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## **Exhibit A**

The following written public comments were received are to be included in the October 12, 2022 Town council meeting minutes.

<u>Pages</u>	Document	Date Received
2	Mike Katz	October 10, 2022
3	Karen Travis	October 10, 2022

On Oct 10, 2022, at 7:52 AM, Michael Katz wrote:

All -

My name is Mike Katz and I am a property owner at Powder Ridge 11A. My wife and I have been 35 year visitors to GMD with our family, bought our place in 2019 and are now mostly winter residents along with a few weeks spread out in the other seasons. My wife is now teaching at the Alta ski school and we are excited to be spending our time here in Alta. I am on the board of Powder Ridge Association of owners.

Thank you all for your willingness to be involved in our town management and your service.

I wanted to write today in favor of the noise ordinance you have before you for the upcoming meeting. I was honestly not willing to share my thoughts on this as I have not been here to witness a wedding event until this last weekend. It was loud and it was late. My unit is on the eastern half of powder ridge, so I guess not surprising it was loud, but we have recently insulated our property for sound and we have changed all of our windows to triple pane. This does keep our unit normally pretty quiet, but not this weekend.

As a business owner, I understand that you have the responsibility to both protect the town and its inhabitants as well as allow for a thriving business climate for the businesses. I am also someone who has looked at all of the wedding venues here at Alta for a possible wedding for one of our sons. I believe that as we toured the venues, if we were told there was a time limit to how long the loud music/dancing could go, we would plan our event with that in mind. I can imagine starting earlier and/or having a scheduled post dancing quiet event if we wanted the wedding to drag on into the wee hours.

The air we have outside and the noise that it carries is a public good and has to be allowed to be shared by all those in the public (including the businesses) as best we can. I think the 11pm to 7am restriction is a good place to start and see how it goes and how well we manage it. I would not be surprised however, if we find that the restriction is not at all invasive to the businesses, and yet is still too noisy for the residents prompting us to revisit this ordinance in the future and maybe changing to 10:30 or 10:00 and/or 7:30 or 8:00 am, as 11 to 7 is exactly 8 hours of quiet/sleep time.

Thank you again for your service and your willingness to read my comment.

Mike Katz Powder Ridge 11A To: Town of Alta, Mayor, and Council Members

After having spent most of my adult years being a part of Alta's business community and trying to create so much of what Alta has become, I wonder why The Town of Alta isn't weighing in on all of the proposed changes that will affect the current businesses, skiers, hikers, bikers, climbers, and tourists. Sandy City's mayor has come out against the gondola plans, as have the majority of the homeowners on Wasatch Boulevard at the base of the canyon.

Multiple government and private agencies and businesses are now proposing:

A gondola with a charge to all who use it

A toll for vehicles that use state highway 210

A fee to park at Alta and Snowbird

A fee to park at major trailheads for hiking, biking, skiing, etc.

Increased prices for ski and snowboard passes

Also on the current agenda is **decreased** UTA bus service to the canyon when instead there should be **increased** bus service to at least a bus every half hour (with some going to Alta first and then going to Snowbird on the way back down).

In my opinion, those who normally would enjoy all the outdoor activities in Little Cottonwood Canyon will now have to add up the fees and the inconveniences and decide whether or not it is worth it. We all ought to be on board to create a pleasant experience for our guests, and I worry that all of these fees and changes will cause patrons to go elsewhere.

Karen Travis