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JOSH DANIELS - THANK YOU COMMISSIONER. THE EASIEST WAY FOR US TO HANDLE THIS IS FOR INDIVIDUALS SEEKING TO COMMENT TO SIGN UP ONLINE. WE HAVE AN ONLINE WEB FORM. YOU CAN USE THAT WEBFORM TO EITHER SIGN UP TO GIVE COMMENT THROUGH THE ZOOM OR IN PERSON HERE OR AT THE OVERFLOW. YOU CAN ALSO LEAVE A WRITTEN COMMENT THROUGH THAT WEB FORM. IF ALL YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO IS TO JUST LEAVE A WRITTEN COMMENT, YOU CAN ALSO DO THAT ONLINE. I'M GOING TO READ OFF THE LINK THERE WAS A LITTLE BIT OF CONFUSION IT IS CASE SENSITIVE SO CAPITALIZATION MATTERS. IT'S HTTPS:\\ OR SORRY // BIT.LY/ CAPITAL B CAPITAL V CAPITAL P AS IN PROVO. BV PROVO, WHERE THE B AND THE V AND THE P ARE ALL CAPITALIZED. HTTPS://BIT.LY/BVP. I'VE POSTED THAT LINK HERE IN THE ZOOM. IF YOU WANT TO SIGN UP TO GIVE EITHER ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMENT. IN THE ZOOM MEETING YOU'LL HAVE TO RENAME YOURSELF TO REFLECT BOTH YOUR FIRST AND LAST NAME IF YOU WANT TO BE CALLED ON. IF YOU'RE HAVING ANY TROUBLE, IF YOU'RE UNABLE TO RAISE YOUR HAND, YOU CAN GO AHEAD AND CHAT TO THE COMMENT HOST. COMMISSIONERS THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND IT'S BEEN SUGGESTED THAT INDIVIDUALS MAY WANT TO YIELD THEIR TIME TO SOME OF THE STAKEHOLDERS THAT ARE SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS SO TO SPEAK ON SOME OF THESE ISSUES. YOU MIGHT AS A COMMISSION WANT TO DETERMINE IF INDIVIDUALS ARE WILLING TO YIELD THEIR TIME, HOW MUCH TIME WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIVE TO SOME OF THE KEY STAKEHOLDERS. LET ME GIVE YOU A FEW EXAMPLES. A NUMBER OF PEOPLE HAVE SAID THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO YIELD THEIR COMMENT TIME TO MISS WENDY FISHER WHO JUST SPOKE. A NUMBER HAVE ALSO SAID THEY'D LIKE TO YIELD THEIR TIME TO MR. MARK ALLEN. WOULD YOU LIKE TO SET KIND OF A LIMIT FOR SOME OF THOSE MORE KEYNOTE TYPE SPEAKERS AND GIVE THEM ADDITIONAL TIME IF PEOPLE ARE WILLING TO YIELD?

COMMISSIONER AINGE - I'M GLAD YOU RAISED THIS. MY PREFERENCE AND I'M HAPPY TO HEAR WHAT THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS THINK IS, I THINK THE FIRST POINT IS WE'VE ALL RECEIVED A NUMBER OF EMAILS OR MAYBE I HAVE AS THE CHAIR, BUT A NUMBER OF EMAILS OF PEOPLE YIELDING THEIR TIME. THOSE WILL NOT BE ACKNOWLEDGED, BECAUSE THOSE DOING SO DID NOT REALLY, THEY WERE NOT IN THE QUEUE AT THE TIME. I THINK THAT WE WILL ALLOW FOR YIELDING OF TIME AND TO DECIDE WHETHER WE HAVE A 90 SECOND CAP OR TWO-MINUTE CAP HERE JOSH I NEED A LITTLE BIT OF DIRECTION OF HOW MANY. BUT BEFORE WE GET TO THAT, YOU CAN YIELD YOUR TIME. BUT LET'S SAY THERE'S A TOTAL CAP OF EIGHT MINUTES FOR ANY ONE SPEAKER. BUT THEN THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN YIELD IT IS THROUGH YOU RAISE YOUR HAND, YOU ARE CALLED ON AND YIELD IT ORALLY IN THIS MEETING OR THROUGH THAT SIGN-UP SHEET THAT YOU MAKE THAT STATEMENT.

COMMISSIONER LEE - I'M FINE WITH THAT. I THINK AS THE CHAIR YOU KNOW THE ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING AND KEEPING THE MEETING ON TASK AND IN ORDER IS IF THAT'S WHAT COMMISSIONER AINGE WOULD LIKE TO PROCEED WITH, I'M FINE THERE TOO. BUT I DO THINK FROM OUR PUBLISHED AGENDA YOU KNOW IT DOES SAY 3 MINUTES AND SO UNLESS WE CHANGE THAT

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AS A BOARD, AND SO I THINK THAT WE NEED TO ADDRESS THAT AND HAVE SOME SORT OF CONSENSUS OF HOW THAT WORKS.

JOSH DANIELS – OKAY, LET ME LET ME GIVE YOU A LITTLE DATA WHILE YOU CONSIDER THAT, ABOUT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT. FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY SIGNED UP ON THE FORM, THAT WANT TO COMMENT IN PERSON, WE HAVE SIX THAT WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT IN PERSON. OF THE SIX, FOUR WOULD LIKE TO YIELD TO SOMEBODY, THREE OF THEM TO MARK ALLEN, ONE TO WENDY FISHER. SO THAT WOULD LEAVE A NET NUMBER OF TWO IN-PERSON COMMENTS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP ONLINE. THAT'S NOT COUNTING SOMEBODY HERE THAT MIGHT ACTUALLY WANT TO COMMENT. IN TERMS OF THE ONLINE ZOOM COMMENTS, THERE ARE 27 INDIVIDUALS SIGNED UP FOR ONLINE ZOOM COMMENTS. THAT'S NOT NECESSARILY COUNTING SOME IN THE ZOOM ROOM RIGHT NOW THEY HAVE THEIR HANDS RAISED AND A FEW OF THOSE ALSO WANTED TO YIELD THEIR TIME. IN IN THIS CASE TO MR. MARK ALLEN. YOU KNOW GIVEN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE WANTED TO YIELD TO MARK ALLEN, YOU MIGHT CONSIDER 10 MINUTES INSTEAD OF 8 OR UP TO 10, MAYBE HE WON'T TAKE 10. YOU MIGHT CONSIDER SIMILAR FOR WENDY OR MAYBE ANOTHER STAKEHOLDER, ONE OF THE OTHER KEYS, THERE'S A COUPLE OTHER KEY COMMENTERS ONE IS COUNSEL FOR MR LOSEE, ANOTHER IS MAYOR KAUFUSI AS WELL, SO DO SOME OF THE NOTABLE STAKEHOLDERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT.

COMMISSIONER AINGE - I WOULD SAY LET'S CAP IT AT TWO MINUTES AND THAT THE MAXIMUM OF ANY SPEAKER COULD RECEIVE IS 10, PER YOUR SUGGESTION. AND I WOULD ACTUALLY ASK DAVE SHAWCROFT, IS THERE ANY ISSUE WITH US SETTING REAL TIME, A CAP AT 2 MINUTES IN THIS MEETING WHEN I KNOW COMMISSIONER LEE REFERENCED THE 3 MINUTES THAT'S PUBLISHED SOMEWHERE?

DAVE SHAWCROFT, DEPUTY COUNTY ATTORNEY - I THINK YOU CAN RESET THAT TO TWO MINUTES AS LONG AS THE COMMISSIONERS ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH AT LEAST TWO OUT OF THE THREE.

**COMMISSIONER AINGE - OKAY.** 

COMMISSIONER LEE - YEAH, THE THREE IS JUST ON OUR AGENDA, BUT IT ALSO SAYS IN THERE THAT WE CAN ADJUST IT. THAT'S THE ONLY REFERENCE I WAS MAKING.

COMMISSIONER AINGE – OKAY. SO, ARE WE GOOD AT ADJUSTING IT TO TWO MINUTES WITH A 10-MINUTE AGGREGATE CAP IF YOU GET TIME YIELDED TO YOU?

COMMISSIONER IVIE - YEAH, I'M FINE WITH THAT.

COMMISSIONER LEE - OKAY, I'M FINE TOO.

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COMMISSIONER AINGE – OKAY, SO WE'RE IN A PUBLIC HEARING AND WE WILL WAIT FOR YOU JOSH, TO CALL ON THOSE NAMES. AND THERE WILL BE A TIMER ON THE SCREEN, RIGHT?

JOSH DANIELS - CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER AINGE - OKAY, LET'S PROCEED.

JOSH DANIELS - I'LL GET THE TIMER UP AND RUNNING. SO JUST AS A NOTE, IN TERMS OF YIELDED COMMENTS THUS FAR, THEY'VE QUALIFIED BOTH MARK ALLEN AND WENDY FISHER FOR UP TO 10 MINUTES EACH IF THAT'S HOW MUCH THEY'D LIKE TO TAKE. WE'LL START WITH OUR FIRST COMMENT, IT IS THE FIRST HAND RAISED, IS MAYOR KAUFUSI FROM PROVO. I'M GOING TO NOW UNMUTE OR ASK YOU TO UNMUTE. THE FLOOR IS YOURS WHEN YOU'RE READY MAYOR.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

MICHELLE KAUFUSI, MAYOR OF PROVO CITY - THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY AND GOOD EVENING TO EVERYBODY THAT'S ON THIS ZOOM MEETING AND THERE IN PERSON. I, WITH MY CITY COUNCIL, WE HAVE DECIDED TO DO A COMBINED LETTER THAT THEY HAVE ASKED ME TO READ. SO, I WOULD LIKE TO GO AHEAD AND READ THAT IF YOU WILL LET ME. WE ARE GRATEFUL THAT YOU HAVE PRESENTED AN OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC ABOUT A POSSIBLE CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND OTHER POTENTIAL USES FOR THAT AREA. AS THE PROVO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AND AS OUR PROVO CITY MAYOR, WE SHARE THIS LETTER TO OFFER OUR PERSPECTIVE ON THIS IMPORTANT QUESTION. WE ARE UNITED IN OUR DESIRE TO SEE THIS AREA PROTECTED FROM COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT. WE SUPPORT ANY MEASURES TO PRESERVE AND ENHANCE THE SITE FOR THE BENEFIT OF RESIDENTS AND VISITORS. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT NATURAL WONDERS IN THE VALLEY. IT IS AN ICONIC LOCATION OF REMARKABLE BEAUTY THAT ATTRACTS PEOPLE ALL YEAR ROUND. AS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR DESTINATIONS ON THE PROVO RIVER PKWY TRAIL, IT'S AN INDISPENSABLE PLACE OF ENJOYMENT THAT PROVIDES RECREATION AND ATHLETIC PLEASURE AND SPIRITUAL RENEWAL FOR FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS AND TO THE YOUNG AND OLD ALIKE. IN ITS CURRENT UNDEVELOPED STATE, THE AREA ATTRACTS PEOPLE PRECISELY BECAUSE IT IS EXPERIENCED AS A NATURAL TREASURE, OWNED BY NO ONE BUT PROTECTED AND PRESERVED FOR AND BY THE PUBLIC IN OUR VIEW, ALLOWING DEVELOPMENT AND PRIVATIZATION TO COMPROMISE THE PUBLICS' EXPERIENCE OF THE AREA OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WOULD NOT SERVE THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC CITIZENS AND VISITORS. TO PRIVATIZE AND DEVELOP ANY PART OF THE FALLS WOULD BE A SIGNIFICANT DEPARTURE IN OUR VIEW FROM OUR VISION OF NATURAL PRESERVATION FOR THIS AREA. PLEASE GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO TAKING APPROPRIATE ACTION TO PREVENTING PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT THAT COULD COMPROMISE THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. SINCERELY, MAYOR MICHELLE KAUFUSI AND THE PROVO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL. THANK YOU.

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### COMMISSIONER AINGE - THANK YOU MAYOR.

# COMMISSIONER LEE - THANK YOU MAYOR.

JULIE DAVEY - AND SO I'M JULIE DAVEY. I WAS BORN IN LINDON AND I HAVE LIVED IN UTAH COUNTY MY WHOLE LIFE. I AM STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY CAN SEE BUT I AM DISABLED, I'M IN A WHEELCHAIR AND I'VE HAD TO GIVE UP A LOT OF THE HIKING TOWARDS STEWART FALLS TO SCOUT FALLS TO A LOT OF THE PLACES THAT I USED TO GO AND BE ABLE TO EXPERIENCE WILD UTAH COUNTY. IT WAS A REALLY BIG DEAL FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO GO UP TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS ON MY OWN, INDEPENDENTLY, WITHOUT HAVING TO BE DRIVEN BY ANYONE AND BE ABLE TO FEEL LIKE I'M OUT ON A HIKE AGAIN. I THINK THAT I HAVE SPECIFIC CONCERNS ABOUT DEVELOPING A REHABILITATION CENTER UP THERE, PARTICULARLY WHEE I WORKED FOR THE PUBLIC, FOR THE STATE BEFORE I WAS DISABLED AND HAVING WORKED AT THE STATE HOSPITAL, I CAN'T THINK OF ANY OF MY PATIENTS THAT WOULD BE ABLE TO AFFORD GOING TO A TREATMENT CENTER AT THE TOP OF THE FALLS. I THINK THAT WE SHOULD DEVELOP BETTER PATHWAYS, I THINK THAT I'M PERSONALLY AGAINST A TRAM, BUT THAT SHOULD BE A THING THAT WE'RE ABLE TO TALK ABOUT AS THE PUBLIC. I THINK THAT IT'S A COMMUNITY RESOURCE THAT SHOULD BE LEFT TO THE COMMUNITY, TO BE ABLE TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IT IS THAT WE WANT TO DO TO PRESERVE IT. I THINK THE OTHER THING IS JUST HAVING GROWN UP HERE IN NORTHEAST LINDON NEAR WHERE ALL OF THE FOOTHILLS ARE, I'VE SEEN A LOT OF DEVELOPMENT AND HOW IT KIND OF CREEPS UP INTO THESE PLACES THAT WERE WILDER WHEN I WAS GROWING UP. YOU KNOW OBVIOUSLY UTAH COUNTY IS GROWING. WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO HAVE SPACE FOR PEOPLE, BUT I WOULD REALLY, REALLY RECOMMEND AND VOICE MY CONCERNS ABOUT OVERDEVELOPING UP IN OUR WILD PLACES. I THINK THAT UTAH COUNTY HAS SOME REALLY BEAUTIFUL CANYONS. I THINK THAT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS ONE OF THE PRETTIER AND MORE CHERISHED PLACES THAT WE HAVE OUT THERE. AND I WOULD JUST REALLY RECOMMEND THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE JUST MAKING IT MORE ACCESSIBLE AND THAT ANYTHING THAT WE'RE ADDING TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS OR THE SURROUNDING AREA IS TO THE BENEFIT OF EVERYBODY IN THE COMMUNITY, FOR ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN UTAH VALLEY AND NOT JUST THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE A FEW \$1,000,000 TO MAKE AN OFFER.

# COMMISSIONER LEE - THANK YOU, JULIE.

ADAM JOHNSON - HELLO MY NAME IS ADAM JOHNSON. I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF WHAT I BELIEVE IS THE PUBLIC OPINION WHEN IT COMES TO THE FATE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THE ISSUE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS COMES DOWN TO DOING WHAT THE PUBLIC WANTS AND WHAT THEY HAVE EXPRESSED AS BEING A TRULY PERSONAL TOPIC. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ARE ELECTED BY THE PUBLIC. IT IS YOUR JOB TO CARRY OUT THE WILL OF THE PUBLIC AND ACT IN THE PUBLIC'S BEST INTEREST. TO JUSTIFY THE PROPOSAL TO ALTER BRIDAL VEIL FALLS THROUGH PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT, EVIDENCE SHOULD BE PRESENTED THAT ALTERING IT IS THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE. HOWEVER, TO THIS POINT, NO SUCH EVIDENCE EXISTS. IN FACT, IT'S QUITE THE

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CONTRARY. OVER THE PAST WEEK, I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN STARTING MULTIPLE PETITIONS THAT CLEARLY DEMONSTRATE THE PUBLIC OPINION ON THE TOPIC. THESE PETITIONS STARTED MERE DAYS AGO AND ALREADY SHOW OVER 10,000 PEOPLE IN DIRECT OPPOSITION TO ALTERING FALLS THROUGH DEVELOPMENT. GIVEN MORE TIME THAT NUMBER AND ATTENTION AROUND THE TOP WILL INCREASE. SOLELY BASED ON ATTENTION SURROUNDING THE PETITION, IT IS CLEAR WHERE THE PUBLIC IS ON THE ISSUE. ADDITIONALLY, SOCIAL MEDIA ATTENTION SURROUNDING THE DEBATE OVER BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FUTURE HAS INCREASED EXPONENTIALLY OVER THE PAST WEEK, WITH TRAFFIC AND IMPRESSIONS ON THE TOPIC SHOWING HIGH ANALYTICS INCREASING, SENTIMENT OF SOCIAL MEDIA POSTINGS INCREASED BY OVER 230% BETWEEN NEWS SURROUNDING THE FATE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND THE RELEASE OF VARIOUS PETITIONS AGAINST THE ACTION, WITH THE HIGH MAJORITY OF SENTIMENT BEING CLEARLY NEGATIVE. SHEER VOLUME OF POSTING ON THE TOPIC THROUGH HASHTAGS OR POST COPY HAS INCREASED BY OVER 205% IN THE PAST WEEK, WITH OVER 2000 MENTIONS FROM 1255 UNIQUE AUTHORS AND THE TOP URL LINKS AND SHARES HAVE GONE DIRECTLY TO NEWS ARTICLES AND ANTI-REMOVAL PETITIONS. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS MORE THAN A SCENIC LOCATION. IT IS A JEWEL THAT SIGNIFIES THE BEAUTY AND OPPORTUNITIES THAT SET UTAH COUNTY APART FROM OTHER COUNTIES. THIS AND ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED THE SENTIMENT THE UTAH COUNTY LOCALS HAVE REGARDING THE FATE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND THE APPROVAL FOR A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. NOW WE VOTED FOR YOU TO BE OUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. YOU'VE BEEN GIVEN THE POWER TO MAKE THIS DECISION INSIDE WHAT HAPPENS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. IF YOU WANT CONTINUED SUPPORT FROM YOUR CONSTITUENTS, IT IS IN YOUR BEST INTEREST TO RESPOND TO THESE SENTIMENTS AND PASS A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO PROTECT THE FALLS FROM PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

# COMMISSIONER LEE - THANKS ADAM.

JOSH DANIELS – GREAT. I THINK AT THIS TIME IT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE TO GIVE PERHAPS THE CHOICE TO MARK ALLEN OR WENDY FISHER TO TAKE THEIR 10 MINUTES. I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S A PREFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM, WHO WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST. WHILE MARK IS HERE, I RECOMMEND WE HAVE MARK SPEAK. COMMISSIONER AINGE – GREAT.

MARK ALLEN – THANK YOU. I ADORE WENDY FISHER AND WHAT HER COMMENTS HAVE BEEN. I ONLY PUT THIS HAT ON WHEN I'VE GOT UP ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE BED AND I'M TALKING TO YOU TODAY. FOUR YEARS AGO, YOU HELPED ME SAVE AMERICAN FORK CANYON. YOU BECOME THE MOST DUPLICITOUS POLITICIAN I'VE EVER MET IN MY LIFE. THE GRAMA'S ARE JUST STARTING BILL. YOUR OPENING STATEMENT WAS DIRECTED AT ME. I'M GRATEFUL FOR COMMISSIONER NATHAN IVIE WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED INTEGRITY. COMMISSIONER TANNER AINGE HAS DEMONSTRATED INTEGRITY. I FEEL LIKE I'M STANDING IN FRONT OF KING NOAH. YOU DECEIVED 61% OF THE PUBLIC TAKING PRIVATE MONEY TO DEFEAT PROP 9 SO YOU COULD RETAIN 33% VOTE.

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MARK ALLEN - YOU DON'T HAVE THE PULPIT. ANYBODY THAT'S LISTENING THAT WANTS TO GO OUT TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE AMERICAN FORK CANYON ON FACEBOOK, GO AHEAD AND DO SO. THERE'S A LINK NOW SO THAT WE CAN HAVE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE FOREST SERVICE FROM WASHINGTON DC LOOK INTO MY ALLEGATIONS. I'VE GOT A GRAMA APPEAL BEFORE THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THIS COUNTY. YOUR DAYS ARE NUMBERED COMMISSIONER LEE. MY PHONE'S BEEN RINGING OFF THE HOOK IN HERE FROM NEWS MEDIA PEOPLE THAT WANT TO TALK, THEY WANT TO LOOK AT YOUR RECORD. I'M TIRED OF WASTING MY TIME. YOU CAN STAND, YOU CAN SIT AND LOOK WITH YOUR LITTLE GINGERLY BOY FACE THAT YOU'RE INNOCENT, BUT THE EVIDENCE SHOWS CLEARLY DIFFERENT. I HAVE A STATEMENT TO READ. TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN. MY TIME IS SHORT, MY WORDS WILL BE CANDID. I WILL NOT SHRINK FROM WHAT NEEDS TO BE SAID. MY INTENTION IS TO OFFEND NONE, RATHER TO INCREASE TRANSPARENCY AND TRUST IN ELECTED OFFICIALS. GRAMA RECORDS ARE A POWERFUL TOOL AND I'M WILLING TO HELP OTHERS LEARN HOW. BECAUSE THIS IS NOT FUN, IT'S TEDIOUS. BUT SITUATIONS LIKE AMERICAN FORK CANYON AND NOW BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND PRIVATE MONEY AND UNDUE INFLUENCE. YOU'VE SULLIED A GOOD MAN. TOM SAKIEVICH, YOU GOT ABOUT \$15 GRAND. SHAME ON YOU. LET THE PEOPLE KNOW THE FACTS AND THE COUNTY (WAS COUNTRY) WILL BE SAFE, ABRAHAM LINCOLN. I'M SHARING FACTS. I DO HOPE THAT MY SMALL INFLUENCE OVER THE PAST TWO WEEKS WILL BE PART OF THE LEGACY OF PRESERVATION OF THE ICONIC BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I'M GRATEFUL FOR **COMMISSIONER IVIE.** 

COMMISSIONER AINGE – I'M GOING TO MAKE A STATEMENT HERE, THAT I'M GOING TO ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC COMMENT TO NOT MAKE DISPARAGING REMARKS THAT ARE PERSONAL IN NATURE. SORRY TO INTERRUPT CONTINUE.

MARK ALLEN - ABSOLUTELY AGREE. COMMISSIONER LEE'S ASSISTANT SLANDERED ME ON MY FACEBOOK PAGE. HE'S ON THIN ICE. I DO HOPE THAT MY SMALL INFLUENCE WILL HELP MAKE AN OUTCOME CHANGE. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS MULTI-YEAR PRIVATE NONPUBLIC PROCESS TO THE FOREFRONT. IT WAS 1697 DAYS AGO I ASKED YOU, COMMISSIONER LEE, TO PROTECT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. YOU'VE EARNED OVER \$1,000,000 IN THAT TIME. YOU ARE NOT A FISCAL CONSERVATIVE. WE NEED FISCAL CONSERVATIVES. I APPRECIATE COMMISSIONER IVIE, COMMISSIONER LEE FOR LEADING OUT ON THIS PROCESS. IT COST \$80.00 TO GET THIS PUT ON THE AGENDA, YET \$1,000,000 OF SALARY HAS GONE DOWN THE ROAD WHEN I ASKED YOU TO PROTECT IT. I ASKED YOU TO PROTECT IT THREE YEARS AGO. I ASKED YOU TO PROTECT IT AGAIN AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2019. YOU THEN WENT PUBLICLY AND SAID BRIDAL VEILS IS NOT FOR SALE, BUT THE GRAMA RECORDS SHOW A TOTALLY DIFFERENT STORY. YOU'VE BEEN MEETING WITH LOSEE AND HIS ARCHITECT SINCE. MORE RECORDS WILL COME. YOU CAN SHAKE YOUR HEAD, BUT MORE RECORDS WILL COME. I'VE GOT THEM HERE WITH ME, I APPRECIATE THE OUTPOURING OF SUPPORT THE MAYORS AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS WHO HAVE CRAFTED RESOLUTIONS THAT REPRESENT THE PEOPLE IN THE PRESERVING OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS INTO A PERMANENT CONSERVATION EASEMENT, NO LEASE, NO TRAM. NO LEASE, NO TRAM. YESTERDAY, THE CITY OF OREM PASSED A RESOLUTION, THE CITY OF AMERICAN FORK PASSED A RESOLUTION, CEDAR

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HILLS MAYOR LEAD OUT AND MAYOR KAUFUSI, AS SHE HAS SPOKEN, THERE IS CONSENSUS HERE. WHAT IS NOT TOTALLY KNOWN IS THE GRAMA RECORDS. I WILL SHARE THOSE WITH ANYBODY WHO WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM. SOME PEOPLE LOVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND TRAVERSE THE BASE AND FIND THEIR SIGNIFICANT INSIGNIFICANCE AS THE MIST ENVELOPS THEM. SOME USED CRAMPONS AND ICE AXES TO CLIMB TOWARDS HEAVEN, OTHERS SIMPLY SIT AND FIND PEACE WATCHING THE FALLS CASCADE. CHILDREN PLAY IN PUDDLES AT HER FEET, WHILE TEENS LONGBOARD THE BEAUTIFUL, BEAUTIFUL GROOMED TRAIL. PROVO CITY DOES A GOOD JOB WITH THAT BY THE WAY. AS A COUNTY WITH A GROWING POPULATION, WE NEED TO PROTECT OTHER PLACES SUCH AS THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER, THE PROVO BENCHES. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS ONE THAT HAS BEEN ON YOUR DOCKET FOR FOUR YEARS, YOU'VE DONE NOTHING. I'M GRATEFUL FOR WENDY FISHER STEPPING IN. I'M GRATEFUL FOR COMMISSIONER IVIE AND COMMISSIONER TANNER AINGE. I HAVE SEEN THEM EXCORIATED UNFAIRLY OVER BUDGETARY THINGS, AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO SELL THESE ASSETS TO BALANCE THE BUDGET ONE TIME. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER WILL BECOME LIKE A CENTRAL PARK FOR OUR POSTERITY. WE NEED TO STEP UP. WE NEED TO RISE UP. AND THIS IS NOT FUN FOR ME. IT'S NOT FUN FOR ME LOOKING YOU DOWN, BECAUSE FOUR YEARS AGO YOU HELPED ME SAVE AMERICAN FORK CANYON. TO MR. LOSEE, IT'S ABOUT INVESTMENT. TAKE YOUR MONEY ELSEWHERE AND HELP THE INDIGENTS. START DRUG TREATMENT CENTERS IN OUR SMALL COMMUNITIES WHERE PEOPLE ARE HURTING. WE DO NOT NEED A JAMES BOND HELIPAD ATOP BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, WHICH BY UNKNOWN TO PEOPLE IS FOREST SERVICE PROPERTY. THE FOREST SERVICE DOES NOT KNOW ABOUT THIS IDEA. THIS WAS NOT SURPLUSED. IT SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN TALKED ABOUT IN PRIVATE. THERE SHOULD HAVE NOT BEEN TAX DOLLARS, I'M ASKING FOR AN AUDIT OF HOW MANY TAX DOLLARS HAVE BEEN SPENT BY YOUR STAFF, BY YOU, AND I'M ASKING FOR YOU TO REIMBURSE TAXPAYERS. I'M ASKING FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY LEAVITT, SHERIFF SMITH TO DO AN INVESTIGATION, THIRD PARTY, ARMS-LENGTH. IT WAS 1679 DAYS AGO, APRIL 7TH, 2016 I ASKED FOR PROTECTION. YOU DID NOTHING. MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2019, 580 DAYS AGO, I ASKED YOUR ASSISTANT IF ANYTHING CAME UP ABOUT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, LET ME KNOW. NOTHING. AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2019, 488 DAYS AGO, I EMAILED YOU COMMISSIONER LEE ASKING TO BEGIN A PROCESS TO PUT BRIDAL VEIL INTO A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. YOU DID, YOU STARTED A PROCESS, A PRIVATE BACKDOOR PROCESS. I'VE BROUGHT THIS NOW PUBLIC; THE PUBLIC HAS SPOKEN. IF THIS WERE SURVIVOR, YOU'RE OFF THE ISLAND. I'VE ASKED YOU TO DO SEVERAL OTHER THINGS THAT I'M NOW GOING TO ASK COMMISSIONER AINGE TO SPEARHEAD, AS YOU KNOW WE HAVE PROPERTY UP AMERICAN FORK CANYON, OUR NON-PROFIT. I HAVE ASKED FIVE TIMES IN THIS MEETING FOR A TAX ID, SO I CAN PAY OUR TAXES. YOU FAILED ME. I'VE ASKED FOR THE ROAD ON MILLER HILL TO BE PUT ON THERE AS THE COUNTY ROAD MAP TO PROTECT PUBLIC ACCESS. YOU FAILED ME, STRIKE TWO. I'VE ASKED SENATOR VALENTINE TO ADJUST THE STATE STATUTE TO ALLOW FOR LOCAL TAX ASSESSMENT AND PATENT MINE CLAIMS. HE DID IT, YOU'VE DONE NOTHING. THE BLM GIS DATA SET WAS PRESENTED BY DANIEL WEBB TO OUR COUNTIES, SO THAT WE COULD SHOW WHICH LANDS UP AMERICAN FORK CANYON WERE PUBLIC VERSUS PRIVATE. THAT HAS NOT BEEN DONE, STRIKE FOUR. FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS I'VE LEARNED THAT I CAN DEPEND ON COMMISSIONER

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AINGE AND COMMISSIONER IVIE. YOU'VE LOST MY FULL FAITH, OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS I HOPE THAT YOU WILL REGAIN IT. I HOPE YOU'LL TRY. YOUR VOTE TODAY REQUIRES SUCH. I AM SO TIRED OF COMING IN FRONT OF THIS COMMISSION AND HEARING YOU PUNT THINGS DOWN THE ROAD SAYING WE NEED MORE TIME. YOUR STALL TACTICS, PEOPLE SEE BEHAVIORS, THEY GET IT. TODAY'S THE VOTE. TODAY'S THE VOTE. WHAT I SHARE WITH THE CIRQUE LODGE PEOPLE, WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE ONE OF THESE (HOLDS UP "PRIVATE PROPERTY - NO TRESPASSING" SIGN). IT IS PUBLIC PROPERTY BOUGHT BY TAX DOLLARS AND IT IS GOING TO PERSIST IN SUCH, GIVEN THAT THE FOREST SERVICE HAS NO IDEA THAT THIS WAS EVEN ON THE DOCKET, SHAME ON YOU. MY PROPOSAL IS AND MY REQUEST TO THE COMMISSIONERS IS, THAT WE START THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WORKING GROUP, PATTERNED AFTER THE GROUP AMERICAN FORK CANYON WORKING GROUP TO FURTHER TIGHTEN AND DEFINE THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT, I WOULD ASK WENDY FISHER TO SPEAK TOWARDS THAT. I'VE BEEN ASKED BY THE FOREST RANGER TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT ENDEAVOR FOR THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, I GOT THE FEE BOOTH MOVED. COMMISSIONER LEE, I'VE NOT SEEN YOU THERE IN TWO YEARS. THE SHERIFF IS INVOLVED, LOCAL MAYORS ARE INVOLVED, YOU HAVE NOT STEPPED FOOT INTO ONE MEETING IN TWO YEARS. SHAME. YOU DO NOT REPRESENT ME. THERE ARE MANY MINDS WHO WANT TO HELP. NOW THE PUBLIC PROCESSES IN PLACE. I ENCOURAGE OUR COMMISSIONERS TO VOTE UNANIMOUSLY, UNANIMOUSLY. ANYTHING LESS IS LESS, AND THE PUBLIC WILL NOT FORGET IT. YOU MIGHT WANT TO DUST OFF RESUMES IF YOU DO NOT VOTE IN SUPPORT OF THIS PERMANENT CONSERVATION EASEMENT, NO TO A TRAM, A PLACE FOR FAMILIES TO GO, FEE FREE RECREATION IN PERPETUITY. I'M GRATEFUL FOR COMMISSIONER IVIE FOR YOUR SACRIFICES, FOR YOUR INCLUSIVE NATURE SHIP, YOUR LEADERSHIP AND YOUR COURAGE. THANK YOU. YOU AND TANNER HAVE BEEN EXCORIATED BY A FALSE NARRATIVE THAT NEEDS TO BE CALLED OUT, THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM, THE ELEPHANT IN ROOM. SHAMEFUL. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WILL NEVER BE FOR SALE, NO LEASES, NO FOR-PROFIT ENTITIES. SALT LAKE CLIMBERS ASSOCIATION, SAVE OUR CANYONS, WASATCH BACKCOUNTRY ALLIANCE, PROTECT AND PRESERVE AMERICAN FORK CANYON, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU CREATE IN YOUR MOTION COMMISSION AINGE OR IVIE THAT A WORKING GROUP BE FORMED TO HELP TIGHTEN THIS EASEMENT. MY TIME IS UP. THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER AINGE AND IVIE FOR LEADING OUT. I APPRECIATE YOU.

COMMISSIONER LEE - NORMALLY I'D SAY THANK YOU, BUT I THINK ON THAT ONE I'LL JUST LET IT STAY WHERE IT'S AT. YOU KNOW A LOT OF ACCUSATIONS THERE THAT ARE FALSE, BUT NEVERTHELESS MARK SENT ME AN EMAIL OR A TEXT THE OTHER DAY, NOT WITHIN THE WEEK THAT SAYS I CONSIDER YOU AND BRIAN FRIENDS AND WITH FRIENDS LIKE THAT, WHO NEEDS ENEMIES I GUESS, IT'S KIND OF INTERESTING. WHO'S NEXT?

JOSH DANIELS – COMMISSIONERS, I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT WE SHOULD SEE A SHOW OF HANDS OF ANYONE HERE IN THE ROOM THAT WAS NOT ABLE TO SIGN UP ONLINE, THAT WANTED TO COMMENT. SO, IF YOU DIDN'T SIGN UP ONLINE BUT YOU SHOWED UP HERE IN PERSON WITH THE INTENT TO COMMENT. WELL, IF YOU SIGNED UP, I'LL CALL YOU BY NAME, BUT I'D LIKE TO JUST TAKE SOME OF THE COMMENTS THAT DID NOT...

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COMMISSIONER LEE – ARE WE TALKING ABOUT ONLINE? OR THERE WAS A PAPER WASN'T THERE?

JOSH DANIELS – WELL, THE SIGN-UP SHEET DID NOT WE DID NOT HAVE A PHYSICAL PAPER, WE DIDN'T WANT TO HAVE TO SHARE PENS AND PAPERS AND THINGS, SO THE ONLY SIGN-UP FORM IS ONLINE, BUT I KNOW SOME PEOPLE CAME HERE IN PERSON WITH THE INTENT TO COMMENT AND THEY ARE HERE IN THE ROOM. SO, I THINK WE SHOULD JUST TAKE MAYBE THREE OF THOSE COMMENTS AND THEN I'LL GO TO THE ONLINE LIST OF NAMES. EVERYBODY'S GOING TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT, SO WE DON'T WANT TO WASTE THE TIME. SO, LET'S JUST GET TO THE COMMENTS QUICKLY. SO AGAIN, RAISE OF HANDS IF YOU WANTED TO COMMENT. DID ANY OF YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP RIGHT NOW SIGN UP ONLINE? NO, OKAY. LET'S DO THE FIRST THREE HERE ON THE FIRST ROW, THEN I'LL GO TO THE ONLINE SHEET.

MATT HALES - SO MY NAME IS MATT HALES AND I'M ACTUALLY GOING TO YIELD MY TIME TO JOHN BUCKLEY.

JOHN BUCKLEY - MY NAME IS JOHN BUCKLEY. I HAVE NUMEROUS SIGNATURES HERE AND IN MY OFFICE FROM PEOPLE, RESIDENTS AT THIS COUNTY, WHO ARE IN FAVOR OF A NEW AERIAL TRAMWAY AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND I WILL NOW SHARE A STATEMENT FROM RICHARD LOSEE. MR. LOSEE IS NOT PROPOSING TO CLOSE OFF THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AREA OR TO RESTRICT PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE FALLS. HIS HOPE IS TO INCREASE PUBLIC ACCESS BY RESTORING THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TRAM. MANY INJURIES AND EVEN DEATHS HAVE OCCURRED FROM ATTEMPTS TO SCALE THE RUGGED TERRAIN SURROUNDING THE FALLS. WITH TRAM ACCESS, THE PUBLIC WILL BE ABLE TO OBSERVE THE FALLS SAFELY, INCLUDING WHEELCHAIR ACCESS FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES. THE PROPOSAL INCLUDES A PUBLIC OBSERVATION DECK AND A SECLUDED AREA ABOVE IT FOR ONE OR TWO CHEMICALLY DEPENDENT PERSONS WHO ARE WORKING TOWARDS SOBRIETY. THE TRAM WOULD INCREASE SAFETY IN THE AREA BY ALLOWING 24-HOUR OBSERVATION OF THE FALLS. IN HIS FIRST MEETING WITH MR LOSEE, COMMISSIONER LEE MADE IT CLEAR THAT PUBLIC ENJOYMENT OF THE PROPOSED TRAM WAS PARAMOUNT IN HIS FUTURE CONSIDERATION. I WAS IN A MEETING WITH COMMISSIONER AINGE TWO YEARS AGO WHERE HE EXPRESSED INITIAL SUPPORT FOR REBUILDING THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TRAM AND HE INFORMED MR. LOSEE THAT HE COULD SHARE THAT SUPPORT WITH COMMISSIONER LEE. MR. LUSEE HAS SPOKEN WITH COUNTY OFFICIALS FROM THE PARKS AND RECREATION BUILDING AND ATTORNEY'S OFFICES. HE HAS COMMISSIONED GEOTECHNICAL AND AERIAL SURVEY STUDIES AND MET WITH SWISS TRAM EXPERTS. FOR MANY MONTHS HE HAS BEEN PREPARING A PROPER PRESENTATION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THIS HISTORIC LANDMARK TO BE CONSIDERED BY COUNTY OFFICIALS AND BY THE PUBLIC. THE TRAM WHICH WAS BUILT IN 1962 AND THE SURROUNDING 21 ACRES WERE PRIVATELY OWNED AND ENJOYED BY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS UNTIL 1996 WHEN AN AVALANCHE DESTROYED THE TRAM, MR. LOSEE PROPOSES TO LOCATE THE TRAM BASE IN AN UNUSED PORTION OF THE UPPER PARKING LOT TO ELIMINATE AVALANCHE WORRIES. UTAH COUNTY PURCHASED THE 21 ACRES IN 2015 FOR ABOUT \$2.3 MILLION DOLLARS. MR. LOSEE HAS EFFECTIVELY OFFERED \$2 1/2 MILLION DOLLARS FOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF UTAH COUNTY, UTAH Public Meeting Minutes
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APPROXIMATELY 1 ACRE. HE WOULD ALSO CONSIDER A LEASE. THE FALLS AND THE REMAINING 20 ACRES COULD BE PRESERVED IN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. MR. LOSEE HAS NEVER DONATED TO COMMISSIONER LEE'S CAMPAIGN, NOR DID HE SPEAK TO COMMISSIONER ELECT SAKIEVICH UNTIL HE HAD WON HIS PARTY'S PRIMARY. MR. LOSEE DID SUPPORT OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSITION 9 INITIATIVE. MR. LOSEE RESPECTFULLY ASKED THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO NOT VOTE TODAY AGAINST THE NEW BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TRAM, WITHOUT ALLOWING A FAIR OPPORTUNITY FOR HIM TO PRESENT AN ACCURATE PORTRAYAL OF HIS PROPOSAL FOR A PUBLIC PRIVATE CONSERVATION EFFORT. IF ALL THE FACTS WERE KNOWN, MR. LOSEE BELIEVES THAT THE MAJORITY OF UTAH RESIDENTS WOULD WHOLLY EMBRACE THE VISION OF RECONSTRUCTING THIS HISTORICAL LANDMARK FOR THE ENJOYMENT AND BENEFIT OF ALL. THANK YOU.

ANN ALLEN - MY NAME IS ANN ALLEN AND I THINK WE NEED TO THANK MR. LOSEE WHO HAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION HOW VALUABLE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS. WE ALSO NEED TO THANK HIM FOR BRINGING TO OUR ATTENTION HOW VALUABLE OUR WATERFALL IS. HE HAS DEMONSTRATED THAT IT CAN BE SOLD OFF AND HAD TAKEN AWAY FROM THOSE WHO WANT IT AND NEED IT MOST, US, THE PEOPLE. DON'T LEASE IT, DON'T SELL IT. IT'S OURS AND IT NEEDS TO STAY OURS. FINANCIAL MARKETS, AVALANCHES, POOR MANAGEMENT ETC.. ARE REALITIES WHICH NO DEVELOPER CAN GUARANTEE AGAINST. THE FALLS SIMPLY IS NOT SAFE. NOT SAFER NOR WILL IT BE IN BETTER HANDS AS A PRIVATE ENTITY. IF IT IS SOLD OR LEASED TO PRIVATE ENTERPRISE, THE ONLY PREDICTABLE OUTCOME IS A RESTRICTED AND UNCERTAIN ACCESS AND THE CHANCE TO LIVE THE LAST 60 YEARS ALL OVER AGAIN. WE HAVE SEEN WHAT HAPPENS WHEN IT IS PRIVATIZED. IF IT FAILS, IF LOSEE SHOULD DIE, IF IT'S LEFT TO A TRUST, SHOULD HE GO BANKRUPT, WHAT HAPPENS? DO WE GO IN AND BUY IT AGAIN AND RIP EVERYTHING OFF THE MOUNTAIN AND PAY A MILLION MORE DOLLARS? WE HAVE SPENT A LOT OF MONEY THERE AND A LOT OF TIME AND ENERGY. THE COMMISSIONERS PROMISED THAT IT WAS GOING TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC. IT NEEDS TO STAY FOR THE PUBLIC. THAT'S THE ROAD WE'RE ON, LET'S STAY ON IT. OUR VALLEY IS EXPLODING WITH GROWTH. OUR PLACES OF NATURAL BEAUTY ARE ONLY BECOMING MORE SCARCE AND LESS SUCCESSFUL. BRIDAL VEIL IS UNIQUE. IT'S AN ASSET WHICH IS ONLY INCREASING IN VALUE TO THE PUBLIC, THAT YOU COMMISSIONER SERVE. YOUR JOB IS TO REPRESENT THE PEOPLE AND TO WORK IN THEIR INTEREST. AS WELL AS THAT OF THE INTEREST OF THEIR, OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS. DON'T SELL IT, DON'T LEASE IT, DON'T LET US DOWN.

JENNIFER GRIFFIN – HI. I'M JENNIFER GRIFFIN. I'D LIKE TO ECHO WHAT'S BEEN SAID HERE ABOUT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND THAT IT'S SUCH A BEAUTIFUL WONDERFUL PLACE, AND WHY IN THE WORLD WOULD WE EVER PRIVATIZE IT? WHY IN THE WORLD WOULD WE EVER PAY ANYONE AT ANY TIME WHO'S NOT PART OF THE STATE, WHO'S NOT MANAGING IT FOR US, WHY WOULD WE EVER PAY TO RIDE A TRAM TO THE TOP, WHICH HAS FAILED IN THE PAST? THE TRAM HAS BEEN SUBJECT TO AVALANCHE MANY TIMES IN THE PAST. WE'VE HAD TO CLEAN IT UP. WE ALL KNOW THAT. WE'VE TALKED ABOUT IT HERE, BUT IT SEEMS STRANGE THAT WE WOULD DO THAT AGAIN. IT SEEMS THAT WE'RE NOT LEARNING OUR LESSON AND THAT MAKES ME SAD, BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE

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\$1,000,000 TO SPEND ON FRIVOLOUS CLEANUPS. WE NEVER KNOW WHEN THE NEXT PANDEMIC IS GOING TO HAPPEN. WE NEVER KNOW WHEN WE HAVE TO SUPPORT THE NEXT SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS GOING UNDER BECAUSE OF A PANDEMIC. WE NEED TO SAVE AND THINK ABOUT THOSE FUNDS FOR THE FUTURE. AND WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT BRIDAL VEIL FOR THE FUTURE. IT'S SPECIAL TO ALL OF US. IT'S SPECIAL TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS. I'M SURE THAT YOU HAVE ALL WALKED UP THERE WITH YOUR FAMILIES AND YOUR GRANDCHILDREN, YOUR CHILDREN, YOUR NIECES AND YOUR NEPHEW'S. I HAVE DONE THE SAME WITH MY FAMILY. I DO IT REGULARLY. IT'S ONE OF THOSE SPECIAL PLACES THAT I DON'T WANT TO ONLY HAVE PUBLIC ACCESS TO BETWEEN MEMORIAL DAY AND LABOR DAY FOR A FEE. AND THAT'S IN THE PROPOSAL THAT LOSEE HAS PUT FORTH THAT I READ. NOW MAYBE I DIDN'T GET THE RIGHT PROPOSAL, BUT THAT'S SOMETHING I READ AND THAT MAKES ME SAD. SO, I THINK THAT YOU GOOD MEN WILL DO ANOTHER GOOD THING HERE TODAY. YOU WILL VOTE FOR CONSERVATION. YOU'LL VOTE FOR THE THINGS THAT ARE GOOD FOR US, BECAUSE THEY'RE GOOD FOR YOU. AND WHAT'S GOOD FOR YOU IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PUBLIC IS HAPPY, AND I KNOW THAT COMMISSIONER IVIE SAID THAT HE GOT OVER 700 EMAILS. I'D LOVE TO KNOW HOW MANY COMMISSIONER LEE AND COMMISSION AINGE GOT. THAT SHOULD BE ENOUGH TO TELL YOU THE PUBLIC DOESN'T WANT IT. THE PUBLIC WANTS ACCESS. THE PUBLIC WANTS MAINTENANCE. THE PUBLIC WANTS FREEDOM TO SEE THE BEAUTY THAT'S ALL AROUND THEM. THANK YOU.

JOSH DANIELS – OKAY, LET'S GO MR. DEAUVONO - DID YOU WANT, DID YOU HAVE COMMENT THAT YOU WANT TO MAKE?

VIC DEAUVONO - WHO ME?

JOSH DANIELS - YES SIR.

VIC DEAUVONO - YES, BUT I WAS GOING TO WAIT.

JOSH DANIELS - THAT'S FINE. WE'RE GOING TO JUMP AROUND BOTH FROM THE IN PERSON TO THE OVERFLOW TO THE ONLINE.

VIC DEAUVONO - I'M NOT READY.

JOSH DANIELS - OKAY, GO AHEAD. SIR COME ON UP. YEP.

JOSEPH ERNEST - JOSEPH ERNEST. GOOD TO BE WITH YOU. TOUGH TO FOLLOW ON THE HEELS OF THAT, BUT I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC AND I ENJOY BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND ME AND MY WIFE AND KIDS GO UP THERE AND WE HIKE UP THERE AND WE REALLY ENJOY IT. AND I ECHO THE SENTIMENT ABOUT PROTECTING THE ITEMS UP THERE THAT I CURRENTLY ENJOY, THE WATERFALL, HIKING UP THERE IN AND AROUND IT. BUT WHERE I DIFFER IS I HAVE OFTEN THOUGHT TO MYSELF HOW WONDERFUL IT WOULD BE IN SUCH A GREAT PUBLIC ASSET TO HAVE THE ABILITY TO RIDE A TRAM AND SEE THE TOP AND ACTUALLY SEE THE VIEW FROM THAT TRAM AS LONG AS IT CAN BE SAFELY DONE, WHICH WITH WHAT I KNOW ABOUT TECHNOLOGY AND SOIL

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STABILITY STUDIES AND EVERYTHING THEY WOULD NEED THROUGH GEOTECH REPORTS AND THE LIKE, THIS COULD BE DONE IN A SAFE WAY AND I'M ALL IN FAVOR OF AN ENHANCEMENT TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS THAT DOESN'T DETER FROM WHAT THE MAJORITY OF THE PUBLIC ENJOYS TODAY, BUT ENHANCES IT. IN ADDITION, I'M IN FAVOR AS A TAXPAYER OF THE COMMISSION ENTERTAINING PROPOSALS THAT DON'T DETER FROM THE CURRENT BENEFIT BUT AGAIN ENHANCE IT. AND THE PRIVATE INVESTMENT INTO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO ENHANCE THE PUBLIC USE, IS A BENEFIT TO THE PUBLIC AS IT SAVES TAXPAYER MONEY AND I WELCOME ANY INVESTMENT LIKE THAT AND I FEEL STRONGLY THAT IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS THE COMMISSION TO HEAR OUT SUCH PROPOSALS AND ESPECIALLY GIVE THOSE PROPOSALS TIME FOR YOU TO NEGOTIATE, TO DO YOUR DUE DILIGENCE, TO MITIGATE THE THINGS ABOUT CERTAIN PROPOSALS THAT MAYBE YOU DON'T LIKE. IF PART OF THE PUBLIC SECTION IS THE TRAM AND THERE'S A SECTION THAT'S PRIVATE, WELL MAYBE THAT PRIVATE SECTION NEEDS TO BE A USE THAT THE PUBLIC. THAT THE COMMISSION CAN GET BEHIND AND PEOPLE CAN SUPPORT. BUT I FEEL LIKE THE HYSTERIA OF A PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT ADDITIONAL FACTS IS CAUSING A PROBLEM, AND I THINK WE MIGHT BE THROWING THE BABY OUT WITH THE BATHWATER. I THINK PREEMPTIVELY SAYING NO TO ANY FUTURE DEVELOPMENT THAT COULD ABSOLUTELY INCREASE THE ENHANCEMENT AND THE REASONS WE LOVE BRIDAL FALLS AND SAYING NO FOREVER RIGHT NOW, IS A REALLY BAD IDEA. IT SEEMS VERY ILLOGICAL. IT DOESN'T SEEM PRUDENT AT ALL. THANK YOU.

DALLAS HANKS - I ACTUALLY GOT ALL THE INFORMATION IN THE BEGINNING JUST THROUGH REGULAR READING SOCIAL MEDIA AND DIFFERENT NEWSCASTS AND WHATNOT. AND WHEN I INITIALLY SAW IT, I HAD THE SAME REACTION THAT EVERYONE ELSE HAD, NO, WE CAN'T SELL BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. YOU CAN'T RESTRICT IT, YOU CAN'T DO ALL THESE THINGS AND SO THAT WAS MY INITIAL REACTION. SO, WHEN I ACTUALLY STARTED DIGGING AROUND TO GET MORE INFORMATION, I DISCOVERED MORE INFORMATION THAT I DON'T KNOW THE GENTLEMAN WHO STOOD HERE AND SPOKE WITH THE PROPOSAL WAS, BUT AS I GATHERED MORE INFORMATION I THOUGHT, HOLD ON A SECOND, THIS MIGHT BE SOMETHING THAT WOULD ACCOMPLISH ALL THE THINGS THAT MR. ERNEST SPOKE TO WHICH IS ENHANCE OUR ABILITIES AS A PUBLIC. I AM ALSO A BIG FAN OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, TAKING MY FAMILY THERE AND HIKING IT AND DOING ALL THOSE THINGS, WHICH WE ALL DO, WHICH WE ALL ENJOY. AND OBVIOUSLY RESTRICTING IT, I DON'T THINK WE WOULD FIND ANYONE IN THIS COUNTY WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF DOING SOMETHING LIKE. THAT BUT AS MR. ERNEST SPOKE, IF THERE IS A WAY TO WORK WITH SOMEONE THAT IS WILLING TO LEAVE, CALL IT WHATEVER YOU WANT A LEGACY OR WHATEVER WHERE SOMEONE WANTS TO LEAVE AND IF IT'S SOMETHING THAT THEY DONATE JUST LIKE ALL THE BUILDINGS AT BYU AND THE BUILDINGS WE HAVE AT UVU AND AROUND OUR COUNTY HERE THAT HAVE PEOPLES' NAMES ON IT, IF THAT'S SOMETHING THAT KIND OF LEGACY THAT THEY WANT TO LEAVE AND IT'S DONE IN THE RIGHT WAY, WHICH WE AS A PUBLIC CAN GET BEHIND, BUT MY FEAR IS THAT WE'VE BEEN FED THINGS THAT AREN'T ACCURATE ABOUT WHAT THE PROPOSAL COULD BE. AND EVEN IF THE EASEMENT DOESN'T GET VOTED ON TONIGHT AND IT'S EXTENDED, AND YOU STILL HAVE THE ABILITY TO DO IT, BUT YOU ALSO HAVE THE ABILITY AS

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ELECTED OFFICIALS TO LISTEN TO WHAT THE PROPOSAL COULD BE AND IF IT IS SOMETHING THAT COULD ENHANCE THE PUBLIC USE THERE, THEN YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO ACTUALLY ACT ON THAT, WHICH COULD BE A REIMBURSEMENT OF THE TWO POINT 3 MILLION THAT WAS MENTIONED EARLIER THAT THE COUNTY PAID. PLUS, I MEAN JUST BASED ON A LITTLE BIT OF MY EXPERIENCE, IT WOULD HAVE TO COST \$10S OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO DO IT PROPERLY. I DON'T THINK THE COUNTY WOULD EVER APPROPRIATE THAT MUCH MONEY TO DO IT. BUT IF SOMEONE IS WILLING TO PUT THAT MONEY FORWARD AND WORK WITH THE COUNTY DO IT, I THINK YOU OUGHT TO LISTEN AND TAKE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BEFORE X-ING IT OUT AND HAVE A DETAILED PROPOSAL AND WORK WITH THEM AND MAYBE THEY'RE WILLING TO DO THINGS THAT THE PUBLIC WOULD GET BEHIND, AND THE COUNTY COULD GET BEHIND THAT WOULD BENEFIT EVERYONE. THANK YOU.

WENDY FISHER - AT THIS TIME, I WANT TO SAY THAT UTAH OPEN LANDS' ALWAYS ACTS AS A CONDUIT FOR THE PUBLIC TRUST AND THE PUBLIC BENEFIT OF THE WORK THAT WE DO. SO, I'D ACTUALLY LIKE TO DEFER MY TIME BECAUSE I THINK THAT CONSERVATION EASEMENTS ARE COMPLICATED AND I'D LIKE TO BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS, SHOULD THERE BE ANY. IT'S CLEAR TO ME THERE'S A LOT OF PASSION THAT IS IN THE ROOM, THAT IS ONLINE, AND IT SEEMS APPROPRIATE THAT THOSE FOLKS SHOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. AND I THINK IT'S PROBABLY BETTER IF I WAIT AND SIMPLY RESPOND TO QUESTIONS.

LISA SNYDER - HELLO MY NAME IS LISA SNYDER. I HAVE A QUESTION FOR WENDY. I GUESS BEFORE ASKING THE QUESTION MY CONCERN WITH PRIVATIZING WITH LOSEE'S PROPOSAL, IS THE COST TO RIDE A TRAM, RIGHT? THERE'S ALWAYS GOING TO BE FEES WITH THAT. AND THAT LIMITS PEOPLE WHO CAN DO IT. IF THERE IS AN EASEMENT WENDY, IF, SORRY, I'M JUST FORMULATING THIS MY HEAD, IF THERE IS AN EASEMENT, I HAVE NOTICED WHEN I HAVE GONE TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND OTHERS ALSO CONCERNED WITH PEOPLE WITH IT BEING PROTECTED AND TAKEN CARE OF, IS THERE A PLAN MOVING FORWARD WITH THE COUNTY OR THE CITY ON TAKING CARE OF IT? THERE'S MORE TRASH. I MEAN THERE'S A FEW TIMES I'VE SEEN SOME TRASH IN THE YARD, BUT NOT VERY OFTEN. AS IT'S MORE UTILIZED, IS THERE PLANS FROM THE CITY TO TAKE CARE OF THAT IF NOT PRIVATIZED? AND THAT'S MY QUESTION.

JOSH DANIELS – WENDY, I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOU COLLECT SOME OF THE QUESTIONS THAT ARISE DURING THE MEETING AND THEN RESPOND TOWARDS THE END. OKAY, HERE IN THE COMMISSION CHAMBER AGAIN, WHO ELSE WAS HERE TO GIVE COMMENT? YES MA'AM, COME ON UP.

BRENDA DASTRUP - I'M BRENDA DASTRUP AND I LIVE IN PROVO CANYON. AND I APOLOGIZE THAT YOU HAD TO SHARE SOME OF THE THINGS AND IN THE WAY THAT THEY WERE SAID. WE'VE LIVED IN THE CANYON, WE BROUGHT PROPERTY 30 YEARS AGO AND HAVE LIVED THERE 18 YEARS. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK UTAH COUNTY FOR WORKING WITH US IN GETTING THE BUILDING PERMIT THAT TOOK MANY, MANY YEARS TO DO. AND WE CAME OUT WITH A PLAN THAT BOTH YOU AND MY HUSBAND AND I WERE HAPPY WITH. LAST

WEEK, AS PEOPLE RECEIVED UNSOLICITED EMAILS AND INFORMATION ON SOCIAL MEDIA, I THOUGHT THIS INFORMATION COULD NOT BE COMPLETE, AND IT WAS VERY, VERY FRUSTRATING TO ME. IT SAID THE PLAN WAS TO PLACE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT WHICH WOULD PREVENT ANY DEVELOPMENT. AT THE SAME TIME ONLY ALLOWING THE MEDIA HALF OF THE INFORMATION IN THE PUBLICATION. OF COURSE, THE ARTICLE USED TRIGGER WORDS THAT CREATED PANIC AND EMOTION AMONG THE PEOPLE. AND IT MADE IT SOUND LIKE IT HAD TO BE DONE IMMEDIATELY. AND I KNOW THESE THINGS, I THINK THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I THINK THESE THINGS TAKE TIME. I DON'T THINK THERE IS LIKE WE HAVE TO HURRY AND GET THIS EASEMENT IN PLACE. I'D LIKE TO JUST SHARE A RESPONSE ON MY FACEBOOK THAT I MADE, THAT I DON'T THINK MOST OF YOU HAVE READ BECAUSE I'M NOT A BLOGGER, I DON'T MAKE POSTS. BUT IT WAS FROM MY HEART AND I FEEL LIKE THAT IT'S SOMETHING THAT COMMISSION NEEDS TO HEAR. PLEASE ALLOW DEVELOPERS TO PRESENT THEIR PROPOSAL. THIS WOULD IN NO WAY SHUT DOWN THE FALLS OR DENY ACCESS TO THE FALLS. ACTUALLY, IT WOULD HELP BEAUTIFY AND TURN THE PLACE INTO A GREATER ATTRACTION. THEY WOULD UPGRADE BATHROOMS, PUBLIC PICNIC AREAS, TRAM TO BE USED BY THE PUBLIC AT A COST, THERE WOULD BE MAINTENANCE AND 24-HOUR ON-SITE SECURITY. THE COUNTY, THAT I KNEW OF, DID NOT HAVE PLANS TO MAKE THOSE KIND OF THINGS HAPPEN.

COMMISSIONER AINGE - I'M SORRY, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO CUT YOU OFF HERE. WE JUST KIND OF HAVE TO KEEP THIS MOVING.

BRENDA DASTRUP - OKAY.

COMMISSIONER AINGE - THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENT.

STEVE AMONDSON - MY NAME IS STEVE AMONDSON. I'M A LONGTIME PROVO RESIDENT. HAVING SEEN PROVO FALLS BEFORE WHEN THERE WAS A TRAM UP THERE, WE ENJOYED THAT IMMENSELY TO BE ABLE TO SEE THE FALLS FROM ABOVE AND WELL AS BELOW. IT SEEMS LIKE THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF HYSTERIA OVER THIS. IT'S LIKE WE HAVE TO SHUT IT ALL DOWN TO ANY TYPE OF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT. THE WORD DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN THROWN AROUND BY MANY LIKE IT'S A NASTY 4-LETTER WORD. I THINK THE BEST CASE FOR ALL OF US IS TO REALIZE THAT A PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP IS A GOOD IDEA - CERTAINLY SINCE THE CURRENT STATE OF AFFAIRS OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS HAS BEEN IN DISREPAIR SINCE 1996. I ENJOY THE FALLS, BUT I HAVEN'T ENJOYED IT NEARLY AS MUCH AS IT WAS BEFORE WHEN THERE IS A TRAM, AND I REALLY THINK THAT BEFORE ANYBODY TRIES TO MAKE A DECISION TO SHUT DOWN ANYTHING, THAT THE COMMISSION OUGHT TO LISTEN TO PROPOSALS THAT WOULD SATISFY EVERYONE. KEEP THE PUBLIC SPACE OPEN, KEEP IT PRESERVED AND PROTECTED, WHILE ALLOWING SOME MINIMAL ADDITION LIKE A TRAM, THAT WOULD BE VERY BENEFICIAL FOR PEOPLE COMING IN TO VIEW THE FALLS FROM MULTIPLE AREAS, AND SEE IT FOR WHAT IT REALLY IS. IT'S A NATURAL WONDER. SO PLEASE, PLEASE TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO AT LEAST LISTEN TO PROPOSALS ON HOW THE FALLS CAN BE IMPROVED AND PROTECTED AT THE SAME TIME. THANK YOU.

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KYNAN GRIFFIN – HI, MY NAME IS KYNAN GRIFFIN. I'M A LONGTIME PROVO RESIDENT. I THINK THE THING WE KEEP TALKING ABOUT IS THE TRAM, BUT REALLY WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO DEVELOP A REHAB CENTER UP ON TOP OF THE FALLS, AND ALSO OPENING UP THE OPPORTUNITY FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT TO TAKE PLACE. AND I THINK IT'S VERY SHORT SIGHTED WHEN WE LOOK AT THIS CANYON THAT WE HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH, THESE MOUNTAINS AND THESE CANYONS, THEY MEASURE THEIR TIME FRAME IN MILLIONS OF YEARS. AND WHEN WE LOOK AT A BUSINESS AND PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT, YOU KNOW THEY'RE AROUND MAYBE FOR DECADES, SOMETIMES JUST FOR YEARS, AND THE DAMAGE THAT DEVELOPMENT DOES TO THESE PRISTINE ENVIRONMENTS WHICH HAVE BEEN AROUND FOR MILLIONS OF YEARS FOR A LITTLE SHORT LIVED PRIVATE ENDEAVOR, WHICH IS FOR PROFIT AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF ONLY A FEW, I THINK IT'S IN DIRECT CONTRADICTION TO WHAT THE PUBLIC GOOD REALLY IS. THE PUBLIC IS INTERESTED IN PRESERVING THESE FALLS AS THEY ARE, IN THIS STATE AND YES, WE CAN IMPROVE SOME OF THE FACILITIES AROUND THEM, BUT THAT DOESN'T INCLUDE PUTTING BUILDINGS ON TOP OF THOSE WATERFALLS AND ON THOSE MOUNTAINS. WE HAVE NO INTEREST IN DOING THAT. AND SO, I'D SUPPORT A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. THANKS A LOT.

ERIN HARDIN - OKAY, THANK YOU SO MUCH. I DO AGREE WITH A LOT OF THE POINTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE ABOUT DEVELOPMENT OF THE FALLS. ONE THING THAT I WANTED TO POINT OUT THAT I HAVEN'T HEARD YET OR I'M NOT SURE IF YOU'VE CONSIDERED, BUT WE DO HAVE A SPECIES OF CONCERN THAT WOULD BE IMPACTED BY ANY DEVELOPMENT OF THE FALLS. WE HAVE A BLACK SWIFT THAT THAT'S ONE OF THE FEW CONFIRMED NESTING PLACES IS BEHIND THE FALLS. THEY'RE VERY SPECIFIC IN THEIR HABITAT REQUIREMENTS AND NESTING REQUIREMENTS. SO, MY QUESTION FOR YOU IS IF YOU HAVE BEEN COORDINATING ANY OF THESE DEVELOPMENTAL PLANS OR EFFORTS WITH THE DWR OR WITH FOREST SERVICE. BECAUSE FOREST SERVICE ACTUALLY CONSIDERS THEM A SENSITIVE SPECIES WHICH WOULD THEN MANDATE CERTAIN TYPES OF MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES AND SOME OF THE THINGS THAT YOU'RE CONSIDERING IN YOUR PROPOSALS. SO THAT'S ONE OF THE BIG CONCERNS THAT I HAVE, BECAUSE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT ESPECIALLY UP HIGHER IN THE FALLS, THAT'S ACTUALLY WHERE THEY NEST, AND THEIR TIME FRAMES ARE FAIRLY LIMITED. SO, WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT USING THE TRAM FOR SUMMER USE THAT WOULD OBVIOUSLY IF THE PUBLIC'S USING THAT, THAT INCREASES HOW OFTEN A TRAM WOULD BE RUNNING. AND THOSE ARE EXACTLY THE TYPES OF THREATS AND DISTURBANCES THAT ARE A PROBLEM WITH NESTING SITES AND THAT'S THE TIME FRAME THAT THAT WOULD BE ACTIVELY USED AS A NESTING SITE. SO THAT'S A BIG CONCERN THAT I HAVEN'T HEARD ADDRESSED AND USUALLY IN MY EXPERIENCE YOU NEED TO BE IN COORDINATION WITH THE DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES BECAUSE IT IS A SPECIES OF CONCERN. IT'S BEEN QUOTED IN SEVERAL OF THEIR DOCUMENTED STUDIES THAT HAVE BEEN DONE THROUGH PARTNERS IN FLIGHT AS WELL. SO, I JUST HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING BASED ON THAT WHICH OBVIOUSLY WOULD AFFECT ANY PROPOSAL, BUT IN THE LONG TERM I ALSO WANTED TO SAY I REALLY SUPPORT HAVING A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. THE FALLS DESERVE PROTECTION, NOT JUST NOW BUT LIKE IT'S BEEN MENTIONED BEFORE IN PERPETUITY. BECAUSE WE'RE NOT THE ONLY

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ONES THAT ARE USING THE FALLS. THERE'S A VARIETY OF OTHER SPECIES THAT USE THE FALLS AS WELL, AND I'D LIKE TO SEE THAT INCORPORATED IN YOUR PLANS. THANK YOU.

COMMISSIONER AINGE - THANK YOU.

JENNEY REES, MAYOR OF CEDAR HILLS, UTAH - THANK YOU. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

JOSH DANIELS - LOUD AND CLEAR.

JENNEY REES - OKAY, GREAT. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TONIGHT. WHEN IT FIRST CAME TO MY ATTENTION THAT THERE HAD BEEN SOME DISCUSSIONS RELATED TO POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, THE FIRST THING THAT I DID WAS REACH OUT TO THE RESIDENTS OF MY COMMUNITY TO SEEK INPUT. OVERWHELMINGLY, THE FEEDBACK I RECEIVED IS THAT CITIZENS ARE OPPOSED TO WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED BY MR. LOSEE. UTAH COUNTY IS GROWING RAPIDLY AND AS PART OF OUR PLANNING EFFORTS, IT IS IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE THAT PRESERVING OPEN SPACE IS ESSENTIAL TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE THAT WE ENJOY. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS A BEAUTIFUL NATURAL LOCATION THAT IS LOVED BY MANY IN OUR STATE. IT IS A PLACE WHERE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES CAN ENJOY THE BEAUTY OF THE OUTDOORS, WITHOUT NEEDING TO FIRST PAY A FEE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE USED TO BE A TRAM AND RESTAURANT AT THE FALLS WHICH WERE DESTROYED BY AN AVALANCHE. I DO NOT SEE A NEED TO RECREATE ANY OF THESE MAN-MADE EXPERIENCES. THERE ARE PLENTY OF THOSE TYPES OF MOUNTAIN EXPERIENCES ALONG THE WASATCH FRONT FOR THOSE WHO WANT SOMETHING MORE THAN SIMPLY ENJOYING THE NATURAL LANDSCAPE. MY HOPE IS THAT YOU WILL PLACE A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON THIS LAND. THERE ARE FEWER AND FEWER LOCATIONS ALONG THE WASATCH FRONT THAT HAVEN'T BEEN MODIFIED, WHERE CITIZENS CAN ENJOY THE NATURAL LANDSCAPE WITHOUT PAYING ADDITIONAL FEES. LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO PRESERVE THE SPACE AND KEEP WHAT MAKES IT SPECIAL TO THOSE WHO LIVE IN UTAH COUNTY. AND COMMISSIONERS, AS YOU ARE AWARE, THE CEDAR HILLS CITY COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. WE DID THIS ON BEHALF OF THOSE WE REPRESENT AND TODAY YOU ARE HEARING FROM PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE COUNTY WHO ALSO WANT THIS AREA PRESERVED. PLEASE LISTEN TO THEIR DESIRES FOR THIS AREA AND VOTE TO PREVENT DEVELOPMENT OF THIS BEAUTIFUL SPACE BY PLACING A CONSERVATION EASEMENT AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THANK YOU.

#### **COMMISSIONER AINGE - THANK YOU.**

AUSTIN SKINNER - THANK YOU. I'M AUSTIN SKINNER AND I'M GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT THE ISSUE AT HAND. TRAMWAYS ARE AN ISSUE THAT HAVE BEEN PROBLEMATIC NOT JUST HERE IN PROVO BUT IN SEVERAL PUBLIC AND NATURAL PLACES. TO NAME A FEW BIG COTTONWOOD CANYON, LITTLE COTTON CANYON, PARK CITY AND ON A LARGER SCALE THE GRAND CANYON CONFLUENCE. WE NEED TO LOOK AT THE DAMAGE THAT OCCURS

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WHEN THESE MEANS ARE ESTABLISHED AND THEN ABLE FOR ACCESS. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS LIKE THESE OTHER PLACES ARE A PLACE FOR REFUGE, LIKE MENTIONED IN MANY PEOPLE'S COMMENTS. THE WASATCH RANGE ALLOWS ME TO CONNECT WITH MY SOUL. IN THE MOUNTAINS I AM NOT THE IMPORTANT ONE, I'M A TRESPASSER. I DO NOT BELONG. IT'S THE BEARS, ELKS, WOLVES, DEER, SQUIRRELS, FISH, BIRDS AND OF COURSE THE BUGS THAT DO. I WOULD LIKE US TO LOOK AT WHAT WE'RE DOING TO THIS NATURAL PLACE BY PUTTING SOMETHING IN PLACE THAT IS NOT MEANT TO BE THERE. A CONSERVATION EASEMENT IS SOMETHING THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO PROTECT THIS LAND FOR MY KIDS, MY YOUNG GIRL, AS WELL AS OTHER PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

BRADY HARPER - HI. MY NAME IS BRADY HARPER. I'D ACTUALLY LIKE TO INDULGE THE COUNCIL TO TREAT ME A LITTLE BIT MORE LIKE A STAKEHOLDER, SIMPLY BECAUSE OF MY EXPERIENCE PERSONALLY WITH BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. AND SO, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IF I CAN GET A LITTLE MORE THAN TWO MINUTES. I DON'T WANT TO RAMBLE, BUT I JUST DON'T THINK I CAN IMPACT ALL OF THE THINGS THAT I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT WITH THIS IN JUST TWO MINUTES. I'M THE REASON THE COUNTY OWNS BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. SIX YEARS AGO, I WAS THE DEVELOPER TRYING TO GET PERMISSION FROM THE COUNTY TO DEVELOP IT AS PER WHAT THE ZONING ORDINANCES AT THE TIME WERE, FOR THE FALLS. WHEN I FINALLY, AFTER YEARS OF RESEARCH, EFFORTS, STUDY, SURVEYS, MONEY, AND A LOT OF CONVERSATION CAME UPON THE PERFECT WAY TO BE ABLE TO DO THIS SO THAT IT COULD BE SOMETHING FOR OUR COMMUNITY, THAT COULD BE REMAINING IN PRIVATE HANDS, BECAUSE THIS IS THE THING THAT PEOPLE HAVEN'T TALKED ABOUT IN THIS ENTIRE PROCESS. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WAS PRIVATE FROM FOREVER ALL THE WAY IN THE BACK UNTIL SEPTEMBER OF 2015, SO, THE COUNTY HAS ONLY ACTUALLY OWNED THE PROPERTY FOR FIVE YEARS AND A COUPLE OF MONTHS. AND HOW THEY CAME UPON IT, IT'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT CONVERSATION. BUT THE POINT I GUESS I WANT TO MAKE WITH THIS IS THAT CONSERVATION EASEMENTS ARE GREAT. BUT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS DEVELOPED. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS IN ONE OF THE BUSIEST CORRIDORS IN THE STATE OF UTAH. THERE'S A FOUR LANE DIVIDED HIGHWAY THAT PEOPLE DRIVE CONSTANTLY PAST THE FALLS EVERY DAY. THOUSANDS OF CARS. IF UDOT WOULDN'T HAVE PUT THE ROAD UP WHERE IT IS NOW, WE WOULDN'T HAVE THE SANCTUARY THAT IS DOWN BELOW WHERE PEOPLE CAN GO AND ENJOY THE FALLS. AND I AM A STAUNCH ADVOCATE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I BELIEVE IT NEEDS TO BE THERE FOR EVERYONE. DO I THINK THAT WE NEED A TRAM? I DON'T KNOW, BECAUSE THE INFORMATION THAT'S BEEN GIVEN ABOUT IT IS A PAGE IN HALF LONG, IT WAS VERY HASTILY WRITTEN JUST THE OTHER DAY. BUT THE ONE THING I DO KNOW IS NOW THAT THE COUNTY OWNS THE PROPERTY, THEY CONTROL THE PROPERTY. AND I CAN TELL YOU FIRSTHAND, HAVING PURCHASE OPTIONS AND ACTUALLY OWNING PROPERTY AT THE FALLS MYSELF, IT'S REALLY HARD TO GET THE COUNTY TO LET YOU DO ANYTHING. I TRIED FOR YEARS TO DO IMPROVEMENTS AND WAS CONSTANTLY, HAD MY HEAD AGAINST...

COMMISSIONER AINGE - PLEASE MAKE SURE THE TIMER IS RUNNING, JOSH.

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### JOSH DANIELS - I HAVE IT ON MY PHONE.

BRADY HARPER - ANYWAY AND LIKE I SAID I DON'T WANT TO RAMBLE, BUT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT I STARTED IN 2008. THIS WAS A CAMPAIGN CALLED REFRESH THE FALLS. THIS WAS A CALENDAR WE DID IN 2018. MOST PEOPLE PROBABLY NEVER KNEW ABOUT IT, BECAUSE MOST PEOPLE ONLY CARE ABOUT IT WHEN PEOPLE MAKE IT A BIG DEAL. I'M A STAUNCH ADVOCATE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I BELIEVE THAT IT NEEDS TO BE IN THE PUBLIC TRUST AS FAR AS BEING ABLE TO HAVE ACCESS TO IT. BUT A CONSERVATION EASEMENT AND PUBLIC ACCESS ARE DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED TO EACH OTHER. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS COMPROMISED. IT IS NOT PRISTINE, IT IS BEAUTIFUL, BUT IT IS NOT PRISTINE. THIS IS NOT AMERICAN FORK CANYON. BECAUSE AMERICAN FORK CANYON DOESN'T HAVE RESIDENTS IN IT. IT GOES INTO A DEAD END. IT'S NOT THE HIGH UINTAS, IT'S NOT MOAB. AND I DID A STUDY IN 2012; MORE PEOPLE VISIT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS BETWEEN MEMORIAL DAY AND LABOR DAY, THOSE 13 WEEKS, MORE PEOPLE SEE, GO TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND THAT'S JUST PEOPLE STANDING ON THE PATH AT THE FALLS, THAT'S NOT PEOPLE UP IN THE PARKING LOT OR DRIVING BY IN CARS, SO I DON'T EVEN KNOW ABOUT THAT. BUT MORE PEOPLE GO VISIT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IN THOSE 13 WEEKS OF THE YEAR, THAN VISIT ARCHES NATIONAL PARK ALL YEAR LONG. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS COMPROMISED AT ITS CORE AND IT NEEDS GOOD PLANNING TO MANAGE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT ARE THERE. THAT IS PROBABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT THING THAT NEEDS TO COME OUT OF ALL OF THIS. I'M NOT HERE TO PITCH A TRAM. I'M NOT HERE TO PITCH IN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT THE PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY WANT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO BE BEAUTIFUL AND I THINK THAT THERE'S A LOT OF DIFFERENT WAYS THAT THAT CAN HAPPEN, AND I THINK THAT INTENSE PUBLIC DIALOGUE IN BREAKOUT SESSIONS THAT CAN HAPPEN WITH COMMUNITY GROUPS, WHERE PLANS CAN BE COME UP AND CERTIFIED, THAT WAY OR LEGITIMIZE IN THAT WAY, WE ARE NOT CONSTANTLY RUSHING TO GET TO THIS AND MAKE A DECISION ON SOMETHING. I LOVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I LOST MORE MONEY ON BRIDAL VEIL FALLS THAN MOST PEOPLE WOULD EVER, I DON'T EVEN WANT TO GO THERE, AND I HAVE THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FACEBOOK PAGE, SO IF YOU WANT TO YELL AT ME YOU CAN DO THAT ON THERE. BUT I I'M A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY, I LOVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, I PUT MY MONEY WHERE MY MOUTH IS WITH IT PERIOD, AND I MAKE NO APOLOGIES.

VIC DEAUVONO - IS THE TIME SET BACK? FIRST OF ALL, I REMEMBER, I'M 72 YEARS OLD AND I REMEMBER LAKE POWELL, ARCHES, CAPITOL REEF, MOAB, KANAB, ZION'S, ALL HAVE BEEN ENHANCED BY PRIVATIZATION AND GROUPS IN THERE HELPING AND ASSISTING AND BUILDING QUALITY PRODUCTS. THIS WORD DEVELOPER QUITE IRRITATES ME. NOT QUITE AS MUCH AS THAT GUY AND HIS PATHETIC CHARACTER ASSASSINATION ON BILL LEE FOR 10 MINUTES. YOU SIR GOT WHERE TO GO. YEAH, ALL GOOD. YEAH, GOOD FOR YOU. I'VE GOT, YOU KNOW WHAT? KEEP GOING BILL. THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT YOU WE WON 62% WITH THE PROP 9 BECAUSE PEOPLE CARED. IN THIS CASE, THE ONLY THING THAT'S BEEN TOLD TO THE PUBLIC IS WHAT'S GOING ON THE MEDIA WHICH IS ALL BEEN NEGATIVE. NEGATIVE, TOTALLY NEGATIVE. I CALLED MR. LOSEE, BECAUSE I WENT UP TO SUNDANCE WHERE I HAVE A

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PLACE WHEN HE WANTED TO PUT HIS UNIT IN THERE, CIRQUE LODGE, TWO BLOCKS FROM MY HOUSE ON PALISADE DRIVE, HE BUILT THE OTHER CARE CENTER OUT OF THE OSMOND STUDIOS. ALL OF THOSE PROJECTS HAVE BEEN HIGH CHARACTER AND HE'S DONE WHAT HE SAID HE WOULD DO. AND THEY'VE HAD NO RECOURSE ON THEM. I WAS 15 YEARS UP AT SUNDANCE, NORTH FORK FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT. I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT'S GOING ON. WE HAD A FEW TIMES WHERE PEOPLE HAD A LITTLE OVERDOSE. IT HAPPENS. BUT WE HAD SEVERAL TIMES THAT HAPPENED WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, SO JUST THE WAY IT IS. I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS THING ABOUT CONSERVATION BECAUSE HIS CONSERVATION IS THE WHOLE BOWL AREA OF THE 20 ACRES UP ABOVE AND THE ONLY THING THAT HE WAS TALKING ABOUT WAS MOVING THE TRAM STATION OVER SO THAT COULD BE BETTER FOR PEOPLE TO GET TO AN ACCESS LIKE THE GAL THAT CAME IN, PEOPLE WHO COULD DRIVE AND THEN THE NEXT THING WAS HE WAS PUTTING THE BUILDING UP THERE EXACTLY WHERE THE OTHER BUILDING WAS. I WAS THERE WITH KRESIMIR COSIC IN 1971 OKAY? I DON'T THINK THERE'S MANY PEOPLE HERE THAT WERE THERE WITH KRESIMIR COSIC IN 1971, SO I'VE DONE A LOT OF THIS. I'M JUST SAYING I THINK YOU HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT PRIVATIZATION HAS DONE IN OUR NATIONAL AND STATE PARKS AND IT'S BEEN WONDERFUL ESPECIALLY WHEN MR. LOSEE, I WENT AND TALKED TO ON FRIDAY NIGHT FOR THREE HOURS. HE IS GOING TO KEEP THE PRIVATIZATION WHERE IT IS, OTHER THAN JUST THE TRAM STATION AND PUTTING THE BUILDING UP THERE AND HE TALKED ABOUT HE WOULD NEVER HAVE ANY MORE THAN ONE OR TWO PEOPLE EVER UP THERE, AND THE PLACE WOULD BE FOR PEOPLE TO ENJOY. SO, I'M ASKING YOU, HOW CAN YOU DO THIS AND TALK ABOUT ANYTHING AND CONTINUE WITH IT WITHOUT ACTUALLY TALKING TO HIM AND GIVING HIM AN OPPORTUNITY AS YOU HAVE THE OTHER CONSERVATION PEOPLE THAT ARE HERE, BOTH HERE AND IN SALT LAKE .AND REMEMBER THIS, IT'S BEEN A WITCH HUNT FROM DAY ONE. I CALLED KENT FROM CHANNEL 2, IT'S AMAZING NOBODY CALLED RICHARD LOSEE UNTIL LAST FRIDAY ABOUT ANY OF THIS STUFF AND I'M JUST KIND OF WONDERING, WERE YOU GOING TO ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN?

COMMISSIONER AINGE - VIC, THANK YOU. TIME'S UP.

VIC DEAUVONO - THANK YOU.

COMMISSIONER IVIE - I WOULD ALSO REMIND THE PUBLIC THAT THERE WAS A PROPOSAL FROM MR. LOSEE THAT WAS HEAVILY DEBATED TWO YEARS AGO.

VIC DEAUVONO - WHEN WAS THAT?

COMMISSIONER IVIE - TWO YEARS AGO.

VIC DEAUVONO - BUT IT'S ENTIRELY DIFFERENT THAN RIGHT NOW IS.

COMMISSIONER IVIE - I'M JUST REMINDING THE PUBLIC. THIS HAS BEEN AN ONGOING CONVERSATION. AND THERE HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANT REFERENCE TO THE LADY IN THE WHEELCHAIR THAT SPOKE, AND I WOULD MAKE NOTE THAT

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EVERY TIME SOMEONE REFERENCES HER AS A BENEFICIARY OF THE TRAM, SHE SHAKES HER HEAD NO.

JULIE DAVEY – I DO NOT APPRECIATE ANY OF THIS. HOW DARE YOU (ADDRESSING THE AUDIENCE).

VIC DEAUVONO - THERE'S 30 TRAMS AND I'VE BEEN TO 20 OF THEM IN SWITZERLAND AND ITALY AND THAT'S A TOTALLY UNFAIR REMARK. THAT'S A TOTALLY UNFAIR REMARK BECAUSE I'VE BEEN UP THERE WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE HANDICAPPED.

COMMISSIONER AINGE - TIME IS UP, TIME IS UP.

COMMISSIONER IVIE – IT WAS HIS REFERENCE AND I JUST WANTED HIM TO KNOW THAT SHE'S THE ONE THAT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP.

BRADLEY HORNFISCHER - THIS IS BRADLEY HORNFISCHER.

JOSH DANIELS - GO AHEAD.

BRADLEY HORNFISCHER - MY NAME IS BRADLEY HORNFISCHER. I'M A STUDENT AT BYU BUT I'M ALSO A PROVO RESIDENT. I WAS SOMEWHAT CONFUSED ORIGINALLY BY THE PURPOSE OF THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT BECAUSE IT DIDN'T REALLY MAKE A LOT OF SENSE IF THE LAND WAS ALREADY HELD BY THE PUBLIC, WHY WE FELT WE NEEDED TO ADD FURTHER RESTRICTIONS. TO ME IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S A BIT OF A DRASTIC MEASURE TO PERMANENTLY CLOSE ALL DEBATES ABOUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO BE USING THIS LAND IN THE FUTURE, ESPECIALLY WHEN THAT FUTURE USE OF THIS LAND IS GOING TO BE A MATTER OF PUBLIC DEBATE WHEN ALL STAKE HOLDERS WILL BE ABLE TO COME FORWARD AND HAVE A DISCUSSION JUST LIKE WE'RE HAVING NOW PERMANENTLY CLOSING THAT OFF RIGHT NOW SEEMS ODD AND A BIT PREMATURE AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS VERY LIMITED OF THE EASEMENT, BUT WE WOULD BE PUTTING THE LAND IN A TRUST OR SOMETHING TO A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION. I UNDERSTAND THEY ARE 501(c)3, BUT THEY'RE STILL AN ORGANIZATION THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO RUN DECISIONS THROUGH. ANOTHER THING IS 75% OF UTAH IS OWNED PUBLICLY, IS OWNED BY GOVERNMENTS. I MEAN THE COUNTY DOESN'T EVEN OWN THE ACTUAL FALLS THEMSELVES, THEY OWN LAND AROUND THAT. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT JUST LOSING ONE OUT OF 20 ACRES OF THIS LAND AROUND THE FALLS, NOT THE FALLS THEMSELVES, BUT LAND AROUND IT. WE WOULD BE DENYING NO ONE ACCESS TO THEM AND A LOT OF THE FEARS THAT I'VE SEEN FROM MY FRIENDS FROM ON SOCIAL MEDIA, THEY SEEM ENTIRELY PREDICATED AROUND THE IDEA THAT THE FALLS WILL SOMEHOW BE DAMAGED, OR THE ACCESS WILL BE LOST TO THEM. AND PEOPLE SAY THAT THEY DON'T WANT THIS THING, THAT'S A MONEY-MAKING THING, THAT CHARGING PEOPLE TO RIDE TO THE TOP WILL SOMEHOW DIMINISH THE VALUE OF IT. THE REALITY IS WE DON'T EVEN HAVE THE OPTION. SO, IT'S A CHOICE OF SOME PEOPLE HAVING ACCESS TO GET TO THE TOP OF THE FALLS OR NO PEOPLE HAVING ACCESS THAT WAY. AND I DO THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE TALK ABOUT THE SAFETY THING, LIKE IF A PERSON IN A YEAR IS DYING AT THE FALLS FROM FALLING, PROVIDING THEM

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WITH AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD TO REACH THE TOP I THINK MIGHT DETER SOME OF THAT AND POTENTIALLY PREVENT A DEATH OR TWO. AND WHEN YOU SEE THE LENGTHS WE ARE GOING TO, TO PREVENT DEATHS DURING THIS PANDEMIC. I THINK ANOTHER THING IS THE COST. WE'RE TALKING, WE ALREADY WE JUST ADDED \$500,000 TO WHAT WE'RE GOING TO SPENDING ON THE FALLS AND I THINK HAVING SOME PRIVATE INTERESTS IN THIS WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE COSTS AND BE INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TO THE FUTURE OF THE FALLS. THANK YOU.

JULIA GEISLER - GOOD EVENING UTAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. EVERYONE ON THIS CALL IS SO PASSIONATE ABOUT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. MY NAME IS JULIA GEISLER. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SALT LAKE CLIMBERS ALLIANCE, AND WE ARE A LOCAL 501(c)3 NONPROFIT ESTABLISHED IN 2002. OUR MISSION IS TO SERVE AS THE UNIFIED VOICE FOR OVER THE 20,000 CLIMBERS IN THE GREATER WASATCH REGION, ENGAGING AS AN ADVOCATE TO PROTECT OUTDOOR CLIMBING ACCESS AND AS A STEWARD TO MAINTAIN SUSTAINABLE CLIMBING RESOURCES IN THE WASATCH AND SURROUNDING REGIONS. SO, WINTER USE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS HAS NOT REALLY BEEN MENTIONED TONIGHT, BUT IT DOES EXIST. YOU CAN SEE THE ICE FORMING RIGHT NOW THAT ICE CLIMBERS WILL SOON HIT HERE SOON. UTAH COUNTY IS HOME TO SEVERAL WORLD CLASS CLIMBING OPPORTUNITIES FROM SPORT CLIMBING IN AMERICAN FORK IN ROCK CANYON TO ICE CLIMBING IN PROVO CANYON. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS THE CORNERSTONE OF UTAH ICE CLIMBING HISTORY WHICH IN TURN PLAYS A PROMINENT ROLE IN NATIONAL ICE CLIMBING DEVELOPMENT. THE EXPERIENCE OF ICE CLIMBING AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS TEACHING CLIMBING HISTORY AND IS CHERISHED BY MANY AND ONE OF THE EARLIEST RECORDED DESCENTS IS GREG LOWE'S DESCENT OF BRIDAL VEIL IN 1971. THE UTAH ICE GUIDEBOOK LISTS 35 DISTINCT ICE CLIMBS IN THE AREA TODAY AND IT'S A SPOT WHERE MANY SMALL BUSINESS GUIDE OUTFITTERS TEACH ICE CLIMBERS THE ROPES. THE SLCA IS REALLY EXCITED TO HEAR ABOUT A CONSERVATION EASEMENT AND WOULD LIKE TO BE AT THE TABLE AS A STAKEHOLDER IN A FUTURE WORKING GROUP TO PROTECT THIS NATURAL EXPERIENCE IN BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FOR ICE CLIMBING SPECIFICALLY AND RECREATION. WE HOPE THAT SOME OF THE ADDITIONAL \$500,000 JUST PUT IN THE COUNTY BUDGET FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WILL BE ALLOCATED TOWARDS MAINTENANCE AND EDUCATION SURROUNDING THE ICE CLIMBING RESOURCE. THANK YOU FOR HEARING THE SALT LAKE CLIMBERS INTEREST IN THE FUTURE OF RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND YOU CAN FIND MORE ABOUT OUR ORGANIZATIONS, THE SALT LAKE CLIMBERS ALLIANCE ON INSTAGRAM, SALT LAKE CLIMBERS ALLIANCE FACEBOOK AND SALTLAKECLIMBERS.ORG. AGAIN, WE'RE AN ADVOCACY 501(c)3 STEWARDSHIP GROUP THAT REALLY CHERISHES THIS ICE CLIMBING RESOURCE AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I HOPE YOU ALL GET OUT AND GET TO SEE SOME ICE CLIMBERS SWINGING THEIR TOOLS HERE SOON. IF YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT LIABILITY, I WELCOME YOU TO CHECK OUT THE UTAH RECREATIONAL USE STATUTE AND SOME OF THOSE PROTECTIONS THAT IT AFFORDS PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LANDOWNERS. WE'VE HAD GREAT SUCCESS WITH WORKING WITH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC LANDOWNERS, NOT ONLY IN THE FOREST SERVICE BUT ALSO THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS IN LITTLE COTTONWOOD CANYON. IN AMERICAN FORK CANYON, WE'VE REPLACED FITTINGS, FIXED

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ANCHORS AND STEWARDED THAT RESOURCE SO THIS CAN BE A SAFE CLIMBING EXPERIENCE FOR ALL OF THE PUBLIC. THANKS FOR YOUR TIME.

COMMISSIONER LEE – I WONDER IF COMMISSIONERS, COULD WE TAKE A 5-MINUTE BREAK? I NEED A 5-MINUTE BREAK. THANK YOU

(5-MINUTE BREAK)

COMMISSIONER AINGE - I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE A COUNT FOR HOW MANY HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE LEFT.

JOSH DANIELS - HERE IN THE ROOM OR IN COMMENTS? THERE'S DOZENS OF COMMENTS. SO, LET'S JUMP RIGHT BACK TO SOME OF THE ONLINE COMMENTS THAT WE WEREN'T ABLE TO HEAR FROM EARLIER. THERE WAS AN ALEX CHRISTIANSEN, LET ME SEE IF WE'VE GOT HIM IN THE ONLINE LIST. ALEX CHRISTIANSEN, IS THERE AN ALEX CHRISTIANSEN, I SEE AN ALEX WITH NOTE.

COMMISSIONER IVIE – JUST A REMINDER IN THE ROOM, WE ARE TRYING TO GET GOING WITH THE HEARING AGAIN SO IF EVERYONE COULD PLEASE RETURN TO THEIR SEATS.

MARK ALLEN - I JUST HAVE A REQUEST, COULD WE HAVE THIS GENTLEMAN REMOVED FROM THE ROOM?

COMMISSIONER IVIE - JUST GOING TO ASK EVERYONE TO RETURN TO THEIR SEATS PLEASE.

BRUCE BAIRD - THANK YOU. MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION, MY NAME IS BRUCE BAIRD. I'M COUNSEL FOR MR. LOSEE. I APOLOGIZE, MY UNMUTE BUTTON DIDN'T WORK THE FIRST TIME, I TRIED ABOUT 20 TIMES. I'M GOING TO TRY NOT TO INSULT YOUR INTELLIGENCE BY REPEATING MUCH OF WHAT YOU'VE HEARD. I'M TRYING TO SUMMARIZE WHAT I THINK YOU'VE HEARD ON BEHALF OF MR. LOSEE AND MAKE IT FAIRLY CLEAR, THE FIRST THING IS THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME CONFUSION ABOUT THE ATTEMPT TO "PRIVATIZE" BRIDAL VEIL FALLS OR TO DEVELOP IT. BUT WHAT I SAW RIGHT AT THE START WITH YOUR PRESENTATION MADE BY YOUR PLANNING DIRECTOR, SORRY BY YOUR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PEOPLE, I LOOKED AT THE PLAN AND I THOUGHT WELL THAT IS ALMOST EXACTLY WHAT RICHARD IS PROPOSING TO DO WITH ONLY THREE SMALL EXCEPTIONS. NUMBER 1 IS IT WOULD BE A RELATIVELY SMALL BASE STATION FOR THE TRAM. #2 WOULD BE THERE WOULD BE A SMALL SET OF CABLES RUNNING UP THE MOUNTAIN WITH THE CABLE CAR ON EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE, AND #3 A VERY SMALL LANDING FACILITY AT THE TOP. THAT WOULD BE ESSENTIALLY IT. NO PERSON WOULD BE DISTRACTED OR IN ANY WAY PROHIBITED FROM ENJOYING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IN ITS NATURAL STATE AND THE \$2,500,000 MR. LOSEE HAS OFFERED TO PAY FOR THAT SMALL FACILITY, THE LEASE OR THE SALE, WOULDN'T PROHIBIT IN ANY WAY A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. IT WOULDN'T PROHIBIT IT IN ANY WAY. IN FACT, IT WOULD FACILITATE THE BUILDING OF THE TRAILS AND THE BUILDING OF EVERYTHING ELSE. THE ICE CLIMBERS WOULD STILL BE ABLE TO CLIMB IT. THE BIRDS WOULD STILL BE ABLE TO FLY. EVERYBODY

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WOULD BE ABLE TO SEE IT, EXCEPT THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO SEE IT AND MORE. PEOPLE WOULD BE ABLE TO ENJOY THE FALLS IN A WAY THAT THEY CAN'T CURRENTLY ENJOY THE FALLS AND THAT IS GOING UP TO THE TOP AND SEEING IT. IT MAKES THE FALLS MORE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC, NOT LESS. IT WOULDN'T DO ANYTHING IN ANY WAY TO RESTRICT THE PUBLIC FROM BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I BELIEVE THAT THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN PUSHED, IT APPEARS FROM THE COMMENTS EARLIER THAT THIS PROJECT TO PUT THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR QUITE SOME TIME UNDER THE RADAR SCREEN. OUR SUGGESTION IS THAT NOW THAT HAS COME OUT FROM UNDER THE RADAR SCREEN, YOU SHOULD TAKE SOME TIME TO CONSIDER IT. THIS IS NOT A STALLING TACTIC; THIS IS SIMPLY TO SAY THERE ARE MULTIPLE OPTIONS THAT THE COMMISSION COULD CONSIDER. BUT ADOPTING A FULL-BLOWN CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON ALL 23 ACRES OF THE PROPERTY, 21 ACRES OF PROPERTY, IS SOMETHING THAT CAN'T BE EASILY UNWOUND, WHAT WE'RE PROPOSING IN FACT WOULD PUT A CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON VIRTUALLY ALL OF THE PROPERTY. AND WENDY DOES A GREAT JOB, I'VE WORKED WITH HER ON A NUMBER OF PROJECTS. THEIR CONSERVATION OF THE VAST 98% OF THE PROPERTY WOULD NOT BE AFFECTED IN ANY WAY BY THIS PROPOSAL. WHAT YOU'VE HEARD IS AN AWFUL LOT OF ATTACKS AND SCARE TACTICS I THINK ARRIVING AROUND THE USE OF THE PROPERTY AROUND SOME PERSONAL ATTACKS ON COMMISSIONERS WHICH I THINK ARE HORRIBLY UNWARRANTED. THIS SHOULD BE TAKEN ON A RELATIVELY SIMPLE BASIS WHERE YOU CONSIDER IT SLOWLY OVER TIME AND YOU MAKE A RATIONAL DECISION WITH ALL OF THE PUBLIC HAVING INPUT RATHER THAN DOING IT AT THIS LAST MINUTE. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT IT, BUT I WANTED TO CLEAR THOSE THINGS UP AS A SUMMARY MATTER AND I THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HOPEFULLY TALKING WITH YOU AND JANUARY AND FEBRUARY AND NEGOTIATING WHAT WE HOPE TO BE A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE CONTRACT THAT WILL PROVIDE AN ENHANCEMENT FOR THE CANYON, FOR EVERYONE ON A WIN-WIN SITUATION. AND I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME, THANK YOU.

COMMISSIONER IVIE – YOU BET MR. BRUCE. I'M APPRECIATIVE. I WANT TO MAKE A COMMENT HERE THAT YOU DISPARAGE PERSONALLY ATTACKING SITTING COMMISSIONERS AFTER A LASHING THAT I ENDURED AT THE COUNCIL OF MR. LOSEE TWO YEARS AGO IN A PUBLIC FORMAT THAT IS RECORDED. SO, I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU'VE TURNED THE TABLE ON THAT AND ARE NO LONGER INTO DISPARAGING PUBLICLY ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO HAPPENED TO DISAGREE WITH YOUR VISION.

BRUCE BAIRD - I AM UNAWARE OF WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT COMMISSIONER.

COMMISSIONER IVIE – WELL, IT'S RECORDED, SO WE CAN PULL THE RECORDING.

BRUCE BAIRD - I'M UNAWARE OF IT. ALL I SAW WAS TODAY WITH VICIOUS PERSONAL ATTACKS ON COMMISSIONER LEE WHICH WERE SOMEWHAT DERANGED TO PUT IT MILDLY.

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COMMISSIONER IVIE – I'M JUST SIMPLY GLAD TO SEE THAT THE CAMP CHANGED ITS COURSE ON THAT TYPE OF ACTION.

COMMISSIONER AINGE - YOU KNOW I'M GOING TO TAKE A MOMENT AS WELL HERE JUST TO RESPOND TO A COUPLE OF THINGS. PREVIOUSLY WE HAD ANOTHER ATTORNEY FOR MR. LOSEE SPEAK, AND NOW WE'VE HEARD FROM MR. BAIRD, AND THERE'S A COUPLE OF I THINK MISCHARACTERIZATIONS IN MY OPINION. ONE WAS THAT I THINK IT WAS STATED THE VAST MAJORITY OR THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE COUNTY WOULD SUPPORT THIS VISION IF THEY KNEW WHAT IT WAS. I DISAGREE WITH THAT, THAT HUNDREDS OR THOUSANDS OF EMAILS THAT I'VE RECEIVED WOULD INDICATE THAT, ALL OF MY CONVERSATIONS WITH MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WOULD INDICATE THAT. SO, I THINK THAT THAT'S REALLY KIND OF SEARCHING TO TRY TO FIND THAT CONCLUSION. SECONDLY, IT WAS STATED THAT I SIGNALED SOME SORT OF SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECT AND I WOULD JUST INDICATE THAT MY VIEW OF THAT SITUATION IS THAT MR. LOSEE SOUGHT MY SUPPORT, SOUGHT MY COMMITMENT, AND NEVER RECEIVED IT. AND THEN LASTLY, I THINK THAT THIS CHARACTERIZATION THAT IT'S THIS ALMOST THE SAME. I MEAN I DON'T FAULT ANYONE FOR COMING AND SHARING THE VISION, SHARING AN IMAGINATION OF WHAT THEY WANT TO DO. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING WRONG WITH THAT. BUT I WOULD JUST DISAGREE WITH THAT CHARACTERIZATION THAT IT'S THE SAME AS OUR PUBLIC WORKS PLAN EXCEPT FOR A COUPLE OF SMALL EXCEPTIONS. I WOULD SAY THAT A PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT OF A DRUG TREATMENT FACILITY ON THE TOP AND SOME RESTRICTION ON THE ACCESS OF USING A TRAM AND BUILDING A TRAM, THOSE ARE A FEW PRETTY MASSIVE DEPARTURES FROM WHAT OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT HAD LAID OUT.

JOSH BAUER - SO MY NAME IS JOSH BAUER. I'M A RESIDENT OF PROVO AND I BELIEVE THAT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS SHOULD BE PLACED UNDER THE PERMANENT PROTECTION OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. THERE ARE FEW THINGS HAVE BEEN MENTIONED IN FAVOR OF DEVELOPMENT THAT I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS. ONE SPEAKER FOR MR. LOSEE TALKED ABOUT BUILDING A TRAM TO PROVIDE WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBILITY. WHY DO YOU BELIEVE EQUAL ACCESS TO THOSE WITH DISABILITIES IS IMPORTANT? THAT'S NOT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE. IF WE WERE LOOKING AT A BUILDING THAT OFFERS ACCESS TO MOST OF THE PUBLIC BUT EXCLUDES PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, FAIRNESS WOULD DEMAND THAT EQUAL ACCESS BE PROVIDED. BUT IN THIS CASE, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE TOP OF WATERFALL THAT IS NOT GENERALLY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC. IT'S NOT A QUESTION OF WHETHER EQUAL ACCESS SHOULD BE BUILT BUT RATHER A QUESTION OF WHETHER ACCESS SHOULD BE BUILT AT ALL. I BELIEVE THAT THE FALLS ARE MOST BEAUTIFUL IN THEIR NATURAL STATE WITH NO DEVELOPMENT AT THE TOP. JUST BECAUSE THE TRAM WAS BUILT PREVIOUSLY DOES NOT MEAN IT WAS A GOOD IDEA THEN OR NOW. OUR NATURAL TREASURES ARE BEST VIEWED IN THEIR NATURAL STATE. I BELIEVE THAT THOSE OF US FAVORING A CONSERVATION EASEMENT HAVE THE WEIGHT OF PUBLIC OPINION ON OUR SIDE. OVER 12,000 UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS HAVE SIGNED A PETITION IN FAVOR OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT, IN ADDITION TO MANY WHO HAVE EMAILED THE COMMISSIONERS AS COMMISSIONERS AINGE AND IVIE NOTED.