Proposal: Claim-a-Curb - Hildale Street Clean-Up & Beautification Project

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To: The Mayor and Members of the City Council of Hildale

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## **Purpose:**

To propose a community-driven street beautification project that engages residents, encourages civic pride, and improves the appearance of Hildale's streets—particularly those with existing curb, gutter, and sidewalk infrastructure.

# **Background:**

When I was growing up in Hildale, we relied heavily on the church work crews to maintain and clean our streets. Every Saturday, hundreds of citizens volunteered their time and energy, and the impact was visible—our streets were clean, and our community felt unified. That system worked well for our city at the time.

Today, things have changed. The expectation has shifted to the city taking on the full responsibility of street maintenance, including weed control along curbs, gutters, and sidewalks. Unfortunately, due to limited funding and manpower, the city cannot maintain every street at the level we all hope for.

# **Proposal Overview:**

I am proposing a **Hildale Street Clean-Up & Beautification Project**, which invites the Mayor and each Council Member to personally commit to two weekend clean-up efforts between **May 2026 and October 2026**.

Here's how it would work:

- Each Council Member and the Mayor selects **two weekends** during the project timeline.
- For each chosen weekend, they pick a specific **street in Hildale** (ideally one with curb, gutter, and sidewalk) and organize a clean-up of **both sides** of the street.
- They are encouraged to invite family, friends, neighbors, and volunteers to participate.

These events will help inspire community involvement and demonstrate civic leadership by example.

## **City Support Requested:**

Use of city supplies (e.g., trash bags, gloves, weed trimmers, safety vests, etc.)

Importantly, this project will not require any additional funding from the city.

## **Community Engagement:**

- To expand the reach and impact of this project, we will also invite:
- Local schools to participate through service hours or student clubs.
- Local businesses to sponsor or provide volunteers.
- Church and civic groups to adopt streets or partner with council-led events.

#### **Benefits:**

- Visibly cleaner streets and improved city aesthetics
- Increased community pride and unity
- Strengthened trust and cooperation between citizens and city leadership
- Reinforcement of volunteerism and civic responsibility

#### Conclusion:

This is a chance for us, as city leaders, to step forward and show that we care—not just through policy, but through action. Let's rekindle the spirit of community that once made Hildale's streets a source of pride. I hope you'll join me in making this project a success.