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Comments:

[REDACTED],

Attached is everything I could find regarding the grounds project and lighting. As you can see from the documentation, the \$31,868 was originally slated in the project proposal to "enhance temple views" and to solve the following problems: "Mature trees have blocked the views of the temple. Plants have screened the fountain and entrance to the temple. The flagpole is too large and obscures picture taking." This is where the \$31,868 amount came from. It really does not address lighting issues.

After we received the 11 June 2003 letter, two large bushes were removed immediately from the fountain area (BYU absorbed the cost into their budget) and other trimming was done to enhance the fountain area. We have also had BYU prune all of our large evergreens to eliminate concealment areas. This letter does not address lighting issues either.

Trimming is an on-going process. It is not closely related to the lighting problem however. We have trimmed the trees to improve the lighting where possible. There are trees that really need to be removed, but we felt that removal goes beyond trimming and that we should seek the counsel before doing so. [REDACTED] feels that the solution is not removal of trees, but relocation of lighting as described in the original project proposal (Temple Project Report, item #5).

Ultimately, a decision is going to need to be made as to whether we (1) remove some trees and replace outdated lighting or (2) leave the trees, remove the tall light poles and replace them with bollard lighting.

In the June 11, 2003 letter authorizing the \$31,868 for pruning and trimming, we are instructed to "coordinate the details with [REDACTED]" or if we have any questions we were to contact [REDACTED]. We have talked with [REDACTED] numerous times over the past year concerning the status of the project and have kept him informed about the trimming that has been done and that trimming is not the answer to the lighting problem. I have talked with [REDACTED] on several occasions concerning the overall project and he has said that it is not dead and that we should be patient because the project was in the "Brethren's hands."

Anyway, here's the information I could find from the past couple years regarding this situation. Please let me know what action we should take from here.  
Kurt

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