

**Ann Arbor City Council Session: February 16, 2010
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10:09 PM	Anglin, Mike; Hohnke, Carsten; Allen's Creek Watershed Group	Caruso, Vince		email addresses	Privacy
9:27 PM	Taylor, Christopher; Anglin, Mike; Higgins, Marcia; Hohnke, Carsten; Smith, Sandi; Teall, Margie; Briere, Sabra; Hieftje, John; Derezinski, Tony; Rapundalo, Stephen; Kunselman, Stephen	Goetzke, Arnold		email addresses	Privacy
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			Whitworth, Larry; Wilbanks; Bergman, Barbara; Guenzel, Bob; Smith, Conan; Irwin, Jeff; Mills, Jessica; Schwartz, Ken; Judge, Kristin; Gunn, Leah; Ouimet, Mark; Sizemore, Rolland; Peterson, Ronnie; Prater, Wesley; Hohnke, Carsten; Taylor, Christopher; Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hieftje, John; Anglin, Mike; Fraser, Roger; Briere, Sabra; Smith, Sandi; Rapundalo, Stephen; Crawford, Tom; Derezinski, Tony; Stumbo, Brenda; Lovejoy-Roe, Karen; Doe, Larry; Martin, Mike; Eldridge, Stan; Robb, Brian; Korynzo, Ed; Richardson, Lois; Schreiber, Paul; Bodary, Michael; Murdock, Peter; Swanson, Shirley; Nickels, William		
9:01 PM	Greden, Leigh	Profit, Kirk		email addresses	Privacy
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8:32 PM	Teall, Margie; lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation	lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation		email address	Privacy
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8:19 PM	Hohnke, Carsten; Briere, Sabra	Roth, Julie		email addresses, phone numbers	Privacy
7:35 PM	Taylor, Christopher; Dempkowski, Angela; McCormick, Sue; Hupy, Craig; Harrison, Venita	Fraser, Roger		phone number	Privacy
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Greenshields, Rachel

From: vrcarus@ [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 10:09 PM
To: Allen's Creek Watershed Group
Subject: ACWG Meeting for February is canceled due to travel schedules

Allen's Creek Watershed Group Meeting Notice:

The meeting for February is canceled due to travel schedules.

Meetings are generally held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Ecology Center.

Some Upcoming Watershed Issues to Watch:

Gelman/Pall Life Sciences 1,4 Dioxane groundwater contamination

- A meeting between Judge Sheldon, MDNRE (formally the MDEQ), Attorney Generals Office and Pall is expected to occur later this month to discuss the Pall proposal to expand the Prohibition Zone and reduce pumping and cleaning of contaminated groundwater. The Judge had asked Pall and MDNRE to try to come to an agreement on changes, if any, to the cleanup. Additional information: [CARD 1,4-Dioxane Wiki Home](#) and [CARD \(1,4-Dioxane\) — Official Website of Washtenaw County, MI](#)

West Park reconstruction to start in the spring with many watershed friendly features, partly thanks to the Federal Stimulus Funds that were available. The residents in the area are generally very happy with the proposed plan. Additional information: [The Ann Arbor Chronicle » West Park Renovations Get Fast-Tracked](#)

Additional Porous Pavement roadways are being considered in the city as more communities are adopting this technology to significantly reduce stormwater pollution, reduce heat island effects, improve traction, reduce road noise and reduce road construction costs. The Sylvan St. porous pavement project is planned to start this spring. Treating stormwater at the source is

becoming a preferred method recommended by EPA, environmental scientists and many environmental groups. Several city staff members have been studying potential sites for porous pavement use and the scope of use. Rain gardens and bioswales treatments in road reconstruction projects are also under study for Miller and Stadium roads.

The city owned lot at 415 W. Washington, across from the YMCA is again being considered for an Allen's Creek greenway. The floodway portions are now likely to be set aside for greenway space. The true location of the floodway on the set seems still to be determined. The creation of a greenway would greatly reduce the neighborhood and commercial business flooding upstream of this site. Federal funds are readily available to remove the city owned buildings in the floodplain/floodway. Some for sale, dilapidated homes, have recently been purchased by the city in the floodway and will be removed with these funds.

Thanks for your interest in our Allen's Creek watershed and our community.

Vince Caruso
Coordinating Member ACWG; WWW.ACWG.ORG

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Greenshields, Rachel

From: Fraser, Roger

Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 9:32 PM

To: *City Council Members (All)

Cc: Jones, Barnett; McCormick, Sue; Wilkerson, Robyn; Crawford, Tom; Bahl, Sumedh; Dempkowski, Angela A; Wondrash, Lisa

Subject: Feb. 22 Workshop

REMINDER: An extraordinary work session is scheduled for Monday, February 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers to continue our conversations regarding the budget planning for FY11.

Roger W. Fraser

City Administrator

734-794-6110

rfraser@a2gov.org

Greenshields, Rachel

From: Arnold Goetzke [arnoldgoetzke [REDACTED]]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 9:27 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: Stadium Bridge

Mayor and Council....

In my quick Google, I see other states are allowed at grade crossings when needed for economic benefit of the community. (towards the bottom...)

<http://www.cga.ct.gov/2006/rpt/2006-R-0167.htm>

For such a large savings, I think it is appropriate. Nor do I see bridges in our traffic calming initiatives. So, I think the concerns regarding added signals are spurious – especially when they don't take into account other lights that could be removed.

In my talks with the Engineering groups, they stated that, although they put some considerable thought into an opinion letter, it was not meant to be a formal study. Just that – an opinion. So, although I continue to hear people say that the alternative was looked at, I don't think it really was extensively. If it was, someone could say what the cost of an at grade road would be, and have it to compare to a bridge cost. But, the at grade road numbers do not exist because Engineering was never asked to formulate them (based on my sit down with them...).

I would imagine that an at grade road, with a nice brick approach to the stadium – perhaps even with an arch welcoming people to Ann Arbor as they approach the stadium – would be a much more vibrant welcome than a bridge. But, that is just my opinion. Regardless, the fact remains that it would be millions cheaper.

Thanks for the time...

Arnold Goetzke

Greenshields, Rachel

From: Yousef Deitos Rabhi [yorabhi@██████████]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 9:16 PM
To: Briere, Sabra
Subject: RE: County Commission

Dear Sabra,

I in turn appologize for the delayed response. Would you be available this weekend Saturday (after 11am) or Sunday(after 1pm)? If not I could do the weekend of the 6th and 7th on March (spring is so close!).

Peace,
Yousef

Quoting "Briere, Sabra" <SBriere@a2gov.org>:

> Dear Yousef,
>
> I'm sorry that I've rudely failed to respond. Of course I'm willing
> to meet and discuss politics. What could be more fun?
>
> I'm available weekends and (some) evenings. Lets get this scheduled
> -- my failure is totally due to my distraction with the budget.
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> Sabra Briere
> First Ward Councilmember
> (734) ██████████ (home)
> (734) 714-2237 (work)
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> _____
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> From: Yousef Deitos Rabhi [mailto:yorabhi@██████████]
> Sent: Sun 1/31/2010 6:43 PM
> To: Briere, Sabra
> Subject: County Commission
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> Hi Sabra!
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> After our conversation at the last AA dems meeting, it sounded like
> you were going to stay out of the County race in district 11. Yet, it
> sounded as if you were unimpressed by the other candidates running (or
> potentially running)!
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> I was wondering if you were willing to meet at some point to discuss
> my campaign. Though I am not seeking your endorsement, I would
> appreciate to hear what you have to say about the campaign and share
> any thoughts you have about it. I have always admired your
> thoughtfulness on council and believe that your ideas will be
> invaluable to me and my campaign.
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> IF you are interested and have time, let me know!
>
> Yousef Rabhi
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Greenshields, Rachel

From: Teall, Margie
To: Pirooz, Homayoon
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 9:03 PM
Subject: Read: RE: Meeting Friday re: Stadium Bridges

Your message

To: McCormick, Sue; Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie
Subject: RE: Meeting Friday re: Stadium Bridges
Sent: 10/15/2009 10:23 AM

was read on 2/16/2010 9:03 PM.

Greenshields, Rachel

From: Kirk Profit [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 9:01 PM
To: 'Greden, Leigh R.'
Cc: 'Whitworth, Larry'; wilbanks [REDACTED]; Barbara Bergman (Barbara Bergman); Bob Guenzel (Bob Guenzel); Conan Smith; Jeff Irwin; 'Jessica Ping Mills'; 'Ken Schwartz'; 'Kristin Judge'; Leah Gunn (Leah Gunn); Mark Ouimet; Rolland Sizemore (Rolland Sizemore); Ronnie Peterson (Ronnie Peterson); Wesley Prater (Wesley Prater); Hohnke, Carsten; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hieftje, John; Anglin, Mike; Fraser, Roger; Briere, Sabra; Smith, Sandi; Rapundalo, Stephen; Crawford, Tom; Derezinski, Tony; Brenda Stumbo; Karen Lovejoy-Roe; Larry Doe; Mike Martin (Ypsilanti Twp.); Stan Eldridge; 'Brian Robb'; Ed Koryzno (Ed Koryzno); Lois E. Allen Richardson; 'Mayor Paul Schreiber'; Michael Bodary; Peter Murdock; Shirley Ann Trudy Swanson; William Nickels
Subject: RE: A new opportunity

Congrats !!

Looking forward to working with you and the rest of the EMU team as we work together to move our community forward !!!!

Talk to you soon –

Kirk

From: Greden, Leigh R. [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 8:42 PM
To: Greden, Leigh R.
Subject: A new opportunity

Friends & Family-

I have exciting news to share: I have accepted a new position as Executive Director of Government and Community Relations for Eastern Michigan University (EMU). My appointment was confirmed earlier today by EMU's Board of Regents. In my new capacity, I will supervise EMU's federal, state, and local legislative programs, as well as the university's community engagement activities with local governments, businesses, non-profits, neighborhood groups, etc.. I will report directly to EMU's President, Dr. Susan Martin, and serve as a member of her executive leadership team.

My decision to leave Miller Canfield was extremely difficult. I love the work, the people, and the atmosphere. I decided, however, that this exciting opportunity at EMU was a rare opportunity to do something I also love – public policy and community affairs – during an exciting time in EMU's history (namely, a new President, growing enrollment, infrastructure improvements, etc.)

(As background information, EMU is a public university with hundreds of

undergraduate, graduate, and doctorate programs, 23,000+ students, 2,000 employees, and multiple campuses. Its main campus is in Ypsilanti, Michigan, which is a few miles east of Ann Arbor).

I am scheduled to begin work at EMU on 3/22/10. Please begin using my private e-mail account, [REDACTED] **effective March 5.**

-Leigh

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Greenshields, Rachel

From: Fraser, Roger
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 8:40 PM
To: Hieftje, John
Cc: Crawford, Tom
Subject: FW: Follow-up to 2-8-10 working session
Attachments: FTE and Cost History-GF and Total.pdf

Please see the attached.

Roger

734-794-6110

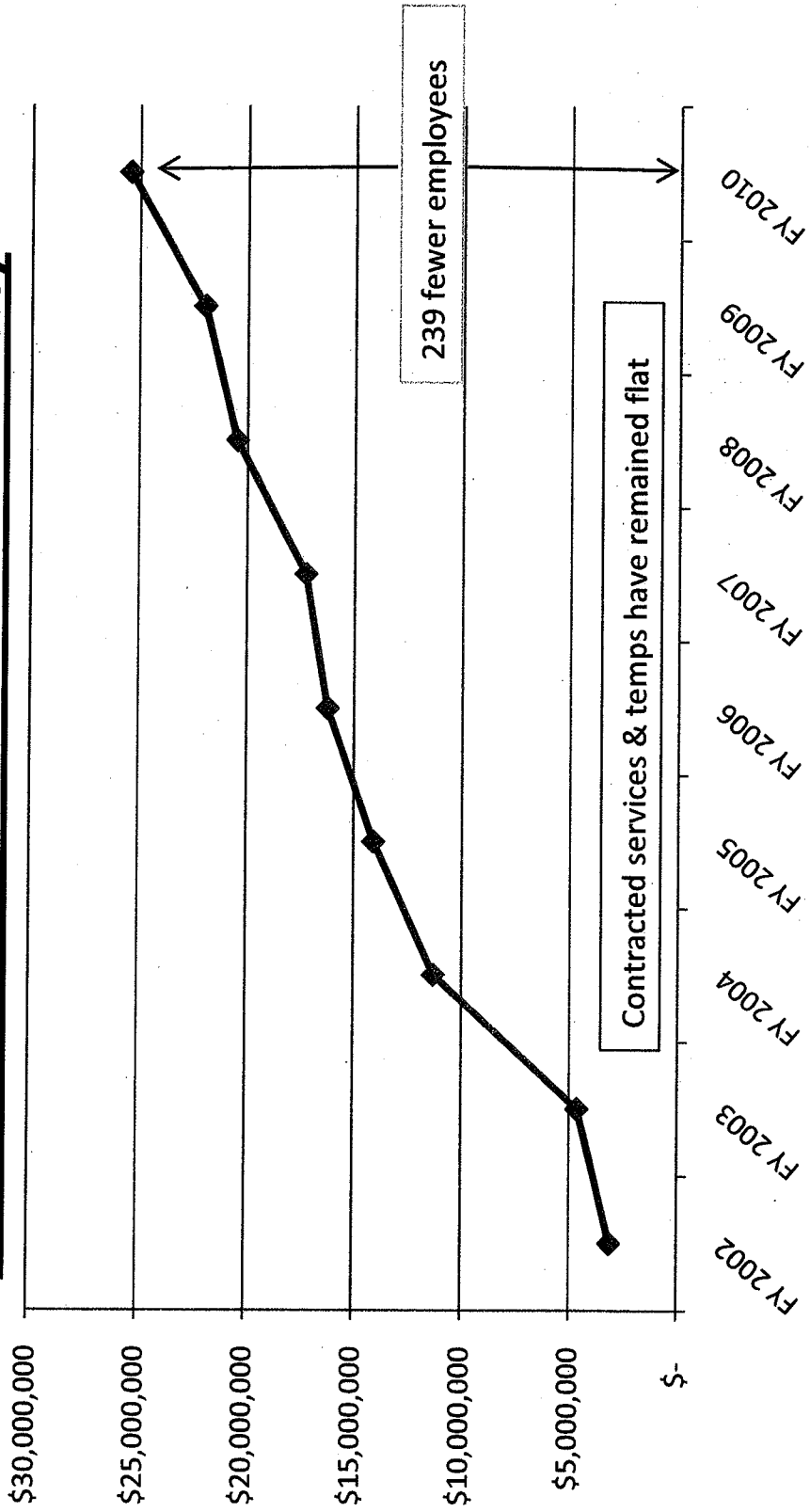
From: Crawford, Tom
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2010 4:10 PM
To: Fraser, Roger
Subject: Follow-up to 2-8-10 working session

At the last working session, the mayor asked for the calculations behind the attached chart. The calculation for FY 2010 is:

of reduced FTEs (1,005 in FY2001 less 766 in FY2010) x \$105,000 (avg. full budgeted cost per FTE in FY2010) = \$ 25 mil. A similar calculation was done for each year. Please note the graph indicates annual savings, not cumulative.

Tom

Savings from FTE Reductions - Total City



Greenshields, Rachel

From: Fraser, Roger
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 8:38 PM
To: Briere, Sabra
Subject: RE: Leslie Golf issues

Sabra, this message was appropriately sent to me, not Colin Smith. It is my responsibility to manage staff and I will gladly see that your concerns are addressed in a timely manner.

Roger

734-794-6110

From: Briere, Sabra
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2010 10:40 AM
To: Smith, Colin
Cc: Anglin, Mike; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A; Hieftje, John; Ed Walsh; Jane Lumm; [REDACTED] Bill Newcomb
Subject: Leslie Golf issues

Dear Mr. Smith,

This weekend I received a call with follow-up email from constituents who live near Leslie Golf Course. They are concerned about a number of changes they've seen occurring on the golf course this winter, most especially changes regarding trees and plantings.

From the email I received:

- (1) Cutting of trees in the golf course involving major loss of limbs and major removal of vegetation. These important and beautiful features of the golf course are known to provide habitat for many bird species including the Great Blue Heron, the Belted Kingfisher, the Eastern Bluebird, and many other species.
- (2) Frequent use of a motorized vehicle during the winter months for no apparent purpose, driving across the landscape.

Earlier this fall there an oak tree was marked for removal; with intervention from the Mayor, the oak was not removed. I heard this weekend about other trees, including willow, that have had major limbs removed. Vegetation along Traver Creek has been removed, and thus habitat has been taken away.

I am certain there's a plan that would explain altering the landscape at Leslie. The neighborhood is unaware of this plan, and greatly concerned about the health of the remaining major trees, considering what they have seen this winter. They have legitimate fears that spring will see many trees that fail to survive.

I'd like to request a moratorium on any further destruction of the habitat until the neighborhood can be presented with an opportunity to meet with the Golf Course manager and understand the plan. Please arrange this meeting as quickly as possible. During the winter months, Leslie is a beloved natural area heavily used by the neighborhood as well as a golf course. Altering the landscape insensitively affects the natural beauty of this feature.

Please let me know when a meeting has been scheduled.

Sabra Briere
First Ward Councilmember

[REDACTED]
(734)714-2237 (work)

2/17/2010

Greenshields, Rachel

From: lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation@googlegroups.com on behalf of Miriam Meisler [meislerm@umich.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 8:32 PM
To: lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation@googlegroups.com
Subject: [lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation] kohei too

I'd like to second Barb's thanks to Pam.

Kohei has already fixed our dishwasher, window blinds and bathroom faucets. He is terrific!

his email address is [REDACTED] if I remember correctly.

Miriam Meisler

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You received this message because you are subscribed to the Google Groups "lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation" group.
To post to this group, send email to lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation@googlegroups.com.
To unsubscribe from this group, send email to lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation+unsubscribe@googlegroups.com.
For more options, visit this group at <http://groups.google.com/group/lowerburnsparkneighborhoodassociation?hl=en>.

Greenshields, Rachel

From: Michael Grace [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 8:24 PM
To: Michael Grace
Subject: Fwd: FW: Dancing With The Stars

This is just too funny to not pass along!

Good job with Photoshop!

Mike Grace

CELL: [REDACTED]

HM: [REDACTED]

COTTAGE: [REDACTED]

HM: [REDACTED]

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

From: Michael Grace <[REDACTED]>
Date: Tue, Feb 16, 2010 at 12:57 PM
Subject: Re: FW: Dancing With The Stars
To: Cheryl Grace <[REDACTED]>, Lindsay Grace <[REDACTED]>, Perry Grace <[REDACTED]>

This is too funny. Good job with Photoshop, eh?!

Mike Grace

CELL: [REDACTED]

HM: [REDACTED]

COTTAGE: [REDACTED]

HM: [REDACTED]

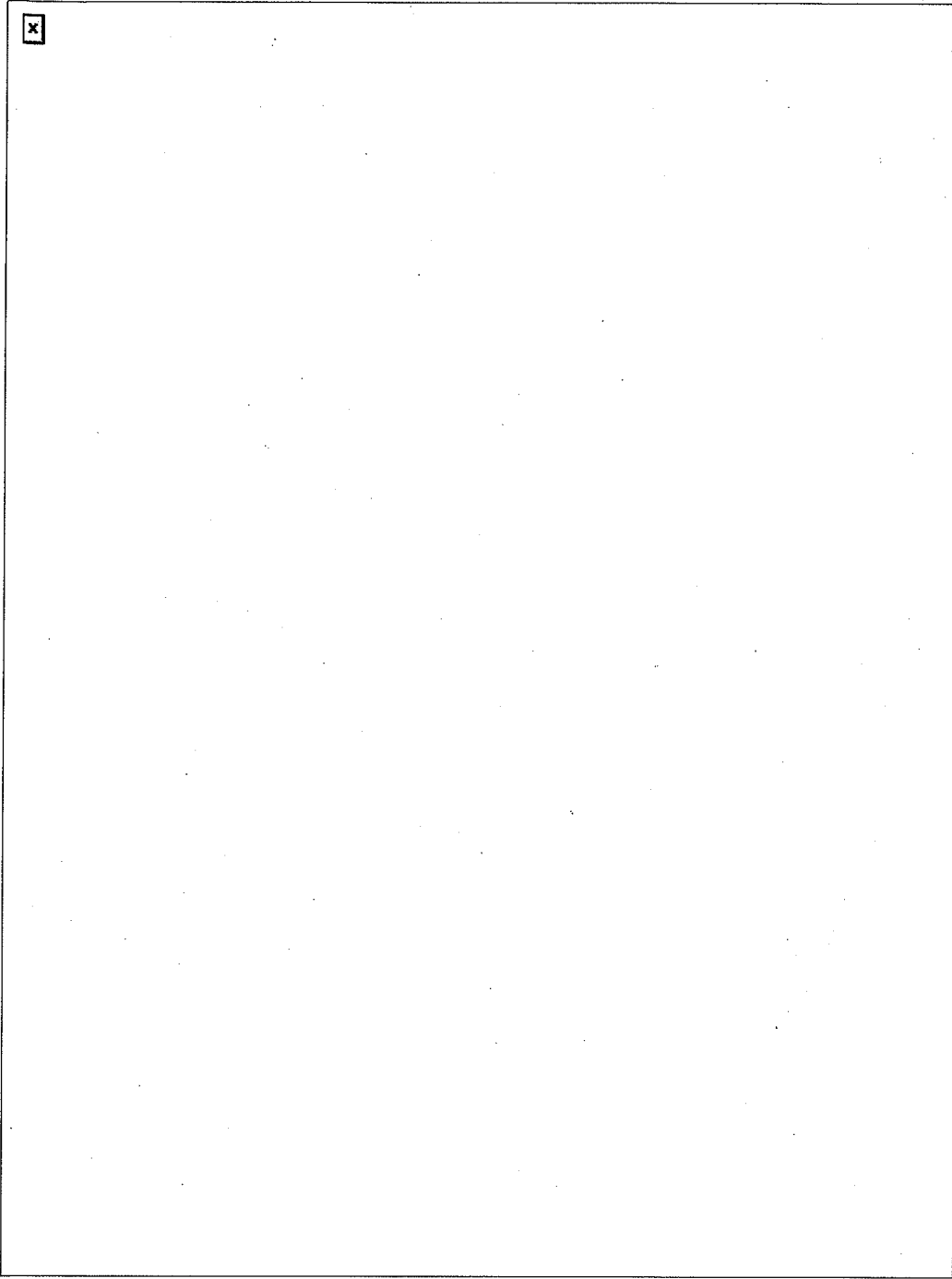
On Tue, Feb 16, 2010 at 12:57 PM, Michael Grace <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Hilarious!

Mike

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

From: Coyote Coulee <[REDACTED]>
Date: Tue, Feb 16, 2010 at 8:47 AM
Subject: FW: Dancing With The Stars

To: Cheryl Grace <[REDACTED]>, Mike Grace <[REDACTED]>



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Greenshields, Rachel

From: juliekayeroth [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 8:15 PM
To: Briere, Sabra
Subject: Fwd: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

Sabra,

Well, one word in from you, and they are talking to us! Negotiating! (see below) Thank you SO MUCH. You are amazing.... so responsive, and you actually get things done. I deeply appreciate it.

Julie

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Sue McCormick" <SMcCormick@a2gov.org>
To: juliekayeroth [REDACTED]
Cc: "Matt Warba" <MWarba@a2gov.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 7:08:12 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

Hi Julie,

I met with Matt Warba and Craig Hupy from Field Operations and in general we agreed that the design standards need not be as restrictive as we had indicated, IF everyone understands the limitations and finds those limitations acceptable. For instance, we can label a spigot non-potable. This eliminates our need for the installation to be copper. We can accept a size appropriate to filling buckets, not running sprinklers or supporting long hose lays. Backflow is a requirement, but that is not a huge cost with a small diameter service. Matt will follow up and can work through possibilities with your contractor. Hopefully this simplification will make the provision attainable.

Best,

Sue

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Think Green! Don't print this email unless you need to.

From: juliekayeroth [REDACTED] [mailto:juliekayeroth [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2010 8:13 PM
To: McCormick, Sue
Subject: Re: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

2/17/2010

Hello Sue! I'm just wondering if you've been able to make any headway on this issue yet? The gardeners are eager and excited, and hopeful!
Thank you for helping us,
Julie Roth

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

From: "Sue McCormick" <SMcCormick@a2gov.org>
To: juliekayeroth@ [REDACTED] "Sabra Briere" <SBriere@a2gov.org>
Cc: "John Hieftje" <JHieftje@a2gov.org>, "Carsten Hohnke" <CHohnke@a2gov.org>, "Roger Fraser" <RFraser@a2gov.org>, "Angela A Dempkowski" <ADempkowski@a2gov.org>, "Mike Anglin" <MAnglin@a2gov.org>, "Craig Hupy" <CHupy@a2gov.org>, "Colin Smith" <CSSmith@a2gov.org>
Sent: Friday, February 5, 2010 9:22:13 AM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

All,

Let me chat with Craig Hupy and Colin Smith to see if we can come up with a less costly and onerous arrangement.

There are a few basic principles we must address in finding a solution. Safety of the water system and the public is the most paramount of those, but we may have options beyond what has been considered here.

The other code provision is that we may not provide free water. Project Grow has not taken exception to this at any of their locations, and I don't believe that is an issue here.

Hopefully we will find a more workable solution in the coming week or two, so that this is addressed well before Spring arrives.

Sue

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From: juliekayeroth@ [REDACTED] [mailto:juliekayeroth@ [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, February 04, 2010 6:21 PM
To: Briere, Sabra
Cc: Hieftje, John; Hohnke, Carsten; Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A; McCormick, Sue; Anglin, Mike
Subject: Re: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

Sabra,
Thank you so much. Believe me, I too had sympathy for the neighbor. None of us knew that the cage would be there, or how huge it would be. I would not have wanted it in my

yard either. I have no issues with the fact that she objected. I'm just feeling a bit disempowered here, and not knowing where to turn for help in solving this water issue. It seems solvable, with a just a little bit of skin in from the city.

Thank you so much for reaching out for some additional resources!!!

Julie

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

From: "Sabra Briere" <SBriere@a2gov.org>

To: juliekayeroth [REDACTED], "Mike Anglin" <MAnglin@a2gov.org>

Cc: "John Hieftje" <JHieftje@a2gov.org>, "Carsten Hohnke" <CHohnke@a2gov.org>, "Roger Fraser" <RFraser@a2gov.org>, "Angela A Dempkowski"

<ADempkowski@a2gov.org>, "Sue McCormick" <SMcCormick@a2gov.org>

Sent: Thursday, February 4, 2010 5:31:37 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern

Subject: RE: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

Dear Julie and all,

I have sympathy for the neighbor; it was truly unpleasant for her to have that construction in her front yard. And while we know that the City has an easement on the lawn extension, that space is still for many of us 'part of our yard' that we all have to maintain. It's also not an ideal location for water; it's across the street from the gardens, and that caused its own problems.

However, there are ways that Utilities and Parks Ops can resolve this. I've copied Sue McCormick on this email chain. I am confident a reasonable accommodation can be found.

Sabra Briere

First Ward Councilmember

[REDACTED] (home)

(734)714-2237 (work)

From: juliekayeroth [REDACTED] [mailto:juliekayeroth [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thu 2/4/2010 5:17 PM
To: Anglin, Mike
Cc: Hieftje, John; Briere, Sabra; Hohnke, Carsten
Subject: Re: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

Thank you for your response, Mr. Anglin!

The estimate our gardeners got for laying down a sprinkler system was from a lawn sprinkler place that does that sort of thing. I assume they use whatever plastic or PVC pipes one uses for lawn hydration. I don't know if they would/could work with copper. Are you thinking that the copper would be donated to us at no cost? I think copper is an overkill. None of the gardens have it, nor do they need it.

I think the biggest issue is this: Marcella, from Project Grow, has been emailing and submitting requests to the city since the fall. The requests have gone essentially unanswered until just now. Project Grow was willing and able to fund the placement of the underground pipe and water, hoping that in so doing, they would relieve themselves of the \$450 per year for using the hydrant cage. However, now the City Parks Dept is also asking that PG pay something like \$150 just to turn the water on and off, in addition to getting outside contractors to do the minimal maintenance of blowing out the lines, checking the back-flow protector annually, etc, instead of supporting PG by having their maintenance folks do these things. I just spoke with Marcella and was corrected on the cage issue -- it's

not that they want to continue to use it. It's that they are requesting annual monies from PG that about equal or surpass the cost of the cage. According to Marcella, PG does not have the funds to both lie down the line, and pay such a high rate of annual fees to the city.

All I know, as a gardener at the site, is that we are feeling quite unsupported by the City Parks department at this point. A neighbor got VERY upset about the cage in her yard (though the hydrant is city property), and now we can't use it. But the City then refuses to give a little and help us get water in any other way. Can't they support us a bit? How much can it really take to just blow out one more pipe and check one more back flow protector, once a year? And turning on the water??? They do that anyway, at the bathroom, every year!

Is there ANY way we could ask the Parks Dept to please help us out, please support us a bit? This garden is a wonderful thing, and it would be really sad to lose it.

Julie

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

From: "Mike Anglin" <MAnglin@a2gov.org>
To: juliekayeroth [REDACTED], "Sabra Briere" <SBriere@a2gov.org>, "Carsten Hohnke" <CHohnke@a2gov.org>
Cc: "John Hieftje" <JHieftje@a2gov.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 4, 2010 3:32:14 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: RE: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

HELLO ALL,

Last year when this came forward...the cost seemed prohibitive...it seems more obtainable now... have you thought to ask Home Depot or Lowe's or other plumbing supply for the copper?

The cage I would imagine would be useful as suggested by Amy and Matt...

I support your endeavour as you know from the past..Let me know how I can make a contribution to this worthwhile effort.

Keep up this most worthwhile effort.

Thanks

Mike

Thank you
Mike Anglin
549 South First Street
Ann Arbor, Mi 48103
e-mail;

[REDACTED]

From: juliekayeroth@comcast.net [mailto:juliekayeroth@comcast.net] [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 04, 2010 2:32 PM
To: Briere, Sabra; Anglin, Mike; Hohnke, Carsten
Cc: Hieftje, John
Subject: Hunt Park Project Grow plot -- we need your help!

Dear Sabra, Mr. Anglin, and Mr. Hohnke,

As I believe at least some of you know, neighbors in and around the Sunset/Brooks neighborhood worked for over a year to get neighborhood and city approval to install a Project Grow community garden at Hunt Park. Last summer was our first summer, and by all measures, it was a wild success! It was a beautiful garden, and well received by the neighborhood. We had people coming to this previously barren part of the park just to watch the progress of the garden, and socialize. We gave boxes of our excess produce to Food Gatherers each week. And the gardens really thrived. It brought vitality and use to a very under-utilized part of Hunt Park (behind the tennis courts, along Daniel Street).

Our biggest challenge at that site was access to water. We solved the challenge last year by hooking up to a city-owned hydrant across the street, and filling water barrels at our site. However, as you probably know, the neighbor with the hydrant at her property was VERY unhappy with the cage in her yard, despite our attempts to soften the blow with our gifts of produce, and offers to plant perennials to hide it some.

Soooo.... we were told by the Parks Dept. that we could no longer use that hydrant. As a solution, Project Grow has offered to pay to trench and run an underground water line to our garden, from the bathroom / utility building up the hill, and attach it to a spigot where we can attach hoses and use water. However, we are running into some difficulties with the Parks Department in this regard. We have been talking with them about this since last summer, and they assured us they were willing to work with us as long as the cost was borne by PG. As you know, PG no longer gets money from the city, but had some verbal reassurances that the city would continue to support it in other ways.

Now we are being told by Amy Kuras and Matt Warba at the Parks Dept, that we'd need to pay for copper piping (which I'm guessing is cost-prohibative) "just in case" someone should drink from the spigot (??), as well as some sort of cage to go over the spigot (costs \$450 per year), as well as maintenance of the line and the water. We feel that the Parks Dept is throwing up more barriers than PG can reasonably jump. And more money than they have. The water supplied to County Farm PG plots is certainly not in copper pipes. And the spigots are open and not caged. There is no reason for this, and we fear we may lose our garden and all the hard work we have put into it.

I spoke with the PG directors, and it sounds as though they are willing to budget for a one-time cost to run a sprinkler-type line to our garden, hook up a spigot, blow out the line (maintenance) every year, and even pay for the water. But the copper pipes, and the annual \$450 for the cage, start to make this garden site cost-

prohibitive.

I am writing you to see if you could help us at all? We feel as though we really have no leverage here. The garden was so successful, and such a great use of land. And the solution we offer actually costs the city absolutely nothing. We feel Project Grow has really stepped up to the plate, but the Parks Dept does not seem willing to support us, or help us make this successful.

By the way, here is a short video that a local videographer made of our garden late last summer, in case you didn't get a chance to see it:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hi5WE4YrPLs>

Thank you so much for your help!

Julie Roth

Greenshields, Rachel

From: City of Ann Arbor, MI [annarbor@service.govdelivery.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 8:04 PM
To: Taylor, Christopher (Council)
Subject: City of Ann Arbor News Web Page Update



Your interest in news updates from the City of Ann Arbor is appreciated. The "news" Web page now features details on **the launch of the city's new online data catalog**.

Thank you,
The City of Ann Arbor Communications Unit
feedback@a2gov.org

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Greenshields, Rachel

From: Fraser, Roger
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 7:45 PM
To: Taylor, Christopher (Council)
Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; Hupy, Craig; McCormick, Sue; Harrison, Venita
Subject: RE: Postal Service @ Turnberry

I believe our staff can deal with this.

Roger
734-794-6110

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

From: Taylor, Christopher (Council)
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 9:02 AM
To: Fraser, Roger
Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; Hupy, Craig; McCormick, Sue; Harrison, Venita
Subject: Postal Service @ Turnberry

Hi Roger,


Residents have not received regular postal service in Turnberry this past week and report that USPS has cited some City/PS interaction regarding snow removal around mailbox banks.

Craig has been very helpful (thanks again Craig!) with explanations and rapid-response photographs of the locations, but in light of the on going problem, I would like to contact (or have City contact) USPS to get this resolved.

Do you know to whom should we direct our inquiry? If it is an issue for Dingell's office, I'm happy to contact Andy.

Thanks, as ever,

Christopher

Christopher Taylor
Member, Ann Arbor City Council (Third Ward) 734-604-8770 (m)
734-213-3605 (w)


Greenshields, Rachel

From: Larry Unruh [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 7:36 PM
To: Briere, Sabra
Subject: Attachments

Sabra: I received your notice of receipt of the attachments I sent you. I am hoping that they will help answer some of the questions that the neighbors may have. If you have received any feedback from the people in Foxfire Court it would be helpful to know by Friday evening. I am not trying to pressure you, I'm not in a position to do so, nor do I want to, but we have been involved with these people for nearly a year, (at least it seems like it) and they are wanting an answer from us. We are going to need to decide whether to move ahead with this or cancel it very soon. If you could e-mail me with any info you may have by Friday evening I would appreciate it very much. I have appreciated your helpfulness and suggestions and working with you has been a pleasant experience. Your availability and your response to my questions as a public official has been without equal. Larry

Greenshields, Rachel

From: LuAnne Bullington [luanneb [REDACTED]]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 7:32 PM
To: betterlocal@googlegroups.com; Rapundalo, Stephen
Cc: a2rotary@listserv.itd.umich.edu; AAGA_Friends@gm.com;
 Ann_Arbor_Golf_Association@gm.com; betterlocal@googlegroups.com; Smith, Colin;
 Leslie_Park_League@gm.com; Tiger_Who's@gm.com; western_kiwanis@gm.com
Subject: CM Rapundalo says staff directed to develop RFP for golf course

I hope everyone who can make the meeting early Wednesday morning will do so. The meeting is on the 6th floor of City Hall at 8pm. Meet up with other concerned citizens in the lobby at 7:45 am. before the meeting.

LuAnne Bullington

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

"Rapundalo, Stephen" <SRapundalo@a2gov.org>

02/16/2010 11:37 AM

Paul,

Let's be clear that the Task Force meeting tomorrow will NOT include a discussion regarding possibilities for public-private partnership at Huron Hills. The focus in the near term for the group really needs to be on FY11 finances and budget development. The City Council has given staff direction to develop a RFP for public-private partnerships over the coming months as the impact is for FY12 and beyond. The Task Force will most assuredly be presented with the draft RFP for review and discussion once its ready. The meeting agenda for tomorrow includes reviewing the questions posed by Council to staff regarding the golf course finances and ideas for cost-containment and revenue-generation.

I'd like to take issue with your mischaracterization/misrepresentation of the facts related to sustaining HH for the longer term. Our goal is to retain HH as a community-based golf course most suitable to beginners, juniors, seniors, and to develop a viable financial plan based on historical trends in usage. You lead others to believe that the golf course is making money. That's simply not true. Indeed, the Golf Course Enterprise Fund required a net >\$400,000 subsidy from the City's General Fund to insure financial balance. The Task Force's immediate focus should be to insure that the subsidy is retained in the City's FY11 budget. This is not guaranteed by any means. There are those on Council who do not share your views that golf is on equal footing with other recreational facilities and programs. The golf subsidy is a legitimate target for elimination in next year's budget. That would leave the future of HH in immediate and great risk. I don't believe any of us want to see that. So let's not lose perspective here.

Scare tactics do a disservice to all. Please don't assume that vocal and emotional assaults will work like they did the last time HH was on Council's agenda. I appreciate your passion and commitment to the City's golf courses. However, our efforts are better served by developing the facts, business/financial plans and economics that can prove the long-term viability of HH and Leslie, and we need to be open-minded about what that might entail. Anything less of an approach will surely backfire - the penchant for support is far less in the face of possible cuts to other recreational facilities and programs. That much I can guarantee.

Stephen

Stephen Rapundalo
 Councilmember - Ward 2
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2/17/2010

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

From: paul.bancel [mailto:paul.bancel]

Sent: Tue 2/16/2010 8:38 AM

To: Ann_Arbor_Golf_Association@gm.com; AAGA_Friends@gm.com; betterlocal@googlegroups.com;

Tiger_Who's@gm.com; Leslie_Park_League@gm.com; western_kiwanis@gm.com; a2rotary@listserver.itd.umich.edu

Subject: Golf Advisory Task Force To Meet Wed 8:00 AM 6th Floor City Hall - RFP for commecial golf center at Huron Hills

Dear Ann Arborites,

The Golf Advisory Task Force will meet tomorrow Wednesday, Feb 24 th, at 8:00 A.M., at City Hall in the 6th floor Conference Room.

At the recent City Council Work Session, City Staff was asked to prepare a Request for Proposal to turn Huron Hills GC into a commercial golf center.

Huron Hills GC comprises 114 acres of open, unfenced, green space in the City.

Golf is the number one recreational sport in Ann Arbor with over \$1,100,000 in revenues, and revenues for the current fiscal year are running 11 % ahead of budget. (Number 2 is hockey and ice skating with only half of the revenues.) Golf beats its budget in 2009 by \$ 250,000!

If you want to know more, are concerned or a just downright curious as to why and what the City is considering for Huron Hills, I would encourage you to attend this meeting. You will hear discussion by the City Staff and Stephen Rapundalo, Ann Arbor City Council Member, and the Golf Advisory Task Force.

To date, the unsolicited proposals have not been shared with the public or the Task Force.

Regards,
Paul L. Bancel
Memeber Golf Advisory Task Force.

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Greenshields, Rachel

From: Satterlee, Joanna
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2010 7:14 PM
To: Satterlee, Joanna
Cc: Rainey, Dan
Subject: City Launches New Online Data Catalog
Attachments: Data_Catalog_Online_2010-02.doc

Dear news media:

The City of Ann Arbor has launched a new online data catalog today, providing even greater access to city information. Please see the press release attached and also pasted below for details; and visit the site at www.a2gov.org/data.


We hope you will share this information with your audience.

<<Data_Catalog_Online_2010-02.doc>>

Thank you for your consideration,

Joanna E. Satterlee

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The data catalog is designed to provide detailed information in various formats. Due to the wide-ranging nature of the information provided, it is not possible for the city to design customized data sets for each individual request. However, the city encourages interested parties to design the data as they see fit for their own needs.

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