilver Drive.

Have the negative affects of resale value been taken into account? When we purchased our lots, we did not think that we would be contending with a heavily used access path, with hikers and outdoor enthusiasts making loud noises all times of the night. Some hikers don't finish up until well after dark.

I am not in favor of this new project as I have studied it to this point. I am a firm believer in people having a nice place to recreate and enjoy the great outdoor living experience that Utah has to offer. I feel like additional research is needed to find a solution that will make everyone happy. This proposed shore line also needs to take into account the people that already live in the area.

Thanks!

~Becky & Melissa McDermott

From:	Dennis Wright
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]Public Hearing by Planning Commission July 15th
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 5:13:12 PM

Please read at hearing

Once again our Golden Hills Neighborhood are bouncing with children, baby strollers, parents, dogs, older children on bikes and skate boards. This is so "all American", beautiful ,quaint, attractive and serene with minimum traffic. Once again it is being attacked for all it is worth. "You enjoy it - I want access". Socialism sticking it ugly head out demanding equal access.

Why would anyone want 5 local access points within a few miles all built with homes, families lodging privacy and security. Why would you increase the risk of a child being dragged up a trail and never seen again? Ugly things happen. Please Mayor Petersen and Staff review the shoreline trail issue in favor of the neighborhood.

Thanks for your all you are all doing.

Respectfully

Edy Wright

From:	Dick Abbott
To:	Michael Johnson
Subject:	[EXT:]City initiated proposal to adopt the Bonneville Shoreline Trail Access Master Plan
Date:	Wednesday, July 15, 2020 5:39:06 PM

I desire that these comments be read into the public hearing portion of the meeting on the BST Access Master Plan. As a resident in the current boundaries of Cottonwood Heights City for 49 years, I am opposed to these access points in the residential areas east of Wasatch Blvd. In short, I feel this proposal degrades the nature of this part of Cottonwood Heights City. We moved here because it was a beautiful, quiet neighborhood, not abounding with all of the traffic noise and congestion of many of the areas of Salt Lake County.

Allowing these access points will turn much of Top of the World Drive and Kings Hill Drive into a parking lot for those who will probably not be residents of Cottonwood Heights. Currently, I have people parking in front of my home about 200 feet from the entrance to Deaf Smith Canyon. The Deaf Smith Canyon road is entirely on private property which hikers and dog walkers frequently trespass to hike up that canyon. If these people feel no obligation to abide by the law, how much worse the issue will be when the doors are opened to those descending on these public accesses.

The residents on Timberline Drive where access is to the Ferguson Canyon Trailhead have experienced significant parking problems from hikers and dog walkers. Cottonwood Heights elected officials and boards should learn from prior errors in judgement. There are many access points up Big Cottonwood and Little Cottonwood roads for hikers without passing through residential areas.

I wonder whether those council members and members of the planning commission would like the areas around their homes to become parking lots for hikers and dog walkers.

Let's keep Cottonwood Heights a neighborhood, a great place to live, not another parking lot.

Richard F. Abbott
[redacted] Kings Hill Drive