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I am here tonight to speak in support of mail-in voting. As someone who is frequently out of town or unable to wait in lines due to my work schedule, I very much appreciate the opportunity to submit my votes via mail. I find it convenient and quite safe, as has been verified by former Salt Lake County Clerk, Sherry Swenson. Also our older, elderly citizens and people with disabilities find it difficult to travel to voting locations. While some may like to think neighbors will give them a ride, that's often not the case. Some communities may offer rides, however, would you get into a vehicle with a stranger? And someone with a wheelchair, especially a powered wheelchair, cannot just catch a ride in just any vehicle. Some would suggest that these individuals use UTA paratransit, however everyone isn't eligible to do so, and the application and mobility study can take months. Evidence supports that mail in voting is safe and free of fraud. Let's ensure all of us, especially our most vulnerable, the elderly and people with disabilities are able to exercise their right to vote. Everyone can and should have a voice. Mail in voting provides that. Thank you for your support of continued mail-in voting. Thank you for your time.

Please note: *To be considerate of everyone, public comments will typically be limited to **three minutes per person** per item. A spokesperson who has been asked by a **group to summarize their concerns will be allowed five minutes to speak**. Comments should be submitted in writing to the City Recorder prior to 4 p.m. the day of the meeting.*