



December 8, 2008

To: Rod Swope, CBJ City Manager
Fm: S. Kirby Day, III
Director of Shore Operations, Princess Cruises

I am respectfully requesting that you consider adding the following capital project to the list of marine passenger fee expenditures for 2009. The funding request could be included in your upcoming list of projects and operations which will be presented to the CBJ Finance committee, and funding could come from this fiscal year's marine passenger fee collection, or from the approximate \$10M+ in marine passenger fees that have yet to be expended or designated.

When the Mount Roberts Tram was constructed, part of the project to reconstruct the Columbia Parking Lot was to build a covered staging area on the sidewalk south of the Tram for motorcoach passengers to utilize while waiting for their tours and transport. For some reason, this part of the project was never completed and thus, we find ourselves with still a less than adequate gathering area for guests.

At the time, the cost for this project was calculated at \$100K.

Please consider designing such a covered area and utilizing passenger fee funding. Both the Franklin Dock and AJ Dock have similar canvass-covered structures that work well, and allow for removal of the canvass over the winter.

Thank you.