



## Recognized Organization Input Notification Proposed Zoning Text Amendment

**TO:** Salt Lake City Community Councils  
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**DATE:** November 16, 2023  
**RE:** PLNPCM2023-00937 Driveways & Loading Text Amendment

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The Planning Division has been working on amendments to correct driveways and loadings area standards found in the City zoning ordinance and is notifying your organization to solicit comments on the proposal:

**Request Type:** Text Amendment

**Location:** Citywide

**Zone:** All zoning districts

**Request Description:**

Mayor Erin Mendenhall has initiated a zoning text amendment to correct driveway and loading area standards found in the zoning code. Chapter 21A.44 was amended in October 2022 and since then, staff has found that certain standards created unintended consequences. For example, the ordinance now requires a maximum combined driveway width and a maximum number of driveways that is inconsistent with the size and use of properties in the industrial and some commercial zones. This creates issues in the ability of properties to be developed and to accommodate convenient and safe access. Similarly, staff have noticed that off-street loading area requirements are leading to likely unusable spaces and undesirable building designs. This petition will allow staff to revisit these standards to adequately address parking needs and city goals. This zoning amendment would also correct language in other related sections of the code.

I have attached the draft of the proposed text amendment to facilitate your review.

### Request for Input from Your Recognized Organization

As part of this process, the applicant is required to solicit comments from Recognized Organizations. The purpose of the Recognized Organization review is to inform the community of the project and solicit comments/concerns they have with the project. The Recognized Organization may also take a vote to determine whether there is support for the project, but this is not required.

Per City Code 2.60.050 - The recognized community organization chair(s) have **forty-five (45) days** to provide comments, from the date the notice was sent. A public hearing will not be held, nor will a final decision be made about the project within the forty-five (45) day notice period. This notice period ends on the following day:

**January 2, 2024**

Please contact me to let me know if you would like staff to attend and present the proposal at one of your meetings within this 45-day period. Please indicate the day and time of your meeting. Planning staff will be available at the meeting to answer any questions related to decision standards or the decision-making process.

## **Comment Guidance**

Public comments will be received up to the date of the Planning Commission public hearing. However, you should submit your organization's comments within 45 days of receiving this notice in order for those comments to be included in the staff report.

As a Recognized Organization, we ask that you address the following questions in your comments:

- What issues were raised at the meeting and whether any suggestions were made to address the issues.
- The number of persons that attended the meeting (not including those with the applicant or City Staff).
- Whether a vote was taken on the matter and if so, what the vote tally was.

## **Comment Submission Address**

You may submit your written comments via e-mail to [madison.blodgett@slcgov.com](mailto:madison.blodgett@slcgov.com) or mail them to:

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