

**Ann Arbor City Council Regular Session: May 7, 2012  
 Email Redactions List Pursuant to Council Resolution R-09-386**

<u>Sent Time</u>	<u>Received Time</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>Redactions</u>	<u>Reason for Redaction</u>
10:24PM	10:24PM	Higgins, Marcia	Ellen Fisher	Katie & David Foster, Teall, Margie	email address	privacy
9:45PM	9:45PM	Higgins, Marcia	David and Katie Foster		email address	privacy
9:36PM	9:36PM	Hieftje, John	David and Katie Foster		email address	privacy

## Corts, Carynne

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2012 11:40 PM  
**To:** Seagraves, Aaron  
**Cc:** Hupy, Craig; Derezsinski, Tony; Hieftje, John; Powers, Steve  
**Subject:** public art presentation

Dear Aaron,

I have a couple of questions.

Your presenter mentioned 'short term projects' several times during the presentation. Can you tell me what this means?

Is there a way to effectively identify the differences between 'art', 'architecture', and infrastructure improvements? I've heard members of the public ask whether the funds for public art could be used to 'enhance the design' of a capital improvement. I've also heard members of staff and the commission suggest that public art dollars could be spent on sidewalks, gutters, lamp posts and other infrastructure improvements.

I cannot figure out how to define public art in order to include or exclude these ideas.

Thank you,

Sabra Briere  
First Ward City Council  
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**From:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2012 10:43 PM  
**To:** Lumm, Jane  
**Cc:** Bowden (King), Anissa  
**Subject:** DS-1 Art Amendment

Jane:

Can you also send me your language for this amendment?

Thanks,

Jackie

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**From:** Ellen Fisher [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2012 10:24 PM  
**To:** Higgins, Marcia  
**Cc:** Katie & Dave Foster; Teall, Margie  
**Subject:** Thanks

Marcia,

I appreciated the chance to meet you tonight at the council meeting. It was nice of you to introduce me to Craig Hupy as his name has come up quite often, and I hadn't met him. I am glad to hear that you are forcefully advocating for a solution to the flooding we are experiencing in our neighborhood. Although I was sorry to hear of the sewer flooding problems you experienced that led to your running for a council seat, I am glad that you can relate from personal experience to the issues we are dealing with. Any advice you can offer would be welcome.

I look forward to keeping in touch with you.

Best,

*Ellen*

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**From:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2012 10:15 PM  
**To:** Lumm, Jane  
**Cc:** Bowden (King), Anissa  
**Subject:** Proposed Amendment (withdrawn) for DC-3

Jane:

Can I get a copy of the motion you made for DC-3?

Thanks,

Jackie

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**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2012 9:45 PM  
**To:** Higgins, Marcia  
**Subject:** Fwd: Flooding Concerns  
**Attachments:** Landsdowne flooding.MOV; ATT232443.htm

Marcia, just wanted to thank you for spending a few minutes with us tonight and listening to our story. I appreciate the complexity of the issue and your willingness to take an interest in our concerns. Will let you know how our dialog goes with Craig

Thanks again,  
Dave

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Dave and Katie Foster <[REDACTED]>  
**Date:** May 7, 2012 6:12:28 PM EDT  
**To:** [JHieftje@a2gov.org](mailto:JHieftje@a2gov.org), [MHiggins@a2gov.org](mailto:MHiggins@a2gov.org), Margie Teal <[MTeall@a2gov.org](mailto:MTeall@a2gov.org)>, [Sbriere@a2gov.org](mailto:Sbriere@a2gov.org), [ssmith@a2gov.org](mailto:ssmith@a2gov.org), [JLumm@a2gov.org](mailto:JLumm@a2gov.org), [TDerezinski@a2gov.org](mailto:TDerezinski@a2gov.org), [SKunselman@a2gov.org](mailto:SKunselman@a2gov.org), [CTaylor@a2gov.org](mailto:CTaylor@a2gov.org), [MAnglin@a2gov.org](mailto:MAnglin@a2gov.org), [CHohnke@a2gov.org](mailto:CHohnke@a2gov.org)  
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Regards,  
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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2012 9:37 PM  
**To:** \*City Council Members (All)  
**Cc:** Beaudry, Jacqueline; Powers, Steve  
**Subject:** amendment to DC3

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Sponsored by: Councilmembers Smith and Briere

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**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2012 9:36 PM  
**To:** Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** Re: Flooding Concerns

Mayor Hieftje, thank you for the note and listening to our story tonight. I appreciate the complexity of the issue and the Council taking an interest in our concerns.

Thanks again,

Dave

On May 7, 2012, at 6:14 PM, Hieftje, John wrote:

> Thank you.  
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> John Hieftje  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Dave and Katie Foster [REDACTED]  
> Sent: Monday, May 07, 2012 6:12 PM  
> To: Hieftje, John; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Briere, Sabra;  
> Smith, Sandi; Lumm, Jane; Derezinski, Tony; Kunselman, Stephen;  
> Taylor, Christopher (Council); Anglin, Mike; Hohnke, Carsten  
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**Cc:** Briere, Sabra; Bahl, Sumedh; Hieftje, John; Powers, Steve; Bowden (King), Anissa  
**Subject:** Re: possible revisions to DC3

Disregard.

Sandi Smith

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Associate Broker  
[Sandi@TrilliumRealtors.com](mailto:Sandi@TrilliumRealtors.com)

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"There is nothing wrong with change, if it is in the right direction" ~ Winston Churchill


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**Cc:** Hieftje, John; Powers, Steve; Beaudry, Jacqueline; Bowden (King), Anissa  
**Subject:** RE: possible revisions to DC3

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Thanks.

**Sandi Smith**  
Ann Arbor City Council

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**Cc:** Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Powers, Steve  
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Sabra Briere  
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Sent from my iPhone

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**Sent:** Mon 5/7/2012 2:53 PM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra; Hieftje, John  
**Cc:** Smith, Sandi; Powers, Steve  
**Subject:** RE: possible revisions to DC3

Sabra,

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*Sumedh*

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Expect a friendly amendment from the floor.

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Whereas, it is anticipated that the City plans to conduct a Main Street Corridor study within two years and corridor improvements subsequently;

Whereas, Michcon is preparing its Broadway site adjacent to the Huron River (opposite Argo Cascades) for redevelopment;

Whereas, there is increased activity at Argo and Bandemer Parks due to recent park improvements resulting in more bike and pedestrian traffic resulting in a need for a better pathway across the railroad;

Whereas, Community is seeking increased use and access to the river-side parks along North Main -Huron River Corridor;

Whereas, A community dialogue can start now for the North Main-Huron River Corridor to create/complete/enhance pedestrian and bike connection from downtown to Bandemer and Huron River Drive, increased public access to the river-side amenities of existing park in this corridor, ease traffic congestion at Main and Depot at certain times of a day and recommend use for Michcon property at Broadway; and

Whereas, A task force made up of resident representing Water hill, the North Central and the Broadway/Pontiac neighborhoods, business and property owners in the affected area to review existing plans to seek common elements and develop a vision for the North Main-Huron corridor through robust public engagement;

RESOLVED, City Council will establish a task force to develop a vision for the North Main-Huron Corridor redevelopment;

RESOLVED, That the Task Force will include one member of the Park Advisory Commission, one member of Planning Commission, one resident representing Water Hill, one resident from the North Central area, one resident from Old Fourth Ward and one resident from Broadway/Pontiac neighborhood; one business and property owner from the affected area, and one member of Huron River Watershed Council; and

RESOLVED, This task force's efforts should result in a recommendation to Council for the best use of 721 N. Main as part of the Allen Creek Greenway trails, and

RESOLVED, This task force's efforts should also develop a vision to create/complete/enhance pedestrian and bike connection from downtown to Bandemer and Huron River Drive, increase public access to the river-side amenities of existing parks in the North Main-Huron River corridor, ease traffic congestion at Main and Depot at certain times of a day and recommend use for Michcon property at Broadway; and

RESOLVED, That the task force will submit its report to Council by July 31, 2013. To assist the Task Force in making its recommendations, it shall conduct a series of public workshops, and consult with independent professionals and City staff.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Smith and Briere

## **RULE 8 - Conduct of Discussion and Debate**

- No member shall speak until recognized for that purpose by the Chair.
- The member shall confine comments to the question at hand and avoid personality.
- A member shall not speak more than two times on a given question, five minutes the first time three minutes the second time, except with the concurring vote of 3/4 of the members present.
- A motion to call the previous question (call for cloture) immediately ends all discussion and shall be out of order until all members have had an opportunity to speak twice to the question on the floor, and shall require a concurring vote of 3/4 of the members present.
- A motion to lay on the table shall be out of order until all members have had an opportunity to speak once to the question on the floor.
- Electronic communication during Council meetings shall pertain only to City matters.
- During Council meetings, members shall not send electronic communication to persons other than City Staff; provided however, that members may send draft motions, resolutions, and amendments to all members. Members shall not respond to member-distributed draft language via electronic communication. All draft language sent by electronic communication during Council meetings shall be read into the record prior to discussion by Council.
- **Electronic communication sent and received by a member during a Council meeting shall be included in the minutes of such meeting, provided that the minutes shall not include electronic communication received by a member that clearly does not relate to the subject matter of the meeting.**

## **RULE 9 - Communications and Petitions**

The City Clerk, under the direction of City Administrator, shall prepare for each regular Council meeting a report containing all communications and other matters recommended to be filed, referred or otherwise handled and stating the recommended action for Council to take. Upon passage of a motion to accept the Clerk's Report, the action recommended for all matters listed in the report shall be the action of the Council unless objection is made, in which case the matter objected to shall be taken up and acted on separately.

## **RULE 10 - Resolutions and Motions To Be Made In Writing**

Every resolution and ordinance shall be in writing. Resolution titles shall, unless impractical or required by law, be twenty (20) words or less and describe in plain language the subject matter thereof. When any motion has been made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Chair and shall not be withdrawn thereafter except by consent of the majority of the members of the Council present.