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Colorado Could See Single-Payer Healthcare

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By David Swanson

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Maryland's state senate has scheduled a hearing on a single-payer healthcare bill for March 10th.

California's legislature has passed a single-payer bill three times. Single-payer healthcare bills are advancing in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Minnesota, Massachusetts, and New Mexico. I recently wrote about two state legislator candidates, Marcus Brandon in North Carolina and Byron DeLear in Missouri, who plan to introduce state single-payer bills immediately upon being elected.

Now, let me tell you about Colorado. Mark Mehringer is a candidate for the Colorado State House from District

7 (Denver). His website at http://votemark2010.com has an issues page and a video on the home page that both put a Medicare-for-All healthcare solution at the top of his agenda.

Mehringer is running in a district where the incumbent Democrat has been term-limited, and five would-be replacements have jumped into the race. The departing incumbent was one of only six Democrats to vote against single-payer healthcare last year. His preferred successor sells insurance for a living and has taken thousands of dollars from insurance industry PACs and lobbyists. Mehringer, in contrast, would be a leader for single-payer healthcare in the Colorado state legislature. And he can be, if he wins the primary on August 10th.

I asked Mehringer what it would take to create a single-payer system, and he said that it could be done, and that some partial and local solutions could be steps along the way:

"In 2008," Mehringer explained, "the Colorado 208 Blue Ribbon Commission for Health Care Reform found that of the five plans analyzed, a single-payer healthcare plan was the only one that would bring down health care costs statewide, even as it expanded coverage to all Coloradans."

But making it happen will take something different from passing a bill:

"Passing a statewide Medicare style healthcare-for-all system in Colorado will almost certainly require a vote of the people, due to requirements in our state constitution. As a state legislator, I will sponsor a bill to put such a measure before the voters in the 2012 election."

And what can be done between now and then?

"This year," Mehringer said, "there is a measure before the Colorado General Assembly to allow non-profits, small businesses (with fewer than 100 employees), and local governments to buy into the existing Colorado State Group Benefit Plan. Colorado also already has a high-risk plan available (CoverColorado.org) for individuals with pre-existing conditions, though the premiums on this plan are unaffordable by many. These are a good start on providing a public option in Colorado that could be expanded into a single-payer approach."

Mehringer also has ideas for local steps that could build to state-wide success:

"Another direction I would pursue is a local ballot measure at the county level to expand the Denver Health Medical Plan. Currently Denver Health provides more than \$250 million in unreimbursed care, as Denver Health is the only major medical care provider in the area with the primary mission to provide health care to Denver residents regardless of their ability to pay, yet remains financially solvent.

"Denver Health already serves approximately one in four Denver residents. The Denver Health Medicaid Choice Plan is also offered to residents of three surrounding counties. It has the infrastructure in place to expand and provide care broadly to the community at large. A local ballot measure could provide a new revenue stream for Denver Health to expand its offering to all businesses and individuals in the county. This local model could then be used as an example as to how a public health system can provide high quality care for less."

Success in a city could be a model for a state, which could then be a model for the nation:

"By starting local with a more progressive community, it is much more likely that we can win a ballot measure campaign to provide expanded healthcare options. Further expansion of the Colorado State Group Benefit Plan would then provide the statewide system for expanding health care coverage across Colorado. With a few achievable steps, then, Colorado can provide health care coverage for all Coloradans."

Somehow that sounds a lot more likely than the United States Senate and President betraying their funders anytime soon. But all of this depends on Mark Mehringer winning a Democratic primary in Denver. And that will take money, not much money in comparison to what activist groups blow on futile campaigns in Congress, but money nonetheless. The top fundraiser has raised \$60,000 while Mehringer is in second place with \$38,000. The money-leader, as I mentioned, has received thousands of dollars from PACs and lobbyists, including the regular cast of health insurance industry lobbyists. Mehringer does not accept any contributions from Colorado PACs or lobbyists.

If you want healthcare in the United States, getting it in Colorado first just might make it happen. If you want healthcare in Colorado, consider visiting this website and clicking on the Donate button: http://www.votemark2010.com

David Swanson is the author of the new book "Daybreak: Undoing the Imperial Presidency and Forming a More Perfect Union" by Seven Stories Press. You can order it and find out when tour will be in your town: http://davidswanson.org/book.

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Community, Labor Unite with IUE-CWA at Whirlpool Rally

5,500 Protest: Community, Labor Unite with IUE-CWA at Whirlpool Rally

By James Parks AFL-CIO Blog February 28, 2010

http://blog.aflcio.org

When more than 5,500 workers and community and religious activists from at least six states [1] converged in front of the Whirlpool plant in Evansville, Ind., members of IUE-CWA led the way to deliver the message to "Keep It Made in America."

Local 808 President Darrell Collins said:

We have had small rallies before and Whirlpool ignored us! They will not ignore us today! This is just the beginning of something big. We will carry this fight on till it changes. There is no limit to what we can accomplish as long as we work together.

One of the Whirlpool workers who stands to lose her job is Natalie Ford. A member of Local 808, Ford told the rally:

This doesn't just affect us, it affects everyone in our families. This is the only life we've known-now it's gone. The questions run through my mind: Am I going to lose everything I've worked my entire life for? I try to be strong for my family, but deep down I'm scared to death, not knowing what the future holds for us.

Speaking amid an increasing crescendo of cheers and applause, Communications Workers of America ([2] CWA) Vice President Seth Rosen told the energized crowd that although some people "blame us for what they call `legacy costs': union wages, health care, pension for retirees":

There is a legacy from those things. You know what that legacy is? Every firehouse in Evansville, Ind., is a legacy of the tax dollars of union workers making a middle-class wage. Every school house is a legacy of the people who work in this plant.

AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka, along with 40 people, including children and grandchildren of workers, clergy and retirees, used a Whirlpool refrigerator to wheel petitions with 70,000 signatures to the plant's locked front gate. At the same time, as coordinated with the Michigan AFL-CIO, the Machinists delivered more than 40,000 signatures on petitions to the Whirlpool headquarters in Michigan. The petitions urged Whirlpool executives to reconsider their decision to shutter the Evansville plant, laying off 1,100 people and moving jobs to Mexico. Union members also made more than 1,700 phone calls in one day to Whirlpool headquarters in Benton Harbor, Mich., and the Evansville offices with the same message. [3] IUE-CWA Local 808 represents 900 of the 1,100 workers.

The fight for jobs at Whirlpool is part of the union movement's [4] nationwide jobs campaign. The AFL-CIO is calling on Congress and the Obama administration to take [5] five steps now to care for jobless workers and put America back to work.

Recognizing the broad spectrum of unions who traveled to Evansville to support the workers at Whirlpool, including workers from the General Electric plant in Louisville, Ky., IUE-CWA President Jim Clark said:

We've had some bad weather, and in this weather here for union people to come from all the different states on a Friday evening, that means they're ready to fight and they're ready to fight for you.

Tom Vinnedge, a local restaurant owner, said:

More unemployed neighbors means less customers who can afford to enjoy a meal out, plain and simple. It's just madness that Whirlpool is abandoning our community like this, and nobody has the courage to stand up to them and other greedy corporations and say it's got to stop.

The Rev. Phil Hoy, a longtime local minister and former state legislator, said the workers and the region deserve better:

I am appalled by Whirlpool's disregard for the community that has done so much for them throughout the years and by the apathy and disdain that many politicians show toward our nation's working families.

We deserve better.

### As Trumka said:

American workers should not be reduced to stocking shelves down at Wal-Mart with stuff made in Mexico and China. We don't have to accept second class status for America. We can lead the world economy again if the leaders we elect step up and insist that we invest in America again.

You can check out photos from the rally here http://www.flickr.com/photos/labor2008/including speakers such as Rosen, Clark, Collins and Hoy.

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### MONTEVIDEO

Jose Mujica, who decades ago served time in prison for taking up arms against Uruguay's "bourgeois state," was sworn in Monday as his country's new president.

The former radical leftist guerrilla fighter is now a mellower but still-feisty senior citizen who grows flowers at his ranch and calls himself a pan-theist.

Colorful and charismatic in contrast to respected outgoing fellow leftist president Tabare Vazquez, Mujica is known for his willingness for dialogue.

A straight talker, Mujica has a reputation for being able to win over even political foes and business interests.

Before Monday's swearing-in ceremony, Mujica joked to reporters that "today is a little bit of heaven, but there will be plenty of purgatory tomorrow."

His inauguration was attended by top-level guests, including US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Spain's Crown Prince Felipe.

"We genuinely want to achieve an end to poverty" and "for people to have jobs," Mujica said after his inauguration, adding: "None of that can be achieved in this country just by making noise."

"We are calling for transformation, and genuine progress," he said, after riding to Independence Plaza with Vice President Danilo Astori in a Chinese-made car outfitted by Uruguayan mechanics with an electric motor.

The pair walked the last few blocks to the swearing in together, delighting thousands who cheered "Let's go, Pepe (nickname for Jose), Pepe's with the people."

Clinton promised closer bilateral ties.

"It's the second time (I am here) to see the peaceful transfer of power and to have visited both the president (Vazquez), the president-elect (Mujica) and pledged strong partnership based on mutual respect and mutual interest. We are going to continue to work close together, " Clinton said.

Also on hand to witness the ceremony were regional counterparts Presidents Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva of Brazil, Alvaro Uribe of Colombia, Hugo Chavez of Venezuela, and Cristina Kirchner of Argentina.

Bolivia's President Evo Morales also took part along with his Ecuadoran counterpart Rafael Correa, Fernando Lugo of Paraguay and Alvaro Colom of Guatemala.

Mujica has become the second former Latin American rebel to be elected president recently, after Nicaragua's Daniel Ortega, an ex-Sandinista.

He has said he models himself on popular Brazilian president Lula, a left-leaning former labor activist who is known for a centrist approach.

The new Uruguay president was co-founder of the radical leftist Tupamaros movement back in the 1960s, and when jailed took part in a huge prison break.

But the more mature Mujica is largely a product of his years as a lawmaker which he says taught him to "embrace serpents" if necessary to get a deal done.

The ex-rebel chose pragmatic former finance minister, Danilo Astori, as his running mate and the pair pledged to continue the economic policies of Vazquez.

Mujica's wife, Lucia Topolansky, also a former rebel and now a senator, will be third in line to the presidency due to her legislative post.

Mujica has said he will not move to the presidential palace, instead choosing to stay at his small ranch in Rincon del Cerro.

He also is putting most of his salary into a fund for homeless Uruguayans.

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**SFGate** 

Nanette Asimov, Chronicle Staff Writer

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Sunday, February 28, 2010

March 4th has gone viral.

The upcoming Day of Action to Defend Public Education - rallies, marches, teach-ins, even political theater - began as an idea on the UC Berkeley campus last fall and has caught fire up and down California, from elementary school to graduate school, and across two dozen states.

On the surface, Thursday's Day of Action seems likely to be an unprecedented show of unity among public education advocates at all levels who are angry that politicians and university officials with fingers on purse strings are letting the system decay.

"Everybody's coming together," said Callie Maidhof, a student at UC Berkeley, where students have protested tuition hikes, budget cuts and layoffs since last fall.

But some say the event is already scorched by the threat of violence. At an outdoor dance party early Friday, a crowd of Berkeley campus protesters seized a building, torched trash cans, threw bottles and got into an angry confrontation with police. Hostilities unwanted

Students said protesters occupied the building in part to call attention to March 4th, and don't expect the hostilities to be repeated Thursday.

"It's important not to inject that level of damage into every action, or you'll alienate lots of people who don't want to act that way," said Xander Lenc, a student at the dance party that got out of hand.

A major goal of Thursday's Day of Action is to draw attention to education woes not only in California, but all over the country, Maidhof said. "We want public education to be open and free to all."

Instead, college tuition has been climbing steadily in most states and in California, despite a state master plan calling for tuition-free colleges.

At UC, next year's base tuition of \$10,302 will be more than double that of six years ago. Recent tuition hikes of more than 30 percent at UC and at California State University have forced students to shoulder more of the cost of their education as state lawmakers have cut back on funding to the universities in response to the state's epic budget crisis. Schools are offering fewer courses, cutting wages, laying off employees and reducing enrollment.

At community colleges, course cuts will close the door to 21,000 students next year.

In the lower grades, thousands of teachers will get layoff warnings by March 15. Holding the Day of Action in time to highlight those pink slips is one reason students and teachers say they chose the date March 4.

"We hope to educate our politicians that the system they have for funding schools is not equitable and needs to be changed," said Megan Caluza, who has taught special-needs students at El Dorado Elementary in San Francisco for two years and expects to be laid off.

She'll march with colleagues and parents through the Mission District after school, then head to a  $5~\mathrm{p.m.}$ 

rally at Civic Center - one of many sponsored by labor unions and faculty.

"Everyone agrees that education should be a right, not a privilege," said Joan Berezin, co-chairwoman of the social science department at Berkeley City College and an organizer. "This is our state, our education. If we don't defend it, who will?"

All 23 campuses of California State University are holding events. A sense of humor

Rachel Kerns, a sophomore at San Francisco State, recently put final touches on a 12-foot papier-mache "Draculator." It's one of four huge, in-your-face puppets that students, theater Professor Carlos Baron and artist Colette Crutcher are creating for Thursday's rally.

The group is building a traditional Mexican weeping figure called "La Llorona" to cry for students, dinosaur bones to signify the extinction of education, and a huge skeleton in a graduation cap.

"It's a student who's still paying college loans even after he's dead," Crutcher said with a laugh.

"March 4th, I hope, will give the students a feeling of accomplishment," Baron said. "If we make noise, and if we're heard - if people laugh at our work - then we'll have achieved something very positive. We're not there to scream at people."

March 4th was born on Oct. 24, when hundreds of students and employees from dozens of schools met at UC Berkeley to decide how to keep momentum alive after a major statewide campus walkout a month earlier to protest the fee hikes and cuts in the works.

Since then it seems everyone is planning something for that day.

"We wanted to get involved with the national call by California students who are facing the same crisis as we are," said Chris Persampieri, a student at Massasoit Community College in Brockton, Mass., one of several schools in dozens of states holding rallies.

Will it make a difference?

"I don't think March 4th is going to do anything," said UC Berkeley student Yana Pavlova. "We don't have the tangible power to change the law. So at the end of the day, we're back where we started, paying \$30,000 for a 'public' education."

A Day of Action: Events planned in the Bay Area and Sacramento. C3

A Day of Action to Defend Public Education

Events planned Thursday in the Bay Area and Sacramento:

- -- 11 a.m.-1 p.m.: State Capitol rally on the north steps. The purpose is to feature lessons on California's public education system, focusing on history, political science and economics. Speakers include Assembly Majority Leader Alberto Torrico, D-Fremont, and UC Berkeley Professor George Lakoff.
- -- Two-minute testimonials from faculty, alumni and public college students will follow. San Francisco

- -- Daylong: San Francisco public schools will host teach-ins, marches, rallies and letter writing starting at 7 a.m. Many will host rallies and marches, including El Dorado Elementary from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.; George Washington High from 11:20 a.m. to noon; Feinstein Elementary at 1 p.m.; and Miraloma Elementary at 2:15 p.m.
- -- 7 a.m.: San Francisco State University campus action.
- -- 3 p.m.: March from 24th and Mission streets to Civic Center.
- -- 4 p.m.: March to State Building on McAllister Street.
- -- 5 p.m.: "Rally for Our Future" at Civic Center, with speakers and performances. Oakland
- -- Daylong: Oakland public schools will offer activities highlighting the impact of school funding cuts. Activities include leafleting and picketing before class.
- -- 11 a.m.: Laney College rally, followed by march (via Fruitvale BART) to Oakland City Hall.
- -- Noon-4 p.m.: Rally at Frank Ogawa Plaza (in front of Oakland City Hall, 14th and Broadway).
- -- 4 p.m.: Oakland school officials hold press conference at 1515 Clay St. UC Berkeley
- -- 7 a.m.-noon: Pickets on campus.
- -- Noon-1 p.m.: UC Berkeley rally at Bancroft and Telegraph, followed by a march to Oakland City Hall. Cal State East Bay, Hayward
- -- Noon: Rally, walkout and open mike/speak out at Agora Stage at noon; delivery of student demands to campus president. California Maritime Academy, Vallejo
- -- Noon: Street Theatre/Mock Die-In at Maritime's main quad. San Jose State
- -- 11 a.m.: March from San Jose City Hall to San Jose State Tower Lawn.
- -- Noon: Keep the Doors Open rally at San Jose State Tower Lawn Sonoma State
- -- 11:30 a.m.: Student walkout
- -- Noon-1:30 p.m.: Rally near Stevenson Quad

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Confronting Racism at University of California - San Diego

Dear friends, family and community near and far,

Some of you may have heard about the recent, overtly racist incidents down here at UCSD, and others may know of the thinly veiled, pervasive racism that has long been a part of the UCSD climate (although none of you warned me- thanks a lot!!) So I'm writing with a weather report of sorts, to let everyone know what's been going on here and also to reach out to my greater community for support and solidarity.

Basically some white fraternity boys held a very stupid, very racist party. The theme was a "Compton cook-out" in facetious "honor" of Black history month - complete with a very explicit, degrading, misogynistic e-mail invitation explaining how party goers should dress and act (and what they would eat) at this event.

In case you thought maybe racism has gotten more creative in 2010 - don't worry it's the same old black face foolery. As the invitation was leaked the UC community voices of dissent, hurt and outrage poured in from students, staff and faculty, who are already of course all too aware of the racist and homogeneous culture at UCSD. This was followed by even more hateful words and actions as talks of a "Compton cook-out II"

were had, and on a student run (UC sanctioned) TV station a note was posted reading "Compton lynching."

It is action time.

After discussing these issues with my students (and encouraging them to participate in the teach-in/walk- out yesterday) I felt that many of them, as well as many grad students, remained somewhat apathetic so I composed the following statement which I would like to share:

"...regarding the recent events of racism in our community, and more importantly the general climate of oppression that many students struggle with on the daily. Students and faculty of all different races and economic backgrounds, women, queer folks, religious minorities, and people of many diverse walks of life consistently feel displaced, ignored, misunderstood, trivialized, and unwelcome at UCSD! If you don't know what I'm talking about or have never felt this way, I encourage you to talk to your fellow peers - because many, many people have had very real experiences that they can share with you. If you have never felt the ramifications of these issues, or if you think that racism is a thing of the past, then you are living in a state of privilege and are lucky that you don't have to contend with these issues as you pursue your educational goals. But you will do a great service to yourself and others if you take time to investigate/question the ways in which racism/sexism/homophobia impact our entire community, and learn to be an ally. I have seen you all think critically about all sorts of complicated issues in class and hope you will continue to be sharply, radically, critical of our institution ... and world. If you have any questions or want to discuss this with me - holler!

Sincerely, Sadie Barnette"

Below is a great website that the students rushed to get up - with all the facts, links to news stories that butcher the story to varying degrees, and also you can read some great letters from professors and allies. But the most articulate discussion of the matter I have heard comes from the undergraduate Black Student Union students, who with a constant systematic analysis, held the administration accountable and reiterated a list of demands to improve the "diversity" and climate within UCSD. The Black population at UCSD is 1.3%. At the core of the BSU's standpoint is also a deep sense of unity with all other marginalized, underrepresented, disenfranchised groups on campus, making ties to UCSD's historic black brown unity movement, to the LGBT communitie's struggles for space and funding, to the Native American population (hello- UCSD is built on sacred burial grounds). I am so proud of our young Black leaders, having moved beyond the (justified) emotional state of trauma into an organized, mobilized force. The BSU has called a state of emergency for our community. Although the daily struggles of alienation, stereotyping, erasure and dismissal continue to be a part of the social and academic lives of students of color on campus, at least right now silence is no longer the symptom.

For more info/news and opinions:

http://stopracismucsd.wordpress.com/

March 4th is a day of action on campus (details soon) - to keep education public, and this will also be an opportunity to address systemic problems of racism at UCSD. If you are here at UCSD let's all represent and show a Visual Arts presence, for real. "Public culture"

anyone??? If you live in LA consider coming down in support.

Thanks yall!

In love and struggle,

Sadie

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British and American Experts To Teach Delegates How To End Deadly H1N1 Transmissions

at Swine Flu Conference in London this March

Washington, D.C. - March 1, 2010 - New-Fields announced today that over a dozen experts from Britain and the United States have confirmed to speak at the International Swine Flu Conference (ISFC) on March 10-12, 2010 at the Renaissance London Heathrow Hotel in London, United Kingdom.

The announcement came on the heels of the latest statement from the World Health Organization, which said that more than 213 countries and communities have reported cases of pandemic influenza H1N1 2009 and at least 16,226 related deaths as of February 21, 2010. North Africa, Eastern Europe and East Asia continue to show active transmissions of the virus among humans.

Your participation in the ISFC will allow you to know the latest and crucial pandemic prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery strategies designed by international bodies to end the human-to-human transmission of H1N1.

By attending the conference, you will learn from medical experts how to create solid continuity plans to prepare for, respond to, and survive a pandemic. Experts will conduct sessions that cover the following timely topics:

- 1. Business Continuity Planning
- Continuity of Operations and Continuity of Government Planning
- 3. Emergency Management Services
- 4. Law Enforcement Agencies
- 5. School / University Pandemic Planning
- 6. Workplace Planning
- 7. Hospital and Emergency Medical Services
- 8. Airlines, Travel, Airport, Quarantine and Border Health Services
- 9. Infectious Medical Waste
- 10. H1N1: Agriculture Perspective and Interventions

The medical experts who will speak at the conference include:

- O Dr. Andrew Hayward, Senior Lecturer, UCL Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology Department of Infection and Population Health
- O Dr. Laurence Buckman, Chairman, General Practitioners Committee, British Medical Association
- O Dr. Simon Mardel, Clinician, Consultant, WHO Emergency Medicine Leicester Royal Infirmary
- O Dr. Christine Bruce, Senior Virologist, Health Protection Agency
- O Jim McManus, Joint Director of Public Health, Birmingham City Council
- O Dr. Maureen Baker, Pandemic Flu Lead, Royal College of General Practitions
- O Dr. Lorraine Doherty, Assistant Director for Public Health, Public Health Agency
- O Mrs. Mary-Ellen Lang, Council Business Continuity Officer, The City of Edinburgh Council
- O Dr. Stephen Sroka, President, Health Education Consultants
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Let us all help in stopping the human-to-human transmission of the H1N1. We look forward to seeing you in London this March for the International Swine Flu Conference.

Sincerely,

Virginia Blanco H1N1 Project Manager Virginia.Blanco@new-fields.com

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To:

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Budin

Cc: Bri

Briere, Sabra; Hohnke, Carsten

Subject: Hunt Park success!!!!

Well folks, we are getting a water line!!!!!

I don't have any details yet, but apparently an agreement was reached between the city and Project Grow, with work put in from Sue McCormick, and it's happening this spring!

Thanks to everyone for helping with this.

Julie

From: USICH [e-news@usich.ccsend.com] on behalf of USICH [communications@usich.gov]

Sent: Monday, March 01, 2010 9:45 PM

To: Teall, Margie

Subject: USICH Announces Public Forum for Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness



# United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

Preventing and Ending Homelessness in the United States

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USICH Announces Website for Stakeholder Input on Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness

USICH has launched a new interactive website called *USICH Preventing and Ending Homelessness* - <u>fsp.uservoice.com</u>. This is one element of the transparent process of developing the Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness. The HEARTH Act called for USICH to deliver to the Plan to Congress no later than May 20.

This site is not just a repository for ideas. Once an idea has been posted, anyone can vote and comment on the suggestions and the most popular ideas will be displayed at the top of the list. *USICH Preventing and Ending Homelessness* will be reviewed by USICH staff and the ideas that receive the most votes and comments will be assessed for possible inclusion in the FSP.

USICH strongly encourages you to forward this opportunity to any interested parties so they too can submit their input via the electronic feedback process. We have icons that your organization can add to your website if interested. Users will need to provide basic information to register in order to submit their responses.

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To:

Sent:

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Subject:

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Sent: Monday, March 01, 2010 9:40 PM

To: Hieftje, John

Subject: When Dollars Call for Change



March 01, 2010



# When Dollars Call for Change



Looking for a cheap way to get your message out?

From fringe groups to more established advocates, many activists have found that scribbling or stamping messages onto money is an inexpensive way to spread the word about their cause.

The tactic -- you could call it dollar billboarding -- has been used by groups across the political spectrum, although it tends to be more popular with those on the outskirts of the mainstream.

Atheists arguing for the separation of church and state have crossed out the word "God" in the motto "In God We Trust." Conservatives who disapprove of Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner have stamped the words "tax cheat" over his signature. Supporters of marijuana legalization have pointed out that George Washington grew hemp.

Read more about the tactic of stamping money with political slogans.

# Take a Stand: Obama's Health Plan



President Obama has unveiled his version of the health care overhaul.

The proposal is designed to be a compromise between the House and Senate versions of the legislation which have already passed.

The White House hopes to pass its version in the coming weeks, so now is the time to make your voice heard on this important issue.

Read more about the president's proposal or click the appropriate link below to send your letter to Obama and your Members of

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Congress.

If you like the compromise bill:

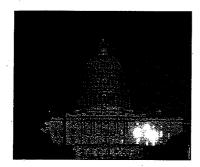
### Pass Obama's Health Plan

If you do not like the proposal:

### Oppose Obama's Health Plan

As of Friday, letters sent through Congress.org are running 81 percent against Obama's health care proposal, 19 percent in favor.

# Congress Q&A: What Does 'Not Voting' Mean?



Do you have a question about Congress?

Every week, Congressional reporter Leah Carliner answers your questions about how Congress works, what's really in legislation being considered and where you can learn more on your own.

This week's question: Does "Not Voting" mean the Member of Congress was not in the House or Senate that day? Or was it that they were present at the vote but didn't want to take a side? -- Timothy E. Skinner, Anchorage, Alaska

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# **Health: Activists Step Up the Fight**



Activists are getting ready for the final showdown on health care.

As Democrats renew their push on health care this week, advocacy groups on both sides have stepped up their efforts to energize their bases and influence lawmakers.

President Obama's health care plan — released ahead of last week's bipartisan health summit — resembles the Senate bill (HR 3590) with a few concessions that could get House Democrats to pass the overhaul with a simple majority.

That strategy gives Democrats an advantage, since they hold the majority in both chambers.

But opponents of the overhaul are doing everything they can to ensure that won't happen. They have started e-mail, robocall, and advertising campaigns telling members to pressure lawmakers against the President's plan.

Read more about the fight over health care.

# **Environment: EPA Nudges Congress on Climate**



The Obama administration appears to be trying to regain control of the Senate debate on climate change. Want to track votes cast by your Members of Congress? <u>Sign up</u> for our regular MegaVote newsletter.

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Don't want to get this newsletter anymore? To unsubscribe or change your email address, click here. Earlier this week, the head of Environmental Protection Agency announced that the agency would put off regulating carbon pollution until 2011.

It might have taken that long to implement the new rules anyway, but analysts say the White House statement was an attempt to prod Congress into action.

EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson's comments came in response to growing bipartisan concern in the Senate that Congress should be the one regulating greenhouse gases.

Read more about the EPA's attempts to regulate carbon.

# Who Runs the U.S. Chamber of Commerce?



Once the voice in Washington for local business groups, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce has evolved into a massive institution of its own.

The Chamber spent more money than any other lobby last year representing the business interests of its 3 million supporters. But most of them have limited say over the Chamber's conservative agenda, which is tightly managed by six floors of lobbyists and analysts in the Chamber's D.C. headquarters.

Local chambers of commerce vary in their involvement with the national group. Some aren't even members of the U.S. Chamber, while others have leadership roles and serve on committees.

The disconnect between the national and some local chambers came to the forefront last fall, when several members took issue with the U.S. Chamber's opposition to cap and trade.

Read more about the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

# Political Portraits Worth Fundraising Cash

A mere picture is worth a thousand words, but a portrait of a House chairman can be worth its weight in fundraising cash.

While Members of Congress face strict fundraising limits in their campaigns, as well as a wide-ranging gift ban while in office, no such prohibitions govern the special funds that may be established to procure and pay for the official portraits of House committee chairmen.

Donations to those "portrait fund committees" can also be hard to track, because there is no reporting requirement, although some transactions may appear in either lobbying disclosure reports or campaign finance records.

According to guidelines provided by the House Administration Committee, any sitting or previous committee chairman, with the approval of the House Fine Arts Board — composed of House Administration Chairman Robert Brady (D-Pa.) and ranking member Dan Lungren (R-Calif.), and Reps. Zoe Lofgren (D-Calif.), Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-Fla.) and Gregg Harper (R-Miss.) — may establish a "portrait fund committee" to commission and pay for a portrait.

Read more about the use of portraits for fundraising.

### In Other News

**From our blog:** House Minority Whip draws fire over comments about letters to Congress. ... A leading gay rights group is collecting names of veterans who oppose Don't Ask Don't Tell. ... Protesters outside a bipartisan summit on health care reform opposed the bill -- for very different reasons. ... Hundreds of commercial fishermen attended a rally in Washington. ... Two senators unveiled a bipartisan plan to overhaul the tax code. ... Five Republicans broke ranks to vote for a jobs bill. ... An environmental group gave low scores to the leading Republican on climate change.

### From CQ Politics:

### **Bills of the Week**

Some recently introduced bills you might find interesting:

**H.R. 4627:** Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to impose new penalties for knowingly hiring illegal immigrants. Sponsor: Rep. Frank Kratovil Jr. (D-Md.)

**H.R. 4630:** Requires publicly traded companies to list any money spent on political ads in their reports to shareholders. Sponsor: Rep. Gary Ackerman (D-N.Y.)

**H.R. 4639:** Allow seriously wounded members of the military or relatives of deceased veterans to adopt their working dogs. Sponsor: Walter Jones (R-N.C.)

**H.R. 4644:** Prohibits corporations from spending or giving money to run political ads without the prior approval of shareholders. Sponsor: Rep. Joe Sestak (D-Penn.)

# **How They Voted**

### **Jobs for Main Street Act**

The Senate approved this measure, which would spend \$15 billion on payroll tax breaks, bond deals for municipal construction projects and other measures to stimulate job growth. It now heads to the House.

Vote: 70-28 in the Senate.

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From:

Rampson, Wendy

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 9:39 PM

To:

Higgins, Marcia

Subject: FW: Problems scheduling DG Task Force meeting

Marcia:

Shall we try again for a date when we can get everyone there, or just get started?

Wendy

From: DiLeo, Alexis

Sent: Monday, March 01, 2010 1:46 PM

To: Rampson, Wendy

Subject: Problems scheduling DG Task Force meeting

Wendy,

I have not been able to identify a time next week when the 7-member Design Guidelines Task Force can meet.

Doodle found two times when 6 members could meet: 10:00 am Wednesday and 10:00 am Friday. The one member who cannot meet at these times is Marcia Higgins.

Considering Marcia's availability, the best alternative is 4:00 pm Friday, but we would miss Dick Mitchell and Bill Kinley.

Suggestions?

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Monday, March 01, 2010 9:34 PM

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Cc:

Higgins, Marcia; Elias, Abigail; 'Kirsten Osborn'; Callan, Mary Jo; Kahan, Jeffrey; Larcom, Kristen

Subject: RE: request from constituent re: Georgetown Mall

Yes, I will make sure Brad Moore is notified, in addition to Margie and Marcia.

W.

From: Teall, Margie

Sent: Saturday, February 27, 2010 3:04 PM

To: 'Catherine McClary'

Cc: Higgins, Marcia; Elias, Abigail; Kirsten Osborn; Rampson, Wendy; Callan, Mary Jo

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Thanks.

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**Sent:** Friday, February 26, 2010 10:31 AM

To: Miller, Jayne

Cc: Teall, Margie; Higgins, Marcia; Elias, Abigail; Kirsten Osborn; Rampson, Wendy; Callan, Mary Jo

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From: Brad Moore LT brad@

Sent: Friday, February 26, 2010 9:40 AM

To: Catherine McClary Subject: Georgetown Mall As an interested citizen of the 4th ward I'd like to attend any meetings of the Georgetown Mall Citizen's Advisory Committee.

Can you let me know when they are scheduled for?

Thanks Brad Moore"

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Kristen

Subject:

RE: request from constituent re: Georgetown Mall

### Hi Catherine:

Council appointed the Committee in February, and the Clerk's Office is in the process of notifying the appointees. The staff person who was in charge of the Nuisance Committee recently retired, so I will be working with Planning & Development staff to set up an initial meeting. After the initial meeting, it's my understanding that the Committee will be invited to attend the monthly Nuisance Committee meetings for progress reports.

In meantime, could you tell me where the property stands related to payment of taxes?

Best regards,

Wendy Rampson, AICP
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Sent: Sunday, February 28, 2010 8:13 PM

To: Teall, Margie

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From:

htk [lake18

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 9:28 PM

To:

broadwayhood

Subject: mail

Hi,

Has anybody seen our (USPS) mail truck lately? We seem to miss something.

Best,

Tom Kau

From:

Rapundalo, Stephen

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 9:20 PM

To:

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Subject:

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# Stephen

Stephen Rapundalo City Council – 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward City of Ann Arbor

Email: srapundalo@a2gov.org

Tel: (734) 476-0648

From: Larcom, Kristen

Sent: Monday, March 01, 2010 8:14 AM

To: Rapundalo, Stephen

Subject: Draft showing changes from original

# Stephen:

Attached is a version that shows the changes from the original that was submitted for 2/16/10. If this is more confusing than helpful, then disregard.

Kristen

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From: \ LDeck1

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 9:19 PM

To:

Hieftje, John; Higgins, Marcia; Fraser, Roger

Subject: Bicycle registration

Mr. Hieftje, Ms. Higgins, and Mr. Fraser:

In reflecting on City Council's intent to replace the current bicycle registration system with a more effective one, we have one initial request. We ask that the city not discard any existing bicycle registrations until the new system is established, because people who have already registered their bicycles may qualify to have their registrations carried forward.

If it is decided, say, that registrations should be renewed every 5 years (or 10 years), people who have registered within that period should not have to re-register. If it is decided to retain all existing registrations, then those should be carried forward. If it becomes necessary to transfer old registrations to a new system, we can investigate methods for doing so, and that should not be a difficult problem to solve.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment at Monday night's Council meeting. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

-- Larry Deck

Washtenaw Bicycling and Walking Coalition

From:

Kim Kachadoorian

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 9:14 PM

To:

Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Kunselman, Stephen; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten;

Analin, Mike

Subject: I didn't get to finish what I wanted to say

Sorry I didn't get to finish what I wanted to say tonight so I am cutting and pasting the entire speech here:

First - the area where the Moravian is being considered is NOT DOWNTOWN...I cannot say this enough.

I have handed out some adjustments to the petitioner's paperwork. They made the surrounding houses with 5 or 6 stairs when most of them have 3 stairs - which makes their height smaller. I have also put a red line across at the height of a person - note - this project is huge - 74370 Square Feet or about 43 homes worth of space at an average of 1750 Sq feet per home. This project is an entire ¼ of a block! I have also noted that the entrance to the parking off of 5<sup>th</sup> will need to go before the zoning board of appeals as it is too close to Mr. Spillers property line. Something not raised before.

We should not allow U of M buildings to be part of the comparison of projects – because we don't have a say in U of M buildings. Kind of the theory of if you have two 10 story buildings 3 miles apart - we don't need to infill with 10 story buildings in between. Just because we have the University building as tall and as big as they want doesn't mean we have to somehow compete with them. In the petitioners photos he has tried to indicate that his 5 story building is the same height as the nearby older 3 story U of M building. Indeed it is significantly higher.

Under Chapter 55, Article II, a paragraph describes the City's intent for the PUD district classification and sets the bar very high. After listing these high standards, the ordinance states: "This zoning district shall not be allowed where [it] is sought primarily to avoid the imposition of standards and requirements of other zoning classifications or other City regulations....". This commission must hold that bar high for the property owners of this City, and not lower it for any personal visions or individual ambitions.

Make no mistake, PUDs are potential give-aways to developers because they provide windfall variances from stricter underlying zoning requirements. In return, the City is supposed to receive a benefit that is very

substantial. This is described in Chapter 55, Article VI of the Code, but the last clause is often overlooked. The complete sentence reads: "The use or uses, physical characteristics, design features, or amenities proposed shall have a beneficial effect for the City, in terms of public health, safety, welfare, aesthetics, or convenience, or any combination thereof, on present and potential surrounding land uses. Notice it does not say "a beneficial effect on global warming due to the installation of a geo-thermal HVAC system." Nor does it say a beneficial effect on Generation Y, by providing apartments close to downtown bars and low-paying Google jobs. The immediate surroundings, our neighborhood, will be harmed, not benefitted by the Moravian.

The Code goes on to say that: "This beneficial effect...shall be one which could not be achieved under any other zoning classification and shall be one which is not required to be provided under any existing standard, regulation or ordinance...." To turn down this proposal, this commission only needs to determine that this project could be built elsewhere in the City as a matter-of-right, which it can. There is no need to force this square peg into a round hole when there are square holes available. It is not this commission's job to determine if there are actual parcels available, like the YMCA lot, or if that land is cheap enough for this developer to make a profit. You only need to know that the City has provided for this type of project elsewhere in the zoning.

Further, to count as a beneficial effect under the ordinance, the benefit must exceed any legal requirements, not merely satisfy them. The benefits must far outweigh the negative impacts, not just mitigate them. Affordable housing? Required. Storm water detention? Required. Floodplain mitigation? Required. Remediation of contaminated soils? Required. The negative effects include traffic congestion, parking, loss of light, air and real open space, noise, and the loss of historic buildings and natural features.

In the case of the Moravian, the negative effects on the surrounding neighborhood far outweigh any legitimately claimed benefits to the surrounding neighborhood, so therefore, you have no option under the law but to turn this down. However I have a suggestion – build this on the Old Y site – deed half of the first floor to the new bus terminal – indoor waiting areas, a new AATA terminal and a win win for everyone.

I look at the 411 Lofts – built EXACTLY where they should have been for "young professionals" – walking distance to all of downtown and directly across from Google. They are very nice – but they are for students, they are not full even though they are new. There are literally hundreds of available properties for "young professionals" and students in this town that are currently vacant. Let's be realistic – this venture is more student housing, which we just don't need any more of.

Kim Kachadoorian www.geekymarketer.com

From:

Joan Doughty

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 9:05 PM

To:

Straw, Jeffrey; Seto, John; Taylor, Christopher (Council)

Subject: Fwd: Doodle: Link for poll "Bryant Crime Prevention Task Force"

Hello All:

Please follow the link and indicate your availability... Thanks very much!

jmd

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

From: Doodle - DO NOT REPLY < mailer@doodle.com >

Date: Mon, Mar 1, 2010 at 8:50 PM

Subject: Doodle: Link for poll "Bryant Crime Prevention Task Force"

To: joandoughty

You have initiated a poll "Bryant Crime Prevention Task Force" at Doodle. The link to your poll is:

http://www.doodle.com/qhzyrnav2p28rwmn

Share this link with all those who should cast their votes. Do not forget to cast your vote, too. (If you did not initiate this poll, somebody must accidentally have used your e-mail address; simply ignore this e-mail, please.)

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Joan M. Doughty, PhD Executive Director Community Action Network www.canannarbor.org

From: Rosencrans, Scott (PAC)

Sent: Monday, March 01, 2010 8:42 PM

To: PAC Distribution

Subject: FITS

#### Hello All,

Just a reminder for you to submit questions and ideas about the Fuller Intermodal Transit Station which will be discussed at our next meeting. The sooner you can get them to me the sooner we will be able to line up the appropriate staff to best answer the questions. My approach will be to write it in a Word file with questions on the top half of the page and ideas on the lower half. Perhaps that format will work for you, too. Please sit down with this over the next couple of days.

All The Best,

Scott

The only architecturally and environmentally viable approach is to build for permanence - Scott Rosencrans Fine Carpentry

From:

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Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 8:42 PM

To:

Hieftje, John

Subject:

Class of 1969 Update

Dear Classmates,

Well, sorry for the lull in communication. With the Christmas holidays, and an insane project I was managing at work, time just flew by.

One last amazing thing about our 40th reunion: we made EXACTLY the right number of CD's! We made 150 of them, and the last request came in, I sent out the last CD, and that was it! Unfortunately, if you want to get a CD now, you have to beg, borrow, or steal one from another classmate.

There is not much to report on at this point. We will be having another mini-reunion this summer (which we always have every year). We'll set a date in the next couple of months and let you know when it will happen.

There was a ground-swell for a 60th birthday party for all of us next year, so we'll probably set up something for that. Not a big deal, but a lot of fun.

Who ever thought we would someday be 60 years old! Which brings a short story to mind:

Every summer the brotherhood to which I belong has a summer household, where we take in university-age guys for 6 weeks and try to help them grow into actual responsible adults. For a number of years, I would play a little game in my mind: 'In how many years will this guy be half my age?' 'Let's see, he is 22 and I am 50, so (22 + x) \* 2 = 52 + x, so x must be 8.' Well, that went on for several years until I saw this guy who was 19, and I was 57, and I started doing the math and realized that I was THREE times his age. At that point, I stopped playing the game. That's just too old to think about, let alone play games about!

So, please update the information at the bottom of this email so we can stay in touch.

See you later this summer, or at our 45th Reunion!

On behalf of your reunion committee, Ted Kennedy

Committee members: Sharon Banker Terry, Betsy Lovell Blackmon, Marsana Rayment Lovell, Chuck Judson, Susie Grayum Deller.

And here's your joke of the month:

#### Rough Road

I was driving my grandfather down a rough country road. My inexperience in handling his four-wheel-drive pickup truck made for a particularly bouncy ride.

 ${\tt Embarrassed}, \ {\tt I} \ {\tt offered} \ {\tt an} \ {\tt excuse}, \ {\tt `The} \ {\tt sun} \ {\tt shadows} \ {\tt through} \ {\tt the} \ {\tt trees} \ {\tt make} \ {\tt it} \ {\tt hard} \ {\tt for} \ {\tt me} \ {\tt to} \ {\tt see} \ {\tt all} \ {\tt the} \ {\tt potholes}.'$ 

'Don't worry,' Grandpa said. 'You're gettin' most of 'em.'

Here is the current contact information we have for you.

Please respond with updated information if any of this is not accurate.

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Last (Maiden) Name: Hieftje

Married Name:

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Phone1: (734) 994-2766 (office)
Phone2: ()

Reunion Attendance:
 Coming for sure: 0
 Probably Coming: 0
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Golfers:
Golf Notes:

From:

McCormick, Sue

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 8:37 PM Hieftie, John, McCormick, Sue

To: Cc:

Stone, Nancy Y; Slotten, Cresson

Subject:

RE: "Water" theme semester at U-M

Thanks John,

We'll select a rep and get connected. Thanks so much!

----Original Message----

From: "Hieftje, John" <JHieftje@a2gov.org>
To: "McCormick, Sue" <SMcCormick@a2gov.org>

Sent: 3/1/10 6:47 PM

Subject: FW: "Water" theme semester at U-M

We need to make contact if we want to be part of this.

From: Harris, Amy [mailto:

Sent: Monday, March 01, 2010 5:29 PM

To: Hieftje, John

Subject: Re: "Water" theme semester at U-M

Dear John,

I'm not aware that I've heard from anyone at the City regarding the Water Theme Semester, but we still hope for the City's involvement. The first meeting of the steering committee has been set for Friday, March 12 from 10:30-11:30. An agenda will be finalized in the next few days.

Please let me know if you'd like to send someone. Thanks!

Best regards,

Amy

On 2/10/10 12:11 PM, "Hieftje, John" <JHieftje@a2gov.org> wrote:

Dear Amy:

Thank you very much for writing. I have already sent this along to our senior staff member in the utilities section and she will report back. Thank you for the offer to participate.

John Hieftje

From: Harris, Amy [mailto:

Sent: Tuesday, February 09, 2010 8:23 PM

To: Hieftje, John

Subject: "Water" theme semester at U-M

Dear Mayor Hieftje,

It was a pleasure to chat with you over breakfast at the State Street Area Association's holiday breakfast in December.

U-M's College of Literature, Science, and the Arts has approved the proposal I told you about for a Theme Semester on "Water" for next Winter term, January through April, 2011. I'm attaching a copy of the proposal so you can see what we have in mind. One of the appendices shows the long list of U-M partners who have already expressed interest in participating. We also hope to involve off-campus partners, including the City of Ann Arbor. Here is a paragraph pulled from the proposal:

"One of the goals of the Water Theme Semester will be to promote sustainable water use both on campus and in the community. We hope to involve both U-M's Planet Blue program and the City of Ann Arbor in this effort. One idea is to help build the City's effort to reduce bottled water consumption by selling reusable metal water bottles emblazoned with the Water Semester logo at all Water Semester events and throughout the community. Another idea is to offer a series of seminars on sustainable gardening practices, rain gardens, the use of native plants that use less water, and creative ways to eliminate or reduce turf grass."

Perhaps there are other ways in which the City could be involved as well.

We would like to invite you to send someone from the City to serve on the Water Theme Semester steering committee. We are putting the committee together now, and would welcome the City's participation as our plans take shape. The number of meetings should not be burdensome, and the amount of work to be done outside of the meetings would depend on the City's level of involvement.

Thank you for considering our invitation. I look forward to hearing from you.

With best regards,

Amy

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From:

Taylor, Christopher (Council)

To:

Beaudry, Jacqueline

Sent: Subject: Monday, March 01, 2010 7:39 PM

Read: Packet Update

#### Your message

To:

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Subject: Sent: Packet Update 3/1/2010 7:12 PM

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From:

Hannon Arnita@

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 7:25 PM

To:

Arnita Hannon

Subject:

Compliance and Enforcement News Release (HQ): EPA Announces Environmental Justice

Video Contest: Faces of the Grassroots U.S. EPA

03/01/2010

CONTACT:

Dave Ryan (News Media Only)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE March 1, 2010

EPA Announces Environmental Justice Video Contest: Faces of the Grassroots

WASHINGTON --The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is sponsoring an environmental justice video contest that challenges professional or aspiring filmmakers to create videos that capture the faces of the environmental justice movement. The Faces of the Grassroots contest is an opportunity to publicly exhibit creativity with environmental justice stories, and connect with others working to raise awareness of the movement.

"Faces of the Grassroots will help EPA expand the conversation on environmentalism and work for environmental justice," said Charles Lee, director of EPA's Office of Environmental Justice. "Participants can make a difference for the historically underrepresented in their community by using motion pictures to show the struggles and triumphs they have endured to advance environmental justice."

Videos can focus on any environmental justice activity, issue, or topic. Examples would be a music video about climate change, or a video recording a successful environmental justice project that has made a community a healthier and happier place to live.

Awards will be given to the winning submissions in each category. The videos will also be featured on EPA's Web site and may be used as public service announcements. Entries must be received by 11:59 p.m. EST on Thursday, April 8, 2010. EPA will announce winners in honor of the 40th anniversary of Earth Day.

Below are the categories and prize money:

Public Service Announcements (30 or 60 seconds) 1st Place - \$2,500 2nd Place - \$1,500 3rd Place - \$1,000 Student Winner - \$500 (13-18 years old)

Informational Video (3-5 minutes)

1st Place - \$2,500

2nd Place - \$1,500

3rd Place - \$1,000

Student Winner - \$500 (13-18 years old)

More information:

http://www.epa.gov/compliance/environmentaljustice/events/video-contest.html

Informational video on the contest:

http://www.epa.gov/multimedia/playercontents/video/EJVideoContest/index.html

Note: If a link above doesn't work, please copy and paste the URL into a browser.

View all news releases related to compliance and enforcement Informational video on the contest:

http://www.epa.gov/multimedia

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From:

Teall, Margie

To:

Beaudry, Jacqueline

Sent:

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Sandi; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Teall, Margie; Wondrash, Lisa

Subject: Packet Update

The last packet update did not include a new version of the agenda. This has been corrected and the final packet with agenda can be downloaded using the link.

Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk

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From:

To:

Sent: Subject: Rapundalo, Stephen Postema, Stephen Monday, March 01, 2010 7:07 PM Read: FW:

### Your message

To:

Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony FW:

Subject:

Sent:

3/1/2010 5:19 PM

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From: Stuart Dowty

Monday, March 01, 2010 7:07 PM

Stuart Dowty

Subject: Fw: Listen to the Gubernatorial Forum!



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The Washtenaw County Democratic Party held a Gubernatorial Candidates' Forum February 27, 2010, at the Pittsfield Township Administration Building.

Participants:







Virg Bernero, Mayor of Lansing

Dan Kildee, former Treasurer, Genesee County

Alma Wheeler Smith, State Representative, 54th District

Over 130 Democrats came out to hear from the candidates and pose questions via Dowty, WCDP Chair. It was a very informative event, and we were very pleased wit participation, the quality of the questions asked, and the enthusiasm with which the candidates engaged our community.

A report and videos of the forum are posted online at:

1)

http://www.michiganliberal.com/showDiary.do;jsessionid=0F01D381E6AD9BB4589 diaryld=16222

and

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Thanks to all participants, and to Bruce Fealk for the videos and postings.

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From:

Lakshmi Raman

Sent:

Monday, March 01, 2010 7:01 PM

To:

Rankin, Michael

Cc:

Briere, Sabra; Jones, Barnett

Subject: Re: complaint regarding sidewalk clearance on Omlesaad

Thank you very much for your help with this.

--Lakshmi

On Mon, Mar 1, 2010 at 2:30 PM, Rankin, Michael < MRankin@a2gov.org > wrote:

To All,

A Community Standards Officer has been in the Foxway area all day today issuing notices to properties in violation for sidewalk snow and ice. We are aware of the location of the sidewalks and property owners are being made aware of their respective responsibilities.

Thank you.

From: Lakshmi Raman [mailto

Sent: Monday, March 01, 2010 2:27 PM

To: Briere, Sabra

Cc: Jones, Barnett; Rankin, Michael

Subject: Re: complaint regarding sidewalk clearance on Omlesaad

Dear Sabra

The sidewalk on Omlesaad is so snowcovered you cannot even make out there is a sidewalk. There is a definite sidewalk there, it is on the side of 2398 Foxway. You can see that the resident on the other side of Omlesaad has cleared their sidewalk. The residents of 2398 Foxway clear until the end of Foxway and then leave the easement on the side. It has not been cleared all winter. I would really like the City to establish who is responsible for that stretch of land and inform the responsible party as it has to be maintained.

If the community standards officer wants me to meet her at Omlesaad when she is there I would be happy to do so as I would really like this matter to be resolved so that pedestrians walking to the bus stop can do so safely.

--lakshmi

On Mon, Mar 1, 2010 at 11:17 AM, Briere, Sabra < SBriere@a2gov.org> wrote:

Dear Lakshmi,

I just spoke with the community standards officer who was on the scene on Omlesaad.

She wasn't certain there was a <u>sidewalk</u> on Omlesaad for the resident to clear. I told her that I'd walked the neighborhood and never had to walk in the street, so I <u>believed</u> there was a sidewalk there, but that I could not prove it. However, I cannot imagine you are complaining that someone has failed to shovel their lawn, so I'm betting there is a sidewalk.

She was going to issue a ticket.

Sabra Briere

First Ward Councilmember

(734)995-3518 (home)

(734)714-2237 (work)

From: Lakshmi Raman [mailto

Sent: Mon 3/1/2010 7:48 AM

To: Briere, Sabra

Subject: Re: complaint regarding sidewalk clearance on Omlesaad

Dear Sabra

I was wondering if you had heard anything from Chief Jones regarding the sidewalk on Omlesaad. It is still uncleared and is impassable for pedestrians. Thanks very much for your help with this.

-- Lakshmi

On Tue, Feb 23, 2010 at 9:54 AM, Briere, Sabra < SBriere@a2gov.org > wrote:

Dear Chief Jones,

This morning I received the following message from a constituent. Please let me know what I need to do to facilitate any follow-up with Community Standards.

I certainly hope this situation in the Foxfire neighborhood can be resolved to make it easier for all.

Dear Sabra

I am a resident of the Foxfire subdivision and am writing to you about a situation which I hope can be resolved soon. One of our residents (2398 Foxway) refuses to clear the easement on the side of their house on Omlesaad as they claim that it is not their property. The attorney for our Association reviewed the site map and informed them that it is their responsibility but they still refused to clear it. I called Community Standards about 2 weeks ago and left a message saying that this part of the easement was not being cleared. Someone from Community Standards called me back the next day and informed me that it was the resident's responsibility to maintain this part of the easement and that they would inform them that they need to do so. Well, nothing happened for a week so I called so I called Community Standards again last week on Thursday and left a message asking someone to call me back to let me know what the situation is and no one has but all I know is that the easement on Omlesaad has not been cleared for several weeks. This is a very busy stretch as it leads to the bus stop on Dhu Varren and residents have to walk on the road as the easement is impassable making it dangerous and slippery for many people including myself.

--Lakshmi

Sabra Briere

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