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From: Taylor, Christopher (Council)
To: Pennington, Kirk
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Subject: Read: Snow plowing update

Your message

To: Taylor, Christopher (Council); Hupy, Craig; McCormick, Sue
Cc: Harrison, Venita; Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A
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Cc: Hohnke, Carsten; Teall, Margie
Subject: RE:
Sent: 2/7/2011 4:27 PM

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From: ACORE [info@acore.org]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 7:34 PM
To: Hieftje, John
Subject: ACORE IPPAI India Market Brief

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ACORE is delighted to deliver the first in a series of international market briefs that will provide our members with information to help evaluate export and partnership opportunities in other countries. For this first market brief, we partnered with the Independent Power Producers Association of India (IPPAI) to examine the policies that are driving renewable energy development in India and the role of U.S. companies in this growing market.

In order to meet rapidly increasing electricity requirements and curb carbon emissions, India is working toward strong and sustained growth of the renewable energy sector. Policies and initiatives taken at the federal and state levels, such as Renewable Energy Certificates (REC), Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO), the National Solar Mission, and feed-in-tariffs, are harmonizing to create a favorable investment scenario in the Indian market.

Indian and foreign companies are exploring joint ventures and technology partnerships for achieving success in the long run. U.S. companies such as GE, Astonfield, SunPower Corporation, Sun Edison and Azure Power have already invested in the country. In the year ahead, the renewable energy sector looks forward to a national REC market, an increase in regulatory and policy encouragement of renewable energy generation, and expanded transmission and distribution.

Outlook

India, a rapidly growing economy that faces huge supply shortfalls in electricity, seeks to meet its increasing energy needs in an

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environmentally sustainable manner. Several key policy and regulatory drivers are incentivizing the development of renewable energy. >>[Read more](#)

Market Developments

U.S. firm Astonfield brings solar to Andhra Pradesh

U.S.-based Astonfield Renewable Resources Limited has firmed up plans to build a 250 MW solar photovoltaic power plant in the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh. It plans to invest \$2 billion in the green energy sector in India over a period of five years. >>[Read more](#)

GE increases turbine production in India

U.S. conglomerate GE is planning to increase their share in the renewable energy sector in India, which is expected to be one of the world's leading renewable energy markets by 2020. The company has begun the construction of a wind turbine assembly unit in Chennai with a capacity of 450 MW/year. >>[Read more](#)

SunPower and EBS reach solar power plant agreement with Punjab

The Punjab State Government has decided to set up a chain of solar power plants in collaboration with the U.S.-based SunPower Corporation and Enterprise Business Solutions (EBS) to generate nearly 1 GW of power in phases over the next two years. >>[Read more](#)

Key Policies

Gujarat continues to lead the way in solar

In January 2009, Gujarat became the first state to launch its own solar power policy. By June 2009, the state government had signed power purchase agreements (PPAs) with 21 companies to generate 365 MW of solar power. >>[Read more](#)

Coal tax revenue will fund "Green Bank" and clean energy R&D

The Indian government plans to impose a clean energy tax of Rs.50/ton on domestic and imported coal to fund research and innovative projects in clean energy technology. Part of this fund will be used to create a "Green Bank" that will finance renewable energy projects. >>[Read more](#)

India to implement REC trading market

On June 30, 2008, the Prime Minister of India announced the National Action Plan for Climate Change (NAPCC). This plan calls for several measures to address the problems of global warming and climate change. One policy instrument prescribed in the NAPCC is the Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) mechanism, which would enable a large number of stakeholders to purchase renewable energy in a cost-effective manner. >>[Read more](#)

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Additional Market Information



Presentation from Mark Riedy of Mintz Levin on [Challenges in Financing Renewable Energy Projects in India](#)

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From: McCormick, Sue
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 7:39 PM
To: Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie
Cc: Smith, Colin; Bahl, Sumedh
Subject: RE: Greenview

Hi Marcia and Margie,

Just keeping you in the loop. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sue

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From: Smith, Colin
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 5:27 PM
To: Bahl, Sumedh
Cc: McCormick, Sue
Subject: Greenview

Hi Sumedh -

I had a conversation with Sue this afternoon about Greenview and the PROS plan. I then ended up meeting with Judith Judge from the Greenview neighborhood later in the day.

I think we have reached a resolution that is acceptable to both the City and to Judith. I explained that Greenview would not be listed as a City Park given it is not city property, but that I would highlight it under the Pioneer public school facilities and include that the City maintains the walking paths and other portions of the area. I also mentioned to Judith that I have no issue with pursuing acquisition through the normal LAC channels or attempting to establish a formal agreement with the schools regarding the area and that those could be included as goals in the PROS plan.

Thanks,
Colin

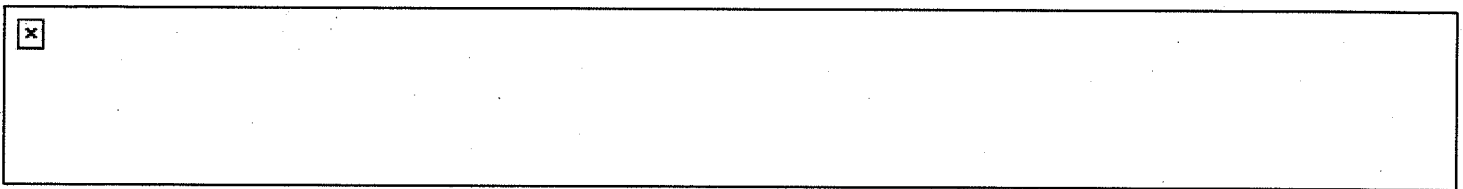
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Subject: What if the Health Law is Struck Down?

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What Happens if the Health Care Law is Struck Down?



From the start, Republicans have uniformly opposed the health care overhaul and pressed to repeal it.

Now, Democrats are increasingly exploring legislative options in case the Supreme Court strikes down the law's requirement that individuals get health insurance or throws out the law altogether.

Talk of alternatives to the mandate that individuals buy health insurance picked up last week after a federal court ruled the law unconstitutional.

One solution would be to allow individuals to opt out of the mandate if they agree to take full responsibility for their health expenses.

[Read more about alternatives to the mandate.](#)

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Social Issues Still Drive the GOP Base



Washington insiders may believe conservatives have set social issues aside for fiscal ones, but concerns about abortion and gay marriage still drive the conservative base.

Just months after small-government activists helped Republicans win the House, tea-party darling Sen. Rand Paul has backed an anti-abortion bill and Sen. Jim DeMint is boycotting a conservative conference over the inclusion of a gay group.

Newly selected Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus has also made a point of stating his opposition to abortion and same-sex marriage.

[Read more about social issues and the conservative grassroots.](#)

Congress Q&A: Foreign aid



This week reporter Frances Symes answered a reader's question related to the recent uprising in Egypt:

"How much foreign aid does the U.S. government give out each year? Who receives it?"

— Janet Bryan, Williamstown, Mass.

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Roll Call: GOP Senators Wait for 2012 Challenger



Republican senators remain hesitant to publicly wade into the GOP presidential primary, although some Members are less shy than others in revealing whom they intend to support in a candidate field only beginning to take shape.

Sen. John Barrasso is enthusiastically backing Sen. John Thune of South Dakota. Sen. Orrin Hatch is solidly behind former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney. And Sen. Dan Coats says he'd like to back Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels.

But others are staying neutral. Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida, Sen. John Cornyn of Texas and Sen. Roy Blunt have not taken any stances yet.

[Read more about Republican senators' endorsements.](#)

[Lawmakers work to keep appropriations in the budget.](#)

[Foreign aid to Egypt has become a hot topic in Congress.](#)

[Cutting the federal deficit first requires a truthful discussion.](#)

[Law professors are divided on the constitutionality of the health overhaul.](#)



Health Care Repeal

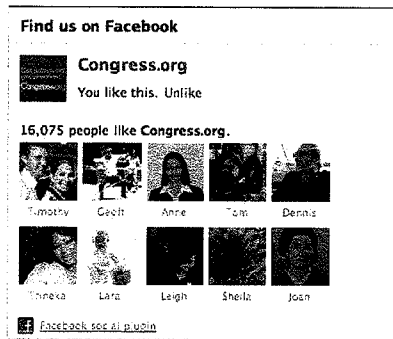
During the debate over the Federal Aviation Administration bill, the Senate rejected this amendment that would have repealed the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The text was similar to the bill the House passed on Jan. 19, 2011.

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Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 7:47 PM
To: Taylor, Christopher (Council)
Cc: Hupy, Craig; Harrison, Venita; Dempkowski, Angela A; Fraser, Roger
Subject: RE: Kudos

I'm pleased to hear that all worked out well for your friend through the efforts of our personnel who were happening by...Craig, please pass along this compliment along with our appreciation for their exceptional effort.

Sue

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From: Taylor, Christopher (Council)
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 11:09 PM
To: McCormick, Sue
Cc: Hupy, Craig; Harrison, Venita; Dempkowski, Angela A; Fraser, Roger
Subject: Kudos

Hi Sue,

A neighbor and good friend of mine reports a highly satisfactory exchange with two plow drivers last night. She didn't ask their names, but they were both young-ish (30s?) and African American.

Last night was the Burns Park Players cast party and so it was a late night for many of us. My friend found herself leaving the party on Scotwood @ 4:30am and at her car, parked on Norway, I think. The car was the only one remaining on the street, but it had been plowed in. My friend is 60+ and so was resigned to walking the home when a City Plow passed by. She waved it down and reports that the City crew gave her cheerful, ready and able assistance with shovels and pushing. They were able to free the car in short order and all went their way.

Many thanks to all.

Best,

Christopher

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Subject: Re: ***Meeting Reminder: HHSAB 2/8/111 @ 6:30pm***

Hi all,

Here's an interesting article about the homeless tent camp model: <http://www.npr.org/2011/02/07/133443255/seattle-supports-homeless-camp-putting-down-roots>.

See you tomorrow.
Anna

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Subject: ***Meeting Reminder: HHSAB 2/8/111 @ 6:30pm***

Good morning,

This is your friendly reminder that the HHSAB will be meeting tomorrow, February 8th, 2011 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at the Annex Building in our large conference room. The agenda and meeting materials are attached, along with a new document for your convenience: an Action Item Summary. We thought it might simplify the process of reviewing and deciding upon action items if we provided a clear and concise summary of what is needed from the Board in advance of the meeting.

Additionally, we need to collect updated Conflict of Interest Disclosure forms for all Board members. I have attached the blank form to this e-mail and request that you print and complete the form prior to tomorrow's meeting. This form is for identifying any affiliation you or an immediate family member might have with a housing or human services organization which might pose a conflict of interest in terms of the housing and human services work you conduct as a part of the HHSAB. If you are unsure whether or not a particular affiliation should be listed, please err on the side of caution and/or forward any questions to our office.

Finally, please RSVP for tomorrow's meeting by responding to this e-mail so that we can ensure a quorum. Thank you!

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Stephen,

Do you have an electronic copy of the data you just shared comparing the city's benefit packages to the U's?

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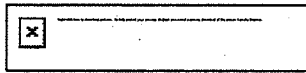
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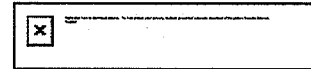
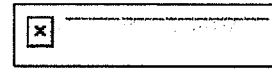


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Focusing on both the policy and the economics of ratemaking, our discussion will address topics such as:



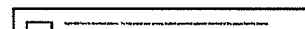
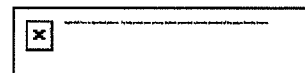
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- What role can energy efficiency play in keeping costs down?
- What obstacles do public utility commissions face in the build out of renewable energy?
- What role will feed in tariffs play?
- What will be the scope of rate increases nationally and when will they start impacting rates?

The presentation will close with a robust question and answer session, in which participants are encouraged to engage the panel speakers.

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Sincerely,



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As the rising cost of healthcare continues to be a budgetary concern for the City, I have requested staff to develop comparisons of healthcare coverage both within the various groups in the City, as well as with other local entities.

As I have noted before, the City's non-union staff, as well as three of the City's bargaining units with settled contracts, are now paying increased deductibles, 20% co-insurance, and in some cases, monthly premiums. In contrast, the City's Fire, AAPOA, COAM and AFSCME units currently pay only an annual deductible, which ranges from \$225 to \$250 for a single person.

In researching the healthcare coverage provided by the University of Michigan, the following comparisons can be made:

For the same Blue Cross, Blue Shield Community Blue coverage which the City's employees have,

- a single person employed at the UM will pay \$1416 per year in premiums. In comparison, a single person in the healthcare plan currently in place for AAPOA, COAM and Fire will pay no premiums. They may incur a \$250 annual deductible payment, if they incur medical expenses.
- A family on this same plan at the UM will pay \$6480 per year in premiums. Our AAPOA, COAM and Fire employees will pay no premiums. They may incur up to a \$500 deductible, if they incur medical expenses.

In summary, a single person at the U of M will pay at least \$1200 per year more for the same health care than a member of one of the City's Unions with open contracts. A family at the U of M will pay almost \$6000 more per year than a family of a City employee who is governed by an open contract.

The City, like other employers, has dealt with double digit increases in healthcare costs year after year for both active and retired employees. The City has made many administrative changes to help control the cost of healthcare. In addition, City staff continues to negotiate with the City Unions which have open contracts with the goal of diminishing the disparity in health care cost-sharing between our employee groups internally, as well as with other private and public employers.

Greenshields, Rachel

From: Taylor, Christopher M. [REDACTED]
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Subject: Fw: kudos to the snow plow gang

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From: Henrietta Slote <[REDACTED]>
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Mon Feb 07 17:34:31 2011
Subject: kudos to the snow plow gang

Chris, this is Al Slote of [REDACTED]. I know the snow plow people get lots of complaints, and I have been among the complainers, but I hope you'll pass on our thanks for their good work on Ives Lane late this afternoon. I'd had our walk shoveled and orange cones put up but still there was snow kicked up and the lane was a mess...but this afternoon around 4:30 two plows and a truck showed up and did a magnificent job, even the "foreman" shoveling out by hand where the big plows couldn't go. They're gone now and I didn't get the name of their supervisor but I hope you can pass this message along to him.

I'm grateful and the kids going to Burns Park School and Tappan I know are grateful too. Thanks for a job well done.
Al Slote.

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Greenshields, Rachel

From: Raymond Detter [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 9:11 PM
To: Raymond Detter
Cc: Hugh Sonk; Norm Tyler; Christine Brummer; To: Christine Brummer; Chris Crockett; Peter Nagourney; Peter Nagourney; Betsy Price; Eppie Potts; Alice Ralph; Higgins, Marcia; Ann Schriber; Pollack, Peter (PMAC); C. Robert Snyder; Ilene Tyler
Subject: Re: Design Guidelines-City Council, Feb. 7

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU! The Design Guidelines passed unanimously after a very nice and special ceremony for Peter Pollack-- with his wife Eleanor there to receive the recognition. You all played a part in making this happen.

I think we should consider having a special meeting of our neighborhood group after the appointment of the Design Review Board. We need to discuss a follow up process for our neighborhood groups that will involve all of us in making sure that everything goes well in the next year and that desirable changes will be made in a year, as needed.

Let the group know what you think.

Ray

On Feb 7, 2011, at 1:23 PM, Raymond Detter wrote:

- > Once again!
- >
- > The presentation of a resolution on the Design Guidelines will be on
- > the City Council agenda tonight in the "DC" Motions and Resolutions
- > section of "New Business-Council" along with the resolution to Waive
- > Review Fees for the Heritage Row PUD Zoning and Site Plan Petition."
- >
- > Please try to be there at that portion of the meeting as well as in
- > the beginning after 7:00 when Peter Nagourney will give a three minute
- > talk in support of the guidelines. We need to show our faces in
- > support of the guidelines, the Task Force work, and
- > recognition of Peter Pollock as a missing part of our coalition.
- > Peter's wife will be there.
- >
- > Also, remember that this City Council meeting will be held in the
- > Washtenaw County Administration Building in the Commissioners Room,
- > 220 North Main.
- >
- > I hope to see your smiling faces.
- >

- > Ray
- > On Feb 2, 2011, at 2:45 PM, Raymond Detter wrote:
- >
- >> To All Glorious Neighborhood Design Guidelines Committee Members:
- >>

>> The Design Guidelines will be formally presented to the City Council
>> in a resolution on Monday, February 7. Please try to attend,
>> starting at 7:00 p.m. We have asked Peter Nagourney to speak three
>> minutes for our group as a part of the Citizen Commentary at the
>> beginning of the meeting. Peter will be speaking about the role of
>> our neighborhood group, the role of the task force and its work, and
>> heap high praise on the results. He will also mention our support
>> for the Mandatory Board process and the voluntary compliance. If you
>> have any suggestions of items you want Peter to cover in his brief
>> address, please send him an email. If you have not looked at the
>> final draft of the Design Guidelines, here it is:

>>
>> <DDG Final 011211.pdf>

>>
>> When Marcia, Norm and others present these guidelines, they will also
>> present a tribute to Peter Pollack and recognize his contributions to
>> this work. His wife Eleanor will be present for the occasion.
>> Check the Council Agenda when it comes out to see where these items
>> appear.

>> I hope to see you then.

>> Ray

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Greenshields, Rachel

From: Leslie Krauz Stambaugh [leslie [REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 9:22 PM
To: turnervictor([REDACTED]winkler([REDACTED]leslie([REDACTED].com; turnervictor([REDACTED])
Andre.Wilson.Consulting([REDACTED]isaticet([REDACTED]elyakin([REDACTED]eadenekar([REDACTED])
moeissa([REDACTED])Smith, Sandi
Subject: HRC Meeting Wednesday, February 9: Agenda and Minutes
Attachments: HRC Agenda 1-12-11.doc; minutes 11-01-12.doc; minutes 12-8-10.doc

Commissioners:

I am sorry for the tardiness of this message. I just received the minutes for our last meeting a few hours ago (staff vacations delayed them). Please look over the agenda for this meeting and minutes from our last meeting carefully. The only thing you need to check in the December minutes is the small section on "Operation Guidelines: Protocol on Guests". See you Wednesday!
Leslie

Leslie Krauz Stambaugh
RLS Associates
Organizational Development and Consultation
Voice: 734. [REDACTED]
Email: [leslie@\[REDACTED\]](mailto:leslie@[REDACTED])
Website: [www.\[REDACTED\]](http://www.[REDACTED])

AGENDA

Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission

Wednesday, February 9, 2011
4th Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

	Agenda Item	Type +	Time Allocated
I	CALL TO ORDER		1 minute
II	OPENING		
	Roll Call for the meetings' minutes		5 minutes
	Public Comments *		0-30 minutes
	Changes to and approval of agenda	Action/Decision	3 minutes
III	OLD BUSINESS		
	Approval of Minutes – December, 2010	Action/Decision	5 minutes
	Updates: Community Response, Political Belief	Presentation	5 minutes
	Marriage Between Individuals of the Same Sex	Discussion/Decision	5 minutes
	Surveillance Camera Ordinance Proposal	Discussion/Decision	5 minutes
	Ann Arbor City Employee Benefits	Discussion/Decision	30 minutes
	Agenda for the Retreat	Discussion/Decision	30 minutes
IV	NEW BUSINESS		
	Membership	Discussion/Decision	1 minute
V	COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATION		4 minutes
VI	AGENDA BUILDING FOR NEXT MEETING		4 minutes
VII	ADJOURNMENT	Action/Decision	1 minute

* Public Comments Period for up to six community members for up to five minutes per speaker. Refer to "Rules for Guests and the Public Comment Period" rev.11.10

+ Type of Agenda Items:

- Presentation = a presentation to the commission, little or no comment/discussion
- Discussion = item for active discussion among commissioners
- Action/Decision = item that requires commissioners to take a vote or other action on

MINUTES

Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission

Wednesday, January 12, 2010
4th Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

I CALL TO ORDER

HRC Meeting called to order by Chair at 7:05 pm

GUESTS:

- William Leaf
- Michael Kaufman
- Shang Kong

II OPENING

Roll Call for the meetings' minutes

Present: Adenekan, Elyakin, Stambaugh, Turner, Winkler, Wilson

Absent: Schrader, Wilson

Council Member: Smith

Staff: Sells

Changes to and approval of January agenda

Commissioner Elyakin motioned to move City of Ann Arbor Employee Benefits to February and move Camera Surveillance Ordinance to the top of the list. All Agreed.

III OLD BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes – December, 2010.

Commissioner Elyakin moved to approve the December 8 minutes.

Commissioner Winkler seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Proposed Ordinance Re: Surveillance Cameras in Ann Arbor

- William Leaf, Michael Kaufman, and Shang Kong, current and past students from the University of Michigan, came to continue the discussion from the December 8th Commission meeting and answer questions regarding the Camera Privacy Ordinance they want the Commission to sponsor and/or support. This ordinance would ensure that standards were present to guide the installation of surveillance cameras should a decision to install cameras be made in the future.

- Commissioner Elyakin motioned that the Commission approved the following resolution:
 - HRC supports the concept of an ordinance regarding surveillance cameras and respectfully requests that the City Administrator seek input on the proposed Freedom of Surveillance Ordinance draft (attached) from various departments including, but not limited to, the city attorney, police department, and 15th District Court.
 Commissioner Turner seconded the motion and the resolution was approved.

Updates

- No Thai! Issue – Commissioner Stambaugh reported that she requested the advice of Stephen Postema, City Attorney, and followed up on her request, but has not heard from him.
- Community Response – Commissioner Stambaugh reported on the progress of the Community Response Group, which included a presentation to City Council introducing the Group, the latest version of the hate crime victim card, and the hate crime training. They have also been reviewing hate incidents and crimes that have occurred in Ann Arbor in past years. Stambaugh also talked about the group’s role in alleviating recent concern experienced by the LGBT community, where the group’s relationships with the AAPD, the Sheriff’s Department, and the Ypsilanti Police were invaluable.
- Discrimination at the Necto – The complainant was referred to the Office of the City Attorney and the Department of Civil Rights

Operating Guidelines for HRC

- The regular meeting time in March was suggested and times were discussed. March 9 from 5-9pm appears to be a good time for all, but it needs to be finalized.
- The retreat would have to be made public, in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.
- Various venues were discussed: Wheeler Service Center, 7th floor of the City Center Building, someone’s home (problematic), WISD.
- We agreed to set aside 30 minutes in the next agenda to start framing the agenda – with priorities.
- Councilmember Smith proposed that one priority that should be considered is for the HRC to undertake to update the City’s Anti-Discrimination Ordinance.

IV AGENDA BUILDING FOR NEXT MEETING

- Surveillance camera ordinance
- City of Ann Arbor Employee Benefits
- Agenda for the HRC Retreat

V ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm

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Greenshields, Rachel

From: D. Mark Doman, P.E. [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 9:30 PM
To: Hieftje, John
Subject: Meeting with Eli Cooper on passenger ropeways

John Hieftje,
Mayor, Ann Arbor Michigan

I met with Sue Gott today and she asked if I could talk to Eli Cooper about passenger ropeways. She wants to be sure that the information goes through proper channels and since Eli is coordinator of the URS study, he is the one I need to speak with. Can you recommend a way for me to contact him?

Thanks again,
Mark

D. Mark Doman, P.E.
[REDACTED]

Greenshields, Rachel

From: dennis chernin [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 9:38 PM
To: Taylor, Christopher (Council)
Subject: Re: Snow plowing update

Hi Christopher. The plowing was completed and is just fine. Thanks again for your help. Dennis Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

-----Original Message-----

From: "Taylor Christopher (Council)" <CTaylor@a2gov.org>
Date: Mon, 7 Feb 2011 15:57:29
To: <CHupy@a2gov.org>; <SMcCormick@a2gov.org>
Cc: <VHarrison@a2gov.org>; <RFraser@a2gov.org>; <ADempkowski@a2gov.org>; <KAPennington@a2gov.org>
Subject: RE: Snow plowing update

Excellent.

By way of additional color, the resident who called today indicated that he would have shoveled and then called, rather than simply calling, but that his arm is broken.

Thanks!
Christopher Taylor Member, Ann Arbor City Council (Third Ward) 734-506-8770 (m) 734-213-3605 (w) 734-213-6223 (h)

From: Hupy, Craig
Sent: Mon 2/7/2011 10:56 AM
To: Taylor, Christopher (Council); McCormick, Sue
Cc: Harrison, Venita; Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A; Pennington, Kirk
Subject: RE: Snow plowing update

Staff will look at it and communicate the out come

From: Taylor, Christopher (Council)
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 10:53 AM
To: McCormick, Sue
Cc: Hupy, Craig; Harrison, Venita; Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A; Pennington, Kirk
Subject: FW: Snow plowing update

Hi Sue,

I received a call today from the resident at [REDACTED]

As you see, we've had some correspondence about Ives Lane last year (from the [REDACTED] resident) and its special snow-plowing requirements due to the fact that there is a sidewalk tight to the edge of the street, bordered by a fence/hedge on the resident side. The road is a primary thru point for kids walking to Tappan/Burns Park

Judging from [REDACTED] resident's communication today, it appears as if the snow was pushed onto the sidewalks on the south side of the street, rather than to the stone wall on the north side of the street.

I'd be grateful if a clean-up crew could come and address the walkway.

Thanks, as ever,

Christopher

-----Original Message-----

From: Taylor, Christopher (Council)

Sent: Friday, February 12, 2010 4:30 PM

To: Hupy, Craig

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; McCormick, Sue; Harrison, Venita; Fraser, Roger; Pennington, Kirk

Subject: RE: Snow plowing update

All,

One more thing, if I may, in the event that you come across the individual, I meant to say that the resident was 'Conscientious' not 'Contentious'!

Mortified, I am yours,

Christopher

Christopher Taylor

Member, Ann Arbor City Council (Third Ward) 734-604-8770 (m)

734-213-3605 (w)

734-213-6223 (h)

-----Original Message-----

From: Hupy, Craig

Sent: Fri 2/12/2010 1:51 PM

To: Taylor, Christopher (Council)

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; McCormick, Sue; Harrison, Venita; Fraser, Roger; Pennington, Kirk

Subject: RE: Snow plowing update

We have looked at Ives Lane, a narrow one block long street off of Hermitage. It is narrow enough that a single plow pass clears the street. The only sidewalk is on the southside tight to the edge of street. There is a single drive(private street) on the northside of Ives and 3 drives off the southside. In the future the snow will be rolled off the road to the northside as that will affect the fewest facilities (sidewalks and drives). -----Original Message-----

From: Taylor, Christopher (Council)

Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2010 9:03 AM

To: Hupy, Craig

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; McCormick, Sue; Harrison, Venita; Fraser, Roger

Subject: RE: Snow plowing update

Thanks Craig!!

The only glitch of which I'm aware is on Ives Lane. It is a small stretch without an extension, so that the sidewalk (a narrow sidewalk at that) on the south side of the street gets obstructed with snow from the plow. There is no sidewalk

on the north side of the street, and indeed a stone wall is 3-5 feet away from the road so that the only place for pedestrians to travel (to and from Burns Park School and Tappan) is now in the roadway itself.

The resident is very contentious (see below), and has contacted the City before about the area and placed orange cones on the sidewalk in an effort to alert drivers to it. Is there any way that we can release a Parks & Rec vehicle to clear this one area this one time. In the future too, would we be able to adopt a practice that pushes the snow to the North side of the street only? I know there are difficulties with 'special cases', but this is a short narrow roadway and so it seems to the lay person that this solution might work.

In any event, I'd be grateful for your attention to the matter in the short and long term.

Thanks so much and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Cheers,

Christopher

PS I've tried to cc Kirk on this, as he was mentioned below, but for some reason his name is not coming through on Webmail quickfill. Apologies.

Christopher Taylor

Member, Ann Arbor City Council (Third Ward) 734-604-8770 (m)

734-213-3605 (w)

734-213-6223 (h)

-----Original Message-----

From: Hupy, Craig

Sent: Thu 2/11/2010 8:32 AM

To: *City Council Members (All)

Cc: Fraser, Roger; McCormick, Sue; Dempkowski, Angela A; Harrison, Venita; Pearson, Jean; Welser, Wendy; Dreslinski, Edward; Pennington, Kirk; Wondrash, Lisa; Satterlee, Joanna

Subject: Snow plowing update

Plowing of the local streets was completed this morning at about 5:30 am. Today crews will be focus on called in troubled spots, pushing back drifting and running the sanding routes.

Mr. Taylor, this is a follow up to my email yesterday to you and to my conversation this morning with Mr. Kirk Pennington, director of street maintenance. He said his department had no small plows to undo what the big plows had done; he had to ask Parks and Recreation and apparently needs permission from what he said were "city administrators" to do so. I hope you can help in this matter. Alfred Slote.

>Date: Thu, 11 Feb 2010 08:02:29 -0500

>To: Kapennington@A2gov.org

>From: Henrietta Slote [REDACTED]

>Subject: sidewalk plowing on Ives Lane

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>Dear Mr. Pennington,

>

> Confirming our phone conversatiion of this morning, 2/11, and

>following up on my call to your tape yesterday...once again the only

>sidewalk on Ives Lane has been rendered inaccessible to pedestrians by

>the big dump truck plows, plowing both ways on a lane that had already

>been adequately plowed. A neighbor had kindly cleared our walk for us

>yesterday morning while we were at St.

>Joe's Hospital, and then our snow removal person came around noon and

>widened the walk and driveway. I paid \$30 for this service. A couple

>of hours later the plows going, unnecessarily both ways, dumped snow
>in major chunks over 90% of the sidewalk rendering it, as I said,
>inaccessible to foot traffic...mainly the traffic, as I write this, of
>kids going to Tappan School and kids going to Burns Park Elementary
>School. I had hoped we'd licked this problem by the use of traffic
>cones which I bought last year and placed near the sidewalk to let
>drivers know there was a sidewalk there. It worked last year due I
>think to the cones and to meager snow fall. Yesterday was a different
>story. I understand from our correspondance in 2008 that the city can
>plow right up to the sidewalk but I'd hope some common sense would
>indicate that it's not necessary. Cars had been passing in both
>directions safely. I am hoping the city administrators you referred to
>on the phone today will give you permission to ask Parks and
>Recreation to send over a small plow today to return the sidewalk to
>where it had been before the big plows. It had been cleared to bare
>pavement. I think this is a safety issue more than anything else. I
>can't undo it by myself and my snow removal guy can't do it either
>with his shovel and the snow blower I have lent him for the winter.
>Any help you can give to alleviate this situation will be greatly
>appreciated.
> Thank you. Alfred Slote, [REDACTED], Ann Arbor.

Dear Mr. Taylor, I hate to bother you with a sidewalk issue when so many other things are pressing on our community but I have a problem that has been going on for several years in spite of many communications with street maintenance. This morning I paid 30 dollars to have our walk cleaned so kids tomorrow could go to Burns Park School safely and other kids to Tappan Middle School. This afternoon the big plows plowed over the walk dumping huge amounts of snow and making the sidewalk impassible. I've called Mr. Pennington and left a message but I have talked to him for some years now about the problem to no avail. Last year I put up orange cones to let the drivers know where the sidewalk was. They plowed over the cones. And that seemed to have worked last year. This year it hasn't. I understand drivers change and they go fast but the simple fact is I can't keep paying people to clean up after the city. I understand a driveway being blocked; I don't understand a sidewalk being abused like that. If a kid, or any pedestrian for that matter, gets hit by a car because he or she is forced to walk in the street I assume the city will be liable. I've taken a picture of part of the walk that's clean and most of it full of snow debris. I would love for you to take a look at it with your own eyes. In my more youthful days without a heart condition I'd have grabbed a shovel and picked up behind the city myself but I'm afraid those days are gone forever. Our address is [REDACTED]. Thank you for any attention you can give to this problem. Alfred Slote.

Greenshields, Rachel

From: Portside Moderator [moderator@PORTSIDE.ORG]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 9:49 PM
To: PORTSIDE@LISTS.PORTSIDE.ORG
Subject: The Green Bay Packers: Of the People, By the People, For the People

The Green Bay Packers: Of the People, By the People, For the People

by Harvey J. Kaye New Deal 2.0

February 7, 2011

<http://www.newdeal20.org/2011/02/07/the-green-bay-packers-of-the-people-by-the-people-for-the-people-35149/>

The Super Bowl win is a victory for the working class fans who own the team.

You've no doubt heard that the Green Bay Packers won the XLV Super Bowl. And you've no doubt heard that Green Bay is the smallest city with a major sports franchise. But have you heard - in this age of global corporations and private greed - that the Green Bay Packers are essentially a community- owned team, the stockholders of which number in the tens of thousands and receive no dividends on their stock? Moreover, we would have it no other way!

From the beginning, the team has been a community enterprise - and whenever the citizens of Northeast Wisconsin have had to pitch in we have done so. In the early days, to keep the players uniformed and happy, we did so by passing the hat and relying on the better off to pitch in more. On later occasions, we did so by buying "shares" to keep the team in Green Bay and thereby block NFL desires to move the franchise to some bigger urban center. And about a decade ago, when we needed to build a new stadium, we did so by taxing ourselves a little extra.

Green Bay is a city of 100,000 with a metro area of 275,000. It's a city of meat packers, cheese makers, and paper workers; a city of Anglo, German, Belgian, Polish, Mexican, Hmong, and Oneidan Americans, along with a growing African- American population; a city of mostly Catholic and Lutheran folk but with a historic Jewish community; a city of working people's taverns and summer baseball and softball leagues. It sustains, with the help of NFL salary caps and revenue- sharing arrangements, one of the greatest sports traditions in the nation. Indeed, the little city of Green Bay, whose greatest divide has often seemed a matter of which side of the north-flowing and Great Lakes feeding Fox River you lived on, enabled Italian-American Vince Lombardi - a man who spoke his mind, pushed his team, and loved the game of football and those who played it - to become America's iconic sports coach and who in turn helped to make Green Bay nothing less than "Titletown."

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I often joke that I came to Green Bay to teach but stayed to "back the Pack." But there's some real truth to it. As I have written in "All that is Solid Melts into Air" (reprinted in "Why Do Ruling Classes Fear History?"), growing up in the New York area I was a fanatic Dodgers fan - that is, until the owners ripped the team out of Brooklyn and shipped it off Los Angeles. As a consequence of which I not only became suspicious of southern California and capitalism, but also vowed to never root for a professional sports team again. However, arriving in Green Bay in the late 1970s I broke my vow. How could I help but do so? I had come to a city where the people own the team - a city where no corporate mogul can make off with the team to milder and richer climes.

I lost my voice watching the game last night at Titledown Brewing - a loss exacerbated by cheering the fireworks that the city set off along the riverfront to celebrate the victory and by yelling "Go Pack Go!" with my fellow citizens. But however sore my throat is today, I feel great about and proud of our victory.

No doubt our new Republican and Tea Party-backed governor, Scott Walker, will declare that the win attests to the wonders of Wisconsin, small town values, and free enterprise. But I say it's a victory for the working people of Green Bay who hold onto their team dearly and democratically. Or as Abe Lincoln would have put it: "The Green Bay Packers: of the people, by the people, for the people."

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Subject: Koch brothers now at heart of GOP power

Koch brothers now at heart of GOP power

The billionaire brothers' influence is most visible in the makeup of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, where members have vowed to undo restrictions on greenhouse gases.

By Tom Hamburger, Kathleen Hennessey and Neela Banerjee, Los Angeles Times

February 6, 2011

Reporting from Washington

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The billionaire brothers David and Charles Koch no longer sit outside Washington's political establishment, isolated by their uncompromising conservatism. Instead, they are now at the center of Republican power, a change most evident in the new makeup of the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

Wichita-based Koch Industries and its employees formed the largest single oil and gas donor to members of the panel, ahead of giants like Exxon Mobil, contributing \$279,500 to 22 of the committee's 31 Republicans, and \$32,000 to five Democrats.

Nine of the 12 new Republicans on the panel signed a pledge distributed by a Koch-founded advocacy group -- Americans for Prosperity -- to oppose the Obama administration's proposal to regulate greenhouse gases. Of the six GOP freshman lawmakers on the panel, five benefited from the group's separate advertising and grass-roots activity during the 2010 campaign.

Claiming an electoral mandate, Republicans on the committee have launched an agenda of the sort long backed by the Koch brothers. A top early goal: restricting the reach of the Environmental Protection Agency, which oversees the Kochs' core energy businesses.

The new committee members include a congressman who has hired a former Koch Industries lawyer as his chief of staff. Another, Rep. Morgan Griffith of Virginia, won a long-shot bid to unseat a 14-term moderate Democrat with help from Americans for Prosperity, which marshaled conservative activists in his district. By some estimates, the advocacy group spent more than a quarter-million dollars on negative ads in the campaign. "I'm just thankful that you all helped in so many ways," Griffith told an Americans for Prosperity rally not long after his election.

Perhaps the Kochs' most surprising and important ally on the committee is its new chairman, Rep. Fred Upton. The Republican from Michigan, who was once criticized by conservatives for his middle-of-the-road approach to environmental issues, is now leading the effort to rein in the EPA.

Upton received \$20,000 in donations from Koch employees in 2010, making them among his top 10 donors in that cycle, according to the Center for Responsive Politics.

In recent months the congressman has made a point of publicly aligning himself with the Koch-backed advocacy group, calling for an end to the "EPA chokehold." Last week the chairman released a draft of a bill that would strip the EPA of its ability to curb carbon emissions.

The legislation is in line with the Kochs'

long-advocated stance that the federal government should have a minimal role in regulating business. The Kochs' oil refineries and chemical plants stand to pay millions to reduce air pollution under currently proposed EPA regulations.

Koch Industries is the country's second-largest privately run company, a conglomerate of refining, pipeline, chemical and paper businesses. Their products include Lycra and Coolmax fibers, Brawny paper towels and Stainmaster carpets. Last year, Forbes magazine listed the brothers as the nation's fifth-richest people, each worth \$21.5 billion.

A spokesman for the famously press-shy family declined to comment. Koch allies say the brothers act out of ideological conviction.

A Washington energy consultant familiar with the Kochs, Javier Ortiz, said the committee agenda reflects the "needs of the American people" and a broad shift in political sentiment.

A symbolic arrival

When the 85 freshman GOP lawmakers marched into the Capitol on Jan. 5 as part of the new Republican House majority, David Koch was there too.

The 70-year-old had an appointment with a staff member of the new speaker, Rep. John A. Boehner (R-Ohio). At the same time, the head of Americans for Prosperity, Tim Phillips, had an appointment with Upton. They used the opportunity to introduce themselves to some of the new legislators and invited them to a welcome party at the Capitol Hill Club, a favorite wine-and-cheese venue for Republican power players in Washington.

The reception was a symbolic arrival for the Kochs, who have not always been close to the Republican hub. The brothers were known as hard-liners unafraid to take on conservative icons -- even President Reagan and the American Petroleum Institute -- whom they occasionally perceived to be too accommodating to liberal interests.

David Koch ran as the Libertarian Party's vice presidential candidate in 1980, when Reagan was the GOP presidential candidate.

The Kochs provided initial funding for the libertarian Cato Institute and are key donors to the Federalist Society, among other conservative organizations.

In recent years, they began drawing conservative media, business and political leaders to semiannual meetings in the West to discuss protection of the free-market ethos and to raise funds for their causes. The most recent was in Rancho Mirage a week ago.

Frustrated with the state of conservatism in Washington during the George W. Bush era, the Kochs began to shift the discussions at recent meetings from fundraising for think tanks to more specific electoral strategy.

Longtime ties

At the center of the new ground-level strategy is a beefed-up role for Americans for Prosperity. Along with other well-funded conservative groups, the group was very active in the congressional midterm election -- in many cases taking on roles often performed by national and state parties.

Americans for Prosperity is the political arm of the Americans for Prosperity Foundation, which David Koch co-founded in the 1980s under the name Citizens for a Sound Economy. He is chairman of the board of the foundation, which says it aims to educate citizens on "a return of the federal government to its constitutional limits."

Americans for Prosperity says it spent \$40 million in the 2010 election cycle, organized rallies and phone banks, and canvassed door to door in nearly 100 races across the country. The organization found scores of energetic activists in the "tea party" movement to carry its message.

Throughout this effort, Americans for Prosperity kept a strong emphasis on promoting its views on climate change and energy regulation. In 2008, it began circulating a pledge asking politicians to denounce a Democratic-led effort to compel oil refineries and utilities to clean up emissions of greenhouse gases through a so-called cap-and-trade system. The organization said it amounted to a hidden tax increase.

The cap-and-trade legislation passed the House but died in the Senate. Americans for Prosperity began working to defeat House Democrats who voted for the bill, showing the power of its new activist base.

The advocacy group does not disclose spending in individual races. But it said it facilitated tens of thousands of phone calls and organized dozens of events in recent congressional campaigns. Among the beneficiaries, besides Griffith, were newly elected Reps. Cory Gardner (R-Colo.) and Adam Kinzinger (R-Ill.). All three now sit on the Energy and Commerce Committee.

Gardner and Kinzinger declined to comment on their relationship with Americans for Prosperity and the Koch brothers, although a spokeswoman for Gardner emphasized that the group's work was "totally independent" of his campaign, in line with federal election rules.

Other committee members have deeper ties to the Kochs.

Rep. Mike Pompeo (R-Kan.), who represents Koch Industries' home district, launched an aerospace company with investment help from a Koch subsidiary. He sold the company last year. His chief of staff is Mark Chenoweth, a former Koch Industries lawyer.

Phil Kerpen, vice president for policy at Americans for Prosperity, said the organization was pleased with the committee's new members.

"From a policy standpoint, I think those are pretty good choices," he said, mentioning Griffith in particular.

Griffith has questioned the EPA and the science behind its proposed regulation of global warming. "We have to be sure the EPA is reined in," he said recently.

The Supreme Court ruled in 2007 that the EPA had the power to regulate greenhouse gases as air pollutants under the Clean Air Act. Pompeo, Griffith and others want to strip the EPA of that authority.

Until recently, Upton would have been an unlikely champion of that view.

In 2009, he told a Michigan newspaper: "Climate change is a serious problem that necessitates serious solutions." Rush Limbaugh ridiculed Upton for his sponsorship of an energy-saving bill. Tea party groups opposed his bid for the committee chairmanship.

But as chairman, Upton said that EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson would have to attend so many hearings before his committee that she would need her own parking space on Capitol Hill. In daily e-mail blasts, he hammered at the EPA's "job-killing" regulations.

His bluntest rhetoric against the EPA came in late December, in a Wall Street Journal commentary he wrote with Phillips of Americans for Prosperity.

The EPA's regulation of greenhouse gas emissions, they wrote, "represents an unconstitutional power grab that will kill millions of jobs -- unless Congress steps in."

In an e-mail statement, Upton denied that his position on climate change had shifted, and he explained his work with conservative activists. "Meeting with and listening to individuals and organizations that will be affected by the laws and regulations this committee oversees is one of our fundamental responsibilities," he said.

The change on the committee is "like night and day," said Jeremy Symons, senior vice president of the National Wildlife Federation, a nonpartisan organization that lobbied the committee to stem greenhouse gas emissions.

"In the past the committee majority viewed the Clean Air Act as an effective way to protect the public," Symons said. "Now the committee treats the Clean Air Act and the EPA as if they are the enemy. Voters didn't ask for this pro-polluter agenda, but the Koch brothers spent their money well and their presence can be felt."

Republicans wave off such comments, saying the focus on the Koch brothers is just the left's latest conspiracy theory.

"[Former Chairman] Henry Waxman stacked the committee with liberal environmentalists," said Rep. John Shimkus (R-Ill.), who now chairs the economy and environment subcommittee. "Now we are moving things back to the center."

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Suleiman: The CIA's Man in Cairo

Suleiman, a friend to the US and reported torturer, has long been touted as a presidential successor.

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On January 29, Omar Suleiman, Egypt's top spy chief, was anointed vice president by tottering dictator, Hosni Mubarak. By appointing Suleiman, part of a shake-up of the cabinet in an attempt to appease the masses of protesters and retain his own grip on the presidency, Mubarak has once again shown his knack for devilish shrewdness. Suleiman has long been favoured by the US government for his ardent anti-Islamism, his willingness to talk and act tough on Iran - and he has long been the CIA's main man in Cairo.

Mubarak knew that Suleiman would command an instant lobby of supporters at Langley and among 'Iran nexters' in Washington - not to mention among other authoritarian mukhabarat-dependent regimes in the region. Suleiman is a favourite of Israel too; he held the Israel dossier and directed Egypt's efforts to crush Hamas by demolishing the tunnels that have functioned as a smuggling conduit for both weapons and foodstuffs into Gaza.

According to a WikiLeaks(ed) US diplomatic cable, titled 'Presidential Succession in Egypt', dated May 14, 2007:

"Egyptian intelligence chief and Mubarak consigliere, in past years Soliman was often cited as likely to be named to the long-vacant vice-presidential post. In the past two years, Soliman has stepped out of the shadows, and allowed himself to be photographed, and his meetings with foreign leaders reported. Many of our contacts believe that Soliman, because of his military background, would at least have to figure in any succession scenario."

From 1993 until Saturday, Suleiman was chief of Egypt's General Intelligence Service. He remained largely in the shadows until 2001, when he started taking over powerful dossiers in the foreign ministry; he has since become a public figure, as the WikiLeaks document attests. In 2009, he was touted by the London Telegraph and Foreign Policy as the most powerful spook in the region, topping even the head of Mossad.

In the mid-1990s, Suleiman worked closely with the Clinton administration in devising and implementing its rendition program; back then, rendition involved kidnapping suspected terrorists and transferring them to a third country for trial. In *The Dark Side*, Jane Mayer describes how the rendition program began:

"Each rendition was authorised at the very top levels of both governments [the US and Egypt] ... The long-serving chief of the Egyptian central intelligence agency, Omar Suleiman, negotiated directly with top [CIA] officials. [Former US Ambassador to Egypt Edward] Walker described the Egyptian counterpart, Suleiman, as 'very bright, very realistic', adding that he was cognisant that there was a downside to 'some of the negative things that the Egyptians engaged in, of torture and so on. But he was not squeamish, by the way'. (p. 113).

"Technically, US law required the CIA to seek 'assurances' from Egypt that rendered suspects wouldn't face torture. But under Suleiman's reign at the EGIS, such assurances were considered close to worthless. As Michael Scheuer, a former CIA officer [head of the al-Qaeda desk], who helped set up the practise of rendition, later testified, even if such 'assurances' were written in indelible ink, 'they weren't worth a bucket of warm spit'."

Under the Bush administration, in the context of "the global war on terror", US renditions became "extraordinary", meaning the objective of kidnapping and extra-legal transfer was no longer to bring a suspect to trial - but rather for interrogation to seek actionable intelligence. The extraordinary rendition program landed some people in CIA black sites - and others were turned over for torture-by-proxy to other regimes. Egypt figured large as a torture destination of choice, as did Suleiman as Egypt's torturer-in- chief. At least one person extraordinarily rendered by the CIA to Egypt - Egyptian-born Australian citizen Mamdouh Habib - was reportedly tortured by Suleiman himself.

Suleiman the torturer

In October 2001, Habib was seized from a bus by Pakistani security forces. While detained in Pakistan, at the behest of American agents, he was suspended from a hook and electrocuted repeatedly. He was then turned over to the CIA, and in the process of transporting him to Egypt he endured the usual treatment: his clothes were cut off, a suppository was stuffed in his anus, he was put into a diaper - and 'wrapped up like a spring roll'.

In Egypt, as Habib recounts in his memoir, *My Story*:

The Tale of a Terrorist Who Wasn't, he was repeatedly subjected to electric shocks, immersed in water up to his nostrils and beaten. His fingers were broken and he was hung from metal hooks. At one point, his interrogator slapped him so hard that his blindfold was dislodged, revealing the identity of his tormentor:

Suleiman.

Frustrated that Habib was not providing useful information or confessing to involvement in terrorism, Suleiman ordered a guard to murder a shackled prisoner in front of Habib, which he did with a vicious karate kick. In April 2002, after five months in Egypt, Habib was rendered to American custody at Bagram prison in Afghanistan - and then transported to Guantanamo. On January 11, 2005, the day before he was scheduled to be charged, Dana Priest of the *Washington Post* published an expose about Habib's torture. The US government immediately announced that he would not be charged and would be repatriated to Australia.

A far more infamous torture case, in which Suleiman also is directly implicated, is that of Ibn al-Sheikh al-Libi. Unlike Habib, who was innocent of any ties to terror or militancy, al-Libi was allegedly a trainer at al-Khaldan camp in Afghanistan. He was captured by the Pakistanis while fleeing across the border in November 2001. He was sent to Bagram, and questioned by the FBI.

But the CIA wanted to take over, which they did, and he was transported to a black site on the USS Bataan in the Arabian Sea, then extraordinarily rendered to Egypt. Under torture there, al-Libi "confessed" knowledge about an al-Qaeda-Saddam connection, claiming that two al-Qaeda operatives had received training in Iraq for use in chemical and biological weapons. In early 2003, this was exactly the kind of information that the Bush administration was seeking to justify attacking Iraq and to persuade reluctant allies to go along. Indeed, al-Libi's "confession" was one the central pieces of "evidence" presented at the United Nations by then-Secretary of State Colin Powell to make the case for war.

As it turns out, that confession was a lie tortured out of him by Egyptians. Here is how former CIA chief George Tenet describes the whole al-Libi situation in his 2007 memoir, *At The Center Of The Storm*:

"We believed that al-Libi was withholding critical threat information at the time, so we transferred him to a third country for further debriefing. Allegations were made that we did so knowing that he would be tortured, but this is false. The country in question [Egypt] understood and agreed that they would hold al-Libi for a limited period. In the course of questioning while he was in US custody in Afghanistan, al-Libi made initial references to possible al-Qa'ida training in Iraq. He offered up information that a militant known as Abu Abdullah had told him that at least three times between 1997 and 2000, the now-deceased al-Qa'ida leader Mohammad Atef had sent Abu Abdullah to Iraq to seek training in poisons and mustard gas.

"Another senior al-Qa'ida detainee told us that Mohammad Atef was interested in expanding al-Qa'ida's ties to Iraq, which, in our eyes, added credibility to the reporting. Then, shortly after the Iraq war got under way, al-Libi recanted his story. Now, suddenly, he was saying that there was no such cooperative training. Inside the CIA, there was sharp division on his recantation. It led us to recall his reporting, and here is where the mystery begins.

"Al-Libi's story will no doubt be that he decided to fabricate in order to get better treatment and avoid harsh punishment. He clearly lied. We just don't know when. Did he lie when he first said that al-Qa'ida members received training in Iraq - or did he lie when he said they did not? In my mind, either case might still be true. Perhaps, early on, he was under pressure, assumed his interrogators already knew the story, and sang away. After time

passed and it became clear that he would not be harmed, he might have changed his story to cloud the minds of his captors. Al-Qa'ida operatives are trained to do just that. A recantation would restore his stature as someone who had successfully confounded the enemy. The fact is, we don't know which story is true, and since we don't know, we can assume nothing. (pp. 353-354)"

Al-Libi was eventually sent off, quietly, to Libya - though he reportedly made a few other stops along the way - where he was imprisoned. The use of al-Libi's statement in the build-up to the Iraq war made him a huge American liability once it became clear that the purported al-Qaeda-Saddam connection was a tortured lie. His whereabouts were, in fact, a secret for years, until April 2009 when Human Rights Watch researchers investigating the treatment of Libyan prisoners encountered him in the courtyard of a prison. Two weeks later, on May 10, al-Libi was dead, and the Gaddafi regime claimed it was a suicide.

According to Evan Kohlmann, who enjoys favoured status among US officials as an 'al-Qaeda expert', citing a classified source: 'Al-Libi's death coincided with the first visit by Egypt's spymaster Omar Suleiman to Tripoli.'

Kohlmann surmises and opines that, after al-Libi recounted his story about about an al-Qaeda-Saddam-WMD connection, "The Egyptians were embarassed by this admission - and the Bush government found itself in hot water internationally. Then, in May 2009, Omar Suleiman saw an opportunity to get even with al-Libi and travelled to Tripoli. By the time Omar Suleiman's plane left Tripoli, Ibn al-Sheikh al-Libi had committed 'suicide'."

As people in Egypt and around the world speculate about the fate of the Mubarak regime, one thing should be very clear: Omar Suleiman is not the man to bring democracy to the country. His hands are too dirty, and any 'stability' he might be imagined to bring to the country and the region comes at way too high a price. Hopefully, the Egyptians who are thronging the streets and demanding a new era of freedom will make his removal from power part of their demands, too.

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Arab Revolt Revives Hope For a New World: Brazil's Lula

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Former Brazilian president Luis Inacio Lula da Silva on Monday urged Africa to become aware of its own power amid rising hopes of a new world order in the wake of the popular revolts sweeping the Arab world.

Attending the annual World Social Forum which brings together leftists seeking an alternative to globalisation and capitalism, Lula said here that liberal "dogmas" had failed.

"In South America, but especially in the streets of Tunis and Cairo and many other African cities, hopes for a new world are being revived," Lula said,

"Millions of people are protesting against the poverty to which they are subjected to, against the rule of tyrants, against the submission of their country to world powers."

Recalling that Brazil is home to "the world's second largest black community after Nigeria," Lula urged Africans to realise they had "an extraordinary future" with the continent's 800 million people, vast territory and riches and could achieve food self-sufficiency.

"The global economic order is no longer shaped by a few leading economies," he noted.

Rich countries who "saw us as peripheral and dangerous ... those who arrogantly gave lessons on how we should manage our economy, have not been able to avoid the crises which reached their own countries and all humanity," he said.

"All efforts to tackle poverty and inequality were seen as charity or populism ... but history has refuted these false theories... the market is not a panacea," the Brazilian statesman said.

Another keynote speaker was Senegalese President Abdoulaye Wade, who portrayed himself as a "liberal", an "advocate of the market economy and not the state economy that has failed almost everywhere in the world."

Participants at the gathering, an alternative to the World Economic Forum held in Davos last week, hope to change the world economy and the relationship with the environment.

The six-day meeting is being held in Africa for the second time after Nairobi in 2007 and comes 10 years after the first edition of the Forum took place in the southern Brazilian city of Porto Alegre in 2001.

This year's theme is: "Crises of the system and civilisation."

The 83-year-old Wade who is seeking a controversial third presidential mandate next year, said he "does not agree" with the anti-globalisation movement even though he shares "the idea of changing the world which is going badly."

He caused a slight uproar when he asked whether the Social Forum had succeeded in changing things on a global scale.

The second day of the forum focused on the rush across Africa to buy up land amid a growing global food crisis.

Lamine Ndiaye, a Senegalese working for Oxfam cited "the case of a Libyan company which acquired 200,000 hectares in Mali, a private British company buying land in Tanzania" and other examples in Senegal, Ghana, Mozambique and Ethiopia.

"Africa is not a battleground for powerful countries ... It is a rich continent, provided it is allowed to determine its policies and development strategies,"

Tunisian Taoufik Ben Abdallah, coordinator of the African Social Forum, said at the opening of the gathering.

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The Conservative Class War, Continued

Eric Alterman

February 3, 2011

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It was a terrible tabloid tale. While New York City was buried under a blizzard, widows and orphans freezing and starving in their apartments, union fat cats swigged brewskis and chuckled to themselves as sanitation workers conspired to stage a slowdown to gain leverage in their contract negotiations. "The selfish Sanitation bosses who sabotaged the blizzard cleanup to fire a salvo at City Hall targeted politically connected and well-heeled neighborhoods in Queens and Brooklyn to get their twisted message across loud and clear," screamed Rupert Murdoch's New York Post. From there, the story ricocheted across the media, to Investor's Business Daily to Fox News (naturally), and even to Saturday Night Live. The Washington Times ran an op-ed that began, "Cross us and people will die."

Alas, it never happened. The source of all this hysteria was a sketchy story told by Daniel Halloran, a rookie councilman and Tea Party Republican--who is also an adherent of the neo-pagan religion Theodicism. A New York Times investigation weeks later found no evidence to support the allegation, and it turns out that Halloran isn't so sure about what he thought he heard after all. But the damage is done. (Murdoch properties are not exactly famous for correcting their errors; though, to be fair, if they did, there would hardly be time or space for anything else.)

Can it be mere coincidence that the right-wing media promoted this phony-baloney story at a moment when, as Charles Loveless, legislative director of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, points out, conservatives are "readying a massive assault" on the pensions and benefits of these same employees?

Led by Newt Gingrich, conservatives are floating the notion that states should be allowed to declare bankruptcy to escape their pension obligations to firefighters, cops, teachers and, yes, sanitation workers. Gingrich called on House Republicans "to move a bill in the first month or so of their tenure to create a venue for state bankruptcy." This was followed by a plea in The Weekly Standard by University of Pennsylvania law professor David Skeel titled "Give States a Way to Go Bankrupt." Skeel later told a reporter that he had "never had anything I've written get as much attention as that piece." He said he had been contacted by lawmakers from all over.

Depending on the audience, this discussion serves multiple purposes. Most obviously it is intended to blame the unions for local fiscal woes and garner support from the public for the coming assault on their pensions. Second, it serves to intimidate the unions and encourage givebacks lest these same officials be forced to go before taxpayers with a plan to cut services, raise taxes or both--making public unions the culprit in any of those options. Third, it weakens the unions' appeal to new workers, for if they can't protect the pensions of their workers, what's the point of joining in the first place? Given that public unions provide the lion's share of poll workers, envelope stuffers and other volunteers for Democratic campaigns, this is hardly an ancillary benefit, from the right's perspective. With private union membership now in single digits, public unions remain just about the only institutions with sufficient financial and organizational muscle to make a difference in close elections at the state and local levels or to organize progressive pushback against corporate malfeasance.

The assault on public employee unions is the next phase of a forty-year class war in America by the rich against the rest of us. It is of a piece with the steady dismantling of our progressive taxation system and the explosion of economic inequality. Total income going to the wealthiest 1 percent of Americans has risen from about 8 percent in the 1960s to more than 20 percent today. As Jacob Hacker and Paul Pierson demonstrate in their recent book, *Winner-Take-All Politics*, this is the result of deliberate policy choices made by politicians in the service of those who fund their campaigns. Congress has repeatedly cut tax rates on top earners, along with capital gains and estate taxes. And as Robert Lieberman, writing in *Foreign Affairs*, recalls, during the 1990s the Financial Accounting Standards Board, which regulates accounting practices, attempted to put a stop to the practice of allowing corporate CEOs to compensate themselves with massive stock-option packages, correctly predicting that it would lead to an epidemic of deceptive accounting practices. "But Congress, spurred on by the lobbying efforts of major corporations, stopped the FASB in its tracks." The result? For the past twenty years we've allowed CEOs to enrich themselves at the expense of employees and stockholders "through the mutual back-scratching habits of corporate boards."

In the meantime, statistics demonstrate the speciousness of the conservative case for states facing budget crises to default on their public pension obligations. The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities released a report recently demonstrating that, in fact, they have "adequate tools and means to meet their obligations." To the degree that some states appear to be in real trouble, explains a June report by two Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco analysts, this the result of a "profound macroeconomic shock" rather than pension obligations. Yet another recent study--this one from Boston College's Center for Retirement Research--found that while many state pension funds may be "substantially underfunded," they account for just 3.8 percent of state and local spending and could be covered with an increase to just 5 percent.

Yet snowjobs like those promoted by Murdoch, Gingrich and New Jersey Governor Chris Christie are painting a bull's-eye on the back of public unions. "People I don't even know are calling me horrible names," Marie Corfield, a New Jersey art teacher who found herself on the other end of Christie's antiunion rant, told the *New York Times*. "The mantra is that the problem is the unions, the unions, the unions."

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Subject: Re: Design Guidelines-City Council, Feb. 7

Great news on the design guidelines - I support the idea of a followup meeting

Hugh Sonk

--- On Mon, 2/7/11, Raymond Detter [REDACTED] wrote:

From: Raymond Detter [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Design Guidelines-City Council, Feb. 7
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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU! The Design Guidelines passed unanimously after a very nice and special ceremony for Peter Pollack--with his wife Eleanor there to receive the recognition. You all played a part in making this happen.

I think we should consider having a special meeting of our neighborhood group after the appointment of the Design Review Board. We need to discuss a follow up process for our neighborhood groups that will involve all of us in making sure that everything goes well in the next year and that desirable changes will be made in a year, as needed.

Let the group know what you think.

Ray

On Feb 7, 2011, at 1:23 PM, Raymond Detter wrote:

> Once again!

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> The presentation of a resolution on the Design Guidelines will be on the City Council agenda tonight in the "DC" Motions and Resolutions section of "New Business-Council" along with the resolution to Waive Review Fees for the Heritage Row PUD Zoning and Site Plan Petition."

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> Please try to be there at that portion of the meeting as well as in the beginning after 7:00 when Peter

Nagourney will give a three minute talk in support of the guidelines. We need to show our faces in support of the guidelines, the Task Force work, and recognition of Peter Pollock as a missing part of our coalition. Peter's wife will be there.

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> Also, remember that this City Council meeting will be held in the Washtenaw County Administration Building in the Commissioners Room, 220 North Main.

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> I hope to see your smiling faces.

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> Ray

> On Feb 2, 2011, at 2:45 PM, Raymond Detter wrote:

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>> To All Glorious Neighborhood Design Guidelines Committee Members:

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>> The Design Guidelines will be formally presented to the City Council in a resolution on Monday, February 7. Please try to attend, starting at 7:00 p.m. We have asked Peter Nagourney to speak three minutes for our group as a part of the Citizen Commentary at the beginning of the meeting. Peter will be speaking about the role of our neighborhood group, the role of the task force and its work, and heap high praise on the results. He will also mention our support for the Mandatory Board process and the voluntary compliance. If you have any suggestions of items you want Peter to cover in his brief address, please send him an email. If you have not looked at the final draft of the Design Guidelines, here it is:

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>> <DDG Final 011211.pdf>

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>> When Marcia, Norm and others present these guidelines, they will also present a tribute to Peter Pollack and recognize his contributions to this work. His wife Eleanor will be present for the occasion.

>> Check the Council Agenda when it comes out to see where these items appear.

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>> I hope to see you then.

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>> Ray

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