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Community Development & Capital Improvement Programs Advisory Board (CDCIP Board)

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Dear Members of the CDCIP Board,

The Parley's Rails, Trails, and Tunnels (PRATT) board is proud to support the community-led "McClelland Shared Street Improvements" CIP application.

The PRATT Coalition has been advocating for, and working toward the completion of Parley's Trail. The 8.5 mile trail connects Parley's Canyon to the Jordan River Parkway. This major east/west trail is nearly complete. The Sugar House section of the trail intersects with the McClelland Trail at the corner of Sugarmont Ave and McClelland St. The PRATT organization strongly supports the connectivity of these two urban trails. Making McClelland a shared street will provide a beautiful transition from Parley's east/west trail to the McClelland north/south trail in the heart of Sugar House.

The project will be a tremendous asset to our community, our organization, and to visitors and residents of Sugar House, surrounding neighborhoods, and the City as a whole. This letter offers our statement of support for and intent to collaborate with Salt Lake City and other partners to transform McClelland Street, from 2100 South to Sugarmont Avenue, from just a roadway to a thriving, safe, and people-scale place.

In addition to changes to the street itself (e.g. calmer traffic, more space for walking and bicycling, and improved economic activity), the project will also extend the McClelland Trail into the heart of Sugar House. We believe that more people, and not only more cars, are what ensure the long-term success of places like Sugar House, where land is at a premium. Providing comfortable, people-scale design will reduce dependence on automobiles and encourage shorter trips, more transit and active transportation use, and a robust and versatile economy.

We support the "McClelland Shared Street Improvements" project for funding through the Capital Improvement Project process, and sincerely hope you will give this project your full consideration.

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