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Mr. Mayor and Members of Council,

The emails of members of council brought to light by the Ann Arbor News...Leigh Greden, Chris Taylor, Carsten Hohnke and Margie Teal are of great concern. We have observed Council Meetings on TV and wondered about the council member's lack of focus, and attention to those speaking. Now we know for sure exactly how they spend that time and what they really think of those before them! There is lots of disrespectful behavior when issues are brought before council, from Mr. Hieftje's drumming of his fingers on the table and... "Next", of Mr. Greden's loud and disruptive constant keying on his computer, to other council members cutting Mr. Anglin off when he attempts to speak, to Ms. Higgins lack of being able to provide anything other than a form letter answer to questions we have asked more than once regarding our neighborhood issues, and to reducing speaking time to 2 minutes now because one resident comes before you often—always in a respectful manner— just taking up too much of your time.

How arrogant of those council members to think they can pass this off as 'spoofing'! They are an embarrassment. 'Stress' is given as rationalization for such ignorant behavior. A soldier in Iraq or Afghanistan experiences stress, an auto worker experiences stress when his plant is closing and his livelihood is disappearing, a doctor faces stress when he tells a patient they have terminal cancer....your council members do Not have 'Stress'! Need I say they chose this job. These council members need to resign immediately. The community is fed up with people who don't do the jobs they are paid to do then try to weasel out of it when they are caught. You council members are the joke, not the one you were trying to make to impress each other.

Gail Light