

**Ann Arbor City Council Regular Session: April 7, 2014  
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9		9:51 PM	Jacqueline Beaudry, Stephen Kunselman	Jacqueline Beaudry			
10		10:43 PM	Margie Teall, Jack Eaton	Kalyan Dutta		Email Address	Privacy

## Alexa, Jennifer

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**From:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 7:20 PM  
**To:** \*City Council Members (All)  
**Cc:** Powers, Steve; Postema, Stephen; Bowden (King), Anissa  
**Subject:** Reconsideration of two resolutions from March 17  
**Attachments:** Reconsideration of DC-1 as amended file 14-0334.pdf; Reconsideration of DC-8 as amended file 14-0470.pdf

Hello:

Attached are the two resolutions, as amended on March 17, for reconsideration tonight.

Jackie

### **Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk**

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### Text File

File Number: 14-0334

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**Agenda #** DC-1

**Introduced:** 3/3/2014

**Version:** 4

**Current Status:** Passed

**Matter Type:** Resolution

Resolution Designating an Urban Public Park Location on the Library Lot Site

Attached is the revised Resolution Designating an Urban Park Location on the Library Lot Site and two site plans. The following is a list of the substantive changes.

#### **1. Square Footage and Boundaries**

The first resolved clause is modified to reflect the information we received from City staff regarding the dimensions of the area. *A site plan from staff showed the accurate square footage of the area to be designated as urban park as approximately 12,000 square feet.*

#### **2. Encouragement of Creative Public Programming**

The second resolved clause text is now clearer that the various City government offices and the DDA are being asked to give thought to how they can *encourage other groups to reserve the space on the Library Lane structure and put on creative public events.*

#### **3. Integration of Park Design with Adjacent Development**

The third resolved clause is an acknowledgement that *the two spaces should be designed to complement each other and that the City will play a leadership role in making that integration occur.*

#### **4. Activation of the Public Park through Integration with the Block**

The fourth resolved clause acknowledges the necessity for the City to work with all the neighboring property owners on the Library Block in order to achieve the pedestrian connectivity that will result in vital, attractive public spaces. The text has been modified to clarify that *reorientation need not entail major redevelopment.*

#### **5. Process for Creation of the Public Park and Development of the Remaining Library Lane Site**

The resolved clauses that spelled out specific next steps have been removed from the resolution. *The assumption now is that these respective City government bodies will move forward autonomously to accomplish these tasks.*

Likewise, *the matter of the remaining build-able portion of the Library Lane Parking Structure surface will be addressed separately through consideration of Council*

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Member Kunselman's resolution.

Prepared by: Councilmember Eaton

### Resolution Designating an Urban Public Park Location on the Library Lot Site

Whereas, City Council approved a resolution (R-07-517) on 11/05/07 directing the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) to prepare a written recommendation for construction of a South Fifth Avenue underground parking garage which would include "above ground, in the short-term, surface public parking, and support in the long-term development which could include, but is not limited to, a residential, retail and/or office building(s) and a public plaza along either Fifth Avenue or the newly constructed street;"

Whereas, The DDA presented a site plan for the South Fifth Avenue Parking Garage (located at 319 South Fifth Avenue) which City Council adopted (R-09-061) on 02/17/09 without addressing the repeated, multiple public comments (e.g. during the 10/14/08 "Open House" and 10/21/08 Planning Commission meetings) requesting a public plaza or green space instead of the 38 surface parking spaces in the design;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor issued Request for Proposals #743 for development of City-owned property on top of the new parking structure at 319 South Fifth Avenue in August, 2009 and the RFP called for proposals that would include a beneficial use of the site such as a public plaza, as well as provide a positive financial return or be financially neutral, to the city while demonstrating a clear benefit to the community and two proposals for park development for the site were among the submissions;

Whereas, Ann Arbor lost its historic central, civic open space when the old County Courthouse and its lawn were replaced and again, more recently, when the modest City Hall lawn was sacrificed to build the new Justice Center addition; and

Whereas, The Library Block Study (Luckenbach/Ziegelman, 1991) and the Recommended Vision & Policy Framework for Downtown Ann Arbor (Calthorpe Associates, 2006) both called for the creation of a substantial, "Town Square" type of public park or plaza on the Library Block;

Whereas, The Downtown Plan (2009) states "public spaces play an important role in structuring the "image of the city" by creating focal points - or landmarks -- which punctuate the urban fabric and provide relief to the hard surfaces of the built environment. They also create opportunities for social interaction; if they are located and designed to attract use, they can add substantially to the vitality of downtown's street life;"

Whereas, The Master Plan: Land Use Element (2009) set as objectives the dedication of "more parkland than is requested by the Parks & Recreation Open Space (PROS) Plan" and the creation of linkages to existing parks when new parkland is dedicated;

Whereas, The PROS Plan 2011-2015 assessed a need for additional open space in

the downtown and stated the goal to "Work with the Downtown Development Authority to plan for renovation and acquisition of downtown open space, including the development of the library lot;

Whereas, The City Council rejected the development proposal that emerged from the RFP #743 process (R-11-114) on 04/04/11, based on questions about the viability of the Valiant proposal for a hotel and conference center and the level of risk that would burden the City;

Whereas, The City Council also stated (R-11-114) 04/04/11 that any future planning and proposals for this (surface level of the Library Lane) site shall include a robust public process;

Whereas, The DDA oversaw construction of the Library Lane underground parking garage structure, completed in 2012 and resulting in the net addition of over 500 parking spaces, a new, mid-block through street, and including elements of infrastructure to support future development either on or adjacent to the Library Lane Parking Structure;

Whereas, City Council authorized the DDA to develop a plan to redevelop downtown city-owned parcels including the surface level of the Library Lane Parking Structure (R-11-129) on 04/04/11;

Whereas, The DDA followed City Council's direction and implemented a process called Connecting William Street (CWS) including an online survey that received over 2,000 responses and multiple focus groups as well as public meetings;

Whereas, The public input received by the DDA through its CWS process was strongly in favor of additional public open space in the downtown;

Whereas, The DDA presented its report to City Council on 1/14/13, including the recommendation for an expanded plaza north along Fifth Avenue at the City's discretion;

Whereas, City Council took no action on the DDA CWS Plan, instead requested that the Park Advisory Commission (PAC) study and make recommendations regarding downtown parks and open space;

Whereas, The PAC formed a Downtown Parks Subcommittee and conducted a process that included a survey that received 1,600 responses and multiple public meetings;

Whereas, The public input received by the PAC was seventy-six percent (76%) in favor of having more downtown parks and open spaces, strongly in favor of a large

park/open space, more than medium or small, and indicated that the first choice site for a public park is the surface level of the Library Lane Structure;

Whereas, City Council accepted the recommendations received from the PAC (R-13-330) on 11/07/13, adopted them as guidelines including the recommendation that “a park/open space be developed on the Library Lot that takes advantage of the flexibility offered through temporary closures of Library Lane, The size of this space should exceed the proposed allocated open space in the Connecting William Street study (5,000 square feet);”

Whereas, City Council also approved PAC’s other recommendations including, but not limited to, the importance of “placemaking” principles and the “activation” of urban public spaces through: pedestrian traffic, relationship to adjacent properties, activities desired by the community, and funding for maintenance and security, as well as close consultation with the Ann Arbor District Library (AADL), and further public input regarding the design and uses of downtown public open spaces;

Whereas, The principles of “placemaking” include the elements cited by the PAC such as “access and linkage, comfort and image, uses and activities, and sociability,” but the concept of placemaking is better understood as an ongoing, iterative creative process that celebrates the community through the transformative use of a particular public place;

Whereas, The PAC’s survey showed a preference for a combination of public and private funding for the new urban park and City Council’s vote to designate the specific location for a public urban park will enable fundraising efforts toward the costs of the design, construction and maintenance of that park to proceed;

RESOLVED, That City Council approve the reservation of the site for an urban public park of between approximately 6,500 and 12,000 square feet on the surface of the Library Lane Structure bounded by the Fifth Avenue sidewalk on the west, the Library Lane Street curb to the south, the western entry to the central elevator to the east, with the northern boundary to be determined at a future date;

RESOLVED, That the City will encourage the creative use of this space to commence on an occasional basis during the transition from parking to public park even before the urban park design and installation work is complete, and hereby requests that Community Services and the Park Department work together with DDA and the AADL to encourage groups to reserve the space for public activities including, but not limited to, craft fairs, book fairs, food carts, fine arts performances, and other activities and consider modification of permit requirements in order to eliminate fees for those seeking to put on public programs on the Library Lane site;

RESOLVED, That the City will work with the developer of the remaining portion of the

Library Lane site to ensure that the designs for both spaces, an urban public park and the adjacent development, complement and support each other's successful uses;

RESOLVED, That all development on the Library Lane site, whether public or private, will proceed in close collaboration with neighboring properties and businesses including, but not limited to the Ann Arbor District Library, First Martin Corporation, the University of Michigan Credit Union, the Inter-Cooperative Council, and the businesses fronting on Fifth Avenue and Liberty Street. Possible goals of this collaboration include:

- Reorientation of the physical design and uses of these adjacent properties so that they help to create pedestrian interaction with the public park on the Library Lane Structure,
- Creation of pedestrian walkways that connect the Library Lane Structure and public park to Liberty Plaza, Liberty Street and William Street;
- Discussion about incentives, such as premiums or subsidies, that the City or DDA might offer to encourage both physical reorientation and pedestrian access/easements through adjacent properties, and
- Consideration of possible joint development on the Library Lane Structure's remaining build-able portion.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Anglin, Eaton, Kailasapathy and Lumm

**As Amended by Ann Arbor City Council on March 17, 2014**





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### Text File

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**Agenda #** DC-8

**Introduced:** 3/17/2014

**Version:** 2

**Current Status:** Passed

**Matter Type:** Resolution

Resolution to Direct the City Administrator to List for Sale 319 South Fifth and to Retain Real Estate Brokerage Services

Prepared by: Steven D. Powers, City Administrator

Sponsored by: Councilmember Kunselman

**Resolution to Direct the City Administrator to List for Sale 319 South Fifth and to Retain Real Estate Brokerage Services**

Whereas, City Council approved a resolution (R-07-517) on November 5, 2007 directing the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) to prepare a written recommendation for construction of a South Fifth Avenue underground parking garage which would include above ground, in the short-term, surface public parking, and in the long-term development which could include, but is not limited to, a residential, retail and/or office building(s) and a public plaza along either Fifth Street or the newly constructed street;

Whereas, The Downtown Plan encourages downtown's highest density development and tallest buildings to locate within the Core areas to create the critical mass of activity and density needed to support a range of central retail, service, cultural, residential and entertainment functions and transportation services.

Whereas, Urban public places must be located, designed, managed, and maintained to attract sustainable uses that add to the positive vitality of a downtown's street life;

Whereas, The Parks and Recreation Open Space (PROS) Plan 2011-2015 identifies a need for additional open space in the downtown and stated the goal to "Work with the Downtown Development Authority to plan for renovation and acquisition of downtown open space, including the development of the library lot";

Whereas, City Council authorized the DDA to develop a plan to redevelop downtown city-owned parcels including the Library Lot (R-11-129) on April 4, 2011;

Whereas, The DDA followed City Council's direction and implemented a process called Connecting William Street (CWS) including an online survey that received over 2,000 responses and multiple focus groups as well as public meetings;

Whereas, The public input received by the DDA through its CWS process was strongly in favor of additional public open space in the downtown;

Whereas, The City Council also approved the PAC recommendations including, but not limited to, the importance of "placemaking" principles and the "activation" of urban public spaces through: pedestrian traffic, relationship to adjacent properties, activities desired by the community, and funding for maintenance and security, as well as close consultation with the Ann Arbor District Library (AADL), and further public input regarding the design and uses of downtown public open spaces R-13-330);

Whereas, Designating public space at Library Lane concurrently with the sale and development of the property would provide the flexibility of maximizing the use of public investments (in foundation and infrastructure) already made with private investment to

accomplish City Council's mixed-used goals for the property.

Whereas, Developing the public space at the same time the site is developed will provide for increased activity, safety, and security; limit nuisance behavior at this public space; provide potential funding for public space features and programming; and have a responsible private entity for ongoing maintenance and

Whereas, The recommendations received from PAC were "strongly in favor of a mixed-use vision for the Library Lot that utilizes the City's investment in development-ready foundation and infrastructure" and stated that "development of the site and adjacent parcels, including the accompanying increases in activity, is essential for the future success of this site;"

RESOLVED, That City Council desires the property located at 319 South Fifth (Library Lane) to be mixed-use consisting of commercial, residential, and public use.

RESOLVED, That the City will seek, as conditions for development rights at a minimum, public open space, private maintenance of the public space, and pedestrian access to the public space as features of any private development;

RESOLVED, That implementation of the conditions for development rights will be determined by City Council through selection of the purchase offer that best responds to mixed-use, density, integration with surrounding uses, and public space and through the City's established site plan procedures and policies;

RESOLVED, That City Council authorizes and directs the City Administrator to develop and release a request for proposal for brokerage services for the sale of 319 S. Fifth Library Lane;

RESOLVED, That City Council authorizes the City Administrator to execute a contract for brokerage services with the firm that best meets the City's interests as outlined in this resolution subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney;

RESOLVED, That City Council authorizes the property be listed for sale, with all offers to be presented to City Council; and

RESOLVED, That City Council directs the City Administrator to provide periodic progress reports to City Council on the listing's status, the first to be no later than thirty days after the approval of this resolution.

Sponsored by: Councilmember Kunselman

**As amended by Ann Arbor City Council on March 17, 2014**

**Alexa, Jennifer**

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**From:** Matt Grocoff [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 8:37 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Briere, Sabra; Kunselman, Stephen; Taylor, Christopher (Council); MikeAnglin07@gmail.com; Warpehoski, Chuck; Peterson, Scott; Lumm, Jane; Kailasapathy, Sumi; Eaton, Jack; Teall, Margie; Hieftje, John; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: [5th Ward Dems] Council reps Anglin & Eaton resolution to postpone the sale of the library lot

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**Subject:** [5th Ward Dems] Council reps Anglin & Eaton resolution to postpone the sale of the library lot  
**Sent:** Sun, Apr 6, 2014 1:47:40 PM

Hi Dems,

If you want the library lot to become a park or public space, there is an important event on Monday 7 April at 7 pm at the city council meeting. Council member Anglin sent the information below.

-- Gus

Hi,

Jack and I are sponsoring a resolution to postpone the sale of the library lot at this coming Monday's council meeting. This is an opportunity to support the resolution by attending the meeting, speaking in public commentary and emailing council. If the sale can be postponed, it might be possible to demonstrate public support for a park, and in doing so, create a real town square for the city. It would be great if you could forward this to your group.

This is the text of the resolution----

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RESOLVED, That the City Administrator structure the public process to allow citizens an opportunity to bring forward and discuss any and all appropriate public uses for this City-owned property, including its use, in its entirety, as a park or plaza;

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Thanks,  
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Sabra, Mike and Christopher:

I spoke last year in Cincinnati and met with the designers of Washington Park. They built a parking lot underground with a park above. Total cost for parking and park was only \$35 million - almost half of what our lot cost.

Prior to construction of the park, this area was derelict and filled with homeless. Once the park was announced real estate values went nuts and an extraordinary revitalization is underway. The park is the pride of Cincy.

It's a great example to show those skeptical of our need to have a downtown park. Every great city has a great park. We are unique in our lack of downtown green space. Thanks for all your efforts on this.

Here's some info, maps and photos - share away!:

<http://washingtonpark.org/>

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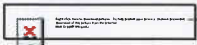
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**Alexa, Jennifer**

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 9:02 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] Eaton, Jack; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Concrete not Consultants being debated NOW on Chanell 16

Mr. Houk,

I am aware and I applaud your efforts to solicit support for the Sidewalk Gap issue and help to fund the assesment imposed on those homeowners that are impacted by this issue.

Be advised, I read aloud the attached statement (listed below) to City Council at approx 1915 this evening 7April2014.

If you receive this email this evening, I suggest that you tune in to Channell 16 and watch the coverage of the ongoing City Council Meeting.

It is now 2050 and the Council is currently discussing C-1. Items C-2, and one additional item C-3 has been added.

The next items are DC 1 through DC 4, and DB 1 thru DB2.

**DS-1 is next on the Agenda. DS-1 discusses funding the Pedestrian Safety Task Force where my statement below will be discussed**

I suggest that you tune in. If I had to guess, I would think they will get to it around 2110 to 2130.

Frank Burdick

My name is Frank Burdick. I live in the 4 th Ward.  
Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you

I am speaking to request that Council postpone any funding at this time for a Consultant for DS-1, the Pedestrian Task Force.

Please do not re-purpose the intended for sidewalk gaps to hire more consultants to develop more strategies.

Many citizens are now aware, that some homeowners adjacent to these sidewalk GAPS are being assessed as much as \$1500 for these new sidewalks. Please consider paying for these long overdue sidewalks in lieu of paying for another consultant

Please allow the Task Force to fully take on their Role and make their own determination as to their consultant needs. If the need arises, please consider the option of bringing in a technical expert for those individual needs.

Please consider developing the current City Staff for the Public Facilitation needs. We have competent and capable staff in people like Elizabeth Rolla, Nick Hutchinson, and others, that could serve this role.

Consider paying a fraction of the proposed budget to provide some enhanced training to some of the existing staff.

Consider bringing in Summer Interns to back-fill some of the existing roles and responsibilities of your existing staff.

These two suggestions are cost investments that have a long term benefit to City Staff and the City tax payers.

Please fund concrete, crosswalks, and possible training, and not more consultants.

Thank you.

## Alexa, Jennifer

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**From:** Stephen Lange Ranzini [ranzini@university-bank.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 9:15 PM  
**To:** Petersen, Sally  
**Subject:** Re: Jackson Avenue and Huron Street

Dear Sally:

Since I am told that pedestrian islands are a part of the plan, the restriping assertion is complete B.S. I have also read Craig Hupy's memo on this subject and I found it to be full of bias and misinformation.

Best wishes,  
Stephen

On Apr 7, 2014, at 11:00 AM, "Petersen, Sally" <[SPetersen@a2gov.org](mailto:SPetersen@a2gov.org)> wrote:

Stephen – Wanted to make sure you see this....

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**From:** Powers, Steve  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 10:19 AM  
**To:** \*City Council Members (All)  
**Subject:** Jackson Avenue and Huron Street

Traffic modeling and analysis by the City's traffic engineers and MDOT engineers has indicated that there will not be a major impact on traffic flow, and that the change would have a positive impact on safety. However, the 4-to-3 lane conversion that is proposed is still a test. If the change does not work from a traffic flow perspective, the striping on the road can be changed back at a relatively minor cost. Simply barreling off two lanes would not provide an accurate test, as that would not be able to accurately simulate the presence of the center left turn lane, which is an important aspect of the lane conversion.

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**From:** Lumm, Jane  
**Sent:** Friday, April 04, 2014 1:34 PM  
**To:** Stephen Lange Ranzini; Anglin, Mike; Eaton, Jack; Warpehoski, Chuck; Kailasapathy, Sumi  
**Cc:** Powers, Steve; Jim Walker; Karl Couyoumjian; [karlc@telsystemsusa.com](mailto:karlc@telsystemsusa.com); Hupy, Craig  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting planned to discuss upcoming road work on Jackson Avenue and Huron Street

Hi Stephen, I completely agree that the "road diet" is ill advised, and did float the "can we reconsider" idea a month/so ago. Council subsequently received a memo from the City Administrator explaining why the redesign is recommended. I also very much like you idea of first testing this stretch as a 3 lane thoroughfare, and wish we had done a test run early on in the review. Mr. Powers and Mr. Hupy, would welcome your thoughts about whether or not we might still have an opportunity to do a test run -- something similar to what Mr. Ranzini is suggesting?

Thank you, Stephen, and thank you Steve and Craig, Jane

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**From:** Stephen Lange Ranzini [<mailto:ranzini@university-bank.com>]  
**Sent:** Fri 4/4/2014 4:04 AM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra; Kailasapathy, Sumi; Lumm, Jane; Petersen, Sally; Taylor, Christopher (Council);

Anglin, Mike; Eaton, Jack; Kunselman, Stephen; Warpehoski, Chuck; Teall, Margie

**Cc:** Powers, Steve; Jim Walker; Karl Couyoumjian; [karlc@telsystemsusa.com](mailto:karlc@telsystemsusa.com)

**Subject:** Fwd: Meeting planned to discuss upcoming road work on Jackson Avenue and Huron Street

Again, I urge city council to revise the ill-considered plan to put Huron Street on a "road diet".

Why not put up orange cones in both directions NOW to see what will happen at rush hour before we invest large dollars that require additional investment to undo?

Also, please encourage MDOT to place electronic signs announcing the public meeting ON HURON ST. no later than April 7th, so commuters have effective notice of the meeting.

Best wishes,

Stephen Lange Ranzini

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**From:** Vivienne Armentrout [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 9:32 PM  
**To:** Eaton, Jack; Lumm, Jane; Kailasapathy, Sumi  
**Subject:** no smoking in parks and public spaces!

I am simply astounded that you would oppose a regulation of smoking in Ann Arbor public parks. The proposed ordinance seems very balanced and thoughtful.

Smoking may seem like freedom to some but is injurious to others. New statistics are coming out about the impact of smokefree areas and legislation on public health. This has been the single most significant improvement in morbidity in decades. I don't have the figures handy, but it has brought about major reductions in heart disease and asthma (apart from, of course, lung cancer). The health of nonsmokers has been very favorably improved by such regulations.

I hope that you are not opposing this measure because of its maker. That would be very bad governance.

Vivienne Armentrout

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**From:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 9:44 PM  
**To:** Kunselman, Stephen  
**Subject:** Proposed Amendment

Can you send me your amendment?

**Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk**

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**From:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 9:51 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Proposed Amendment

Sorry, just confirming that the only change is "approximately 12,000 square feet" removing 6500.

**Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk**

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**From:** Kalyan Dutta [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 10:43 PM  
**To:** Teall, Margie; Eaton, Jack  
**Subject:** AATA Millage

I attended the millage discussion today at the AA Public Library. I was amazed there is so little specific deliverables for the incremental millage. I was even more amazed that DDA gets an automatic cut of the millage. For what ?? I for one wouldn't shed a single tear if the DDA were eliminated.

If AA taxpayers approve the AATA millage, perhaps council could put a 0.7 mil additional millage to fix the potholes. I think a pothole tax would pass with a landslide :)

Regards,  
Kal Dutta