



**Office of the Mayor**

December 1, 2020

RE: Support for Nomination of Margaret Plane

Mr. Chair & Honorable members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

I would like to offer my unconditional support for Attorney Margaret Plane's appointment as a judge to the Utah Court of Appeals. For the past 18 months, Margaret has served as Special Counsel to the Park City's Mayor and City Council with the intent that she would transition to City Attorney at the end of the year.

During this period, I worked closely with Margaret and am grateful for the opportunity to have worked alongside such a capable and consummate professional. Margaret consistently displayed integrity, professionalism, and an impressive knowledge of both law and ethics. Moreover, she was collegial, steady and an excellent communicator within our large organization. She applied the law fairly and without bias.

In a local role, and as a resident, it is tempting to express personal opinions, but she was clear her role was as a neutral advisor—not advocate or activist. She also made it clear, her duty is to the law. Margaret is a clear thinker and communicator with a broad background that includes litigation, land use, administrative law, and transactional matters.

Most importantly, Margaret is a person of high integrity, has a deep respect for the law and community, and a pleasure to work beside. Park City Municipal Corporation will sorely miss her, but we take solace in knowing she will be a tremendous asset to the State of Utah. Margaret has my respect, appreciation, and admiration, and I urge you to strongly consider her appointment.

Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andy Beerman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end.

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