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**DONATIONS. RICHARD LOSEE'S ASSOCIATE SAID A CONSERVATION EASEMENT CANNOT BE EASILY UNDONE. I TAKE THAT TO MEAN, WELL IT CAN BE UNDONE IF A PUBLIC TRULY DESIRES IT. BUT TO ME IT SEEMS THAT PUBLIC OPINION IS OVERWHELMINGLY IN SUPPORT KEEPING THE LAND IN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. THANK YOU.**

**CLARK CHRISTENSEN – AWESOME, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CLARK CHRISTENSEN FROM ALPINE. COMMISSION AINGE, COMMISSIONER IVIE, COMMISSIONER LEE, WE APPRECIATE YOUR TIME FOR TAKING AN ATTENTION FOR THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. PERSONALLY, I WAS BORN IN UTAH AND HAVE LIVED HERE MOST OF MY LIFE AND I'VE WATCHED THE COUNTY GROW AND BE DEVELOPED. AND LIKE MANY LONGTIME RESIDENTS OF UTAH COUNTY AND OVER 30 VOTING ADULTS I PERSONALLY TALKED TO SINCE I HEARD ABOUT THIS LAST WEEK, I'M SHOCKED AND DISMAYED THAT COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE FALLS IS EVEN A TOPIC OF DISCUSSION. I REJECT THE IDEA THAT WE'VE HEARD IN THESE PROCEEDINGS THAT THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED ARE DUE TO A MISREPRESENTATION OF FACTS OR EXTREME LANGUAGE. THE TRUTH IS THAT DEVELOPMENT IS A SLIPPERY SLOPE, AND IT CHANGES THINGS PERMANENTLY. AND I THINK WE ALL UNDERSTAND THAT. AND THE TRUTH IS THAT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS A PUBLIC TREASURE. IT NEEDS NO IMPROVEMENT. IT SHOULD BE PRESERVED AND MAINTAINED AS IS, FOR THE GOOD OF ALL, NOT DIVIDED UP AND SOLD TO A DEVELOPER FOR LIMITED COMMERCIAL BENEFIT, AND ESPECIALLY NOT FOR AN EXCLUSIVE CELEBRITY DRUG REHAB CENTER. IN WHAT WORLD IS BUILDING SOMETHING LIKE THAT AT THE TOP OF A CLIFF A GOOD IDEA? I DON'T KNOW. THE FACT THAT WE NEED I KNOW WE'VE HAD SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT THAT, BUT THE FACT WE NEED A SPECIAL HEARING DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON TO DISCUSS PROTECTION FOR THIS MOST ICONIC NATURAL FEATURE IN OUR COUNTY, SUGGESTS THAT OUR GOVERNMENT LEADERS CAN BE INFLUENCED BY DEVELOPER MONEY FOR THE BENEFITS OF A FEW AT ODDS WITH THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC. FOR THE GOOD OF OUR CITIZENS AND OUR CHILDREN AND THE COMMISSION, PLEASE RESTORE CONFIDENCE BY VOTING FOR A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO PRESERVE THE FALLS FOR THE GOOD OF ALL RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY, THE STATE, AND ITS VISITORS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. OUR FAMILY WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE COUNTY GO ONE STEP FURTHER AND POTENTIALLY MAKE IT A STATE LANDMARK OR MONUMENT AND I'D LOVE TO HEAR WHEN WENDY SPEAKS, HOW A CONSERVATION EASEMENT MIGHT ALIGN TO THAT SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO EFFECTIVELY MANAGE AND MAINTAIN PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE LANDMARK OVER TIME FOR THE GOOD OF THE PUBLIC. THANK YOU.**

**SAMUEL BONA – FIRSTLY, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT NATURE IS INHERENTLY PERFECT AND THERE IS NO POSSIBLE WAY TO ENHANCE IT. I FIND THAT THE FACT THAT A PRIVATE DEVELOPER WANTS TO ENHANCE THE BEAUTY OF BRIDAL VEIL AND MAKE IT SAFER, A LITTLE CONCERNING. BECAUSE AT THE END OF DAY, DEVELOPERS ARE LIKE MY DOGS GETTING UP ON THE COUCH. FIRST, IT'S THE NOSE, THEN IT'S THEIR FRONT FEET AND THEN THEY ARE ALL THE WAY UP ON THE COUCH. AND WHEN THEY LEAVE, WHO ASKED TO VACUUM UP THE MESS? WE DO. JUST LIKE THE MINES DOWN IN SOUTHERN UTAH, AT THE END OF THE DAY THE TAXPAYERS, WHEN THESE BUSINESSES GO KA-PUTT OR**

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**LEAVE, WE CLEAN UP THE MESS. AND I DO NOT WANT TO SEE BRIDAL VEIL DAMAGED BY PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT. WE PROTECTED ROCK CANYON FROM QUARRYING, AND IT IS BECOME A LANDMARK IN THE STATE OF UTAH FOR ROCK CLIMBERS. SAME THING IN WITH BRIDAL VEIL. WE HAVE TO PROTECT THESE PLACES FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS, ESPECIALLY IN AN ERA THAT WILL BE DEFINED BY THE CLIMATE CRISIS. WE HAVE TO HOLD ON TO THESE NATURAL LANDSCAPES BEFORE THEY'RE GONE, BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, ONCE A NATURAL WONDER IS GONE, IT'S GONE. THANK YOU.**

**GWEN BATEMAN – ALRIGHT. MY NAME IS GWEN BATEMAN AND I'M A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT IN OREM. I HAVE SO ENJOYED HAVING A SAFE PLACE TO GO AND DE-STRESS WITH MY YOUTH GROUP, MY YOUNG WOMEN AND WITH MY FRIENDS. IN THE PANDEMIC TIMES IT'S BEEN NICE TO BE ABLE TO SAFELY SEE PEOPLE IN PERSON AND GOING ON THE TRAILS HAS BEEN A GOOD RESOURCE FOR US BECAUSE WE CAN SOCIALLY DISTANCE AND STILL HAVE YOUNG WOMEN ACTIVITIES FACE TO FACE. IN NON-PANDEMIC TIMES IT IS NICE TO HAVE SOME WHOLESOME AND FREE RECREATION. THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT IS IMPORTANT TO ME BECAUSE IT ENSURES THAT ME AND MY FRIENDS WILL ALWAYS HAVE A SAFE AND BEAUTIFUL PLACE TO GO. BRIDAL VEIL IS SO BEAUTIFUL AND HAS BEEN A STAPLE OF MY CHILDHOOD AND THROUGHOUT MY LIFE. IT'S NICE TO HAVE A COMMUNITY PLACE FOR ALL ABILITY LEVELS AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS, BECAUSE WE'RE ALL THE SAME AND UNIFIED WHEN WE'RE HIKING TOGETHER. WE LIVE IN A HIGHLY DEVELOPED WORLD WHICH IS NOT NECESSARILY BAD, BUT WE NEED HELP MODERATION IN ALL THINGS. KEEPING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS MINIMALLY DEVELOPED IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT, KEEPS BRIDAL VEIL THE SAFE NATURAL RESPITE THAT WE ALL NEED IN THESE CHAOTIC TIMES AND BEYOND. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.**

**JOSH DANIELS - THANK YOU. THAT WAS ALL THE PUBLIC COMMENT THAT WE HAVE. COMMISSIONER AINGE, WE'LL NOW TURN THE TIME BACK TO YOU.**

**COMMISSIONER IVIE: MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING**

**COMMISSIONER LEE: SECOND**

**AYE: ALL IN FAVOR**

**PASSED: 3/0**

**COMMISSIONER AINGE - APPRECIATE ALL OF THE COMMENTS AND ENGAGEMENT THAT WE RECEIVED FROM THE COMMUNITY ON THIS TOPIC. OKAY, WELL I THINK WE SHOULD MOVE FORWARD. I THINK WE SHOULD MOVE FORWARD AND PLACE THIS IN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT, SO THAT WE CAN HAVE THE PERMANENT PRESERVATION OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FOR PUBLIC USE AND ENJOYMENT, AND FOREVER FORECLOSE THE POSSIBILITY OF PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT ON THE FALLS AND THE ADJACENT PROPERTY. AND THAT'S WHAT THE NEXT FEW ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA WILL DO.**

**COMMENTS MADE FOR THE RECORD TO COMMISSIONCLERK.COM AS PER OUTLINED ON THE AGENDA (through 12/11/2021):**

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**LEE ANNE WALKER - I LIVED IN PROVO IN ON-CAMPUS HOUSING. I LOVED THE FALLS. THEY MADE ME FEEL LIKE PART OF A HUGE, BEAUTIFUL, ETERNAL UNIVERSE. I NEEDED SOMEPLACE LIKE THAT TO BALANCE LIVING IN A CRAMPED SPACE WITH A WHOLE HIVE OF BELOVED ROOMMATES. AND READY TO GO BACK AND FINISH MY DEGREE.**

**THIS WILL LEAVE THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FEELING LIKE ANTS AT THE BOTTOM OF A CRACK. THAT OUR GOVERNMENT SOLD PUBLIC LAND WITH ICONIC BEAUTY TO BUILD A "SWANKY" REHAB LODGE FOR RICH PEOPLE. AND WILLING TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO USE THEIR PROPOSED TRAM "FOR A REASONABLE FEE" FOR LIMITED HOURS DURING THE SUMMER. FOR THE YOUNG, POOR, MINORITIES, STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THEY WILL AVOID ANY FEE FOR PUBLIC ACCESS. AND ANOTHER STUDY SHOWS THAT PEOPLE WILL AVOID PLACES WHERE THEIR DRESS OR OTHER FEATURES WILL NOT FIT IN WITH WHITE PRIVILEGE. THESE STUDIES WERE CITED IN THE TRIBUNE IN THE LAST COUPLE DAYS. THESE PEOPLE AT THE BOTTOM, IN THEIR GOVERNMENT, AND AT THE HILL, ARE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. IT ISN'T HARD TO GUESS THAT THE CRAZY RICH PEOPLE AT AN INCREDIBLY EXPENSIVE LOOKING REHAB LODGE ATOP AN ICONIC CLIFF ARE GOING TO BE WHITE AND PRIVILEGED AS WELL AS MENTALLY, EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED AND OR ADDICTS AND ABUSERS.**

**MY BEST GUESS, AS A RETIRED LAWYER, IS THAT THIS IS A PERFECT PLACE FOR A RICH CRIMINAL TO SCURRY AHEAD OF CHARGES BEING FILED. IF THE SUSPECT LEFT A JOB AND IS HARD TO EXTRADITE AND INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL, HIS OR HER LAWYERS MIGHT CONVINC PROSECUTORS NOT TO FILE.**

**I CAN ALSO FORESEE INEVITABLE SUICIDES. THAT IS A PRETTY RISKY PLACE TO TRY TO CONTROL FOR SUICIDES JUMPING OFF THE FALLS, WHICH COULD TAKE QUITE A TOLL ON PROFITS OF A REHAB FOR MENTAL ILLNESS, ADDICTIONS, OPIOIDS. IS THERE A PLAN FOR QUARANTINING, TREATING, EVACUATING COVID CASES? WHAT ABOUT EVACUATION IN CASE OF FIRE, FLOOD, EARTHQUAKE? A LANDSLIDE TOOK OUT THE ORIGINAL TRAM. AND A GOOD ALTERNATIVE IS OUT-GOING COMMISSIONER NATHAN IVIE'S PROPOSED PERMANENT CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO UTAH OPEN SPACE. PEOPLE SHOULD CONTACT [COMMISSIONCLERK@UTAHCOUNTY.GOV](mailto:COMMISSIONCLERK@UTAHCOUNTY.GOV) IMMEDIATELY, AND OUTGOING COMMISSIONER NATHAN IVIE [NATHAN@NATHANIVIE.COM](mailto:NATHAN@NATHANIVIE.COM)**

**MATTHEW BENTLEY - I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE FOR THE VOTE AGAINST THE PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I HAVE LIVED IN UTAH COUNTY ALMOST MY ENTIRE LIFE, AND I HAVE VERY FOND MEMORIES OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. GROWING UP, MY FAMILY WOULD GO TO THE FALLS FREQUENTLY, AND I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THE TIMES SPENT THERE PLAYING IN THE WATER, BIKING THE TRAIL, AND PICNICKING IN THE PARK. EVEN NOW, I CONTINUE TO GO WITH MY FAMILY, PLAYING IN THE WATER WITH MY NEPHEWS, AND TAKING SELFIES WITH MY WIFE. WHILE THINGS LIKE AN UPDATED TRAM WOULD BE NICE, I FEEL THAT IT IS MORE IMPORTANT THAT THE FALLS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS A PLACE TO ENJOY NATURE AND RELAX. I WOULD AGAIN LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE VOTE TO KEEP THE FALLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

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**I HOPE THAT ANY OTHER SITUATIONS LIKE THIS IN THE FUTURE WILL ALSO BE DECIDED IN FAVOR OF THE PUBLIC. DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS ARE GREAT FOR UTAH AND UTAH COUNTY, BUT PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW IT TO HAPPEN ON OUR PRECIOUS NATURAL LANDMARKS AND BEAUTIES.**

**ROBERT OSTLER - PLEASE SAVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AREA FOR RECREATIONAL USE. A RECREATIONAL AND CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON THIS PROPERTY WOULD BE ONE OPTION WORTH EXPLORING.**

**I LOVE ICE CLIMBING HERE; I'VE BUILT STRONG BONDS WITH MY BROTHER AND MADE LIFELONG FRIENDS BECAUSE OF RECREATIONAL USE OF THIS AREA. LET THIS AREA LAST SO THAT OTHERS MAY ALSO BUILD LASTING BONDS.**

**BILL BOYLE - AS A CLIMBING ROUTE DEVELOPER WHO HAS COMPLETED MANY FIRST ROCK CLIMBING ASCENTS IN ROCK AND AMERICAN FORK CANYONS, AM WRITING TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR MAINTAINING OPEN ACCESS TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO THE CLIMBING COMMUNITY. THIS SECTION OF PROVO CANYON HAS SIGNIFICANT CLIMBING HISTORY AND IS ONE OF THE PREMIER AREAS FOR ICE CLIMBING IN THE COUNTRY. PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW DEVELOPMENT TO DESTROY THIS CURRENT ACCESS OR TO RUIN THIS SPECTACULAR PIECE OF SCENERY.**

**LARRY RENZETTI - I'M A RESIDENT OF SALT LAKE COUNTY, BUT THE FALLS IS A STATE TREASURE FOR ALL UTAHNS TO APPRECIATE AND ENJOY. I LOVE WHAT WILDNESS IS LEFT OF PROVO CANYON AND THE PROVO RIVER ECOSYSTEM THERE. PLEASE DON'T DEVELOP ANOTHER PART OF OUR WILD UTAH THAT IS SO ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE ALONG THE WASATCH FRONT. WITH POPULATION EXPLODING ALONG SALT LAKE AND UTAH COUNTIES, FEWER AND FEWER NATURAL WILD AREAS ARE LEFT FOR US TO BE IN AND ENJOY. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS REPRESENTS ONE OF THESE FEW REMAINING WILD AREAS. NATURE SHOULD BE FREE FOR ALL OF US TO EXPERIENCE, AND WE SHOULD ALL TAKE RESPONSIBILITY PRESERVING ITS WILD, NATURAL STATE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. I AM AGAINST THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF A TRAM AND REHAB FACILITY THERE, OR ANY OTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THIS ICONIC NATURAL WONDER THAT IS SO CLOSE TO A POPULATION CENTER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.**

**KATHY SWENSON (35-YEAR UTAH COUNTY RESIDENT) - DEAR MEMBERS OF THE UTAH COUNTY COMMISSION, STOP THIS TRAVESTY! PLEASE PRESERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FROM ANY PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT NOW AND FOREVER! IF THE BEST WAY TO DO THAT IS TO ESTABLISH A CONSERVATION EASEMENT, THEN PLEASE DO SO!!!!**

**LET'S CONSERVE THIS BEAUTIFUL AREA. THIS IS NOT AN AREA THAT SHOULD BE MARRED BY PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT. THAT PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT IS EVEN BEING CONSIDERED IN THIS AREA IS INEXPLICABLE AND UNIMAGINABLE TO ME. I AM OLD ENOUGH TO REMEMBER WHEN A TRAM EXISTED AND PARTIES TOOK PLACE AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I'M GRATEFUL NATURE, QUIET AND BEAUTY WERE RESTORED AS THE UNSIGHTLY TRAM WAS REMOVED.**

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**DO NOT LET THIS HAPPEN AGAIN! THE PRISTINE BRIDAL VEILS AREA SHOULD BE PRESERVED WITH ITS NATURAL BEAUTY FOR ALL TO ENJOY WITHOUT ANY STRUCTURES, PROFITS, OR PRIVATE OWNERSHIP. VOTE NO TO PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT. PROTECT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND PRESERVE THIS AREA UNDER A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TODAY!!**

**ROBERT & LAUREL GEORGE - PLEASE DO NOT SELL BRIDAL VEIL FALLS OR ALLOW ANY COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT THERE. IT'S ONE OF THE REAL BEAUTIFUL FEATURES OF THE AREA, AND CLOSE BY. WE GO THERE OFTEN. SITES OF NATURAL BEAUTY LIKE THIS SHOULD BELONG TO THE PUBLIC AND BE SHARED BY ALL, NOT A SELECT FEW. TEDDY ROOSEVELT WOULD ROLL OVER IN HIS GRAVE AT THIS SUGGESTION.**

**VICKI WICKLINE - I'M WRITING THIS TO REGISTER MY SUPPORT FOR MAINTAINING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AS A PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE ICE CLIMBING AREA. RECREATION IN PROVO CANYON IS A TREASURED RESOURCE FOR UTAH COUNTY RESIDENTS, INCLUDING ITS NATIONALLY RENOWNED ICE CLIMBING IN THE WINTER. RESTRICTING THIS RESOURCE IS NOT IN-LINE WITH WHAT MAKES LIFE GREAT IN THE WASATCH FRONT.**

**GRAHAM BRANT-ZAWADZKI MD, FAWM, DIMM - THE FALLS ARE A PRISTINE AREA FOR BIKING, HIKING, ICE-CLIMBING, AND IT WOULD BE A TRAVESTY TO DEVELOP ON THAT SITE. PLEASE DO WHATEVER YOU CAN TO PROTECT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS.**

**DANIEL TURNER, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR CAMPUS RECREATION, WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY - I HAVE BEEN RECREATING IN THIS AREA FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS AND WANT TO SEE LONG TERM ACCESS MAINTAINED WHILE PROTECTING THIS NATURAL EXPERIENCE. I SUPPORT A RECREATION AND CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON THIS PROPERTY. PLEASE HELP US PRESERVE THIS EXPERIENCE FOR OUR CHILDREN.**

**NARESH KUMAR, MPH - AS A CLIMBER, HIKER, RUNNER, AND A NATIVE UTAHN: BRIDAL VEIL FALLS HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT NATURAL LANDSCAPE FOR ME THAT WOULD BE IRREPARABLY IMPACTED BY DEVELOPMENT.**

**PLEASE MAINTAIN LONG TERM ACCESS WHILE PROTECTING THE NATURAL EXPERIENCE OF THE FALLS AREA. BUILDING A TRAM AND A TREATMENT CENTER THERE WOULD DEPRIVE MANY OF THAT NATURAL EXPERIENCE. THERE ARE INNUMERABLE OTHER PLACES TO BUILD AND OPERATE SUCH A CENTER, WHICH I AM SURE WOULD DO A LOT OF GOOD WHEREVER IT IS, WITHOUT PERMANENTLY CHANGING AN ICONIC AREA FOR LOCALS AND VISITORS ALIKE.**

**GWENDOLYN ADAMS - HI THERE, I JUST HEARD THAT IT'S POSSIBLE THAT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WILL BE TURNED INTO A TREATMENT FACILITY WITH TRAM ACCESS. WHILE I AM ALL FOR SUPPORTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR TREATMENT, I DO NOT THINK THIS IS THE RIGHT PLACE TO BUILD. HAVING BEEN A CLIMBER FOR MANY**

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**YEARS, BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WAS ONE OF THE FIRST PLACES I ICE CLIMBED AT. IT IS SO CONVENIENT TO GO TO AND IS A HISTORICAL GEM IN THE ICE CLIMBING WORLD. PLEASE FIND ANOTHER PLACE FOR YOUR TREATMENT FACILITY. FINDING ACCESSIBLE AND SAFE PLACES TO ICE CLIMB ARE RARE. PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THIS AWAY FROM OUR COMMUNITY.**

**LAUREN MACKLIN, DEAR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, I AM A RESIDENT OF SALT LAKE WHO HAS CLIMBED AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FOR THREE YEARS. I LEARNED HOW TO CLIMB ICE THERE, AND AS A RESULT, FEEL VERY ATTACHED AND CONNECTED TO IT. BRIDAL VEIL IS A HISTORICAL PLACE, AND A DRAW FOR MANY TO VISIT DURING UTAH WINTERS. I HAVE SEEN FOLKS WHO HAVE COME FROM OUT OF STATE, FROM ARIZONA FOR EXAMPLE, AND EVEN MET ONE INTERNATIONAL FAMILY VISITING THE UNITED STATES. BRIDAL VEIL WAS A SPOT THEY WERE SURE NOT TO MISS WHILE IN UTAH, FOR THE ICE CLIMBING IT OFFERS. IN THIS TIME OF DEPLETION OF PUBLIC LANDS ACROSS OUR NATION, AND OUR STATE, I PLEASE ASK YOU TO CONSIDER KEEPING BRIDAL VEIL IN ITS NATURAL AND BEAUTIFUL STATE. I ASK YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT A RECREATION AND CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON THIS SPECIAL PLACE. IT WOULD MEAN SO MUCH TO CONTINUE ITS PROTECTION TO MYSELF, OTHER UTAHNS, AND MANY ACROSS THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA AND BEYOND.**

**AMELIA WILSON - I AM WRITING TO URGE YOU TO PRESERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AS A NATURAL SPACE. IT IS A GEM OF UTAH COUNTY AND A BEAUTIFUL WATERFALL THAT IS EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO ELDERLY, DISABLED, AND FAMILIES WITH YOUNG KIDS. THE BIKE PATH THAT RUNS PAST THE FALLS IS ALSO A MAJOR ASSET TO THE COMMUNITY THERE. HAVING PREVIOUSLY LIVED IN VIVIAN PARK I HAVE GREAT MEMORIES OF GOING RUNNING AND BIKING ON THE PATH AND STOPPING TO ADMIRE THE FALLS. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS ALSO SERVES AS ONE OF UTAH'S BEST ICE CLIMBING AREAS . THERE ARE OTHER BEAUTIFUL AREAS THAT A REHAB CENTER COULD BE LOCATED- WE SHOULD BE PROTECTING THE FALLS FOR THE COMMUNITY (INCLUDING ICE CLIMBERS) TO ENJOY FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.**

**CRAIG STEVENS, CONCERNED CITIZEN OF SUMMIT COUNTY - PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE PROTECT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. DON'T LET THIS BEAUTIFUL NATURAL SPOT BE TARNISHED BY ASAD PLAN FOR A FACILITY BUILT THERE. THERE IS PLENTY OF OPEN LAND ELSEWHERE FOR SUCH A PLACE. I AND SO MANY USE THIS SPOT FOR ITS NATURAL LANDSCAPE FOR CLIMBING AND EXPLORING. IT IS WILD AND FREE AND BELONGS THAT WAY.**

**ZOE PARMETER, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE - HELLO, PLEASE SIGN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS! SO MANY LOCALS RECREATE HERE AND HOPE TO CONTINUE DOING SO RESPONSIBLY, BUT IF IT IS SOLD TO A PRIVATE DEVELOPER, WE WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.**

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**SEAN TROPSA - UTAH COUNTY CLERK AND UTAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LEE, AINGE, IVIE AND SAKIEVICH,**  
**THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS SPACE OF PROVO CANYON IS A BELOVED NATURAL AREA WITH ONE OF THE MOST ACCESSED WATERFALLS IN THE US. I AM SURE YOU ALL HAVE HEARD QUITE A FEW COMMENTS ALREADY, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO ADD ONE MORE COMMENT ABOUT PRESERVING THE SPACE IN ITS NATURAL STATE.**

**NOW THAT WINTER IS HERE, WE CAN SEE THE PLETHORA OF ICE ROUTES FORMING IN THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AREA. THE AREA IS THE CORNERSTONE OF ICE CLIMBING IN THE SOUTHERN WASATCH AND ATTRACTS VISITORS FROM ACROSS THE US TO COME AND CLIMB ON ITS FROZEN WATERFALLS. HISTORICALLY, THIS AREA HAS BEEN PIVOTAL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ICE CLIMBING WITH NOTABLE HISTORIC ICE CLIMBERS VISITING THE AREA, CLIMBING ON THE FROZEN WATERFALLS, AND USING THIS AREA TO DEVELOP NEW EQUIPMENT AND TECHNIQUES THAT ARE STILL IN USE TODAY. AS AN ICE CLIMBER, I FREQUENT THE AREA IN WINTER AS IT IS A GREAT TRAINING GROUND FOR ICE CLIMBING. THE LOSS OF THIS SPACE TO A PRIVATE DEVELOPER WOULD BE AN UNQUANTIFIABLE LOSS TO THE ICE CLIMBING COMMUNITY IN UTAH. ON TOP OF THAT, THE PREVIOUS STRUCTURES THAT HAVE INHABITED THIS SPACE HAVE BEEN DAMAGED DUE TO THE EXTREMELY DESTRUCTIVE AVALANCHE PATH THAT RESIDES ABOVE THIS SPACE. DEVELOPING THIS AREA WOULD LIKELY RESULT IN FURTHER PROPERTY DESTRUCTION AND POSSIBLE LOSS OF LIFE IF IT WAS INHABITED WHEN A LARGE AVALANCHE COMES THROUGH.**

**AS A SUMMER USER OF THE PROVO RIVER THROUGH THIS STRETCH, I HAVE ALSO SEEN HOW BELOVED THE WATERFALL IS TO SUMMER USERS. MANY THROUGHOUT THE UTAH VALLEY AREA AND EVEN THOSE FROM SALT LAKE AND ELSEWHERE TRAVEL TO THIS AREA TO ENJOY ITS UNIQUE BEAUTY, WHICH WAS ONLY RECENTLY SECURED USING FUNDING FROM UTAH COUNTY. THIS SUMMER, PARTICULARLY, THE AREA WAS A GO-TO FOR MANY DURING THE CORONA VIRUS AS IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL SPACE OUTDOORS WHERE USERS COULD RECREATE IN A MANNER SO AS TO COMPLY WITH CDC GUIDELINES AND LIMIT THE SPREAD OF THE VIRUS. TO SELL THIS LAND, ESPECIALLY FOR THE LOW PRICE THAT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED FOR IT (MUCH LOWER FROM NUMBERS THAT HAVE BEEN REPORTED, THAN IT WAS PURCHASED FOR BY THE COUNTY OVER A DECADE AGO) WOULD BE A HUGE LOSS FOR EVERYONE IN THE COUNTY AND IN NORTHERN UTAH AND WOULD FAVOR A SMALL FEW WHO WOULD DEVELOP AND PROFIT OFF OF THE AREA AT THE DETRIMENT OF THE WIDER CITIZENSHIP WHO CONTRIBUTED TAX DOLLARS TO PURCHASE THE SPACE.**

**I URGE ALL OF YOU TO HAVE THE CITIZENS OF UTAH COUNTY AND NORTHERN UTAH IN MIND AND VOTE TO KEEP THIS AREA PRESERVED IN ITS NATURAL STATE FOR THE USE OF ALL UTAHNS, NOT ONLY THOSE WHO CAN PAY TO ACCESS THE AREA ON A VERY LIMITED BASIS. PLEASE LISTEN TO THE USERS WHO FREQUENT THIS AREA AND AID IN ITS PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.**

**TYLER SMITHSON - TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, PLEASE PRESERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AS A NATURAL OPEN SPACE. IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED TO CONTROL EROSION CAUSED BY MANY UNSUSTAINABLE SOCIAL TRAILS AND PHOTO-OPPORTUNITY LOCATIONS.**

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**ANDREA L. BARROS - PLEASE DONT SELL OFF THE FALLS. THIS SHOULD BE PROTECTED FOR ALL UTAHNS!**

**JUNE KRIGMAN - PLEASE PRESERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND PREVENT DEVELOPMENT OF THIS BEAUTIFUL AREA.**

**JANICE HOMAN - I WANT TO STRONGLY URGE ALL THE COMMISSIONERS TO VOTE TO PROTECT BRIDAL VEILS FALLS FOR PUBLIC USE. PLEASE PUT IT IN A CONSERVATORY AND DO NOT SELL IT. THIS AREA IS HIGHLY UTILIZED BY THE PUBLIC, AND WE DESERVE TO HAVE CONTINUED FREE, UNFETTERED ACCESS TO IT. THANK YOU.**

**KATHERINE STAGG - I BELIEVE THAT ACCESS FOR CLIMBING AND HIKING SHOULD REMAIN OPEN FOR THE PUBLIC.**

**PAMELA DAVEY - PLEASE ACT TO PUT INTO PLACE A CONSERVATION EASEMENT THAT WILL PROTECT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND SURROUNDS—AN ICONIC VIEWSHED—FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC. THANK YOU.**

**JUDY AND DON HORWITZ - DEAR COMMISSIONERS: PLEASE PRESERVE BRIDAL FALLS AND THE LAND AROUND IT. BEAUTY LIKE THIS SHOULD BE KEPT FOR THE PUBLIC ENJOYMENT - NOT FOR PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT. THANK YOU.**

**DAN MELDRUM - PLEASE DO NOT SALE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO DEVELOPERS; IT SHOULD BE KEPT AS OPEN SPACES FOR ALL TO ENJOY. THANK YOU.**

**ERIC GAREN - COMMISSIONERS, I STRONGLY SUPPORT PROTECTING THE LAND AROUND BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WITH A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. THIS IS ONE OF UTAH'S GEMS, AND IS CLOSE TO A LARGE POPULATION WHO BENEFITS FROM THE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IT PROVIDES. OUR FAMILY VISITS REGULARLY AS DO MANY OTHERS WE KNOW. THANK YOU.**

**PHOEBE HAILEY - PLEASE SAVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FROM DEVELOPMENT. MY GRANDFATHER WELDON J. TAYLOR USED TO ICE CLIMB AT THOSE FALLS. THEY ARE A SITE TO BEHOLD. PLEASE KEEP THIS AREA OPEN SPACE FOR OUR GRANDCHILDREN. I WOULD LIKE MINE TO SAY MY GRANDMOTHER USED TO RUN RACES UNDER THOSE FALLS ON THE PROVO RIVER TRAIL.**

**DIANE MAXELL - IT WOULD BE A TRAGEDY TO LET ANYTHING CHANGE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND THE SURROUNDING LAND. NOTHING COULD "IMPROVE" IT. EACH TIME I HAVE TRAVELED PROVO CANYON FOR THE PAST 40+ YEARS, I LOOK FORWARD TO ENJOYING IT AND TO CHECKING OUT SEASONAL NATURAL CHANGES. ALSO, WE OFTEN TAKE FRIENDS AND VISITORS DOWN TO ENJOY IT WITH US. ALL**



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**PEOPLE IN THE FUTURE SHOULD HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY. PLEASE DO EVERYTHING YOU CAN DO TO PROTECT IT. THANK YOU!**

**CINDY BUR - DEAR COMMISSIONERS, I AM DEEPLY OPPOSED TO ANY LAND AROUND AND INCLUDING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS BEING SOLD FOR PRIVATE USE OR CONSUMPTION. THIS IS A GORGEOUS BELOVED WATERFALL THAT SHOULD ALWAYS BELONG TO THE PEOPLE OF UTAH AND BE PROTECTED FROM ANY DEVELOPMENT. THANK YOU,**

**BRENDA MOORE, FORMER UTAH COUNTY RESIDENT AND FREQUENT UTAH COUNTY VISITOR - I AM WRITING IN SUPPORT OF PUTTING THE LAND UTAH COUNTY OWNS AROUND BRIDAL VEIL FALLS INTO A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. THE FALLS IS A TREASURER AND SHOULD BE ABLE TO BE ENJOYED BY EVERYONE. I RIDE THE PROVO RIVER BIKE TRAIL OFTEN AND THE HIGHLIGHT IS ALWAYS VISITING THE FALLS. PLEASE DON'T ALLOW THIS TREASURE TO BE SOLD TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, OR THE DEVELOPER WHO CONTRIBUTED THE MOST TO POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS. THE FALLS SHOULD BE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL.**

**CAROLINE AMIS - GOOD AFTERNOON. I WANTED TO EMAIL TO EXPRESS MY OPINION THAT WE SHOULD PRESERVE THE NATURAL SPACE AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND NOT MAR THE LANDSCAPE WITH A TRAM. THE DEVELOPER OF THE AREA STATES THAT THE RATIONALE BEHIND THE TRAM WILL BE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DUE TO HISTORY OF HIKER AND CLIMBER FALLS AND INJURIES. HOWEVER, MORE DEVELOPMENT ON THE LAND WOULD TURN INTO AN "ATTRACTIVE NUISANCE" AND LEAD EVEN MORE INEXPERIENCED CLIMBERS AND HIKERS TO THE AREA. FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CONSERVATION OF OUR BEAUTIFUL NATURAL SPACES, PLEASE, NO TRAM AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. MY BEST AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS.**

**PATTY MELDRUM - TO THE UTAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, I WANT TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR THE CONSERVATION AND PRESERVATION OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THIS UTAH COUNTY LANDMARK IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF SCENIC PROVE CANYON AND SHOULD BE PRESERVED FOR ALL TO ENJOY TODAY AND FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. THANK-YOU.**

**STEVEN HENKE - HELLO COMMISSION CLERK, MY NAME IS STEVEN HENKE AND I WAS BORN, RAISED AND CURRENTLY RESIDE IN UTAH. UTAH IS MY HOME AND PROVO IS MY CANYON. I AM IN THE CANYON AT LEAST TWICE A WEEK EITHER CLIMBING, BIKING, HIKING, OR SKIING. RIGHT NOW, ACCESS TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS UNDER THREAT. BRIDAL VEIL IS A HUGE PART OF UTAH'S CLIMBING HISTORY, A PART OF U.S. HISTORY AND TO THIS DAY HAS SOME OF UTAH'S BEST ICE CLIMBS. IT IS ENJOYED BY BEGINNERS, HARDCORE LOCALS AND MANY WHO VISIT FROM OUTSIDE OF OUR STATE. IT IS ALSO NOT JUST FOR CLIMBERS; THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL WATERFALL IN SUMMER AND WINTER THAT IS A COMMON DESTINATION IN THE CANYON. BUILDING ON OR NEAR IT WOULD RUIN ITS GRACE AND BEAUTY. IF THIS AREA MUST BE DEVELOPED, PLEASE THOROUGHLY READ THROUGH THE SALT LAKE CLIMBERS ALLIANCE SUGGESTIONS. THE SLCA WOULD**

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**LIKE TO SEE LONG TERM ACCESS MAINTAINED WHILE PROTECTING THIS NATURAL EXPERIENCE. THEY SUPPORT A RECREATION AND CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON THIS PROPERTY. I AGREE WITH THEIR POSITION AND HOPE YOU WILL CONSIDER THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY WHEN MAKING OPINIONS PERTAINING TO THIS WATERFALL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.**

**TERESA CROCKETT - DEAR UTAH COUNTY COMMISSION, AS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF UTAH'S GREATER WASATCH AREA AND OUTDOOR ENTHUSIAST, I URGE YOU TO PRESERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AS A NATURAL SPACE WHILE PRESERVING ACCESS. THIS IS A TREMENDOUS NATURAL RESOURCE FOR OUR RESIDENTS AND FOR TOURISM AND ITS CONSERVATION IS IN OUR LONG-TERM BEST INTEREST.**

**THEA - HOLEY MOLEY! I SURE HOPE THE COMMISSION WILL VOTE TO PRESERVE THIS AMAZING, ICONIC SITE FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY! IT IS PUBLIC LAND, NOT APPROPRIATE FOR SUPERRICH PEOPLE TO CO-OPT. AND JUST BECAUSE THERE WAS A TRAM THERE BEFORE DOESN'T MEAN THERE SHOULD BE ONE NOW. THE IDEA THAT THE DEVELOPER WOULD CHARGE A "REASONABLE FEE" DURING THE LIMITED PART OF THE YEAR US "UNWASHED MASSES" WOULD GET TO RIDE IT IS OUTRAGEOUS. PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE AN EYESORE OF A TRAM AND A LUXURY DETOX SPA FOR THE SUPERRICH AND FAMOUS ON TOP OF THESE FALLS, WHICH BELONG TO EVERYONE, NOT THEM!**

**NATALIE FILLERUP - HELLO UTAH COUNTY COMMISSION CLERK, I AM WRITING TO SHARE MY SUPPORT FOR THE PERMANENT PRESERVATION OF LAND AROUND BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THESE FALLS ARE AN ICONIC LANDMARK IN PROVO CANYON. THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LAND AROUND THESE FALLS WOULD NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE PUBLIC GOOD THAT THESE FALLS PROVIDE TO ALL UTAHNS, ESPECIALLY UTAHNS IN UTAH COUNTY. PLEASE VOTE YES TO PERMANENTLY PRESERVE THIS LAND AND KEEP UTAH WILD. THANK YOU.**

**CHRISTOPHER STRONG - DEAR COMMISSIONER, I'M WRITING TO ASK YOU TO PERMANENTLY PROTECT THE BEAUTIFUL BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. MY FAMILY AND I HAVE A YEARLY AUTUMN VISIT TO THESE AMAZING FALLS - AS DO THOUSANDS OF OTHERS. ALLOWING THESE TO BE CONTROLLED BY A PRIVATE DEVELOPER THREATENS ACCESS FOR MY FAMILY AND I, OTHER UTAH COUNTY RESIDENTS, AND INDEED THE THOUSANDS OF OTHER UTAHNS WHO MAKE THE DRIVE TO VISIT THESE ICONIC FALLS. THEY BELONG TO UTAH, NOT TO PRIVATE DEVELOPERS. PLEASE PROTECT THEM. THANK YOU.**

**MANDI TROWBRIDGE - GREETINGS, I AM WRITING IN HOPES TO BE A VOICE AND PART OF THE COMMUNITY OF FOLKS WHO LONG TO SEE THE LAND OF THIS BEAUTIFUL STATE PROTECTED. IN THIS REGARD, PLEASE, VOTE TO PUT THE LAND SURROUNDING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS UNDER A PERMANENT CONSERVATION EASEMENT.**

**WE ALL KNOW THAT GROWTH IS HAPPENING. PEOPLE ARE ENCROACHING ON UNSETTLED LAND BECAUSE THERE IS BEAUTY THERE. EACH OF US WANTS TO**

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**ENJOY THAT BEAUTY AND FEEL CONNECTED TO IT. WE KNOW THIS IS HAPPENING BECAUSE WE SEE IT, ALL AROUND US. I TOO LOVE THE BEAUTY OF NATURE. ITS PURENESS AND ITS POWER. BUT IT WILL BE NEITHER PURE NOR POWERFUL IF WE TEAR INTO ITS SOIL AND ALTER ITS STRUCTURE WITH OUR HANDS AND MACHINES. PLEASE VOTE TO PRESERVE THIS LAND. THANK YOU.**

**SARAH BABCOCK HOMER - COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, MY FAMILY AND I ARE PROVO RESIDENTS. WE LIVE NEAR THE MOUTH OF PROVO CANYON. WE ARE FREQUENT USERS OF THE MANY PARKS AND TRAILS IN THE CANYON. ONE OF THE MOST FAMILY FRIENDLY AND HIGHLY USED AREAS IS BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. WE FREQUENT THIS AREA. IT IS ONE OF THE GEMS OF UTAH COUNTY. WE CANNOT MONETIZE ITS USE. WE CANNOT BUILD A TRAM. THE AVALANCHE THAT DESTROYED THE PREVIOUS TRAM WAS A BLESSING. BUILDING ANY STRUCTURES NEAR THE FALLS WOULD RUIN THE BEAUTY AND GRACE OF THIS AREA. WE CANNOT BUILD A FACILITY THAT FEW IN OUR COMMUNITY CAN AFFORD TO HAVE ACCESS TO. WE CANNOT CHARGE PEOPLE TO RIDE THE TRAM TO SUBSIDIZE SAID FACILITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.**

**SCOTT SANDERS, MPA, PHD, PROJECT EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT TEAM (PEAT), CO-DIRECTOR, BYU COMMUNITY STUDIES LAB, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY - DEAR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, BRIDAL VEIL FALL SHOULD BE PROTECTED AND OPEN TO ALL CITIZENS. ALLOWING A MILLIONAIRE TO PROFIT AND LIMIT ACCESS TO THE FALLS IS ONLY IN THE BEST INTEREST OF RICHARD LOSEE. SELLING THE FALLS TO LOSEE WILL BE A TRAGEDY THAT WILL IMPACT GENERATIONS OF UTAHANS. I'M DISGUSTED A PLAN IS EVEN BEING CONSIDERED.**

**THEREFORE, I REQUEST THAT THE FOLLOWING BE INCLUDED IN THE OFFICIAL RECORD:**

- **THE COMMISSION SHOULD TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION AND APPROVE THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT.**
- **COMMISSIONER LEE SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF BEING COMPLICIT WITH LOSEE IN THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT OF THE FALLS.**
- **IF COMMISSIONER LEE DOES NOT VOTE FOR THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT, A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF UTAH COUNTY CITIZENS WILL ORGANIZE AND FUND OPPOSITION TO HIM IN THE NEXT ELECTION CYCLE.**

**JANNEKE HOUSE - HELLO, PLEASE CONSERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS RATHER THAN SELL TO A DEVELOPER. IT'S VITAL THIS INTERNATIONAL TREASURE IS PRESERVED FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. I WAS BORN AND GREW UP IN PROVO GOING TO THE FALLS WEEKLY AND MY BEST CHILDHOOD MEMORIES COME FROM BEING THERE. IT'S IMPORTANT THIS STAYS FREE AND OPEN FOR ALL TO ENJOY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.**

**GARY MESSINA - PROTECT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, THIS AREA SHOULD NOT BE SOLD TO PRIVATE DEVELOPERS, THIS LAND BELONGS TO THE PUBLIC FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION.**

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**ERIC DURSTELER - PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THIS DEVELOPMENT TO GO FORWARD. THE FALLS ARE A PUBLIC TREASURE THAT SHOULD BE PRESERVED FOR THE COMMON GOOD AND USE.**

**BOB LAVOIE - ONE OF THE PRETTIEST SITES IN THE US AND YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT SELLING IT TO A PRIVATE PARTY. A STRONG NO!!!!!!**

**DR. SARAH HOMER - COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, MY FAMILY AND I ARE PROVO RESIDENTS. WE LIVE NEAR THE MOUTH OF PROVO CANYON. WE ARE FREQUENT USERS OF THE MANY PARKS AND TRAILS IN THE CANYON. ONE OF THE MOST FAMILY FRIENDLY AND HIGHLY USED AREAS IS BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. WE FREQUENT THIS AREA. IT IS ONE OF THE GEMS OF UTAH COUNTY. WE CANNOT MONETIZE ITS USE. WE CANNOT BUILD A TRAM. THE AVALANCHE THAT DESTROYED THE PREVIOUS TRAM WAS A BLESSING. BUILDING ANY STRUCTURES NEAR THE FALLS WOULD RUIN THE BEAUTY AND GRACE OF THIS AREA.**

**WE CANNOT BUILD A FACILITY THAT FEW IN OUR COMMUNITY CAN AFFORD TO HAVE ACCESS TO. WE CANNOT CHARGE PEOPLE TO RIDE THE TRAM TO SUBSIDIZE SAID FACILITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.**

**AMANDA VAN METER AND ALDRICH LADIA - DEAR COMMISSIONER, AS RESIDENTS, WE ABSOLUTELY DO NOT WANT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO BE SOLD AND DEVELOPED. PLEASE PRESERVE THE NATURAL SPACE FOR THE ANIMALS AND ECOSYSTEM. THANK YOU.**

**CLARK GOLDSBERRY - DEAR UTAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I HAVE LIVED IN PROVO ALL MY LIFE, AND I FREQUENTLY VISIT THE FALLS FOR RECREATION WITH MY WIFE AND OUR DOG. I HAD BIRTHDAY PARTIES AT THE BASE OF THE FALLS THROUGHOUT MY CHILDHOOD, AND IT CONTINUED TO BE A PLACE OF REFUGE AND REST THROUGHOUT MY HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE YEARS.**

**BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS ONE OF THE CROWNING JEWELS OF UTAH VALLEY, AND IT NEEDS TO BE PROTECTED FROM FURTHER DEVELOPMENT. THE PROPOSED PLANS FROM RICHARD LOSEE WOULD PERMANENTLY MAR THE MOUNTAINSIDE.**

**THIS IS NOT OUR LAND TO GIVE. THIS WAS NOT OUR LAND TO TAKE IN THE FIRST PLACE. THE LEAST WE CAN DO IS TAKE CARE OF IT AND MAKE SURE IT DOESN'T BECOME ANOTHER PLACE THAT ONLY THE WEALTHY HAVE ACCESS TO.**

**BILL LEE, YOU CONTINUE TO CREATE PROBLEMS IN THIS COMMUNITY. I WAS ALSO PRESENT WHEN YOU SPOKE OUT IN FAVOR OF A "COMPASSIONATE EXEMPTION" FOR MASK WEARING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS ON JULY 15TH. MY WIFE AND I ARE BOTH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS, AND YOUR PROPOSAL WOULD HAVE PUT US DIRECTLY IN HARM'S WAY. YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS MADE CLEAR TO US THAT YOU VIEW EDUCATORS AS DISPOSABLE. YOUR "COMPASSIONATE EXEMPTION" PROPOSAL WAS, AT BEST, A THOUGHTLESS ACT OF POLITICAL POSTURING. AND**

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**NOW, AGAIN, YOU ARE RECKLESSLY DISREGARDING WHAT IS BEST FOR THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. PLEASE STOP.**

**SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WILL BE A STAIN ON YOUR POLITICAL CAREER AND YOUR REPUTATION IN THIS COMMUNITY.**

**DAVID HOFFMAN - HI, I AM WRITING TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING COMMENT FOR THE UPCOMING PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSAL TO PLACE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS UNDER A CONSERVATION EASEMENT:**

**PLEASE PROTECT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS BY PLACING THE FALLS AND SURROUNDING LAND IN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED AT OR NEAR THE FALLS. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS A TREMENDOUS NATURAL RESOURCE, AND ALSO A RENOWNED ICE-CLIMBING DESTINATION. PLACES LIKE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS ARE WHY I LIVE IN UTAH.**

**TYLER JACKSON - SELLING ONE OF OUR GREATEST NATURAL RESOURCES TO A PRIVATE CITIZEN IS ONE OF THE DUMBEST IDEAS EVER. PLEASE DRAW THE LINE SOMEWHERE. LET'S OPEN A MCDONALD'S IN THE MIDDLE OF ACHES NATIONAL PARK BOTH HAVE ARCHES AND WE COULD MAKE A TON OF MONEY. I CAN SEE WHY THE BUYER WANTS IT. SOMEONE, PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING. HELP OUR CHILDREN SHOULD BE ABLE TO GO SEE A WATERFALL WITHOUT PAYING FOR IT. THANKS.**

**MARLENE HANSEN ESPLIN, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HUMANITIES, BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY - PLEASE DON'T GIVE IN AND SELL IT TO DEVELOPERS! PROTECT THE FALLS AND HELP THEM BE A PUBLIC ASSET WITH FREE ACCESS. THANKS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE.**

**ROBERT PHILLIPS - BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS SUCH A SPECIAL, UNIQUE AND ICONIC LOCATION IN UTAH. PLEASE DO NOT SELL IT OFF TO ANYONE. PRESERVE AND PROTECT THIS SPACE IN PERPETUITY FOR THE PUBLIC, NOT LIMITED PRIVATE INTEREST. I COULDN'T TELL YOU HOW MANY PEOPLE VISIT THIS AREA EACH YEAR, BUT IT MUST BE SIGNIFICANT. EVERY TIME I'VE BEEN TO THE AREA, IT IS VERY BUSY WITH HIKERS, FAMILIES AND EVEN ICE CLIMBERS IN THE WINTER. THESE REMARKABLE PLACES ARE SO RARE AND DON'T NEED TO BE "IMPROVED", ONLY PRESERVED. A TRAM, A LODGE AND A HELIPAD WOULD SERIOUSLY DETRACT FROM THE BEAUTY OF THE SPACE.**

**JOHANNA WELLING - TO WHOM IT CONCERNS, I LOVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, PLEASE SIGN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS ON DECEMBER 9TH, 2020. PLEASE KEEP THIS BEAUTIFUL PLACE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THANKS.**

**MATT CHRISTENSEN - 2.5 MILLION IS A COMICALLY LOW COST FOR SUCH AN AMAZING AND WONDERFUL NATURAL JEWEL IN UTAH COUNTY. PLEASE DON'T**

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**TAKE THIS OUT OF THE PUBLIC'S HANDS FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. THEY DON'T MAKE MORE WATERFALLS LIKE THIS.**

**MICHAEL BARCLAY, UTAH COUNTY RESIDENT - HELLO, I CAN'T ATTEND THE MEETING. I FEEL STRONGLY THAT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS SHOULD BE KEPT PUBLIC AND NOT TURNED OVER TO A DEVELOPER. THERE ARE PLENTY OF OTHER PLACES HE CAN BUILD ANOTHER REHAB PROGRAM FOR THE WEALTHY.**

**ANGIE STEENHOEK - PLEASE LET ALL BE ABLE TO VISIT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. DON'T TAKE IT AWAY FROM THE PUBLIC. WE ARE ALL ABLE TO GO THERE AND ENJOY THE BEAUTY IT OFFERS.**

**MEGAN FARWELL - AS A CITIZEN OF UTAH COUNTY, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY CONCERN REGARDING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS BEING ACQUIRED BY A PRIVATE OWNER. THIS LANDMARK OF OUR AREA SHOULD BE KEPT AS PUBLIC LAND FOR ALL TO ENJOY.**

**JUSTIN PAUL MCMURDIE - I AM A RESIDENT OF PROVO AND WANT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS PRESERVED AS NATURAL SPACE. IT'S A POPULAR PLACE TO VISIT AND I DON'T WANT TO SEE IT PRIVATIZED AND I DON'T WANT TO SEE A LUXURY ADDICTION RECOVERY CENTER PLACED AT THE TOP. ITS BETTER LEFT PRESERVED AS NATURAL SPACE. PLEASE PLACE IT UNDER A PROTECTION WHERE IT WILL BE ENJOYABLE TO FUTURE GENERATIONS.**

**ANDREW S - BRIDAL VEIL IS PUBLIC LAND USED FOR A MULTITUDE OF DIFFERENT RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES. EVERYTHING FROM HIKING TO CYCLING, ICE CLIMBING TO BIRDWATCHING. THE CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THIS AREA WILL HINDER THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF THE FALLS AS WELL AS INFRINGE ON THE EXPERIENCES PEOPLE HAVE WHILE RECREATING IN THE AREA. THIS AREA IS EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO ANYONE WHO WISHES TO USE THIS AREA FOR RECREATIONAL USE WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT IS ONLY GETTING HARDER TO COME BY, THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL ONLY EXASPERATE THE PROBLEM. BEYOND THE MAJOR EYE SORE THAT THIS REHAB WOULD BE, THE AIR TRAFFIC OF THE RUMORED HELIPAD WOULD ONLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE NOISE POLLUTION IN THE CANYON.**

**AS SOMEONE WHO GREW UP WITH LOTS OF MEMORIES IN THIS AREA THE THOUGHT OF A NEW DEVELOPMENT HERE BREAKS MY HEART. PLEASE CONSIDER PROTECTING THIS AREA FOR YEARS TO COME IN THE NAME OF CONSERVATION, TO PROTECT THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF PROVO CANYON AND PROVIDE EASY ACCESS TO OUTDOOR RECREATION TO THE RESIDENTS OF UTAH COUNTY. THANK YOU.**

**RICHARD EICHNER - MY WIFE AND I ARE STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ANY ACTIONS WHICH WILL PRIVATIZE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THE FALLS ARE AN ICONIC SITE IN UTAH, AND THEY NEED TO REMAIN PUBLIC.**

**CHRIS MCFARLAND - DEAR COMMISSIONERS, PLEASE ALLOW ME TO TAKE A QUICK MOMENT OF YOUR TIME TO REQUEST THAT YOU VOTE IN FAVOR OF KEEPING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS A PUBLIC RESOURCE AND A PROTECTED TREASURE.**

**I OPERATE MOMENTUM INDOOR CLIMBING, ONE OF THE LARGEST CLIMBING GYM BRANDS IN THE COUNTRY WITH THREE LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT SALT LAKE AND UTAH COUNTIES. CLIMBING IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF UTAH'S OUTDOOR RECREATION AND OUR IDENTITY. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MANY NATIONAL AND EVEN WORLD CLIMBING CONFERENCES I HAVE BEEN TO WHERE PEOPLE EXPRESS ENVY THAT I LIVE IN UTAH BECAUSE OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND RECREATION WE SUPPORT. AS YOU WELL KNOW, TOURISM IS UTAH'S LEADING INDUSTRY (ALMOST 10 BILLION DOLLARS IN 2018 IF MY RESEARCH IS CORRECT).**

**PEOPLE COME FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD TO CLIMB HERE AND WHILE I AM FIRST AND FOREMOST A CLIMBER AS WELL, MY REQUEST IS MUCH MORE THAN PROTECTING A WORLD CLASS ICE CLIMBING DESTINATION THAT I WANT TO BENEFIT FROM MYSELF. BRIDAL VEIL IS A BEAUTIFUL WATERFALL AND A CENTERPIECE OF PROVO CANYON. I SPEND THE SUMMER MONTHS RUNNING AND LONGBOARDING ALONG THE MULTI-USE TRAIL AND SEE HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE ON THAT TRAIL EVERY DAY IN THE SUMMER. A VOTE TO PROTECT THE WATERFALL IS ALSO A VOTE TO PROTECT PEOPLE'S HEALTH AND THEIR PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING.**

**I UNDERSTAND THE ARGUMENTS. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE WATERFALL WOULD STILL BE VISIBLE AND THAT THE TRAILS WOULD STILL BE OPEN. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THE TRAM WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC USE DURING LIMITED HOURS, AND FOR A FEE, BUT THIS TAKES AWAY FROM THE ACCESS AND ENJOYMENT CURRENTLY ENJOYED BY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE EVERY YEAR.**

**PLEASE CONSIDER VOTING TO CONTINUE TO PROTECT THAT WHICH MAKES UTAH SO SPECIAL IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD.**

**TYRA NYCOLE CROCKETT, BYU ALUMNUS, UTAH COUNTY RESIDENT - DEAR UTAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PLEASE DO NOT SELL BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO THIS DEVELOPER. WE DO NOT NEED ANOTHER HIGH-PRICED TREATMENT CENTER THAT WILL NOT BENEFIT THE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS LOVED BY ALL OF UTAH COUNTY. MANY LOCAL RESIDENTS INCLUDING BYU AND UVU STUDENTS VISIT THE FALLS REGULARLY. WHEN I WAS A STUDENT AT BYU, I VISITED BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, AND STILL DO AS A UTAH COUNTY RESIDENT. MANY STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO AFFORD RIDES UP THE TRAM EVEN IF THE FEE IS NOMINAL. MANY PEOPLE ENJOY VISITS TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS DURING THE WINTER MONTHS AND WILL NOT BE ABLE TO IF THE FALLS ARE CLOSED UNDER THE NEW PROPOSAL. THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.**

**IF YOU MUST SELL BRIDAL VEIL FALLS, PLEASE SELL TO A DEVELOPER WHO WILL BUILD A RESTAURANT AT THE TOP THAT CAN BE USED YEAR AROUND BY THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY NOT JUST A PRIVILEGED FEW.**

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**BOB AND VALERIE LUX - WE ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH PRESERVING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AS A CONSERVATION AREA. YOU HAVE OUR SUPPORT.**

**TRACY JEAN MILLS - I LOVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS SO MUCH! AS DO SO MANY OTHERS! PLEASE KEEP IT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THIS YEAR HAS ALREADY BEEN BAD ENOUGH, DON'T TAKE AWAY OUR BEAUTIFUL FALLS.**

**RICK JONES - I WAS VERY SHOCKED AND DISTURBED TO HEAR THAT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WAS IN DANGER OF BEING FOREVER RUINED BY DEVELOPMENT. I LIVE IN OGDEN, UTAH AND I ALWAYS STOP THERE ON MY WAY SOUTH TO CALIFORNIA FOR VACATION. I GO OUT OF MY WAY TO ENJOY THE BEAUTY OF THE FALLS. I HAVE BEEN TO MANY WATERFALLS ON THE WORLD AND WITH THE EXCEPTION OF YELLOWSTONE AND A FEW IN HAWAII, I THINK BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL.  
PLEASE DON'T LET THIS PLACE BE DESTROYED BY BUILDING ANYTHING NEARBY. I WILL PRAY THAT MY WORDS TOUCH YOUR HEART THE WAY THE FALLS HAVE TOUCHED MY SOUL. THANK YOU AND HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS.**

**SPENCER ALLEN - YOU BETTER NOT [REDACTED] SELL THE [REDACTED] FALLS TO SOME CRACKED OUT CORPORATION.**

**BRACKEN ROBISON - PLEASE DO NOT SELL BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO A PRIVATE COMPANY. IT IS A VERY IMPORTANT AND ICONIC PLACE FOR THE PEOPLE OF UTAH COUNTY AND BEYOND.**

**DAN RUPPEL- I AM UNABLE TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING BUT WOULD LIKE TO VOICE MY OPINION TO PRESERVING THE PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE FALLS AS THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW WATER RESOURCES, WE IN THE UTAH VALLEY AREA HAVE TO ENJOY. FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND MODIFICATIONS OF THE FEW RESOURCES WE HAVE IS BAD FORM AND WILL DEplete WHAT "NATURE" MEANS TO ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS.**

**DAVID FULLWOOD, PRESIDENT OF SPRINGDELL HOA - DEAR COMMISSIONERS, I AM WRITING TO YOU AS PRESIDENT OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY THAT WILL BE MOST AFFECTED BY ANY DECISION REGARDING THE FUTURE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. SPRINGDELL IS WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THE FALLS, AND WE HAVE A STRONG INTEREST IN THE CURRENT DELIBERATIONS.**

**WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR VISION AND PROPOSAL FOR CREATING A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO PROTECT THE FALLS FROM DEVELOPMENT, AND WE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR THE FALLS.**

**THE FALLS ARE A JEWEL IN THE CROWN OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. THEY ARE FREQUENTED BY PEOPLE OF ALL INCOME LEVELS AND CONNECT US ALL WITH THE BEAUTY OF NATURE – ALMOST ON PAR WITH A TRIP TO YOSEMITE, BUT ON OUR OWN DOORSTEP.**



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**OVER THE YEARS WE HAVE BEEN APPROACHED BY POTENTIAL DEVELOPERS, AND THOUGH WE APPRECIATE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CANYON, WE HONESTLY DO NOT BELIEVE ANY DEVELOPER COULD IMPROVE ON THE FALLS AND WE FIND THEIR CLAIMS OTHERWISE TO BE SELF-SERVING AND PRIMARILY IN THEIR OWN INTERESTS.**

**WHILE THERE WILL ALWAYS BE SOME BENEFIT TO SOME SUBGROUP OF PEOPLE THAT THEY CAN POINT TO IN THEIR PLANS, THE FACT REMAINS THAT THE OVERWHELMING BENEFIT TO THE PUBLIC IS MET BY KEEPING THE FALLS IN PUBLIC HANDS.**

**WHEN THE ORIGINAL GONDOLA AND GIFT CENTER WERE BUILT BACK IN THE 1960S, DEVELOPERS DID NOT HAVE TO PREPARE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS. THE CONDITIONS TODAY ARE MUCH DIFFERENT. THE POTENTIAL DEVELOPERS, AS FAR AS WE KNOW, HAVE NOT PROPOSED OR DISCUSSED THE IMPACT A RESORT/GONDOLA WITH ITS ATTENDANT TRAFFIC WOULD HAVE ON THE CANYON, THE WATER, WILDLIFE, FIRE HAZARDS, AND THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF THE AREA. THIS ADDS ALL THE MORE REASON TO HAVE THE CONSERVANCY EASEMENT IN PLACE, TO PRESERVE THE BEAUTY OF THE FALLS AREA FOR ALL TO APPRECIATE.**

**WE BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE ACTING IN THE INTEREST OF THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY BY ESTABLISHING THE EASEMENT. THE CURRENT PROCESS IS IN NO-WAY HASTY; ON THE CONTRARY, WE BELIEVE THAT THE DECISION SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE YEARS AGO TO PREVENT THE TYPES OF DISCUSSION THAT ARE CURRENTLY UNDERWAY.**

**WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS THE POTENTIAL FOR CURRENT OR INCOMING COMMISSIONERS TO BE SWAYED BY DEVELOPERS, IT IS INEVITABLE THAT SOME FUTURE SET OF COMMISSIONERS WILL TAKE A SHORT-TERM VIEW THAT IS NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC. WE TRUST THAT THE CURRENT COMMISSIONERS WILL DO MORE THAN PROTECT THE FALLS FROM DEVELOPMENT ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS, BUT THAT THEY WILL PROTECT IT IN PERPETUITY FOR US AND OUR CHILDREN.**

**BRENNAN ALBRECHT - I AM A CURRENT RESIDENT OF UTAH COUNTY, AND EVEN THOUGH I GREW UP IN ARIZONA, FOR AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER, MY FAMILY WOULD MAKE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS A REGULAR STOP ON OUR ANNUAL VACATION TO UTAH. YES, IT IS CROWDED, BUT THE TREES, THE RIVER, THE FALLS, AND THE SURROUNDING PARKS HAVE PROVIDED HOURS AND HOURS OF FUN, RELAXATION, AND FAMILY TIME FOR ME AND MY FAMILY. NOT TO MENTION, A FEW YEARS AGO, I MADE THE CHALLENGING CLIMB TO THE TOP OF THE FALLS, AN EXPERIENCE I SHALL NOT SOON FORGET. I STILL LOVE TO WALK AND PICNIC IN THE AREA. I AM ONE OF THOUSANDS WHO ENJOY THIS PART OF THE COUNTY REGULARLY. PLEASE DO NOT SELL THIS FOR DEVELOPMENT. ANSWER TO YOUR VOTERS AND RESIDENTS, NOT YOUR MAIN DONORS.**

**IF THIS IS AN ISSUE OF NEEDING TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE COUNTY, THERE ARE ALTERNATIVES. ENOUGH PEOPLE GO THAT EVEN CHARGING ONE DOLLAR PER PERSON TO ENTER THE FALLS COULD RAISE HEAPS OF MONEY OVER THE YEARS WITHOUT TOO MUCH OF A BURDEN ON RESIDENTS.**

**IN CLOSING, I IDENTIFY AS A CONSERVATIVE, WHICH MEANS I HOPE TO CONSERVE THOSE THINGS THAT STRENGTHEN COMMUNITIES AND INDIVIDUALS. I BELIEVE**

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**THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS DOES JUST THAT. DON'T LET THIS BECOME PART OF A GRAND PLAN TO JUST MAKE SOMEONE ELSE RICHER THAN THEY ALREADY ARE. THANK YOU FOR HEARING ME OUT.**

**TESSA WHITE - DEAR COMMISSIONERS, I AM WRITING TO ASK THAT YOU PRESERVE THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS BY DISALLOWING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A REHABILITATION CENTER AT THE SUMMIT.**

**MY FAMILY AND I LOVE NEAR THE CANYON MOUTH, AND WE LOVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. WE HAVE SPENT MANY HOURS WALKING THE PROVO RIVER TRAIL, ENJOYING THE PARK, AND TAKING IN THE BEAUTIFUL VIEW. MY FOUR-YEAR-OLD SON LIVES TO POINT OUT THE WATERFALL AS WE DRIVE THROUGH THE CANYON. I AM CONCERNED THAT CONSTRUCTION ON AND AROUND THE FALLS WOULD SPOIL ONE OF OUR COUNTY'S MOST BELOVED LANDMARKS.**

**CERTAINLY, DRUG TREATMENT FACILITIES ARE IMPORTANT AND NEEDED. BUT BRIDAL VEIL DOES NOT SEEM LIKE AN APPROPRIATE LOCATION. AND I AM TROUBLED THAT THE PROPOSED DEVELOPER WANTS TO PRIVATIZE AND MONETIZE WHAT IS CURRENTLY PUBLIC LAND OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY FOR FREE. I UNDERSTAND THAT MAINTENANCE OF THE PARK REQUIRES INVESTMENT, BUT THE PROPOSED PLAN SEEMS LIKE A WAY TO LINE A BUSINESSMAN'S POCKETS RATHER THAN MAINTAIN THE LAND FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY.**

**PLEASE PRESERVE AND CONSERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AS A PUBLIC RESOURCE BY DISALLOWING THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT.**

**STEVE SANDBERG, PROVO CITY RESIDENT - DEAR COMMISSIONERS AINGE, IVIE, AND LEE, PLEASE DON'T SELL ANY PORTION OF THE COUNTY'S PROPERTY AROUND BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO RICHARD LOSEE OR ANY OTHER PRIVATE DEVELOPER. I READ ALL OF RICHARD LOSEE'S PUBLISHED PLANS FOR A TRAM AND FACILITY. THE MOST STRIKING PART OF THE ENTIRE WRITE-UP WAS THE SENSE OF ENTITLEMENT I GOT FROM RICHARD LOSEE--AS IF HIS BEING "ONE SIGNATURE AWAY" FROM OWNING THE FORMER TRAM AND PROPERTY IN THE 1980S SOMEHOW ENTITLES HIM TO IT NOW.**

**WE ARE MUCH BETTER AS A COMMUNITY IF WE WORK TO PRESERVE PUBLIC SPACES OF NATURAL BEAUTY. YEARS AGO, A GROUP OF PEOPLE BANDED TOGETHER TO PRESERVE THE ROCK CANYON AREA IN PROVO WITH A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. THAT PREVENTED THE PROPERTY OWNER FROM CONTINUING TO TAKE OUT BEAUTIFUL ROCKS, AND THAT CONSERVATION EASEMENT WILL FOREVER ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO ENJOY THAT AREA FREE FROM DEVELOPMENT. PLEASE DO THE SAME WITH BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. EVEN IF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS WAS THE SITE OF A TRAM AND BUILDING FOR MANY YEARS PRIOR TO THE AVALANCHE THAT WIPED THEM OUT, THERE IS NO REASON TO REPEAT THAT MISTAKE IN OUR HISTORY AND ALLOW FOR ANOTHER ONE TO BE BUILT.**

**IT'S TOO BAD THAT WE CAN'T AS A COMMUNITY GO BACK AND PRESERVE THE ENTIRE PROVO CITY RIVERBANK (AT LEAST ON ONE SIDE OF THE RIVER) THE ENTIRE LENGTH FROM BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO UTAH LAKE. BUT IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR US TO RALLY AS A COMMUNITY AND PRESERVE ALL OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS.**

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**BOB BURSS - ALLOWING PRIVATIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THIS NATURAL LANDMARK WOULD BE A TERRIBLE IDEA.**

**RANDY PFLUGHAUPT, UTAH RESIDENT - PROTECTING THIS BEAUTIFUL AREA FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC TODAY, AND FOR GENERATIONS TO COME IS THE GIFT THAT WILL KEEP GIVING. THE MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION WILL BE REMEMBERED IN HISTORY AS THE GROUP WITH FORESIGHT AND VISION IN PROTECTING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. NOW MORE THAN EVER IT IS IMPORTANT TO TAKE THE LONG VIEW AND DO THE RIGHT THING.**

**SARAH FENOGLIO - DEAR UTAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, I AM WRITING TO URGE YOU TO NOT DEVELOP BRIDAL VAIL FALLS. THIS IS AN AMAZING NATURAL FORMATION THAT IS LOVED AND CHERISHED BY MYSELF AND MANY OTHERS. I AM AWARE THAT SOMEONE WANTS TO BUILD A REHAB FACILITY IN ITS PLACE, AND I AM HERE TO URGE YOU TO FIND A DIFFERENT PLACE FOR THAT FACILITY. WE NEED OUR OUTDOOR SPACES, AND THE ICE CLIMBING ON BVFALLS IS INCREDIBLE. IN THE SUMMER, THE FALLS ATTRACTS MANY PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE OUTSIDE, ENJOY THE FALLS, ETC. PLEASE DO NOT DESTROY THIS WONDERFUL NATURAL WATERFALL THAT IS BELOVED BY THE COMMUNITY. REHABS CAN BE BUILT ANYWHERE, WATERFALLS CANNOT.**

**KIRK BELNAP - PLEASE, DON'T CLUTTER THE CANYON WITH CABLES AGAIN. WE TRIED THAT. HOPEFULLY WE LEARNED SOMETHING.**

**TOM ADAMS - I'M WRITING TO ENCOURAGE THE COMMISSION TO PRESERVE THE BEAUTY AND RECREATIONAL ACCESS OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THIS HAS GROWN TO BE A FUN, SAFE, AND EASILY ACCESSED YEAR AROUND DESTINATION FOR UT RESIDENTS. WHETHER ON A BIKE OR BY FOOT FAMILIES, STUDENTS AND ATHLETES HAVE USED THIS SPACE TO EXERCISE, DISCONNECT WITH BUSY LIVES, OR TO RECONNECT WITH LOVED ONES.**

**IN ADDITION, THE AREA IS HOME TO SOME OF THE GREATEST ICE CLIMBING IN THE WESTERN US. IT IS FILLED WITH HISTORY AND BRINGS PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE GLOBE TO TEST THEIR SKILLS OR TO LEARN IN A CLOSE TO HOME EASILY ACCESSIBLE LOCATION.**

**PLEASE PRESERVE THIS AREA FOR OUR FAMILIES, RECREATIONALISTS, AND OUR TOURISM DOLLARS.**

**JORO WALKER - DEAR UTAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, I OPPOSE PLANS TO DEVELOP AND COMMERCIALIZE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS – SURELY A UTAH COUNTY ICONIC LANDMARK. PLEASE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE PROPOSAL TO PLACE THIS PUBLICLY OWNED AND CHERISHED LANDMARK UNDER A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO PROTECT IT FROM ANY PLANS TO MAR ITS NATURAL BEAUTY.**

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO TO REPRESENT THE PEOPLE OF UTAH COUNTY RATHER THAN SPECIAL INTERESTS.**

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**B. LIPP - PLEASE KEEP BRIDAL VEIL FALLS HOW IT IS. KEEP UTAH BEAUTIFUL.**

**OSKAR WOJCIECHOWSKI - HI I AM A RESIDENT OF UTAH COUNTY AND I WANT TO EXPRESS MY VIEWS THAT WE NEED TO KEEP BRIDAL FALLS PUBLIC SPACE. I DO NOT UNDERSTAND WHY THERE IS EVEN A CONVERSATION ABOUT PUTTING A BUSINESS ENTITY ON TOP OF. IT IS A WRONG DIRECTION THAT UTAH WOULD BE GOING IN.**

**KATE BOWMAN, SLC RESIDENT - GOOD EVENING COMMISSIONER LEE, COMMISSIONER AINGE, COMMISSIONER IVIE, AND COMMISSIONER SAKIEVICH,**

**I AM WRITING REGARDING THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. WHILE I SYMPATHIZE WITH THE URGENT NEED FOR MORE DRUG TREATMENT CENTERS, I SINCERELY HOPE THAT THE UTAH COUNTY COMMISSION WILL ENSURE THAT ACCESS TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AND THE RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES NEARBY REMAIN FREELY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC.**

**I MOSTLY VISIT BRIDAL VEIL IN THE SPRING, WHEN HIGH WATER ON THE PROVO RIVER MAKES FOR SOME REALLY GOOD KAYAKING. THE SECTION OF RIVER RIGHT BELOW THE FALLS IS THE MOST CHALLENGING (AND FUN) RAPID. BUT WHAT I ENJOY THE MOST ABOUT VISITING BRIDAL VEIL IS SEEING FAMILIES OUT ON A SUNNY SATURDAY HIKING TO THE FALLS, PICNICKING BY THE RIVER, OR WAVING AND CHEERING FROM THE BRIDGES. PROVO RESIDENTS ARE BLESSED TO HAVE SUCH A BEAUTIFUL RESOURCE IN THEIR BACKYARD.**

**I DON'T NECESSARILY OPPOSE DEVELOPMENT, AND THERE ARE CERTAINLY OPTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT THAT ARE COMPATIBLE WITH (OR EVEN ENHANCE) PUBLIC ENJOYMENT OF THE FALLS. I DO HOPE THAT THE UTAH COUNTY COMMISSION WILL ACT TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC ACCESS TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS SECURED, NOW AND IN THE FUTURE, THROUGH A RECREATION AND CONSERVATION EASEMENT.**

**MELANIE TOPHAM, SLC RESIDENT - PLEASE HELP PROTECT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FROM PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT BY PLACING IT UNDER A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. THIS LOVELY AND SCENIC WATERFALL IS A LOCAL TREASURE THAT SHOULD BE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL, WITHOUT INTERFERENCE OR DISRUPTION FROM PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OR INVASIVE TRANSPORTATION METHODS. KEEP THIS NATURAL WONDER JUST THAT: NATURAL.**

**KARINA BROWN - I THINK BRIDAL VEIL FALLS SHOULD BE PLACED IN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT INSTEAD OF SOLD TO A DEVELOPER. UTAH'S NATURE GEMS SHOULD BE PROTECTED SO THE GENERAL PUBLIC CAN ENJOY THEIR BEAUTY.**

**CATHERINE ESLINGER, VINEYARD RESIDENT - DEAR COMMISSIONERS, I'VE LIVED IN UTAH COUNTY FOR 25 YEARS, AND HAVE ENJOYED VISITING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS**

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**AS A COLLEGE STUDENT AND THEN WITH MY FAMILY. MY CHILDREN LOVE DIPPING THEIR TOES IN THE STREAM'S COLD WATER.**

**LIKE ALL OF OUR PUBLIC PARKS IN THE CANYON, I HOPE THE AREA AROUND THE FALLS CAN BE A PLACE THAT THE PUBLIC CAN VISIT AND USE FOR RECREATION, FREE OF CHARGE. WITH OUR POPULATION GROWTH IN UTAH COUNTY, NATURAL SPACES THAT ARE CLOSE BY AND EASY TO ACCESS ARE BECOMING EVEN MORE RARE. OUR CHILDREN IN PARTICULAR NEED ACCESS TO NATURAL SPACES FOR HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT, AND MENTAL HEALTH IS IMPROVED BY SPENDING TIME IN NATURE. MAN-MADE STRUCTURES ARE UNLIKELY TO ENHANCE THE BEAUTY OF THE FALLS AND SELLING THE LAND TO A PRIVATE DEVELOPER IS A POOR USE OF THE COUNTY'S (AND THE PEOPLE'S) LAND.**

**BRIAN CHIN - I AM A LIFELONG CITIZEN OF UTAH COUNTY AND CURRENTLY RAISING A FAMILY HERE. THROUGHOUT MY LIFE, I HAVE ENJOYED PROVO CANYON AND BRIDAL VEIL FALLS.**

**I AM IN SUPPORT OF KEEPING NATURE'S BEAUTY UNSPOILED AND UNBLEMISHED AS MUCH AS HUMANLY POSSIBLE. I ADVOCATE FOR MINIMAL DEVELOPMENT WHILE BALANCING ACCESS FOR PUBLIC ENJOYMENT. THANK YOU!**

**LENDY GILLESPIE - AS A RESIDENT OF COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS, I AM DEEPLY SADDENED TO HEAR OF THE PLANS FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. ONE OF THE MORE BEAUTIFUL HIKES I HAVE DONE WITH MY FAMILY AND THAT I HAVE TAKEN OUT OF TOWN VISITORS TO, I CAN'T IMAGINE THE PUBLIC NOT HAVING ACCESS TO IT IN ITS CURRENT WILD STATE. ALSO, BEING MARRIED TO AN ICE CLIMBER AND AN ASPIRING ICE CLIMBER MYSELF, IT WOULD BE HEART BREAKING TO HAVE THIS EPIC LINE TAKEN AWAY. I HAVE TWO SONS WHO LOVE CLIMBING AS MUCH AS WE DO AND WE LOVE THAT THEY HAVE, AND HOPEFULLY WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE, ACCESS TO SUCH GREAT ADVENTURES LIKE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS OFFERS. PLEASE RECONSIDER YOUR PLANS FOR THE SAKE OF THE NEXT GENERATIONS. THE WILDERNESS CAN'T BE REPLACED ONCE IT'S GONE AND SHOULD BE FREE FOR ALL TO ENJOY.**

**THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THE THOUGHTS OF THE COMMUNITY.**

**ANNE ALLEN - I, LIKE EVERYONE HERE, AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE FATE OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. I GREW UP, IN PROVO AND REMEMBER THE OLD TRAM. I REMEMBER THE PUBLIC SIGH OF RELIEF WHEN THE TRAM AND STRUCTURES SURROUNDING IT WERE FINALLY PULLED DOWN AND BRIDAL VEIL WAS FINALLY RETURNED TO ITS NATURAL GLORY.**

**I WALK THE BRIDAL VEIL TRAIL AT LEAST TWICE A WEEK WITH MY LITTLE BOY, MY NIECE, MY SISTERS, MY COUSINS, MY NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS. IT IS PEACEFUL, BEAUTIFUL AND ACCESSIBLE. I APPRECIATE THE PATHS, PARK, PICNIC TABLES, AND BRIDGES WHICH SURROUND THE AREA. IT'S PART OF WHAT MAKES PROVO AN AMAZING PLACE TO LIVE. LAST YEAR A FRIEND VISITED FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND SAID, "LOOK AT THIS PLACE. IT'S BEAUTIFUL, IT'S LIKE YOU LIVE ON A MOVIE SET."**

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**HERE IN UTAH COUNTY WE ARE SO LUCKY, OR AS MANY OF US LOCALS BELIEVE, BLESSED, TO LIVE IN A PLACE OF SUCH INCREDIBLE BEAUTY. MR. LOSEE UNDERSTANDS THAT BEAUTY AND HE CLEARLY KNOWS A GOOD DEAL WHEN HE SEES IT. WHO COULD BLAME HIM, OR ANY DEVELOPER FOR WANTING TO SNATCH UP SUCH AN ACCESSIBLE NATURAL WONDER? WE NEED TO THANK MR. LOSEE — HE HAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION JUST HOW VALUABLE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS. AND WE ALSO NEED TO THANK HIM FOR BRINGING TO OUR ATTENTION HOW VULNERABLE OUR WATERFALL IS. HE HAS DEMONSTRATED THAT IT CAN BE SOLD OFF AND TAKEN AWAY FROM THOSE WHO NEED IT MOST. US. THE PEOPLE.**

**WE HAVE TO WORK, AS A COMMUNITY, TO PRESERVE THE BEAUTIFUL SIGHTS WHICH WE HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE AND CAN CONTINUE TO BE FREELY ENJOYED BY EVERYONE. LET'S DO THAT WORK. AS MUCH AS THEY'D LIKE TO, NO COMMERCIAL DEVELOPER CAN EVER ENSURE THAT THE FALLS WILL BE PROTECTED-- WE ALREADY HAVE AN EXAMPLE OF THAT FROM THE DEMISE OF BRIDAL VEIL'S LAST ILL-FATED BUSINESS VENTURE. THANKFULLY OUR OFFICIALS HAD THE FORESIGHT TO STEP IN AND TEAR THE MESS WHICH WAS LEFT BEHIND OFF THE MOUNTAIN.**

**FINANCIAL MARKETS, AVALANCHES, POOR MANAGEMENT ETC. ARE REALITIES WHICH NO DEVELOPER CAN GUARANTEE AGAINST. THE FALLS SIMPLY IS NOT SAFER NOR WILL IT BE IN BETTER HANDS, IF IT IS SOLD OR LEASED TO PRIVATE ENTERPRISE. THE ONLY PREDICTABLE OUTCOME IN PRIVATIZING THE FALLS IS RESTRICTED AND UNCERTAIN ACCESS AND THE CHANCE TO LIVE THE LAST 60 YEARS ALL OVER AGAIN. LET'S LEARN FROM THE PAST.**

**BRIDAL VEIL BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE. IT MUST STAY IN THE POSSESSION OF THE PEOPLE. IT'S PART OF OUR HERITAGE AND IT'S PART OF US. IT IS AS IMPORTANT AS MT TIMPANOGOS, ROCK CANYON, CASCADE MOUNTAIN, AND OUR, SOMETIMES SPARKLING, SOMETIMES SWAMPY UTAH LAKE. THE COUNTY BOUGHT IT AND NOW IT'S A PART OF OUR BIRTHRIGHT.**

**UTAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. OUR VALLEY IS EXPLODING WITH GROWTH. PLACES OF NATURAL BEAUTY ARE ONLY BECOMING MORE SCARCE AND LESS ACCESSIBLE. BRIDAL VEIL IS A UNIQUE ASSET WHICH IS ONLY INCREASING IN VALUE TO THE PUBLIC YOU SERVE. YOUR JOB IS TO REPRESENT THE PEOPLE AND TO WORK IN THEIR INTEREST AS WELL AS THAT OF FUTURE GENERATIONS.**

**WHEN UTAH COUNTY BOUGHT BRIDAL VEIL, IT WAS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. DON'T GIVE UP NOW COMMISSIONERS. PRESERVE OUR FALLS. DO NOT SELL IT. DO NOT LEASE IT. DO NOT LET US DOWN.**

**KRISTI GILBERT - I AM A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF OREM UTAH AND I DO NOT WANT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TURNED OVER TO LOSEE FOR HIS PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT! THIS IS A PUBLIC TRUST AND SHOULD NOT BE PRIVATIZED FOR DEVELOPMENT.**

**PLEASE STOP THIS ENCROACHMENT ON PUBLIC LANDS!!**

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**KENDALL HULET - PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW DEVELOPERS TO MAR OUR BEAUTIFUL WATERFALL. IT'S SAD AND DISHEARTENING THAT WE ARE EVEN DEBATING THIS. I IMPLORE THE COMMISSION TO PLEASE NOT ALLOW LOSEE OR ANY OTHER DEVELOPER TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS TYPE OF PROJECT.**

**SANDEFUR SCHMIDT - I HAVE ALREADY WRITTEN OUR THREE COMMISSIONERS, BUT I WANT TO STRESS HOW FIRMLY I AM AGAINST ANY PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT IN THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AREA. THIS NEEDS TO BE CONSERVED FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS WITHOUT ANY PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT IMPINGING ON ITS BEAUTY OR ACCESSIBILITY.**

**I HAVE LIVED IN PROVO SINCE 1973, AND NEAR THE MOUTH OF THE CANYON FOR THE LAST 40 YEARS. IT WOULD BE SUCH A MISTAKE TO SELL ANY PORTION OF THE AREA; AND IT NEVER WORKS TO TRUST A DEVELOPER WHO IS OUT TO MAKE MONEY, NO MATTER WHAT THEIR PLANS OR CLAIMS. HOW COULD AN ADDICTION RECOVERY CENTER POSSIBLY BE A GOOD THING FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS??**

**PLEASE MARK ME DOWN AS A STRONG AND UNEQUIVOCAL NO.**

**ASHLEY HAUG - IN ANTICIPATION FOR THE HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, PLEASE TAKE MY OPINION AND THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF PUBLIC OPINION INTO ACCOUNT: PLEASE PRESERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS.**

**WHAT GIVES ONE MAN THE RIGHT AND ARROGANCE TO ASSUME HE CAN NAB WHAT HAS BEEN A BELOVED, OPEN, PUBLIC SPACE FOR SO LONG, TO FURTHER HIS OWN BUSINESS? WHAT, BESIDES MONEY AND INFLUENCE THAT THE REST OF THE CITY OF PROVO IS JUST TOO UNLUCKY TO BE WITHOUT? IF YOU VISIT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS ON A WEEKEND, ESPECIALLY DURING THE SUMMER, YOU WILL SEE PICNICS, CHILDREN WADING, FAMILIES MEETING UP. PEOPLE OF COLOR ENJOY THE FALLS IN NUMBERS THAT I JUST DON'T THINK YOU WILL SEE IF YOU WALL PART OF IT OFF; CHARGE A FEE, MAKE IT MORE AUSTERE AND INACCESSIBLE.**

**ALSO, DESPITE GOOD CONSTRUCTION AND ARCHITECTURE, WHO KNOWS WHAT MOTHER NATURE HAS IN STORE? THE LAST TRAM DID NOT FARE WELL.**

**PLEASE THINK LONG AND HARD ABOUT THE REASONS FOR BUILDING THIS TRAM AND CENTER. ARE THOSE REASONS HONORABLE? IS IT WORTH IT? IS IT WORTH IGNORING PUBLIC PLEADING? THIS DOESN'T NEED TO HAPPEN. WE ONLY HAVE ONE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THE TREATMENT CENTER CAN BE BUILT ELSEWHERE.**

**GORDON O. JESPERSON - I URGE THE COUNTY COMMISSION TO PLACE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS INTO A CONSERVATION EASEMENT AND PROTECT THE FALLS AND SURROUNDING AREAS FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.**

**IT MAKES NO SENSE TO USE THIS BEAUTIFUL NATURAL AREA FOR A PRIVATE LODGE OF ANY KIND.**

**I'VE LIVED IN UTAH COUNTY NEARLY ALL OF MY LIFE AND FIND THE IDEA OF THIS COMMISSION SELLING THIS NATURAL WONDER TO BE REPREHENSIBLE.**

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**LIANE STILLMAN - FOR HEAVENS' SAKE, NO PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT ON THIS STATE TREASURE.**

**AUDREY WENDOLOWSKI - PLEASE CONSIDER A PERMANENT CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. IT IS A NATURAL TREASURE IN BEAUTIFUL UTAH COUNTY. YOUR DECISION TO PROTECT THIS BEAUTIFUL FEATURE WILL PROVIDE A LASTING LEGACY FOR UTAH COUNTY AND UTAH. THANK YOU FOR READING. PLEASE STAY SAFE.**

**DEBBIE WAGNER - PLEASE, PLEASE DO NOT DEVELOP BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. IT IS A BEAUTIFUL, PRISTINE GEM THAT THE PUBLIC DEARLY LOVES.**

**MELINDA J. MITCHELL - I HAVE TWO COMMENTS REGARDING THE POSSIBLE PRIVATIZATION OF BRIDAL FALLS.**

**I BELIEVE THAT BRIDAL FALLS SHOULD BE PLACED UNDER CONSERVATION EASEMENT AS SUGGESTED BY COMMISSIONER IVIE TO BE PRESERVED AS NON-FEE PUBLIC SPACE FOR USE BY ALL. I HAVE LIVED IN UTAH FOR 10 YEARS NOW. MY HUSBAND AND I OFTEN TAKE DAY TRIPS IN THE NATIONAL FOREST (ALPINE LOOP, NEBO LOOP, WASATCH STATE PARK) BY MOTORIZED VEHICLE AND SEE THE HEAVY USE THESE AREAS GET IN ALL SEASONS. AS WE EXPECT THE POPULATION OF THE SALT LAKE VALLEY TO CONTINUE TO INCREASE, WE WILL NEED MORE AREAS WHERE INDIVIDUALS CAN RECREATE WITH LITTLE OR NO FEES RATHER THAN FURTHER CONSTRICTION ON OPEN AREA ACCESS.**

**I HOPE THAT THIS ACTION CAN BE TAKEN PRIOR TO THE TRANSITION OF COMMISSIONERS, ( MR. IVIE BEING REPLACED WITH MR. SAKIEVICH). I ALSO BELIEVE THAT IF THAT CANNOT BE EFFECTED, THEN MR. SAKIEVICH SHOULD RECUSE HIMSELF FROM THE VOTE BASED ON HIS PRIOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM MR. LOSEE ( DEVELOPER OF PROPOSED TREATMENT CENTER AT BRIDAL FALLS) AS CLEARLY TO VOTE ON SUCH A RECOMMENDATION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR MR. SAKIEVICH. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE MY THOUGHTS ON THIS MATTER.**

**ROBYN GERSTENSLAGER - I SAW THE NEWS TODAY THAT A PRIVATE DEVELOPER IS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING SOME OR ALL OF THE LAND AROUND BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IN PROVO CANYON. WHILE I AGREE WITH THE DEVELOPER THAT THE SITE COULD BE BETTER MANAGED, AND THAT THE PUBLIC TAKES RESPONSIBILITY FOR HOW THEY TREAT THE SITE, I DO NOT FEEL OUR PUBLIC LANDS SHOULD BE SOLD OFF TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.**

**WHAT ARE THE IMMEDIATE AND LASTING IMPACTS TO THE SURROUNDING HABITAT AND WILDLIFE? DOES SELLING THIS LAND OPEN THE DOOR FOR MORE DEVELOPMENT IN PROVO CANYON?**

**FURTHERMORE, HAS THE DEVELOPER CONSIDERED PURCHASING LAND IN PREVIOUSLY DEVELOPED AREAS THAT ARE NOW ABANDONED? POSSIBLY**



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**REVITALIZING LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND SPARING FURTHER ENCROACHMENT ON OUR UNDEVELOPED OPEN SPACES.**

**A CONSERVATION EASEMENT, MANAGED PROPERLY, SEEMS LIKE THE PREFERRED OPTION TO PROTECT THE LAND AND PROVIDE SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE ACCESS FOR THE PUBLIC.**

**I RECOGNIZE THAT NO OPTION HERE IS PERFECT, BUT PLEASE, LET'S LEAVE WHAT'S LEFT OF OUR PUBLIC LANDS OFF THE TABLE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.**

**DR. AND MRS. LYNN GARNER - WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW THE COMMISSION WOULD CONSIDER SELLING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS TO AN INDIVIDUAL OR CORPORATION. IT IS A NATURAL LANDMARK THAT HAS BEEN ENJOYED BY INDIVIDUALS AND GENERATIONS OF UTAH FAMILIES. EVEN IF, ESPECIALLY IF, MR. LOSEE CONTRIBUTED TO ELECTIONS CAMPAIGNS OF ANY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. SELLING BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS A SURE WAY TO HAVE VOTERS VOTE YOU OUT OF OFFICE!**

**DENNIS & CAROLYN - DO NOT COMMERCIALIZE THE FALLS BUILDING A TRAM WOULD DESTROY THIS BEAUTIFUL NATURAL WATERFALL.**

**BALEY VAN WAGONER - PLEASE DO NOT SELL BRIDAL VEIL FALLS! PLEASE. THIS IS NOT RIGHT. UTAH COUNTY CITIZENS STRONGLY DISAGREE WITH THIS DECISION. WE DO NOT SUPPORT OR WANT THIS SALE TO HAPPEN. WE LOVE THE FALLS AND THE BEAUTY AND NATURE THEY SUPPLY UTAH COUNTY CITIZENS. WE WANT TO PRESERVE OUR PUBLIC LAND AND KEEP IT SACRED. PLEASE DO NOT SELL OUT. PLEASE DO NOT DISAPPOINT UTAH CITIZENS. THE TREATMENT FACILITY CAN BUILD ELSEWHERE.**

**SHARON DONALDSON - I AM FOR THE CONSERVATION OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THIS IS A TRUE TREASURE RIGHT HERE WITHIN 15 TO 20 MINUTES THAT ALL CAN ENJOY. I WALK HERE SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK. IT WOULD BE A SHAME FOR DEVELOPERS TO GET THEIR HANDS ON IT. PLEASE VOTE TO PRESERVE OUR FALLS!**

**MANON FELOS - MY NAME IS MANON FELOS, SCIENCE TEACHER FOR JUAB JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL AND A LONG-TIME CURRENT RESIDENT OF PROVO, UTAH (8 YEARS), AND BEFORE THAT OF OREM AND LEHI, UTAH (6 YEARS).**

**PLEASE VOTE TO CONSERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FOR PUBLIC USE. PLEASE DO NOT VOTE TO SELL THE FALLS TO A PRIVATE ENTITY. THE TRAIL AND THE FALLS ARE A FAVORITE SPOT OF FAMILIES FROM ALL DEMOGRAPHICS. JUST VISIT THERE ON ANY DAY DURING THE SUMMER AND YOU WILL SEE FAMILIES OF ALL TYPES AND BACKGROUNDS LEARNING TO LOVE AND APPRECIATE THE OUTDOORS. BY PRIVATIZING THE FALLS, YOU WOULD HARM THESE FAMILIES FROM ALL DEMOGRAPHICS, ESPECIALLY THE UNDERSERVED AND LOW-INCOME DEMOGRAPHICS, FROM BEING ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN NATURE-LEARNING EXPERIENCES.**

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**BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS ALSO A GEOLOGIC WONDER, HOME TO THE FAMED BRIDAL VEIL FOLD. CONTINUED GEOLOGIC EDUCATION WOULD BE HAMPERED BY PRIVATIZING THE FALLS, AS FUTURE GEOLOGY STUDENTS WOULD NO LONGER HAVE ACCESS FOR STUDY.**

**THE FALLS BELONG TO THE PUBLIC, AND SO, ON BEHALF OF THE SCIENTIFIC AND PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMUNITIES, I ASK YOU TO PLEASE VOTE TO CONSERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FOR CONTINUED PUBLIC USE.**

**MCKENNA HECK - I AM WRITING TO YOU TO EXPRESS MY FRUSTRATION AROUND THE IDEA THAT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS COULD END UP IN THE HANDS OF A PRIVATE DEVELOPER. I RECENTLY MOVED TO UTAH FROM THE MIDWEST, AND THE NATURAL WONDERS WERE A HUGE DRAW AND DECISION-MAKING FACTOR FOR MY FIANCÉ AND I. I URGE YOU TO KEEP THESE BEAUTIFUL PUBLIC LANDS IN PUBLIC HANDS, SO THAT ALL CAN ENJOY THEM, BARRIER FREE FOR YEARS TO COME.**

**CASSIDY BECK - I WISH TO COMMENT ON THE UPCOMING HEARING OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THIS IS AN INCREDIBLY POPULAR SPOT FOR UTAH FAMILIES DURING THE SUMMER. IT IS INCREDIBLY BEAUTIFUL AND A CLOSE DISTANCE FOR THOSE WITH ANY ABILITY TO SEE A PORTION OF THE BEAUTY OF UTAH'S MOUNTAIN. THIS BEAUTY SHOULD BE FOR ALL TO SEE NOT JUST THOSE WHO CAN PAY TO RIDE THE TRAM. I BELIEVE IN THE CAUSE OF RECOVERY; HOWEVER, NOT AT BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.**

**ANDREA J. GARLAND - I WRITE TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR COMMISSIONER IVIES' PROPOSAL FOR A CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. PLEASE KEEP THIS AREA WILD AND PUBLIC. THERE ARE PLENTY OF REHAB FACILITIES BUT FEW BEAUTIFUL WATERFALLS. PLEASE PROTECT WHAT IS PRECIOUS.**

**ELIAS SALGADO - BRO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THIS BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IS FUN DOG LIKE IF THE PUBLIC CAN'T DO THAT THINK OF THE FAMILY'S THAT WON'T BE ABLE TO GO I MEAN I HAVE PICTURES OF MY FAMILY UP THERE NOW WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH IT?**

**MASHAYLE NEWTON - PLEASE DO NOT SELL THE IT BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE REALLY GOING TO HATE IT AND YOU GET A LOT OF PEOPLE TO GO THERE WHY WOULD YOU SELL IT? OUR FAMILY REALLY LIKES TO GO TO THE FALLS AND YA YOU GET MONEY FOR IT BUT IT'S GOING TO BE PUBLIC SO NO ONE CAN SEE IT, SO I SUPPORT SAVING THE FALLS.**

**BRAD HARWARD - AS CITIZEN IN PROVO AND OREM FOR MOST OF MY LIFE I SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL OF PUTTING BRIDAL VAIL FALLS UNDER A CONSERVATION EASEMENT. NO ONE PERSON OR BUSINESS SHOULD OWN THIS AREA. IT SHOULD STAY PUBLIC AND KEPT IN ITS NATURAL PRISTINE STATE WITH PUBLIC ACCESS AND NO DEVELOPMENT OF A BUSINESS. WE'VE BEEN DOWN THAT**

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**ROAD IN THE PAST WITH RESTAURANT UP ON THE CLIFFS. LET'S NOT MAKE THAT MISTAKE AGAIN.**

**GEORGENE BOND - I WOULD PLEAD THAT YOU PLEASE SAVE THE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS AS A NATURAL AREA NOT OPENED TO DEVELOPMENT! THE POPULATION OF OUR STATE IS GROWING EXPONENTIALLY; THE NATURAL AREAS REMAINING NEED TO BE PRESERVED FOR THE ENJOYMENT AND REPLENISHMENT OF EVERYONE. ONCE NATURE IS DESTROYED BY DEVELOPMENT, WE THE PEOPLE ARE TREMENDOUS LOSERS. THE ECONOMIC GAIN OF ONE OR A FEW SHOULD NOT TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER THE NEEDS AND DESIRES OF THE POPULATION AS A WHOLE.**

**PLEASE SAVE THE BEAUTIFUL BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IN ITS NATURAL STATE SO WE CAN ALL ENJOY THE UNCHANGED BEAUTY!**

**LINDA KADER - PLEASE! PLEASE, PLEASE KEEP BRIDAL FALLS NATURAL WE NEED SOME SPACE THAT ISN'T TAKEN OVER BY DEVELOPERS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**NICOLE BENDER - I AM WRITING TO ASK YOU TO VOTE TO CONSERVE BRIDAL VEIL FALLS FOR PUBLIC USE. I HAVE BEEN GOING TO THE FALLS FOR OVER FORTY YEARS. MY PARENTS TOOK ME WHEN I WAS A CHILD AND I HAVE TAKEN MY OWN CHILDREN. I WOULD LOVE TO BE ABLE TO TAKE MY FUTURE GRANDCHILDREN TO HIKE THE FALLS AND ENJOY THE TRAIL. I FEEL LIKE IT WOULD BE A SHAME FOR IT TO BECOME PRIVATIZED.**

**ROBERT E. BOND, MD - I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT THE TOP OF BRIDAL VEIL FALLS. TO ALLOW SUCH A DEVELOPMENT TO A BEAUTIFUL NATURAL LANDMARK SEEMS EXTREMELY SHORT SIGHTED. NOT ONLY WILL SUCH A DEVELOPMENT BE AN EYESORE TO AN AREA OF IMMENSE NATURAL BEAUTY, TO COMMERCIALIZE THIS AREA FOR A DEVELOPER'S FINANCIAL BENEFIT SEEMS MOST UNWISE.**

**JONATHON NICHOLS - I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR A CONSERVATION EASEMENT THAT ALLOWS FOR RECREATION FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS SO THAT THE AREA MAY BE PRESERVED FOR OUTDOOR ENTHUSIASTS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR YEARS TO COME. I HOPE YOU SHARE MY SUPPORT AND SIGN THE EASEMENT.**

**REGGIE - I AM IN FAVOR OF A RECREATION AND CONSERVATION EASEMENT!**

**HAROLD B. MCCOWN - I GREW UP IN OREM IN THE 70'S AND 80'S AND SAW A LOT OF CHANGES TO PROVO CANYON.**

**I USED TO LOVE RIDING BY BICYCLE AND LATER DRIVING UP THE CANYONS TWO LANE ROAD AND BEING ABLE TO SEE AND STOP AT THE FALLS AND SPEND TIME**

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**THERE. I REALLY DIDN'T LIKE THE CHANGE TO A 4-LANE HIGHWAY AND BYPASSING THE FALLS, BUT I UNDERSTOOD THE REASONS BEHIND IT.**

**TO NOW HEAR THAT THEY WANT TO DEVELOP IT AND LIMIT PUBLIC USE IS DOWNRIGHT DISTURBING. THE FALLS NEED TO REMAIN NATURAL SPACE AND 100% OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. IT IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT DRAW PEOPLE UP THE CANYON TO SEE.**

**MY HOPE IS THAT UTAH COUNTY WILL DO THE RIGHT THING AND KEEP IT AS NATURAL AS IT IS NOW AND EVEN CONSIDER IT BECOMING A COUNTY PARK OR STATE PARK.**

**CARRI WARD - I AM IN SUPPORT OF SAVING THE FALLS AND KEEPING THEM OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THIS IS AN ICONIC PLACE IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT IS SUITABLE FOR ALL ABILITY LEVELS TO VISIT AND SEE THE MAGNIFICENCE OF NATURE. IT WOULD BE A SHAME IF THIS WAS PRIVATELY PURCHASED. PLEASE DON'T LET OUR FALLS BECOME UNAVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITY. I WANT TO BE ABLE TO TAKE MY KIDS TO SEE THIS MAGNIFICENT PLACE.**

**EMILY MEADOWS - I AM WRITING TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR BRIDAL VEIL FALLS IN PROVO, UT. WHILE I AM CURRENTLY A RESIDENT OF SALT LAKE CITY, I WAS A RESIDENT OF PROVO FOR FIVE YEARS DURING MY UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AT BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY. AS A FRESHMAN TRYING TO FIGURE OUT COLLEGE, I SPENT MANY DAYS AT THE BASE OF BRIDAL VEIL STUDYING FOR TESTS, WRITING PAPERS, AND TAKING A LUNCH BREAK.**

**WITH THAT SAID, PLEASE SUPPORT AND PASS THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO PROTECT THIS BEAUTIFUL AND VERY ESSENTIAL NATURAL ESCAPE FROM THE RIGORS OF DAILY LIFE. IT WAS AT THIS PLACE WHERE I WAS ABLE TO COPE WITH THE STRESSES OF COLLEGE LIFE AND COPE WITH ANXIETY AND TAKE CARE OF MY MENTAL HEALTH IN A PRODUCTIVE AND HEALTHY WAY.**

**WITH A LOT OF HARD WORK AND LEARNING TO MANAGE MY MENTAL HEALTH, I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO NOW BEGIN MY MASTERS IN ECOLOGICAL PLANNING AT THE U AND I AM VERY PASSIONATE ABOUT FIGHTING FOR AND PROTECTING NATURAL LANDS WHICH I KNOW ADD VALUE TO A COMMUNITY. MANY FRIENDS AND FAMILY I KNOW PERSONALLY LOVE THIS AREA AND FREQUENT IT. ADDITIONALLY, IT IS AN ICONIC DESTINATION TO VISIT FOR VISITORS AS WELL AS A WELL-LOVED RECREATIONAL AREA BY LOCALS. SUPPORT THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT AND PROTECT THIS GEMSTONE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.**

**MAYA SILVER - I'M A RESIDENT OF KAMAS AND I HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE POTENTIAL PLANS TO DEVELOP THE AREA IN PROVO CANYON AROUND BRIDAL VEIL FALLS INTO A DRUG TREATMENT CENTER. I AM WRITING TO ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER SITING THIS FACILITY ELSEWHERE, GIVEN THE RECREATIONAL VALUE OF THIS AREA.**