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<u>To</u>	Burns, Jim; Stephens, Greg; Stephens, Greg; Jones, Janet; Burns, Jim; Spearin, Karen; Groeb, Kevin; Nagy, Larry; Ryznar, Linda; Wood, Melissa; Motsinger, Ron; Parraghi, Sue; Hutchins, Tim; Wilcox, Tom; Yax, Tom; Scoobyemily; Jlw252; Jbriston; Daisybell; Daniltlane; Dalber; David; Pybearsbell; Indagatio; Fhamilton; Ghellmer; Ghellmer; Kreger, Jason; Jatcjgrim, Jpeil; Jjlocal2522001; Jwarolin; Hieffje, John; Hieffje, John C.; Jsisk; Sisk, John; Kfreelan; Kriz Berman; Greniert; Marbauer; Jmarty32; IBEW Local No. 252 Benefits Office; Jmcchesney; Rmotsinger; Gallagher, Paul; Prater808; Rcast; Rrocco; Jeff_Radjewski; Rbanks; Rmahlmeister; Mahlmeister, Roger; Scott.clark; Shanraci; Sng48; Charcatswhipple; Jatctammyk; Timborties; Bewlocal665; Tpvets; Ulanowicz, Pat; Huntfishhockeygal; Vmots	1	Semprevivo, Phil; Fraser, Roger; Derezinski, Tony		Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher; Kunselman, Stephen; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten; Anglin, Mike			Hieftje, John	ony				Kunselman, Stephen
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Subject: Attachments:

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# Potential Revisions to Area, Height and Placement Amendments – File No. 10-0750

Required Setback Line Minimum and Maximum Dimensions in Feet

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Minimum Gross Lot Size	Width in Feet	920
Minir L	Area in Sq. Ft.	9,000
Maximum Height	In Stories	None, except in any area on a parcel extending 300 feet from an abutting residentially zoned land, the following limits shall apply:
Maxir	In Feet	None, except in any a con a parcel extending feet from an abutting residentially zoned latte following limits shapply:
	Rear	30 for that open space abutting zoned land, except 30 feet where abutting residentially zoned land, abutting residentially zoned land.
Side	Total of Two	20 for that open space abutting residentially zoned land, otherwise none. None, except 30 feet where abutting residentially zoned land.
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Front <sup>(1)</sup>	Minimum	<u>2615</u>
Maximum Usable Floor Area in Percentage of	Lot Area	40%75%
Zoning	UISITICE	5:40 O Office

(1) Also see additional regulations in Section 5:168 of Chapter 59 and Section 5:602 of Chapter 62.

(2) For new freestanding buildings constructed or site planned after [INSERT EFFECTIVE DATE], 2010, otherwise none. Maximum setbacks shall apply to at least one lot line for new freestanding buildings constructed or site planned after [INSERT EFFECTIVE DATE], 2010 on parcels with more than one front lot line.

(3) Plus one foot of additional setback for each foot of building height above 30 feet when abutting residentially zoned land.

aximum	Minimum Gross Maximum Height Lot Size	Area in ss Sq. Ft.	Structure height shall 75 not be greater than 1/2 60,000 150 loser than 100 feet the horizontal distance from the nearest property line to the point of measurement.  None. None indess the parcel	except 100 feet where abutting residentially zoned land.	75 None, unless the parcel 40,000 150 lot line abuts a abuts residentially zoned land, in which	None, case the following except 30 limitations shall apply:  abutting abutting coned land.
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	Maximum Usable	Floor Area in Percentage of Lot Area	<del>30%</del> 7 <u>5%</u>		4 <del>0%</del> 7 <u>5%</u>	
		Zoning District	5:42 RE <u>Research</u>		5:42A ORL <u>Office/</u>	Research/ Limited Industrial

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-	Min	Area in Sq. Ft.	13,000	
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	Maximum Usable Floor Area In	Percentage of Lot Area	<del>60%</del> 75%	
	Maximum Gross Land	Coverage of Structure	40%	100001110000
		Zoning District	5:47 M1, M1A Limited Industrial	(1) A15.5.5.

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From:

Ron Motsinger

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 7:14 PM

To:

Jim Burns; Greg Stephens; Greg Stephens; Janet Jones; Jim Burns; Karen Spearin; Kevin Groeb; Larry Nagy; Linda Ryznar: Melissa Wood; Ron Motsinger: Sue Parraghi: Tim Hutchins; Tom Wilcox;

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FW: "Today As The Middle Class Collapses" by Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vermont)

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This is a must see. I hope it goes viral.

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From:

Fraser, Roger

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 7:22 PM

To:

\*City Council Members (All)

Cc:

Beaudry, Jacqueline; Dempkowski, Angela A; McCormick, Sue

Subject: Attachments: FW: Ponvert email - compost budget Ponvert Qs about compost budget doc

Council, here is staff's response to questions that we received later than the others.



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From: Kulhanek, Matthew

Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 5:29 PM

To: Fraser, Roger

Cc: Beaudry, Jacqueline; McCormick, Sue; McMurtrie, Thomas; Praschan, Marti

Subject: Ponvert email - compost budget

Roger,

In order to respond to the questions in the e-mail from Phyllis Ponvert, forwarded by Councilman Hohnke, please find the attached memo. Please let me know if you have additional questions. Thanks.

Matt Kulhanek

Fleet & Facility Manager

### **MEMO**

To: Roger Fraser, City Administrator

From: Matthew Kulhanek, Fleet & Facility Manager

Subject: 'Questions for you about compost budget' e-mail

This informational memo provides you with a staff response to an e-mail that Councilman Hohnke received from Ms. Phyllis Ponvert on December 4, 2010.

### **Questions and Responses:**

Q1. Compost expense FY09 of \$2,180,000 and FY10 of \$1,645,000. Can you give a breakdown of those expenses?

### Response:

The compost expenses listed above include all the City compost operations including the compost center, leaf collection, yardwaste collection, Christmas tree collection and administration.

Q2. Why are the total expenses in Attachment A current compost operation numbers vastly different?

### Response:

The expenses shown in Attachment A are for the compost center only and don't include the other components of the City's compost collection program. The compost center is the only component being considered under this public-private partnership.

Q3. Was does Fleet maintenance pay for?

### Response:

Fleet maintenance includes all costs to maintain the compost center equipment. The compost center operates a significant number of very large and specialized pieces of equipment. This equipment must be maintained to a high level as breakdowns can impact operations that result in odor problems or other problems related to the biological process of composting.

**Q4**. What is the total number of cubic yards of finished compost and mulch sold at the facility per year for as many years back as possible? What was the pricing for that material? What are the expenses and revenues for those years as well?

### Response:

Sales of finished compost and mulch are tracked by sales and not cubic yards. Sales revenues for FY09 and FY10 have been provided to Council in Attachment A as part of the 11/8/10 Council workshop. This Attachment also included revenue and

expenditures for the compost center. The pricing history for compost and mulch was provided to Council in the 11/15/10 caucus question responses (Attachment #1).

**Q5**. What is the price the Recycle Center pays to the compost center for mulch and compost? Do they pick it up or is it delivered? If delivered, does the compost center get paid for delivery? How many cubic yards does the Recycle Center sell each year?

### Response:

Recycle Ann Arbor pays the same rates for compost and mulch as the general public does. Recycle Ann Arbor picks up the material, it is not delivered. The City does not track sales information for Recycle Ann Arbor.

From:

Sent:

Rampson, Wendy Monday, December 06, 2010 7:44 PM

To:

Anglin, Mike; Briere, Sabra; Derezinski, Tony; Hieftje, John; Higgins, Marcia; Hohnke, Carsten;

Kunselman, Stephen; Rapundalo, Stephen; Smith, Sandi; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Teali, Margie

Fraser, Roger; Beaudry, Jacqueline; Bowden (King), Anissa

Cc: Subject:

AHP Amendments - Higgins Amendment (Item 10-750)

Councilmember Higgins asked that I forward these amendments to you for Item 10-750.



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From:

Lynne Friman

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 7:48 PM 'David Esau'; 'Tamara Real'; Hieftie, John

To: Cc:

'Milton-Pung, Melissa'

Subject:

RE: Grant Writer

Allison Walacavage and I just wrote a grant together that got funded through the Cultural Alliance's Strategic Alliance project. She would be a good asset to the project.

Best, Lynne

### Lynne Friman

Arts Alliance Board Member

Manager of Community Relations and Marketing Alliances

Cultural Alliance for Southeastern Michigan

Cell: 734-Office: 734-

From: David Esau [mailto:

Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 5:15 PM

To: 'Tamara Real'; 'John Hieftje'

Cc: 'Milton-Pung, Melissa'; 'Friman, Lynne'

Subject: RE: Grant Writer

I'm happy to be involved; just let me know when we'd be getting together. My schedule is pretty flexible.

David Esau, AIA, LEED AP Cornerstone Design Inc 310 Depot St., Suite 2 Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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From: Tamara Real [mailto:

Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 5:05 PM

**To:** John Hieftie

Cc: David Esau; Milton-Pung, Melissa; Friman, Lynne

Subject: Re: Grant Writer

### Hi Mayor:

I would like to stay involved but my schedule is so predictable these days that I'm afraid I can't be involved in something as important as meeting with the potential grant writer for the Greenway Arts project. I would suggest that David Esau be involved in place of me. He is an extremely sharp fellow, has worked with me on numerous grants for the Arts Alliance (and probably for other organizations), and is the designated representative of the Arts Alliance board of directors.

After the first of the year, I hope to be able to give you a better sense of how I might be able to continue to be involved with this very important project. If I don't see you before then, I hope you have a very happy holiday season!!

Best regards,

Tamara

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Tamara Real
President
The Arts Alliance
202 East Huron St., Suite 202
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Tel. <u>734-</u> Cell 734-

Check out <u>www.a3arts.org</u> - the social networking site for artists, cultural organizations, and the people who love them. a3 = it's the entire Ann Arbor Area! (and it's home to the Arts Alliance)

Sign up for our e-newsletter and announcements at <a href="https://www.a3arts.org">www.a3arts.org</a>
Follow us on Twitter - @TheArtsAlliance

From: "John Hieftje<u>" <JHieftje@a2gov.org></u>

To: "Tamara Real"

Sent: Monday, December 6, 2010 11:43:01 AM

Subject: FW: Grant Writer

Hi Tamara:

Would you like to stay involved in this capacity? It would be good to have you.

Please let me know.

Thanks,

John

From: Patricia Garcia [mailto.

Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 11:23 AM

To: Hieftje, John

Subject: RE: Grant Writer

Good morning, John.

The London adventure was amazing—thanks.

Grantwriter Allison Walacavage is interested in the project. She is currently the Foundation and Government Grants Manager for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. I'd like to schedule a meeting with her to discuss the project, compensation expectations, and evaluate her potential for success on this project. I had planned to schedule a coffee meeting with Tamara Real—is she still involved? If not, please let me know who will carry this forward.

Thanks, Patricia

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www.arborweb.com Ann Arbor Online From: Hieftje, John [mailto:JHieftje@a2gov.org]
Sent: Friday, December 03, 2010 3:36 PM

To: Patricia Garcia
Subject: Grant Writer

Hi Patricia:

Hope you are well and had a good trip abroad. I am writing to inquire where things are with finding a grant writer and to ask if there is anything we can do to help.

Thank you,

John Hieftje

From: Sent:

Congress.org [congressorg@capwiz.com] Monday, December 06, 2010 7:51 PM

To: Subject:

Hieftje, John

How a Mom Fought for Food Safety



December 06, 2010



### How a Mom Fought for Food Safety



For Barbara Kowalcyk, the fight over a food-safety bill in

Congress was personal.

If you've seen the documentary "Food Inc.," you may remember Kowalcyk as the mother of a young boy who died after eating a tainted hamburger.

Kowalcyk's years-long quest to access government data and find out how her son got sick transformed her life. She has since founded an advocacy group, advised federal regulators, contributed to scientific reports and traveled the word to study food safety models.

"I never went up to the Hill or did any of these things before my son got sick," she told Congress.org. "Certainly his illness opened my eyes."

Read five tips from Kowalcyk on being an effective advocate.

### **Get on Your Soapbox**

Want to make your voice heard concerning issues important to you? Get on your soapbox and make it happen! Our Soapbox feature allows you to give exposure to your issue and lets other Congress.org users take action on the alerts you create. Registered users are now allowed four free soapbox alerts per month!

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Want to track votes cast by your Members of Congress? <u>Sign up</u> for our regular MegaVote newsletter.

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Sign up for our new Daily Briefing newsletter.

### Social Conservatives Kick Off Don't Ask Blitz



Social conservatives kicked off an activism blitz against repealing

Don't Ask Don't Tell last week.

The campaign launched as the Senate Armed Services Committee quizzed Pentagon leaders about their findings that most military members do not object to a repeal.

Conservative groups dispute the finding.

"It's very important people start calling now," Tom McClusky of Family Research Council Action said in an hour-long webcast against repeal.

The group has identified key targets as senators from Massachusetts, Virginia, Arkansas, Nebraska, Missouri, and Florida.

Read more about the fight against repealing Don't Ask.

### **Tell Congress: New START Treaty**

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Should the Senate approve an arms reduction treaty with Russia?

The treaty would limit the number of deployed strategic nuclear warheads, inter-continental ballistic missile launchers and submarine-based nuclear missiles in both countries.

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The group has a well-suited lobbyist representing its interests in D.C., but business is anything but usual. We asked executive director Aaron Smith about the unique challenges of promoting pot on the Hill.

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Who sets the agenda for Congress? It doesn't always seem prioritized with what's important to the rest of the country. — Deborah Brown\_

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An influential veterans group criticized the Don't Ask Don't Tell report.

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Reports that Hispanic activists will abandon the Democrats may be overplayed.

Upcoming rallies in Washington will cover global affairs and the environment.



### **FDA Food Safety Modernization Act**

The Senate passed this bill to overhaul the nation's food safety rules. Shortly after passage, it was pointed out that the bill contains revenue raising provisions and the constitution requires bills that raise revenue to originate in the House. At this time, the strategy to move the bill forward is unclear.

Vote: 73-25, 2 Not Voting.

### Censure of Rep. Charles B. Rangel

The House voted to censure Rep. Charles B. Rangel (D-NY) for violating House ethics rules.

Vote: 333-79, 21 Not Voting

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From:

McCormick, Sue

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 8:01 PM

To:

Phil Semprevivo; Fraser, Roger; Derezinski, Tony

Cc:

pathonic

Subject:

RE:

### Catchy!

Sue F. McCormick

Public Service Administrator

100 N Fifth Av

Ann Arbor, MI 48107 Phone: (734) 994-2897

mailto: smccormick@a2gov.org



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From: Phil Semprevivo [mailto

Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 10:32 AM

To: Fraser, Roger; McCormick, Sue; Derezinski, Tony

Cc: pathohl
Subject: FW:

Hello,

Just a little something to lighten the week---the first step in our new marketing campaign.

Enjoy, Phil

From: psemprev

To: psemprev

Subject:

Date: Mon, 6 Dec 2010 10:28:11 -0500

From:

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Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 8:13 PM

To:

jHiefje@a2gov.org; Smith, Sandi; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony

Cc:

Taylor, Christopher (Council); Kunselman, Stephen; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten;

Anglin, Mike

Subject:

Huron Hills Parkland

Dear Mayor Hieftje and Members of Council:

After reading the recent article in the Ann Arbor News as well as the recommendation from the Sierra Club, we strongly urge you to reject the proposal to allow the Miles of Golf buy part of Huron Hills Golf course. The City of Ann Arbor has a resolution from 2007 to maintain this area as open space.

In addition, this violates the Greenbelt Program passed by the VOTERS in 2003. I have been driving to work along Huron Parkway for years and continue to see the condos, apartments, and large homes expand along this area.

We request that the Miles of Golf Proposal be REJECTED.

June and Richard Swartz

Ann Arbor, Mi. 48105 2nd Ward

From:

Don Danvko

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 8:16 PM

To:

Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher

(Council); Kunselman, Stephen; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie, Hohnke, Carsten; Anglin, Mike

Subject:

Privitizing the Compost Operation

I have just learned that the City is debating whether to privatize its compost operation. Privatization is not a fix for government operations. They generally cost the public more in the long run. The city is better off fixing it's own issues rather than trying to pass off their responsibility on the private sector. It is a myth that privatization is more efficient. In cases where government officials have done a poor job of managing in the past, the private sector can do a better job, but not if the poor performing or careless officials get to work and do their jobs as they should. We have government for that reason. So, get to work learning and researching what has happened to get us here and how can we best serve the needs of the community. Involving the public and getting ideas from the current managers and workers would be the right thing to do. If efficiency is the goal, implicitly trusting the private sector is risky. It wasn't the government that crashed the economy, it was the genius of private industry and the votes/legislation they bought with their campaign contributions. You don't have to be a part of that crowd.

Sincerely, Don Danyko

Ann Arbor, MI 48105

From:

Borders Rewards [Borders@e.borders.com]

Sent:

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Hieftje, John

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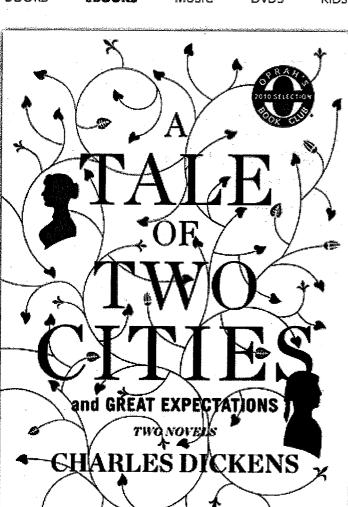
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From:

Donald Salberg

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 8:34 PM

To:

Anglin, Mike

Subject:

Chris Miles Proposal for Huron Hill Golf Course

Mlke,

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From:

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Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 8:58 PM

To:

Kunselman, Stephen

Subject:

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Dear Councilman Kunselman.

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Donald Salberg

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 9:00 PM

To:

Smith, Sandi

Subject:

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From:

Donald Salberg

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 9:01 PM

To:

Taylor, Christopher (Council)

Subject:

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## Donald Salberg

From:

Donald Salberg

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 9:02 PM

To:

Teall, Margie

Subject:

Chris Mile's Proposal for the Huron Hills Golf Course

Dear Councilwoman Teall,

At this time I want to share my opinions about Chris Mile's proposal to manage the Huron Hills Golf Course.

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From:

ethanlowenstein ethan Lowenstein [ethan.lowenstein]

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 9:03 PM

To:

Hieftje, John

Subject:

Re: Compost decision

Hi John,

Thank you so much for your thoughtful response to my questions. I know how busy you are and really appreciate it!

Unfortunately, I couldn't make it to tonight's meeting. At some point in the next month or two I would love to take you up on your invitation to talk.

With warm regards,

Ethan

On Mon, Dec 6, 2010 at 2:42 PM, Hieftje, John < JHieftje@a2gov.org > wrote:

Dear Mr. Lowenstein:

Thank you very much for writing regarding composting. As you will see in the message below there has been extensive notification and coverage of this issue in the local press, both on line and in print. (A2.com & A2 Chronicle) All council meetings where it was discussed were open to the public and on television (CTN). I inserted a couple of answers to your questions in the body of your email. Please join us at city hall tonight. I would guess that it won't be until after 7:30 that we get to this issue, or watch on CTN.

Since I have been receiving a high volume of emails on a number of topics in the lead up to tonight's council meeting, always a busy time, I hope you don't mind if I respond to you with a message I sent to other residents who wrote about composting.

Please allow me to clarify a few issues:

Some members of the community received incorrect information from a source outside of the city regarding the nature of the composting product that would result if the city decided to work with WeCare.

There would not be any "sludge" involved in the product. In fact it would be illegal for this to occur and of course city staff would have never entertained this option if there was a possibility of this happening. Ann Arbor is widely recognized around the state and nation as a leader in recycling, composting and handling solid waste in as environmentally friendly a way as possible and this tradition needs to be continued.

Addressing the compost issue has been in the City's Solid Waste Plan since 2004. In November the issue was discussed at a council working session (question and answer with staff) and a council meeting where it was decided to postpone it to gather more information and allow more time for residents to comment, ask questions, etc. These were of course televised, open meetings of the council and the replays are available on CTN. The information available to council can also be found on the city web site in the "council packet." This issue has been highlighted in the local press as well.

Composting is not expected to be a profit center for the city or to break even on its own but it would be good to limit the losses as much as possible. City staff issued a request for proposals several months ago and after extensive analysis, recommended a contract with WeCare for council consideration in order to save hundreds of thousands of dollars per year that could be put to better use within the solid waste budget.

Private companies have been engaged for years in working with the city on solid waste issues. Recycle Ann Arbor handles recycling pickup and the recycling drop off station and another outside firm handles the sorting and marketing of recyclables. Both of these relationships have gone well for the city.

No one at the city would be put out of work if council decides to move forward on making this change in how compost is handled. As you can imagine and as is explained in the next paragraph, this is a very difficult time for all local governments and we are constantly looking for more efficient ways of doing things.

In the worst financial crisis for local governments since the Great Depression Ann Arbor's city government has made it thus far with a millage that is lower now than it was 10 years ago, while maintaining almost all services. This is not the case in many of Michigan's other leading cities (Grand Rapids, Troy, Royal Oak, Etc.) where taxes have been raised and/or services are being deeply cut to cope with reduced State Revenue Sharing and falling property tax revenues. Sixty-eight Michigan municipalities are now on the "watch list" for bankruptcy. On top of everything else Ann Arbor lost 4.86% of property tax revenue when UM took over the old Pfizer site. This in a city that already had 40% of its land off the tax rolls. Taxes are high in our city but just 28% of property taxes paid by residents go to fund the city government.

Despite the economy our city continues to win awards as one of the very best places to live. Our city continues to maintain healthy reserve fund balances and the capacity to work on capital improvements. A2 has a moderate debt load and one of the best bond ratings in the state. This is a good indicator of financial health from third party agencies. But, given the financial situation faced by all cities I am sure you can understand why A2 needs to consider all options to trim expenses in the operating budget.

I am looking forward to further discussion of this option for composting. If important questions still remain after tonight's deliberations, we can certainly postpone this again to make sure we have all the facts.

Thank you very much for your interest in our city and if you would ever like to discuss or any other issue, please call my office for an appointment during my weekly open hours. 794-6161

John Hieftje

From: ethanlowenstein

On Behalf Of Ethan Lowenstein

Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 10:46 AM

To: Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Kunselman, Stephen;

Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten; Anglin, Mike

Subject: Compost decision

Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

My name is Ethan Lowenstein. I live at \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the 5th Ward. My phone# is 734 \_\_\_\_\_ My e-mail is \_\_\_\_\_. I am an active community organizer.

I am VERY CONCERNED and UPSET that there is a decision about privatizing the municipal compost program tonight at City Council.

To my knowledge, there was NO PUBLIC notification or INPUT. The decision itself is secondary to the fact that there seems to be a general lack of political will to ENGAGE THE PUBLIC IN IMPORTANT CITY DECISIONS.

<u>Long Term Approach</u>: Maybe we need to work toward build a TOWN HALL-like decision making system based in the wards???? We are not a large community. If we can't figure out how to make democracy work in Ann Arbor, then the Country is really in trouble.

I would like your response to the following questions. Thanks in advance. I know you are very busy.

1) What are your ideas re: creating more democratic systems in the City? Are you willing to think out of the box here?

Always happy to think out of the box and I look forward to talking to you about this. I too have extensive experience as a community organizer, mostly around environmental and neighborhood issues and as someone who likes to engage the public in the grassroots. Perhaps you could call my office for an appointment during my open office hours or if that won't work for you, we can find a time for coffee.

2) Are you in support of POSTPONING the compost decision until there is further public input?

As you read in the email above I am not against postponing to be sure we have all the information needed.

Responses to these questions may determine who I support at the community level in the next election.

Thanks for giving this matter your attention.

Sincerely,

Ethan

Ethan Lowenstein, Ph.D. Graduate Coordinator Department of Teacher Education Eastern Michigan University

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sucessyes@hotmail.com

Subject:

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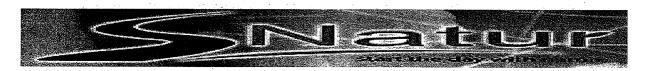
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gaia kile

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 9:24 PM

To:

Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Kunselman, Stephen; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten; Anglin, Mike

Subject:

Privatization of composting

To my city government,

I am against the privatization of the city composting program. I believe at the least more time for input and public comment is warranted. I am particularly concerned about the proposed corporation you have identified as a potential private operator.

Sincerely

Gaia Kile

Human Beings, indeed all sentient beings, have the right to pursue happiness and live in peace and freedom.

-- The XIVth Dalai Lama

From:

ray ayer [rayayer4

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 9:33 PM

To: Subject: Anglin, Mike; Smith, Sandi COMPOST site giveaway

Mike & Sandy

some good resolutions regarding the compost site

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Whereas the City picks up yard waste from residences paid for from the Solid Waste Fund

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Ray Ayer

From:

ray ayer [rayayer4

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 9:37 PM

To:

Briere, Sabra

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#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Councilmember Sandi Smith

FROM:

Wendy Rampson, Planning Manager

Jeff Kahan, City Planner

SUBJECT:

Potential Amendment Language for Area, Height and Placement Proposal

(Item 10-0750)

DATE:

December 3, 2010

You requested that staff draft language for two changes to the Area, Height, and Placement proposal, scheduled for action on December 6. Suggested amendment language is highlighted in red below:

#### Eliminate minimum size for single-family dwellings

Amend Section 5:10.2. R1A, R1B, R1C, R1D, R1E Single Family Dwelling District by adding and deleting the following language:

- (2) Permitted principal uses.
  - (a) Single-family dwelling firmly attached to a permanent foundation, and connected to a public sewer and water supply, at least 14 feet wide and contain at least 900 square feet of floor area. Single-family dwellings in the R1E district shall not exceed 2,000 square feet of floor area.

#### Add height limit along the Huron River in employment districts

Amend the 'Maximum Height in Feet' limit in the following districts:

- Section 5:40 O Office District
- Section 5:42 RE Research District
- Section 5:42a ORL Office/Research/Limited Industrial Districts
- Section 5:47 M1 and M1A Limited Industrial Districts

by adding the following language to Councilmember Higgins' proposed amendment:

"None, except in an area extending 300 feet from an abutting residentially zoned parcel or in an area extending 300 feet from the edge of the Huron River, within which the following limits shall apply:"

cc: Roger Fraser, City Administrator Sumedh Bahl, Community Services Administrator Kevin McDonald, Senior Assistant City Attorney

From:

ray ayer [rayayer4]

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 10:06 PM

To:

Kunselman, Stephen

Subject:

compost asset give a way, please reconsider

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Councilman Kunselman, you are a **businessman** like me. The compost privatization is a terrible business deal for the City. We will get criticized for it if not sued, for this business gift to the private sector. The bid was poorly prepared and executed. I month turn around for a 55 page RFP? Sounds fishy, why no national advertising in trade journals?

I'm disabled so I have a property management firm run my property rental business for me. They get 10% I get the rest.

The City getting just \$.50 on the sale of \$22 of compost is negligent care of City assets on our part. We should get 30%, at a minimum. Similarly like the recycle center we should get at least 30% of the tipping fee income from outside vendors dropping off material at our site!

If we want to make the City profitable, them make this a profitable contract, not a give away.

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Subject: All Quiet on the Western Front - Once Not so Quiet

All Quiet on the Western Front - Once Not so Quiet

Victor Grossman, Berlin Bulletin No. 15,

On December 5th one or two hundred people left a movie theater in Berlin, mostly silent and deeply moved though the film they had seen was first released in 1930. This American-made epic had lost none of its extremely emotional appeal. It was "All Quiet on the Western Front" and the date of its showing here was no coincidence. Exactly eighty years earlier, to the day, Joseph Goebbels, later to become Hitler s notorious propaganda minister, had led 200 Nazis in violently preventing the showing of this same film. At the shout of Goebbels, who was in the balcony, the Nazis, storm troopers without their brown uniforms and some of the many newly-elected deputies to the Reichstag, blew whistles, attacked the rest of the audience and then let hundreds of white mice out of cardboard boxes to scurry through the rows. The police tried to restore order, at least some of them did, but this proved impossible and the showing was stopped. Then five or ten thousand Nazis waiting outside joined Goebbels in a march and rally in the downtown area.

The tumults continued for a whole week, after which the Censorship Office, made up of Nazi sympathizers or men fearing the growing Nazi pressure, bowed to the demands of several pro-Nazi states to have the film banned altogether in Germany. This was a first major success of the Nazis and was accompanied by an obscene barrage of propaganda against this "defamation of our boys in uniform" by the "Jews in Hollywood" and in Berlin's "elite" West Side.

A half-year later, after protests by prominent writers, artists and anti-Nazi political figures, permission was reluctantly granted to show the film to small private audiences, but only in such a radically cut version that much of the political punch was gone.

This strange law, a compromise applying to a single film, was soon canceled, yet the attempted conciliation of the important German market for American films resulted in only cut film versions being distributed to all other countries as well. The film was totally forbidden in many countries, including France, Austria and Australia, and was eviscerated even in the USA, despite its two Oscars as best film and, for Lewis Milestone, best director. A final wish of Milestone was to have the film restored to its original length and principles. It took two decades after his death in 1980 before this was finally achieved.

The film shown last Friday was the original, uncut version with German sub-titles. Before it began, two historians described what had happened in 1930, which had made this a major step in the Nazi take-over of German culture and, two years later, of the whole country, resulting in the destruction of both. One historian told the tragic story of Hanns Brodnitz, the manager of the Mozart-Saal, which he had turned into a leading art film center, highlighting such film greats as the young Rene Clair ("Under the Roofs of Paris") and Charlie Chaplin's masterpieces. But after the Nazi attacks on his theater and the exploding level of anti-Semitism in Germany he lost his job and, before long, all jobs. His attempts to escape to the USA were in vain and in 1938 he went into hiding. Only after five years, when he dared to leave his last hiding-place, was he caught and sent to Auschwitz, where he was murdered in a gas chamber a few days later. His autobiographical book on film culture during Germany's Weimar Period (after 1919) was not released in 1933 because of the Nazi takeover and was soon destroyed, but a surprising find of the galley proofs a few years ago made a new edition possible.

Two major thoughts certainly went through the minds of many in the audience last Friday. One was a swift understanding of why not only Nazis and not only German super-patriots hated the film and its terrifying portrayal of

the horrors of war, with occasional questioning by the soldiers as to why and to whose benefit they are suffering, shooting and dying. One scene, where the hero, played by Lew Ayres, bitterly regrets killing a French soldier lying next to him, is unforgettable. The glories of "fighting and dying for one's country," so mercilessly satirized and exposed by the film, went against all the efforts by nearly every government in those years to honor the dead in such a way that the next generation would dutifully follow in their fatal footsteps.

The other thought surely going through the heads of so many in the audience was not unrelated: They are at it again! Not only the heavy-booted pro-Nazi groups marching through one city after another in Germany, for they are still a small minority and face unrelenting resistance by anti-fascists. But even more menacingly, troops are again being sent to fight in Afghanistan and elsewhere, and when the metal coffins are flown home they are met with rites and speeches hardly differing from those in the years before and between the two world wars and attacked in the film. This month Germany's Minister of Defense, while ending the draft, is creating a tough professional army with the latest murderous equipment, ready to defend "Germany's trade routes and access to needed raw materials" anywhere in the world. His semi-prediction of future conflicts was accompanied by his usual slight and for some so frightening smile. Words like Iran, Palestine, Yemen and Korea inevitably crossed people's minds. Eighty years had passed, and what terrible years some of them were, yet so many have learned, or altered, so little. Aside from the greatness of the film, it was thoughts like these which this event so meaningful and so disturbing.

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If Jay-Z Met Fred Hampton by Mark Anthony Neal TheLoop21 <a href="http://www.theloop21.com/culture/if-jay-z-met-fred-hampton">http://www.theloop21.com/culture/if-jay-z-met-fred-hampton</a>

In the early morning of December 4, 1969, before dawn, the Chicago Police Department in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation--The FBI--riddled the residence of Black Panther Party leaders Fred Hampton and Mark Clark, killing them both. Hampton, who was sleeping in the back of the house with his pregnant girlfriend was unable to defend himself (he had been drugged by an informant), leading poet and Third World Press founder Haki Madhubuti (then Don L. Lee) to describe the incident as a "One Sided Shootout." On that same day, Shawn Corey Carter--the maverick hip-hop mogul and artist--was born in the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn, NY. I can't help but wonder what might have happened if these two--icons for two distinct generation of Black youth--might have ever had the chance to meet.

For those familiar with the legacy of Fred Hampton, simply known as Chairman Fred for many, Jay-Z might seem the very antithesis of what Hampton represented.

At the time of his assassination, Hampton was being prepared for national leadership within The Black Panther Party, which was decimated by incarceration (Huey P. Newton and Bobby Seale) and exile (Eldridge Cleaver). Hampton was 21-years-old, five years younger than Martin Luther King, Jr. was when he led the Montgomery Bus Boycott and the same age of Malcolm Little when he was when he began the prison sentence that transformed him into Malcolm X. Hampton was no ordinary young Black man.

Specifically the Black Panther Party was targeted by FBI director J. Edgar Hoover's counter-intelligence program, known by the acronym COINTELPRO. The year before Hampton's death, Hoover publically announced that the Black Panther Party was the "greatest threat to the internal security of the country." Part of the FBI's strategy was to kill off the local leadership of the Black Panther Party, before it could ascend to national leadership. In that vein Hoover targeted the Black Panther Party's breakfast program, because it was one of the most tangible ways the organization impacted their communities.

According to historian Craig Ciccione, author of the forthcoming If I Die Before I Wake: The Assassination of Fred Hampton, "The threat was on the local level because on the local level the organizing was most effective." Ciccone suggests that killing off local leadership could be achieved on a much quieter level--he notes that virtually none of the Panthers killed in the late 1960s were part of the national leadership.

Of those local leaders, Fred Hampton was perhaps the most significant—The FBI created a file on Hampton when he was just an 18-year-old high school student, who would shortly become leader of the Illinois Chapter of the Black Panther Party. Fred Hampton was a compelling figure because of his skills as an organizer—he was instrumental in the creation of the Rainbow Coalition (a term later appropriated by Jesse Jackson) which included the Black Panther Party, a group of young White activists known as The Young Patriots and The Young Lords, a national organization of Puerto Rican activists co-founded by Felipe Luciano, who was also a member of the original Last Poets.

Combined with his accomplished skills as an orator and his willingness to organize beyond the Black community, Hampton was the prototype for the next generation of Black activist, a possibility that was literally killed in the early hours of December 4, 1969.

One of the tragedies of Fred Hampton's death is that his presence would not be felt in the Marcy Houses that Jay-Z came of age in, or in any of the like communities across this country where young Black Americans lacked examples of political agency and activism that were in sync with their lives at the dawn of 1980s.

Read the Full Essay @ theLoop221: http://www.theloop21.com/culture/if-jay-z-met-fred-hampton

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By Jack Rasmus

Working In These Times In These Times

December 6, 2010

http://www.inthesetimes.com/working/entry/6726/why\_tax\_cuts\_dontand\_wontcreate\_jobs

Last Friday, December 3, the U.S. Department of Labor announced that the unemployment rate had risen once again. A full three years after the current recession began in December 2007 there is no end in sight as to when the jobs markets will recover. This is in stark contrast to the full recovery of corporate profits and bankers bonuses, now back roughly to where they were in 2006-07, according to U.S. government data.

Banks now have a hoard of cash reserves of more than a trillion dollars, according to the business press. However, as U.S. Federal Reserve Bank data show, as the biggest 19 U.S. banks recovered in 2009-2010, their lending to small and medium businesses declined steadily. Nor has that lending recovered in 2010.

Without bank lending to small businesses - the main engine of job creation in the U.S. - there can be no job creation.

Similarly the largest companies, the S&P 500 non-bank corporations, are also sitting on a hoard of cash. At last estimates, an amount of \$1.84 trillion in liquid assets, according to the Financial Times business daily.

So with all that cash, why aren't banks lending and big companies investing and creating jobs, one might ask?

The even more important question is: if banks and businesses have that record hoard of cash on hand why should their taxes be cut, in effect increasing even more that hoard of cash that isn't being invested? Won't they just continue to hoard the tax cut too?

The idea that cutting business and wealthy investors' taxes originated in 1961 with then President John F.

Kennedy. But at that time business investment tax cuts were tied to proven job creation. Businesses had to prove they added jobs before they could claim the tax cut. That was changed with Reagan. Now businesses could get the tax credits even if they didn't create jobs.

Their taxes were cut even if it meant they reduced jobs. By the time of George W. Bush, businesses could claim tax cuts for investments made offshore. GM cut hundreds of thousands of jobs in the U.S. while adding thousands in China. Ford cut jobs while adding them in St. Petersburg, Russia. Corporations could claim the investment tax cuts, even if jobs were created offshore and simultaneously eliminated in the U.S. In effect, U.S. taxpayers were paying US corporations to send their jobs overseas.

Between 2001-2004 George W. Bush pushed through a series of annual tax cuts for investors and corporations that amounted to a total of \$3.4 trillion over the recent decade, according to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. Every tax cut bill passed between 2001-2004 was called a jobs creation bill. More than 80% of the \$3.4 trillion

eventually accrued to the wealthiest 20% of households and corporations, and most of that to the top 0.1%, or 100,000 households, and the S&P's largest companies. And what did George W. Bush's business-investor tax cut produce in terms of jobs? The period 2001-2004 witnessed the weakest jobs creation on record following a recession. It took a full 46 months just to recover the level of jobs in the U.S. that existed in January 2001, when the recession began. Estimates today after the current recession are that it will take 7-8 years to recover the lost jobs, if even then.

Another, more recent test of the "business tax cuts create jobs" idea happened in the spring of 2008. Bush and Congress passed a \$168 billion stimulus bill as the recession of 2007-2010 began to deepen. About \$90 billion of that comprised tax cuts. What jobs did it create? None. The jobs market collapsed in the second half of 2008 at a rate of nearly one million a month for six months, a rate of job loss that roughly paralleled that of 1929-30.

The Obama stimulus bill of 2009 is yet another example of why tax cuts in general, and business-investor tax cuts in particular, do not create jobs. Of Obama's original \$787 billion stimulus passed in February 2009, about half were tax cuts and more than \$225 billion were specifically business-investor cuts. Twenty months later we have virtually no net job creation. Private employers have created about 900,000 jobs in 2010, the majority of which are part time or temporary jobs. For its part, the federal government has created no net new jobs since Obama came into office, while State and Local government have laid off hundreds of thousands over the past year and even more cuts are planned for 2011. The U.S. Labor Department's most conservative estimate of unemployment (called the 'U-3' statistic) today is 9.8% and 15.1 million jobless. The Labor Department's more accurate estimate (called the 'U-6' statistic) today is 17.0% and roughly 23 million jobless.

So what did John Q. Taxpayer get for all that tax cutting? Certainly not jobs, but instead a huge deficit bill now coming due. Nonetheless, the debates in Washington now still focus on more tax cuts in 2011. So long as that's the focus, the U.S. unemployment situation will continue to stagnate or worsen.

[Jack Rasmus, professor of economics and political economy at Santa Clara University and St. Marys College, is author of Epic Recession: Prelude to Global Depression, and The War at Home: The Corporate Offensive From Ronald Reagan to George W. Bush. His forthcoming book (2011) is Obama's Economy: Why Recovery Failed. What's Next? Rasmus has published numerous articles in Z magazine, Critique, Amandla, Against the Current, the Dispatcher and other periodicals.]

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The protest means more than fees.

If they resist education cuts, it would boost opposition to the whole austerity drive

By Gary Younge Guardian (UK) December 6, 2020

http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2010/dec/05/students-provide-spark-flames-all-us

On 1 February 1960 Franklin McCain and three teenage friends from the historically black North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College, went to the whites- only counter at Woolworths in Greensboro and took a seat.

They were not part of an organisation and had never been politically active before. "I don't think the [established civil rights groups] really understood what the driving force was for this movement," McCain says. "We had four kids here trying to address an unequal system. Just four kids who were somewhat introspective."

The night before they had stayed up until the small hours goading each other into action. They didn't warn anyone because they thought adults would try to talk them out of it. Their attempts, the next day, to get a few people to join them failed. "We just thought it was useless waiting for them to catch up. We didn't have the time to convince people. People needed to believe in it enough to die, they had to walk on the picket lines until their shoes wore out. We wanted to go beyond what our parents had done. And we had nothing to lose."

McCain describes the feeling of sitting at the counter

- confronting the oppression of ages as a cop brandished a stick he could not bring himself to use - as one of zen-like serenity. "I had the most tremendous feeling of elation and celebration. I felt that in this life nothing else mattered. Nothing else has even come close. Not the birth of my first son nor my marriage. I had no tensions and no concerns. If there is a heaven, I got there for a few minutes."

And so, from a moment of tranquillity began a turbulent decade of student-led activism, both locally and globally, that produced some of the transformative movements of the last century. The 60s did not invent student radicalism. But it did witness a spike in a centuries-long tradition that has ebbed and flowed from 19th century Russia to Soweto and is surging once again across Europe.

Last week alone saw a wave of occupations and demonstrations in Britain, widespread disruption in Italy as train lines and motorways were blocked, and clashes between Greek students and police outside parliament in Athens.

As these protests intensify - as they are bound to - we can expect them to be routinely disparaged on the right as either privileged kids acting out or innocents led astray by revolutionaries. But there is also a risk that, either through nostalgia or wishful thinking, they might be misunderstood by the left.

There is nothing intrinsic to being a student that makes them radical. Like everyone else their politics are shaped by time and place. During the 1926 General Strike in Britain students were used as scab labour. In Venezuela, they are as

likely to be against Hugo Chavez as for him. I entered university four months after Thatcher's third victory and graduated three months after Labour's fourth defeat. It is not surprising students were, if anything, quite conservative.

That students and youth in Europe have erupted at this moment, however, should come as no surprise. More than one in five people under the age of 25 in the EU is unemployed. In Spain the figure is 43%; in Greece 30%; in Italy 26%. Meanwhile the principle that education is a public good, to which all are entitled, all contribute, and all benefit through a more competitive economy, is in its death throes.

In the name of meritocracy Italy is about to slash \_26m from its scholarship fund. The British government's latest proposal, giving anyone on free school meals a year's free tuition, is like trying to tackle poverty by cutting coupons: inadequate and ineffective. I would have qualified for that and there's still no way I could have afforded to continue at university.

Nonetheless, there are elements of McCain's recollections that do reveal a propensity among students and youth to militancy. They are more likely to have time, energy, ideas and ideals, and more likely to fight for them because they probably don't have a stake in the system as it stands. Like McCain and his friends they are less likely to have been either worn down or, worse still, corrupted by established institutions and as a result more likely to be passionate, impatient and proactive. It is no surprise that the National Union of Students and the Labour party have kept these ongoing protests at arm's length.

Indeed, given their record to date it is hoped that, since they have proved unable or unwilling to lead, they will at least follow.

This is all too easy to dismiss and disparage as a toxic cocktail of naivety and privilege. Such sleights are flawed. First, in Britain at least, the notion of students as a wealthy strata on a three-year hiatus from real life is outdated. A third of students in higher education are from working-class or lower-middle-class backgrounds, and work during term time to pay for basic needs and books and equipment. Just under one in five of those with jobs works more than 17 hours a week. One in five lives at home. Add further education and school students into the mix and you have a demographic that looks more like the characters in The Office than Brideshead Revisited.

Second, even if they were middle class, so what?

Beating up on the middle-class does not help the working-class. Indeed, by eliminating the notion that education is a public good you eradicate the primary means by which working-class people can better themselves. They are not just an attack on finances, but on aspiration.

It can never be pointed out too often - if only because it is so frequently ignored - that this situation was not created by excessive public spending but by an international banking crisis brought about by an unregulated binge in the private sector. In a sordid redistribution of wealth from poor to rich, working- class kids will be denied the possibility of a university education because wealthy traders were in denial about economic reality.

So while it's true that others have it worse than students, it also entirely misses the point. Protesting against tuition fees is not a sectional interest. For most, student years mark a transition from youth to adulthood, which means the burden for these increases do not just fall on individuals but families - who will already be suffering from the crisis in others ways.

Thatcher's cuts blighted isolated communities, whether they were pit villages or northern cities. These attacks are not just deeper but broader. Clearly, how students' resistance to these cuts pans out will have ramifications for successful opposition to the entire austerity programme. That is reason enough to deserve our support.

But while students can be the spark for the broader struggles ahead, history tells us that they are unlikely to be the flame itself. Students and the young might be the most likely to protest, but they are among the least likely to vote - if indeed they are even eligible to vote - and cannot withdraw their labour to any devastating effect. McCain's stand gave courage to the sharecroppers and domestic workers; the French students in 1968 bolstered the confidence of factory

workers. The threat British students pose - much like the financial crisis bringing them on to the streets - is of contagion. That their energy, enthusiasm, militancy, rage and raucousness might burn in us all.

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From:

Kunselman, Stephen

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 10:08 PM

To:

Fraser, Roger

Cc:

Bahl, Sumedh; Hieftje, John

Subject:

FW: AHP\_Amendments\_Smith\_12-3-10 (2).pdf - Adobe Reader

Attachments:

AHP\_Amendments\_Smith 12-3-10 (2).pdf

#### Mr. Fraser,

In preparation for second reading, would you please have the building official comment on the amendment striking the minimum width and square footage requirements and the types of manufactured housing that will be allowed, including single wide, HUD approved "trailers."

Thank you, Steve

From: Smith, Sandi

Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 9:45 PM

To: \*City Council Members (All)

Cc: Beaudry, Jacqueline

Subject: AHP\_Amendments\_Smith\_12-3-10 (2).pdf - Adobe Reader

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Councilmember Sandi Smith

FROM:

Wendy Rampson, Planning Manager

Jeff Kahan, City Planner

SUBJECT:

Potential Amendment Language for Area, Height and Placement Proposal

(Item 10-0750)

DATE:

December 3, 2010

You requested that staff draft language for two changes to the Area, Height, and Placement proposal, scheduled for action on December 6. Suggested amendment language is highlighted in red below:

#### Eliminate minimum size for single-family dwellings

Amend Section 5:10.2. R1A, R1B, R1C, R1D, R1E Single Family Dwelling District by adding and deleting the following language:

- (2) Permitted principal uses.
  - (a) Single-family dwelling firmly attached to a permanent foundation, and connected to a public sewer and water supply, at least 14 feet wide and contain at least 900 square feet of floor area. Single-family dwellings in the R1E district shall not exceed 2,000 square feet of floor area.

#### Add height limit along the Huron River in employment districts

Amend the 'Maximum Height in Feet' limit in the following districts:

- Section 5:40 O Office District
- Section 5:42 RE Research District
- Section 5:42a ORL Office/Research/Limited Industrial Districts
- Section 5:47 M1 and M1A Limited Industrial Districts

by adding the following language to Councilmember Higgins' proposed amendment:

"None, except in an area extending 300 feet from an abutting residentially zoned parcel or in an area extending 300 feet from the edge of the Huron River, within which the following limits shall apply:"

cc: Roger Fraser, City Administrator Sumedh Bahl, Community Services Administrator Kevin McDonald, Senior Assistant City Attorney

From:

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Monday, December 06, 2010 10:09 PM PORTSIDE@LISTS.PORTSIDE.ORG

To: Subject:

In Mexico City, a Message for Cancun

In Mexico City, a Message for Cancun Why peasant farmers in Mexico are taking the UN climate negotiations seriously.

by Laura Carlsen

Published on Monday, December 6, 2010 by YES! Magazine http://www.yesmagazine.org/people-power/in-mexico-city-a-message-for-cancun

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On Tuesday, as U.N. negotiations on climate change geared up in the Caribbean beach resort of Cancun, thousands of people marched through the streets of Mexico City to demand grassroots solutions to global warming [1]--and to the slew of other crises they face.

"I'm here because I'm worried about the planet and also because I'm worried about our country," a middle-aged woman from the grassroots coalition National Dialogue tells me as the march sets off toward Mexico City's central plaza, the Zocalo. [2]

The peasants and workers, students and

environmentalists gathered here don't draw lines around issues. Demands for rural development and the release of political prisoners mix with calls to stop global warming and save the jungles. Peasant farmers from the poor southern states of Mexico walk somberly down the Paseo de la Reforma in four straight lines, their silence broken by the occasional collective slogan.

Their discipline and gravity are a far cry from the image of destructive "globalphobics" that the Mexican government has reportedly been warning Cancun locals about. The smaller groups of students and activists are rowdier, dancing down the streets, holding banners, and laughing along the way.

It's a march of diversity--of issues, colors, and countries. But without a doubt, the majority of the marchers are poor. There's a reason for that: The poor suffer from climate change and environmental degradation more than other sectors [3]. They live in communities that deal with post-NAFTA [4] industrial pollution. They fish from warming, acidifying seas.

They produce food in small-scale, non-chemical systems [5] that depend on regular rains and temperatures. For them, global warming already is a matter of life and death. For Climate Justice, a Voice for the Poor

Many people in today's march arrived in Mexico City with international caravans that stopped en route to witness the country's environmental destruction. The intense trips provided a panorama of disaster--and a reminder of the need for justice in climate negotiations.

I traveled with a caravan that began in Acapulco and climbed up the mountains to Agua Caliente, a community that helped put a stop to plans for the construction of a dam. Indigenous and peasant community members described how the dam would have wiped out their communities, flooded the land, and displaced more than 25,000 small farmers. It was a historic victory, but they now fear that the climate change crisis has given developers new impetus. Hydroelectric mega-projects are being funded by international finance, in many cases even as Clean Development Mechanisms

(CDMs) under the U.N. Framework on Climate Change, to be awarded millions of dollars in offset subsidies regardless of the social and environmental destruction they cause.

The next village we visited, Alpuyeca, lies next to a waste dump that villagers claim is related to a marked increase in local cancer rates. After years of protests, they got it closed down. But instead of cleaning up the site, the government installed a CDM project to siphon off methane gas. Now that the enormous dump has been greenwashed, authorities are threatening to re-open it. Change the System

In Mexico City, marchers carry hundreds of signs with the message "The rich contaminate, and the South gets exterminated" (a rhyme in Spanish).

They also view many of the proposals for mitigating the impact of greenhouse gases as cures that are at least as bad as the disease. At an international forum held before the march, experts examined how the U.N.'s forestry program (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation or REDD [6]) could deliver indigenous and peasant forests for "protection" to international bodies or even to businesses. Ana de Ita of the Center for the Study of Rural Change called it potentially "a huge land-grab of indigenous common lands."

The marchers wind up in front of the Zocalo. The orange sunset--a photographer's dream backdrop to the march--has been replaced by a chilly twilight.

Guadalupe Zayago, a feisty leader of the Alpuyeca movement against the landfill, reads a joint statement: Climate change is linked to other forms of environmental and social destruction, but world leaders seek to address it through the same strategies of privatization and concentration of resources that have led us into these crises. The peasant farmers who are rapidly losing their livelihoods and land, the students without education, the electrical workers whose union was smashed by a government takeover see the connections in their own lives.

As night falls, the marchers condense the issues they face into a single demand: Change the system, not the climate! Laura Carlsen wrote this article for YES!

Magazine [7]. Laura is director of the Mexico City-based Americas Program of the Center for International Policy and a columnist for Foreign Policy In Focus.

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Betsy Price Monday, December 06, 2010 10:22 P Hieftje, John Re: home on the range	М	
misinformed, or uninfo Thank you John, Betsy	ormed, I appreciate this information.		
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Thanks for writing,			
John			
Thank you for writing	regarding Huron Hills.		
	eiving a large amount of correspond sent to other residents who wrote o		lills, I hope you don't mind if I
the pleasant view. Mar	to privatize, sell, lease or develop H ny residents who live around HH and ity has been expending resources to	d others interested in go	-
The Request For Propo	osals (RFP) put out by city staff in	August was issued in ord	ler to see if a private entity

can make it work as a golf course better than the city can. It is almost always wise to solicit options and there is very little cost involved. Two proposals have been submitted. The city is under no obligation to accept either

In case you are wondering about the timing, nothing involving HH is before City Council at this time. If the Miles of Golf proposal were to make it past the committee stage it would then go the Parks Advisory Commission in January and then possibly to City Council in February but only after an extensive public process. I would be surprised if the proposal makes it past the committee stage.

Huron Hills Golf Course loses money each year and this is not due to any accounting gimmicks. Back in the 1990's the Golf Courses were put into their own "enterprise fund" by council. I suppose to protect the golf fund from being raided for other park's activities. Putting the courses back into the mix would not result in any charges to the golf fund going away. The costs are indeed the costs. Golf would have to compete for shrinking dollars with parks activities that have a larger base of support and my guess would be that golf would come out on the short end.

Many residents have commented that the city is "swimming upstream" in trying to keep HH as a golf course. Golf courses are abundant in our area and several privately owned courses are struggling. Still, the city is committed to exploring every avenue in order to keep golf at HH and thus the RFP.

<u>In any event, I will not support a plan that involves construction that would detract from the "vista" we all enjoy or put the city at financial risk.</u> This includes the sale of bonds.

HH's is a green and beautiful park. Our residents need to be able use this park year around.

As you can see, I am not keen on the Miles of Golf Proposal for Huron Hills but at some point, a decision needs to be made regarding to Huron Hills.

In the worst financial crisis for local governments since the Great Depression Ann Arbor's city government has made it thus far with a millage that is lower now than it was 10 years ago, while maintaining almost all services. This is not the case in many of Michigan's other leading cities (Grand Rapids, Troy, Royal Oak, Etc.) where taxes have been raised and/or facilities are closing to cope with reduced State Revenue Sharing and falling property tax revenues. On top of everything else Ann Arbor lost 4.86% of property tax revenue when UM took over the old Pfizer site. This in a city that already had 40% of its land off the tax rolls. 28% of property taxes paid go the city government.

As you can imagine, the City cannot spend hundreds of thousands of dollars a year to subsidize golf for ever. Indeed, there are citizens who question a subsidy for golf. If it turns out that HH cannot survive as a golf course the next best plan may be to turn it into a natural area park. Pathways could be mowed for hiking, skiing and sledding and over time the Natural Areas Preservation unit can work with their volunteers to put in low-maintenance natural plantings and more trees. There are citizens who would be happy to help in trail construction and maintenance. The rolling hills would make for a beautiful natural area park.

Please read the message below from Council Member Rapundalo who has been working tirelessly on this issue for years. He explains the long process that preceded release of the RFP. It was written before the RFP's were submitted.

If you would ever like to discuss this further please call my office for an appointment during my weekly open office hours. 794 6161.

Please do not hesitate to share this message with any friends or neighbors who may have similar concerns.

Thank you for writing,

John Hieftje

Message below from Council Member Rapundalo:

Thank you for writing regarding the Huron Hills RFP matter. Let me try to provide you with background and context that has led to the issuance of an RFP.

It was at our Council retreat back in December 2009 that we challenged staff to come up with creative ideas on how to improve golf operations while finding added revenues and/or reducing costs to insure that the Golf Enterprise Fund ended future fiscal years in the black. The fact of the matter is that Huron Hills in particular has been losing money (I'll get back to that topic a little later) even though its bottom line has improved over the last year or so. Despite better efficiencies, promotion and cost reductions the City finds itself having to allocate approximately \$650,000 from the General Fund to support the Golf Enterprise Fund (primarily Huron Hills) and balance the fund's books as it were. Knowing this, Council asked staff to look into how we might better manage HH, improve its bottom line and enhance the golf operations there. Staff came back to us at a work session in early February 2010 during the FY12 budget deliberations and suggested that it would be useful to issue an RFP that sought creative

proposals on how do just that...enhance the golf experience and keep HH as a community recreational facility that caters largely to beginner and intermediate golfers, including juniors and seniors.

Over the course of the summer Parks staff worked with other departments like Finance, City Attorney, etc. (as is standard procedure) to develop the RFP. The draft RFP (in large part pro forma) was presented to both the Golf Courses Advisory Task Force (which I Chair and includes a HH neighbor, PAC rep, high school golf coach, citizen with course design/maintenance experience, citizen with golf course management experience, golf enthusiast with league experience) and the Parks Advisory Commission (PAC). The GCATF suggested language to insure that proposals would be in keeping with the values articulated in the PROS Plan. PAC suggested clarifying the term "alternative design" to make clear to readers what might be included. These suggestions were considered and the RFP was revised accordingly before its issuance on Sept 3.

Let me be very clear... the City is NOT seeking to transfer or cede Huron Hills to private commercial development. Indeed, the RFP is explicit in that the course/park will be retained by the City, and if there are any improvements, including infrastructure, then those will also be owned by the City. Contrary to assertions made by others the RFP is fully in keeping with the PROS Plan, and there is no intention to contravene the City Charter by selling any portion of the course, or even leasing it. I, along with Councilmember Derezinski are strong proponents of the HH Golf Course and only wish to see golf operations maximized and continue there.

A number of individuals have embarked on a misrepresentation of the facts, and have not so quietly employed scare tactics for something that has not yet materialized. We do not know what, if any, proposals will be submitted, nor their nature. It's possible that some proposals may focus entirely on the operations – for instance, they might propose to simply manage the current course as is for less money. Alternatively, it's also possible that a proposal might be submitted that seeks to enhance golf operations via added amenities and thereby draw a broader cross-section of the golfing community, especially juniors (a demographic that we've lost to other area course unfortunately). We simply don't know who will be interested, much less if they will submit a proposal for consideration, or what those proposals might entail.

Much of the vocal opposition stems in part from the fact that staff was approached with an unsolicited early conceptual drawing of HH with a driving range contemplated for the front seven holes. Coincidentally, a second inquiry from an area golf enterprise came into staff along similar lines. There was an outcry by interested folks upon learning this in early spring 2010 and they immediately began spreading falsehoods...such as 1) the City was selling or privatizing HH, 2) that bulldozers were arriving imminently to tear up the fairways, erect protective netting and bright lights for nighttime usage. None of this was true then, nor is it now. Will there be some proposals that might contemplate infrastructure changes? Perhaps, but there's nothing to say that the City would accept any such proposal. However, we do owe it to taxpayers to insure that our services and facilities are being run in the most cost efficient manner while providing the highest level of service. At the very least this behooves us to examine the cost of doing business at HH and what will it take to do it better and enhance golf operations.

I won't bore you with metrics (though I'd be happy to sit down with you and show the specifics), but suffice it to say usage has demonstrated clearly that HH operates predominantly as a 9-hole course vs 18 holes (about 80-20 split). So it's natural to wonder if a reconfiguration of the course (and not necessarily physical changes) might bring more business, while retaining current levels.

Some have suggested that the City is doing all this under the false pretext that HH is losing money when in fact it isn't, that this is nothing more than accounting gimmickry. I can assure that the financials are clear. On a cash basis, HH breaks pretty much even,

perhaps a little shy. However, it's important to note that all of the City's Enterprise Funds (streets, solid waste, etc.) have a Municipal Service Charge (MSC) levied against them to account for costs associated with City services utilized by the Funds—payroll, IT, City Attorney, etc., not to mention that the Funds must also expense pension and healthcare for current and retired employees. When all that is added to the equation, then HH goes clearly into the red, and hence the need to allocate General Fund dollars to the golf courses year after year (at the expense of supporting other General Fund park improvements). Please note that the MSC is not arbitrarily set by the City in some willy-nilly manner as some would one believe. Rather, independent auditors come in every two years (they just completed such an exercise recently), review the books and business unit costs, and set the appropriate unit rates and allocations. It is those rates and allocations that then make up the MSC for the respective Enterprise Funds based on their relative usage. The same costs are expensed in a similar manner within the General Fund supported budgets, but are not wrapped up together and referred to as the MSC – and this is where some people make the mistake that the golf courses are somehow unique and disadvantaged by having the MSC levy, when in fact they are treated uniformly and equitably like all other budget lines.

Some have even suggested that since the MSC is an inappropriate levy, that the golf course should be placed into the General Fund like all other parks facilities. Fair enough, though I have endeavored to tell people that doing so would jeopardize funding for the golf courses more, as they would have to be prioritized relative to the other facilities, programs and parks. Despite what some people think, golf courses would rank much poorer than other City park facilities as golf is generally viewed as an elitist sport (rightly or wrongly, I'm simply telling you what is a rather apparent sense). PAC is not happy that Council continues to "subsidize" the golf courses every year when those funds could easily be used for things like the pools, ice rinks, senior center, etc. And I can assure you that golf courses would suffer under that kind of scenario. So again, it behooves us to explore what the possibilities might be that could improve golf operations at HH. We are under no obligation to accept anything. However, we will never know if we've missed some creative way to enhance the golf experience at HH, whether that approach is implemented by the City or via a public-private management partnership.

I should also point out that private management, if we were to do a public-private partnership (like we do already with recycling) does not mean that the City will simply walk away from the courses. The City will continue to provide oversight and insure that whatever is happening at HH will be in keeping with community values and in the best interests of the City, both financially and otherwise. We will not be handing HH over to private concerns. The City would continue to have a strong hand in golf operations and insure that our expectations and anticipated outcomes were being met.

Bottom line is this...I'm committed to seeing HH be better than it already is – there's plenty of room for improvements. I don't pretend to have all the answers, nor does staff, and the RFP is simply a way to seek creative approaches and determine if any of them seem to have merit and potential for success.

My sincere desire is to have cooler heads prevail. We have an educated community and I would hope that they would realize that the Council is exercising its fiduciary responsibility by insuring that all of the City's functions and services are being managed responsibly, including those at the golf courses. I think it would be a crime, and I certainly wouldn't be doing the job entrusted to me by residents, if I didn't at least insure that we've examined all possibilities for continuing golf operations.

Sorry for the long-winded response. Hopefully I've provided some meaningful insight into the matter. I'd be happy to meet with you at any time to discuss the subject further. Thank you for your interest and support for HH.

#### Stephen

Stephen Rapundalo

City Council - 2nd Ward

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From: Betsy Price [mailto

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To: Kunselman, Stephen; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Hieftje, John; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Teall, Margie; Higgins, Marcia;

Anglin, Mike; Hohnke, Carsten Subject: home on the range

Please do NOT sell our parkland.

There are locations for strip mall stores and sports "bubbles", and they are not within the serenity of Huron Hills.

thank you.

Chuck and Betsy Price

From:

Fraser, Roger

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 10:50 PM

To:

Evan Pratt; Hieftje, John

Subject:

RE: Possible Reference, new contact info

Evan, within the parameters you describe, I would certainly provide references for you.

Roger

734-794-6110

----Original Message----

From: Evan Pratt [mailto.

Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 8:35 PM

To: Hieftje, John Cc: Fraser, Roger

Subject: Possible Reference, new contact info

John and Roger

You may have heard that I have parted ways with OHM, my employer of 21 years, where I was a part owner.

While I have started up my own municipal consulting firm, I am also seeking employment in local government, hopefully in Michigan.

I was wondering if I could use you as references for certain positions, with the assumption that your reference would primarily be relative to community leadership, positive attitude in my community, and related character reference.

Feel free to let me know if you have a concern or if I should drop by for a few minutes to discuss. My current contact info is noted below.

Thank you

Evan

Evan Pratt, President ENP Consulting Ideas and Results You Can Trust



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Sent from my iPhone

From:

Jessica [sales5@tlsanli.com.cn]

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 10:52 PM

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Re:Re:Re: LED Controllers and Accessories --TLSANLI--

Attachments:

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Built-in LED driver .

Controlling the LED lights direct and control distance up to 50 meters!

The controller supports DMX512/1990 international standard protocol interface .

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Model no: LUC-102.

Input voltage: AC100V-AC265V

Out ports: 4 ways.

Operation temperature: -20°C~+ 45°C Dimension: L270xW145xH70mm.

Digital interface display, just two button operation .

Built-in LED power supply, LED driver .

Controling the LED lights directand control distance up to 50 meters!

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The controller supports DMX512/1990 international standard protocol interface .

Three kinds of working mode(LED programs grounp digital control, Master-slave on-line synchronization control, DMX512 console control).

Built-in 31 set of programs(including monochrome, 256 grayscale color mixing, color between the jump change, gradual change, ) and thousands of feature sets can realized by DMX 512 console.

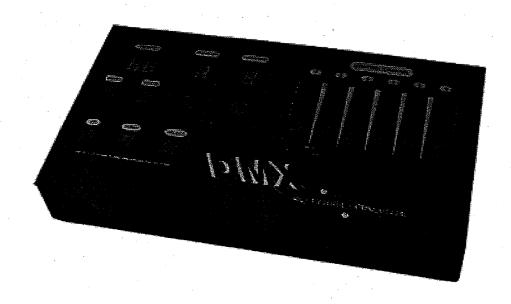


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- \* Weight:3.0Kg



From: Sent:

Jaci Egan [eventshirts@yahoo.com] Monday, December 06, 2010 10:58 PM

To:

Monday, December 06, 2010 10 Hieftje, John

Subject:

Re: Parks and Rec

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I look forward to speaking with you soon!

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York: lisa gottlieb

Subject:

Fwd: VERY brief update

Attachments:

Council Offsite - Services Matrix.pdf

#### Hello All.

This is not meant as a political email. Rather, it is a well intentioned approach to open government sent me by my council member, Sabre Briere. Please consider reviewing this. It is an opportunity to have impact on how the funding of our municipal government will play out over the next budget process.

I have included you on the list if you live in Ann Arbor regardless of which ward you live in as this process will effect you, and frankly, that your council person may not have opened this to you.

All the best.

Chris Fraleigh

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Sabra Briere < sabra.briere@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Dec 6, 2010 at 10:41 AM

Subject: VERY brief update

To: Sabra Briere < SBriere@a2gov.org>, Sabra Briere < sabra.briere@gmail.com>

Dear neighbors,

I've been stewing (not just my leftover Thanksgiving Turkey!). Really, I've been stewing over budget issues for a few years. Last Saturday I attended the first of two budget planning retreats; the second one will be January 8th.

Each year since I've been on Council the budget projections show that we have fewer dollars coming to the City's coffers. Each year there's a tension between optimistic forecasts and reality. No one likes hard choices or bad news --but the City really has been cutting costs for a decade. And still, I'm trying to figure out how we could do a much better job of serving our community.

So, I've attached the worksheet all members of Council were given at our retreat. PLEASE don't send this worksheet back to me. I want you to look it over so you know what I know. For many of us on Council, this was the first time there had been a list of services presented like this -- and for the staff members who were at the retreat, some of these services were new to them, as well. Some services were left off of the list, for that matter -- Street Lights; Communication (in its many forms, from web site management to CTN to public announcements); Administration (including legal services) -- but I'm certain these oversights were caused by nearsightedness. Sometimes people get too close to their work and just don't see it any more.

DON'T add up the budget amounts to derive our annual budget -- the numbers won't match. There's a lot of overlap in this worksheet, because it wasn't for financial purposes.

The Council's task was to talk about the community value of each service rather than the budgetary cost.

Between today and December 21st I'm going to be creating a list to send to the City Administrator, Roger Fraser, which highlights which City services I believe can be modified (done in a different way) in order to save the City money. To do this, I hope you will help me. I'll create a survey instrument that will let you go through the services on this list -- and recommend more that aren't included, because we forgot. I'm still thinking it through, but will send it out later this week. I hope you will respond (anonymously, of course!) and help me create a list of core services, priority services, and services that could be modified by having someone other than the City provide them to you. We'll see where this takes us.

## On the Agenda tonight

#### For final vote:

A public hearing on rezoning a set of properties from various zonings to Public Land (PL) so these properties can be included officially in the list of Park properties and in the PROS plan. These properties have been treated as parks by the City; it's time to make their status official. This is part of an ongoing effort to clear up zoning of land the City and residents consider parks, but that isn't zoned <u>as</u> public land (PL).

Area, Height and Placement rezoning. There is an amendment to this zoning change being offered; this amendment would allow taller buildings in areas where there isn't nearby residentially-zoned property (within 300 feet). In the First Ward, this particularly affects North Main near M-14.

# Ordinances for First Reading (final vote later)

An ordinance to re-adopt the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code, which will impact the speed limits on certain roads and streets in Ann Arbor. The City chose <u>not</u> to adopt the revised MVC in 2008 because the new regulations affected speed limits; the City Attorney recommends reconsidering that action.

An ordinance to license medical marijuana dispensaries, cultivation facilities, and medical marijuana as a home occupation. (I anticipate this ordinance language will change before it is adopted.)

# Resolutions (these are one-time votes)

A motion to reconsider the Council's decision to reject Heritage Row, a Planned Unit Development proposed for South Fifth Avenue. This project was rejected in July, reconsidered in August and rejected again. If this passes (it requires 2/3 of those present to vote "yes") then the project will be reconsidered.

A series of agreements with the Washtenaw County Water Resource Commissioner for improvements to various watersheds within Ann Arbor. These are planned expenses, in the budget for this year, and the City and County anticipate that the loans used to pay for these improvements may be partially forgiven by the State of Michigan.

A proposal to enter into a contractual agreement with a commercial operation to manage the compost operations -- this doesn't affect compost pick-up at the curb, and is <u>not supposed</u> to affect the quality or availability of compost. Compost for residents of Ann Arbor is guaranteed in the contract.

#### Other issues:

I'm hearing from a lot of people about the RFP for Huron Hills Golf Course. Do you want to share your opinion with me?

I'm hearing from others about the report that's back supporting the proposal from Valiant LLC to build a **conference center and hotel on the Library Lot**. Have you seen the report? Do you want a copy or want to give me your thoughts?

I have received copies of all of the deeds to the Fuller Road property where the City has proposed building a new **transit center** (with parking deck that the University will fund and use). If you have questions about deeds or easements and want to be certain the City has clear title to this land, let me know.

As always, you can call or email me about any issue.

Sabra Sabra Briere
First Ward City Council sabra.briere@gmail.com
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www.sabrabriere.org
995-3518
277-6578 (cell)

# City of Ann Arbor SUMMARY OF SERVICES

Internal (I) / Contract (C) / Franchise (F) / Priv. Part. (P) /

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From:

wbwc@googlegroups.com on behalf of Peter Hines [phines]

Sent:

Monday, December 06, 2010 11:19 PM

To:

wbwc@googlegroups.com

Subject:

[WBWC] RAT Ride this Friday at 6pm

Hello,

The monthly WBWC 'Ride Around Town (RAT)' ride is this Friday at 6pm. Decorate your bike with battery powered christmas lights for even more fun. I'll have a battery powered christmas tree mounted on the back of my bike for christmas cheer. It's midnight madness evening on Main St so there should be lots of people around to entertain.

We'll probably go to TIOS afterward. If somebody wants to get there early that's not riding and grab us a table for about 4 to 6 people (hopefully) that would be great.

See you then...

Pete

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For more options, visit this group at <a href="http://groups.google.com/group/wbwc?hl=en">http://groups.google.com/group/wbwc?hl=en</a>.

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ahx [zpjyecfwekuo@sina.cn]

Sent:

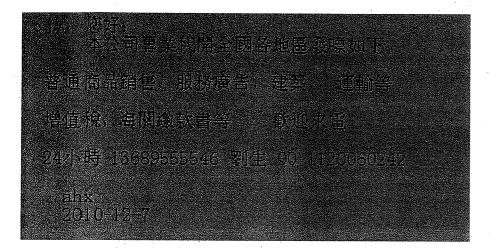
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Monday, December 06, 2010 11:28 PM cjy@rightlaw.net; qf00112000@yahoo.com.cn; xxx24268498@139.com; yanghuzhong3515@

163.com; yeungchunkwong@hotmail.com; bestqiaoyu@263.net; hebaohai@hotmail.com;

hr@zew.net.cn; maxiong66@163.com; Kunselman, Stephen

Subject:



From:

System Administrator

Sent:

Tuesday, December 07, 2010 12:00 AM

To:

Teall, Margie

Subject:

Your mailbox is over its size limit

Importance:

High

Your mailbox has exceeded one or more size limits set by your administrator.

Your mailbox size is 1779774 KB.

Mailbox size limits:

You will receive a warning when your mailbox reaches 1572864 KB. You may not be able to send or receive new mail until you reduce your mailbox size.

To make more space available, delete any items that you are no longer using or move them to your personal folder file (.pst).

Items in all of your mailbox folders including the Deleted Items and Sent Items folders count against your size limit. You must empty the Deleted Items folder after deleting items or the space will not be freed. See client Help for more information.

From:

Hieftie. John

Posted At:

Tuesday, December 07, 2010 12:04 AM

Conversation: Posted To:

Archive Log. Inbox

Subject:

Archive Log.

Error while archiving folder "Inbox" in store "Mailbox - Hieftje, John". The file C:\Documents and Settings\JHieftje\Local Settings\Application Data\Microsoft\Outlook\archive.pst has reached its maximum size. To reduce the amount of data in this file, select some items that you no longer need, and then permanently delete them by pressing SHIFT+DELETE. You could also consider using the new Outlook Personal Folders file (.pst) introduced with Outlook 2003 that provides greater capacity for storing items and folders.

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From:

Michael Grace

Sent:

Tuesday, December 07, 2010 12:08 AM Michael Grace

To:

Subject:

Interesting re the future of music!

#### **Voices of Freelance Musicians**

## Freelance Musicians Hear Mournful Coda as the Jobs Dry Up

ttyl,

Mike Grace

CELL: HM:

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From: Sent:	wbwc@googlegroups.com on behalf of Joel Batterman Tuesday, December 07, 2010 12:13 AM
To:	Washtenaw Bicycling and Walking Coalition
Subject:	[WBWC] Re: Motorist Smiling After Killing Bicyclist - For Real
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>> On 12/4/10 11:5	4 AM, Bob Krzewinski wrote:
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	letroit.com/dpp/news/local/man-riding-bike-in-sterlin) the person who killed this cyclist is
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violations, two speed	ding tickets and a car accident.
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	eep.com/article/20101202/NEWS04/101202035/1001/NEWS/Driv) has comments of "why
	riding on the adjacent sidewalk". Specifically, the local Prosecutor in Sterling Height already seems
•	ds of having this clasifed as a unfortunate accident when he stated "A bicycle can ride on the
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> Paul Alman

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From:

Rita Mitchell [rmitchell

Sent:

Tuesday, December 07, 2010 12:39 AM

To:

Briere, Sabra; Smith, Sandi; Higgins, Marcia; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Teall, Margie;

Anglin, Mike; Hieftje, John; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Hohnke, Carsten; Kunselman, Stephen;

Beaudry, Jacqueline

Cc:

Dave Askins

Subject:

**Public Hearing Comments** 

Attachments:

CityCouncil PL Speech 120610.pdf; ATT7534672.txt

Mayor Hieftje and Council Members,

I am submitting my comments, attached as a pdf, made at the public hearing, PH-1 of tonight's Council meeting, regarding the designation of PL, Public Land for a group of city parks, and park land in general. Please include my comments in the minutes of the meeting.

Sincerely,

Rita L. Mitchell

# ATT7534672.txt

# Comments at Ann Arbor City Council Meeting, December 6, 2010 Public Hearing, Agenda Item PH-1

I am Rita Mitchell. I live at

You will be considering rezoning multiple parks tonight to the designation of Public Land (PL) based on Chapter 55 of the City Code. Included in the list of parks are Mallets Creek Nature Area, and Bluffs Park, which is part of the beautiful green gateway to the city. I highlight these two parks of those under consideration because they are most familiar to me specifically, but I recognize each of the others as familiar, loved and enjoyed by many Ann Arbor citizens and visitors. It is possible that each of these parks have benefited from the care of volunteers and have provided as recreational resources. Certainly each has given benefit to the community by providing green open space, water retention, cleansing of the air and our watershed, and homes for wildlife and plants...that is, ecosystem benefits.

I ask that you join me and each Ann Arbor park's set of fans, in providing the best, strongest, long term protection of park land status that each park, and that each citizen of Ann Arbor expects and deserves.

I know that you have voted the PL designation to a number of Ann Arbor Parks over recent years, and more recently, I have become concerned about your decisions. The Chapter 55 zoning designation of PL, Public Land, allows not only Open Space, Conservation lands, Forest preserves, and parks, but it also allows schools, civic centers, government offices and courts, and most recently per your decision: transportation facilities.

Although Chapter 55 clearly states that "No structure shall be erected or maintained upon dedicated parkland which is not customarily incidental to the principal use of the land." \* The proposal to build a parking structure in Fuller Park violates that regulation by the strange loophole that the city does not have to obey its own zoning rules. That loophole is disturbing to me.

The PL zoning allows you, Council members, to re-purpose parks zoned as Public Land, without consulting the citizens, the very people who voted in 2008, by over 80% that we want a public vote on the sale of park land.

The repurposing approach was tried recently, and was changed based on public opposition, when football parking was proposed for Almendinger and Frisinger parks. The projects to build a parking structure for over 1000 cars in Fuller Park and to privatize Huron Hills are being taken with the same orientation: Public

Land does not require input from the citizens to change its use. That is not what Ann Arbor citizens want.

How long before the park zoned as public land nearest your home is suddenly designated a parking lot, a court house or a transportation center? Will it be Gallup Park? West Park? Rierside Park? I urge you to move forward with strong protections for park land, beyond the designation of Public Land status so that Ann Arbor continues to deserve the green title that we have enjoyed for so long.

# Chapter 55; 5:10.13. PL public land district.

- (1) Intent. This district is designed to classify publicly owned uses and land and permit the normal principal and incidental uses required to carry out governmental functions and services.
- (2)Permitted principal uses.
- (a)Outdoor public recreational uses, such as: playgrounds, playfields, golf courses, boating areas, fishing sites, camping sites, parkways and parks. No structure shall be erected or maintained upon dedicated parkland which is not customarily incidental to the principal use of the land. [emphasis added] (b)Natural open space, such as: conservation lands, wildlife sanctuaries, forest preserves.
- (c)Developed open space, such as: arboreta, botanical and zoological gardens.
- (d)Educational services, such as: public primary and secondary schools, and institutions of higher education.
- (e)Cultural services, such as: museums and art galleries.
- (f)Public service institutions, such as: hospitals, sanatoria, homes for the elderly, children's homes and correctional institutions.
- (g)Essential services, buildings containing essential services and electrical substations.
- (h)Transportation facilities. [emphasis added]
- (i)Civic center.
- (j)Government offices and courts.

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