

**Ann Arbor City Council Regular Session: May 18, 2020  
Email Redactions List Pursuant to Council Resolution R-09-386**

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20	8:19 PM		Kathy Griswold	Ed Vielmetti		Phone number, email address	Privacy
21	8:24 PM		Ali Ramalwi	Eric Sturgis		Phone number	Privacy
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29	9:00 PM		Jane Lumm	Jim Mitchiner			
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36	9:51 PM		Elizabeth Nelson	NAMI WC Volunteers			
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58	1:24 AM		Christopher Taylor	Michelle Ryan Hughes			
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**From:** [Margaret Leary](#)  
**To:** [Hayner, Jeff](#)  
**Subject:** Re: WHY DEFUND essential services? (Lumm and Griswold proposal)  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:01:02 PM

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Thanks for your response.

The "Funding is ensured for the actions....." is not the part to which I object.

I object to taking the funds from the County millage, already identified for specific purposes, and adding it to the general funds, from which it could be taken for ANY purpose.

My suggestion, which I could have stated more clearly, is to eliminate that part and leave the millage money where it is now.

On Mon, May 18, 2020 at 5:19 PM Hayner, Jeff <[JHayner@a2gov.org](mailto:JHayner@a2gov.org)> wrote:

Dear Ms. Leary,

Thank you for writing,

As you point out, DC-8 specifically says "Funding is ensured for the actions necessary to support residents most impacted by the crisis." I can't imagine how that can be construed to indicate support for de-funding social services, CAN, affordable housing efforts and the like. Yet, somehow it has been. I suspect dirty politics at play in an election year. Be that as it may, I see DC-8 as a necessary set of instructions to the City Administrator, as well as a statement on the charter-mandated allocation of general fund monies. The restrictions placed on the administrators budget by the so-called 40/40/20 resolution prevent him from acting in a manner to ensure the city's financial health, and move monies to increase expenditures to those most in need. I would happily put off a few bike lanes to help with food distribution. Having used the CSS food distribution program at Northside Community Center for my family in past troubled times, I am very aware of the need it fills in our community.

Sincerely,

Jeff Hayner

Ward 1 City Council

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**From:** Margaret Leary <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 3:38 PM  
**To:** CityCouncil <[CityCouncil@a2gov.org](mailto:CityCouncil@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** WHY DEFUND essential services? (Lumm and Griswold proposal)

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I only learned of the Lumm/Griswold proposal earlier today.

I've looked into it further and can now argue against it more effectively than I did earlier today.

But before I do that: I had never personally attended a food distribution event until last November, when I went to Bryant Community Center where CAN was distributing food.

I went to inform people about the 2020 Census, by giving out Census Bureau information in English and Spanish.

November: BEFORE the lockdown. Before the huge jump in unemployment, and increase in sickness especially among the poor and people of color.

There were hundreds of people there. They waited hours and hours for the food. All kinds of people: young, old, every color and national origin.(I should have brought Chinese handouts too.)

NOW Jewish Family Services says they used to do 250 bags of food a month; now it is 1000 a week. I am sure all such other groups are finding the same.

The Lumm/Griswold proposal, that dedicated funding be moved into general operating funds, would directly defund CAN, Avalon, Ann Arbor Housing Commission, Peace Neighborhood Center (I believe), and a few others that are providing support services. It is in total a few hundreds of thousands of dollars spread across these groups. It would do great harm to each of those groups. meaning it would lessen their ability to provide food to people who need it.

Part of the resolution includes this principle:

Funding is ensured for the actions necessary to **support residents most impacted by the crisis.**

If those served by CAN, AVALON, PNC, etc are not among those "residents most impacted by the crisis" I cannot imagine who is.

Chip and Ali, my CM's, please please please do not support this proposal.

All CM's: Ensure support for those residents most impacted by the crisis.

Margaret A. Leary, [REDACTED]

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Margaret A. Leary, Librarian Emerita, Michigan Law School

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Author, *Giving It All Away: The Story of William W. Cook and His Michigan Law Quadrangle*, 2011, \$25 from Amazon.com

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**From:** [Betsy Beckerman](#)  
**To:** [Smith, Chip](#); [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**Subject:** Proposal to gut funding for Ann Arbor non-profits on City Council agenda tonight  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:02:17 PM

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Dear Councilmembers Smith and Ramlawi:

On the agenda for tonight's Ann Arbor City Council meeting at 7:00 pm, is a resolution by Councilmembers Jane Lumm and Kathy Griswold, which aims to remove dedicated funding from CAN (Community Action Network) and several other nonprofits that provide critical support services including affordable housing.

As our city council representatives we're asking you to REMOVE the language highlighted below from tonight's vote on Resolution Regarding FY21 Budget and Financial Recovery Plan:

**RESOLVED, That the proceeds the City receives from the County Mental Health and Public Safety millage are treated like all other unrestricted, general purpose tax revenues with Council determining annually how they are to be utilized as part of the budget process;**

It is exactly this funding that is helping the city's most vulnerable at this time, and was deemed as such when the millage was passed. We certainly did not vote for the originating millage proposal with the assumption that City Council would be able to re-direct the millage revenue to wherever it wanted.

It's frankly incredible to us that Councilmembers Lumm and Griswold are proposing this action at the very time when Ann Arbor's most vulnerable citizens are even more at risk because of the economic and social dislocations caused by the COVID-19 crisis.

Please do not allow this vital funding to be stripped from its designated purpose.

Thank you for your consideration,

Betsy Beckerman

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [Sandy Garges](#)  
**To:** [Hayner, Jeff](#)  
**Subject:** Mileage -peace neighborhood  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:03:22 PM

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Dear Mr Hayner,

I understand some of the funds for the mental health millage recently passed are going to be diverted away from community organizations which support resident well-being. I DO NOT SUPPORT THIS CHANGE. I understand the Peace Neighborhood Center receives some of these funds and would be adversely affected by the proposed language. Please do not defund these important and critical community service providers.

Sincerely

Sandy Garges  


Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Jeannine Palms](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
**Subject:** COVID-19 and the Climate Crisis  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:04:43 PM

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Dear Mayor and City Council members,

I wish you all the best efforts in collaboration to decide on the city's budget. We the citizens of Ann Arbor need strong leadership from you in guiding us through these critical issues.

I ask that you **approve the interim Administrator's proposed budget**. I ask you to please stay the course on climate action. Since we now have a very short window to achieve that as climate scientist have verified, and the city made a commitment to do so last year, we look to you to uphold that commitment with the most vigor possible. That means coming together to support the budget as requested. I ask you to come together to do this.

Yes, we have another crises that demands our attention and action. We don't know yet what is needed, but it will be evolving in the next months.

I ask that you hold both, start with what is known for climate action and then take further steps to meet the financial needs of the Covid-19 crises. As leaders of our city please come together to hold both crises and to trust that we can make our way together through these. We have a lot of resources, creativity and compassion in this city. With strong united leadership we can move to handle both crises.

Respectfully,

Jeannine

*Jeannine Palms*



*Blossom Home Preschool & Adventures*  
*Buhr Park Children's Wet Meadow Project*  
[www.wetmeadow.org](http://www.wetmeadow.org)

**From:** [Amy Klinke](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Elizabeth](#); [CityCouncil](#); [Crawford, Tom](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Affordable Housing  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:22:43 PM

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Hi Elizabeth,

I really appreciate your answer - it is much more clear. So will there be no money in the budget at all for affordable housing if this isn't passed? It seems to me that yes, we are in a very uncertain time, but providing support for our most needy residents should be priority along with police/fire and water. If our housing situation gets worse, it will cost the city more funds if you do not have this safety net in place.

By repealing the 40/40/20 with no plan is not a great option. I know these are really difficult and tough times, trust me, we are all nervous. But it takes courage to stand up to people who think affordable housing is social engineering.

I hope you and council will leave this provision in place for the mental health millage funds.

thanks again for listening and taking the time to respond.

Best,  
Amy

On Mon, May 18, 2020 at 5:32 PM Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)> wrote:

Ok, I can give a short answer to that question: we do not know. What I do know is that a lot of the things that were previously totally fine with funding are not at all secure with funding right now. You're right that those 40/40/20 designations were a way of funding things that wouldn't otherwise get funded. We are facing serious problems and, for example, right now extra funding for something like pedestrian safety is NOT looking as necessary as things like funding social services for people in need. Personally, my fear is that we are approaching a serious depression and we don't know what that will look like, how many people will need assistance.

I hope that wasn't too long. I know this is awful. I know people are upset. This is a big deal.

Elizabeth

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**From:** Amy Klinke [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 5:15 PM

**To:** Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)>; CityCouncil <[CityCouncil@a2gov.org](mailto:CityCouncil@a2gov.org)>; Crawford, Tom <[TCrawford@a2gov.org](mailto:TCrawford@a2gov.org)>

**Subject:** Re: Affordable Housing

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Hi Elizabeth

I agree that being clear is super important, unfortunately your email is very unclear and confusing. I often find long explanations a way to hide the point of what you are actually doing which in this case, is defunding affordable housing.

How I understand it is that the 40/40/20 agreement was using funds from the Mental health millage, to go to affordable housing, sustainability and transportation. The reason this was put in place, was because the City already had services in place, unlike the townships in the County.

My main question for City Council tonight is, what do you plan to do with the funds if you 40/40/20 program? In my long experience working in Government, both City and County, I know that a lot of people say they care about issues because it looks good. But they don't often support it when it matters, which is when it comes to budget.

The way you show you care about this issue, is by leaving the 40/40/20 in place.

thanks

Amy Klinke, 5th Ward

On Mon, May 18, 2020 at 12:43 PM Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)> wrote:

Hi,

Council has received a lot of interesting emails from people today who, like you, have been led to believe that agenda item DC-8 is about defunding affordable housing, climate action, and

pedestrian safety. I think it's important to help clarify issues like this, particularly in a time of uncertainty when people are under a lot of other stress and pressure. Misunderstanding is not helpful and this kind of misunderstanding is a lot of work to untangle. We are not "defunding" anything to simply allow those funds to enter the general budget.

We are facing extreme challenges re: potential loss of revenue to fund quite a lot of essential needs. E.g. Revenue towards maintaining our water treatment plant will be way down if the university students do not return in the fall. We've already accepted that renovation of our water treatment plant must be delayed, due to the current crisis. Many of the expectations we all had around funding and policy six months ago are nowhere near relevant to the situation we face now.

The millage rebate designation of 40/40/20 was made two years ago and those proportions may or may not reflect community needs during this pandemic. Last year, Council raised this issue and attempted a compromise—committing the promised 40/40/20 for the upcoming fiscal year, but acknowledging that if circumstances changed drastically, this decision needed to be up for discussion as a regular part of the annual budget process (this is actually how the rebate money enters our budget: untethered as to purpose). The mayor vetoed that compromise. Conversations around the 40/40/20 commitment last year were never about defunding anything, though I have seen it framed that way again and again. This year, we see the exact situation that many of us feared and anticipated last year: we are in a crisis that forces us to look at everything differently.

Council is well aware of the increasing need for funds to support affordable housing-- twice in the last month we have unanimously approved emergency stop-gap funding for homeless shelters, we know this problem is getting bigger (not smaller). I would argue that lifting the 40/40/20 split is probably more likely to result in additional funding for affordable housing and reduced spending on pedestrian safety. At least some of the funding allocated for climate action is earmarked for additional staffing. Staffing is a huge expenditure in our budget and one that we will have to look at critically in the coming months. We need discretion in looking at budgets moving forward—it is a huge leap of logic to say that we are defunding support for our most vulnerable residents and it disturbs me that this messaging is out there, being spread. The opposite is true: we are more likely to need flexibility in assigning more budget to those issues.

I appreciate you reaching out. I encourage you to take a look at this budget presentation from our work session May 11, 2020. It may help clarify the very difficult financial circumstances we face as a city.

<http://a2gov.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx?ID=749433&GUID=DD142861-255A-4633-A3A6-C3AE082105D2&Options=&Search=>

Elizabeth

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**From:** Amy Klinke [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 12:41 PM  
**To:** CityCouncil <[CityCouncil@a2gov.org](mailto:CityCouncil@a2gov.org)>; Crawford, Tom <[TCrawford@a2gov.org](mailto:TCrawford@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** Affordable Housing

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Hello City Council,

I used to run the Office of Community and Economic Development for both the City and the County. Affordable housing is one of the key pillars when a person is in a mental health crisis. A stable living situation is key to stable mental health. I know this seems logical, but it is also clinically important.

I have heard that council is considering removing your commitment to affordable housing by removing a portion of the mental health mileage to housing. This is a mistake and can have devastating effects on homelessness in our community. There are many studies that prove that housing stability is a key factor in mental health treatment. If you are curious to learn more I would be happy to discuss.

I urge you to vote no on this resolution.

Amy Klinke

5th Ward

**From:** [Jessi Averill](#)  
**To:** [Taylor, Christopher \(Mayor\)](#); [Bannister, Anne](#); [Hayner, Jeff](#); [Lumm, Jane](#); [Griswold, Kathy](#); [Ackerman, Zach](#); [Grand, Julie](#); [Eaton, Jack](#); [Nelson, Elizabeth](#); [Smith, Chip](#); [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**Subject:** DO NOT remove the restrictions to City's Use of Mental Health/Public Safety Millage Funds  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:26:19 PM

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Our family is dismayed to learn that a resolution being proposed at tonight's Ann Arbor City Council meeting seeks to remove the restrictions Washtenaw County residents voted in favor of when they passed the County Mental Health and Public Safety millage.

Revenues generated by this millage go to support many important programs aimed at the most vulnerable in our community. If this resolution as worded is passed tonight, many area nonprofits including Peace Neighborhood Center, where our daughters go, will be negatively impacted as these funds will be diverted away from their intended purpose at the whim of City Council.

While we understand that this current health and economic crisis carries with it many difficult decisions, we urge that City Council look elsewhere to balance its budget for the current year rather than overturning the will of the people on this millage.

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Jessi Averill  


**From:** [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**To:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**Subject:** Amendment to DC-8  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:32:03 PM

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Ms. Beaudry,

Please circulate this proposed amendment to DC-8 when I need it during discussion.

Current:

RESOLVED, That City Council requests the Interim City Administrator update City Council at least monthly on actions implemented and financial forecast.

Proposed:

RESOLVED, That City Council requests the Interim City Administrator update City Council with a quarterly report on the actions implemented and financial forecast.

Thank you.  
CM Ramlawi

Sent from my iPad



**From:** [Sandy Ryder](#)  
**To:** [Eaton, Jack](#)  
**Subject:** Not taking money away from CAN  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:34:27 PM

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**Please do not take funding away from CAN which protects our most vulnerable citizens.**

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sandy Ryder

4th ward, Ann Arbor, 48103

**From:** [DEBORAH WELSH](#)  
**To:** [Smith, Chip](#); [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**Subject:** CAN  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:36:41 PM

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As my city council representatives I want to urge you to **REMOVE** the language highlighted below from tonight's vote on **Resolution Regarding FY21 Budget and Financial Recovery Plan**:

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It is **exactly** this funding that is helping the city's most vulnerable at this time, and was deemed as such when the millage was passed.

Please do not allow this vital funding to be stripped from its designated purpose.

Thank you for your consideration,

**From:** [Sandy Ryder](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Elizabeth](#)  
**Subject:** Protecting the funding  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:37:58 PM

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**Please do not reduce support for CAN as it provides help for our citizens who are most vulnerable. Thank you for your consideration.**

Sincerely

Sandy Ryder

4th ward. Ann Arbor 48103

**From:** [Deborah Field](#)  
**To:** [Smith, Chip](#)  
**Subject:** Tonight's resolution  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:40:21 PM

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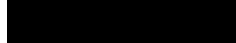
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Dear Councilman Smith,

I was alarmed to read about the resolution introduced in council this evening that would allow city council to use money from the mental health and public safety millage as unrestricted, general purpose tax revenue. Passing this resolution would send a message that city council does not respect the will of the voters. I hope you vote against it.

Sincerely,

Deborah Field



**From:** [Larissa Sano](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Elizabeth](#)  
**Subject:** Re: oppose reallocation of millage funds  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:46:25 PM

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Dear Elizabeth,

Thank you for your response.

It was not my intent to write another "interesting" email, and please understand that just because I find your position to be incorrect, this does not indicate something needs to be clarified or that there is any misunderstanding.

As an aside, this is not a representative democracy issue where we as voters should expect substituted judgment by our representatives. Frankly, on one or another occasion and on various issues, I have disagreed with the position of every member of council. But that is how representative democracy works. You vote for whomever you deem to be most qualified, and let them decide issues as they see fit (even if you disagree, which is bound to happen).

This, however, is an entirely different issue. The money in question was approved by the voters for a very specific purpose. As an aside, if you are hiding behind the technical, legal argument that some have advanced about this money being unallocated because the language on the ballot was ambiguous, you'll have a hard time casting yourself as an advocate of honest, ethical government. The millage was solicited for a very specific purpose: Mental Health and Public Safety. The idea that any voter actually viewed the language at the end of measure to mean that the listed cities could do whatever they want with the funds is simply not credible.

Which gets to my point. Obviously, these are difficult times. And you as a representative have the right to use your best judgment to allocate funds as you see fit.

But what you do not have the right to do is to take funds that you solicited for a very specific purpose (notably, a purpose that is still a great need in the time of COVID-19), and push it into the general fund to use however you see fit. I am glad to see that you at least admit that you and other council members were already trying to do this before, and therefore, essentially admit that your current COVID-19 argument is one of convenience, not principle.

So in the end, rather than sending me charts and presentations trying to justify your actions, it would be preferable that you just admit your true intent here (again, an intent that preceded COVID-19, but that is now dressed up as a COVID-19 necessity). As was true the first time you did this - you do not really care about the intent of the voters or the fact that this action effectuates a fraud on the voters. But understand that in taking this action, you are damaging the trust that is central to the proper functioning of our government, and has led to the willingness of voters such as myself to take council at its word and to support these types of measures. I do not believe that I will be willing to do so in the future. It is sad to say, but in my long time here living in Ann Arbor, this is the first time that I can truly say that I am losing trust in our local government. And that is a sad state of affairs.

Thank you for your time.

Larissa

On Mon, May 18, 2020 at 2:34 PM Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)> wrote:

Hi,

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Elizabeth

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**From:** Larissa Sano [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 2:06 PM  
**To:** Lumm, Jane <[JLumm@a2gov.org](mailto:JLumm@a2gov.org)>; [Kathy.Griswold.2@gmail.com](mailto:Kathy.Griswold.2@gmail.com)  
**Cc:** CityCouncil <[CityCouncil@a2gov.org](mailto:CityCouncil@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** oppose reallocation of millage funds

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Dear City Council Representatives Lumm and Griswold,

I am a Ward 2 resident and am writing to let you know that I **oppose** your proposal to reallocate funds from the Mental Health and Public Safety Millage into an unrestricted fund to be overseen by the Ann Arbor City Council.

I, like the majority of voters, voted to approve this millage so that funds could be used for mental health and public safety in Ann Arbor (as voted on by the Council

before the millage was put to vote) and not as "unrestricted, general purpose revenue" for the Ann Arbor City Council to oversee. As such, the funds need to be preserved for what voters voted for in 2017 and not for a general reserve fund to be overseen by City Council as modified in 2020. I believe that to do otherwise is to defraud the voters of Ann Arbor.

Sincerely,

Larissa Sano

Ward 2 resident since 2001



**From:** [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**To:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**Subject:** Amendment to DC-8 - additional 7th resolve clause.  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:50:36 PM

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Ms. Beaudry.

Please introduce this as a 7th Resolve clause.

Resolved, City council accepts a 10 % reduction in compensation for all council salaries that are payable in the FY 2021.

Respectfully,  
CM Ramlawi  
Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Lumm, Jane](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
**Cc:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#); [Crawford, Tom](#)  
**Subject:** Minor amendment for DC-8 I will introduce  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:55:25 PM

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Council, Jackie,

In 3rd Resolve, last bullet:

- Allocation and prioritization of recovery actions should reflect a priority on ensuring continued delivery of high quality basic, essential services and be generally ...

Replace: "guided by resident surveys on spending priorities"

With: "consistent with our practice of Priority Based Budgeting."

Thanks, Jane

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Gus Teschke](#)  
**To:** [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote to adopt and fund the A2Zero plan for the climate emergency.  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:05:30 PM

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Hello CM Ramlawi:

I support the A2Zero plan because we need to act now. I realize that Covid is causing budgetary problems, but we need to get this plan rolling now so we can do our part, show it's possible for local governments to act, and inspire other cities to take action. We need a livable future.

Thank you,

Gus Teschke



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**From:** [Jean Leverich](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Please vote NO on DC-8!  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:13:06 PM

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I was asked to contact City Council by CAN and WHA because they are concerned that Resolution DC-8 proposes to reallocate monies currently earmarked to provide services for housing insecure families and individuals in Ann Arbor. Although I understand that we are in a public health and economic crisis, ask that the City not reallocate funds intended for the most vulnerable among us.

Thank you.  
Jean Leverich  
Ward 5

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**To:** CityCouncil <[CityCouncil@a2gov.org](mailto:CityCouncil@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** Please vote NO on DC-8!

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Dear Mayor Taylor and Ann Arbor City Council Members,

I'm writing on behalf of CAN and WHA to request that City Council protect our most physically and economically vulnerable families during the COVID-19 crisis by voting NO on DC-8. During this unprecedented global pandemic, let's remember that housing insecurity exacerbates mental health problems. Let's keep the money that was set aside for affordable housing and use it toward affordable housing.

Sincerely,

Jean Leverich, PhD, LMSW

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**From:** [Kathryn Lampen](#)  
**To:** [Lumm, Jane](#); [Griswold, Kathy](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Please DO NOT defund Community Action Network  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:13:08 PM

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I would appreciate it if you could please clarify your statements tonight. Can you please share what your real intention was when you responded positively to the statement using language referring to low-income families as chickens?

On Mon, May 18, 2020 at 4:44 PM Kathryn Lampen <[knlampen@gmail.com](mailto:knlampen@gmail.com)> wrote:

Good afternoon,

I heard that your proposed resolution may defund CAN, among other nonprofits. **This organization not only supports high-risk (of contracting COVID-19), low-income families but it is putting in double the effort to make sure families have food and supplies in the midst of this pandemic and should, of all things, have MORE funding to be able to continue its good work.**

Why take care of our low-income neighbors?

- These community members are at a higher risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19 because they have less flexibility and freedom to work from home since many essential jobs are also low-paid positions, despite how necessary they are to keeping our society and economy going.
- Healthy citizens are productive citizens who can go do their jobs well and spend the money they earn, helping the economy.
- CAN not only ensures our families have their basic needs met, but the organization connects them to resources and provides academic and career support so they can be successful and thrive. When people can provide for themselves and have their needs met, they can contribute more to society-- By funding CAN, you are helping *everyone* gain access to better lives, not just the families CAN partners with.
- **It is the right thing to do.** Even if none of what I stated above was true, humans should take care of other humans - especially those who are struggling and suffering.

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It must be particularly humiliating when we cannot even treat people like people, but put our own weak moments on display on social media when referring to other humans as chickens. Even if intended as a joke, there is no room for racism in our country, in our state, and especially in our city. Do you want to represent people as their politician? **Then treat people like people.** Dehumanizing language like that is disgusting and dangerous.

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Katie Lampen



**From:** [Eric Sturgis](#)  
**To:** [Bannister, Anne](#); [Hayner, Jeff](#)  
**Subject:** Ms. Carlisle  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:19:10 PM

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I would hope that you look at all the positive things she has done for the community, and the support for the homeless community. She seems to have many positive traits and has served well on the board and commission.

Thanks,

Eric Sturgis  
1st Ward Voter

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Eric A Sturgis  




**From:** [Edward Vielmetti](#)  
**To:** [Griswold, Kathy](#)  
**Subject:** Council emails regarding DC-8  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:19:34 PM

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Kathy, can you share an example of the email campaign that you objected to at council tonight?

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Edward Vielmetti [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [Eric Sturgis](#)  
**To:** [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**Subject:** Email about Affordable Housing  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:24:15 PM

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I apologize if you felt my email was out of line. I was expressing my opinion and I appreciate the work that you do on council. I think there was a difference of opinion on a certain resolution.

Thanks,

Eric

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Eric A Sturgis  


**From:** [Kathryn Lampen](#)  
**To:** [Ramlawi, Ali](#); [Griswold, Kathy](#); [Lumm, Jane](#); [Hayner, Jeff](#)  
**Subject:** In response to your comments tonight  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:24:35 PM

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Good Evening,

With all due respect, you have been elected to listen and respond to your community's concerns -- even if there is a flurry of concern that comes to you one day out of many. It might affect you for a day, but these comments (and possible lack of funding) can affect families for a lifetime.

You kept talking about misinformation tonight but did not clarify what the misinformation was. I saw the Facebook comments that your colleagues posted condoning language comparing low-income families to chickens.

Can you please explain what the misinformation was?

Thank you,  
Katie

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Katie Lampen



**From:** [Eric Sturgis](#)  
**To:** [Bannister, Anne](#)  
**Subject:** Rita Mitchell  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:30:45 PM

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Rita Mitchell is a political appointment so I hope you will be consistent with your voting.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**To:** [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Add CM Ramlawi to DC-7 as a co sponsor.  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:31:32 PM

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All set.

Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk  
Ann Arbor City Clerk's Office | Guy C. Larcom City Hall | 301 E. Huron, 2nd Floor · Ann Arbor · MI · 48104  
734.794.6140 (O) · 734.994.8296 (F) | Internal Extension 41401  
[jbeaudry@a2gov.org](mailto:jbeaudry@a2gov.org) | [www.a2gov.org](http://www.a2gov.org)

Think Green! Please don't print this e-mail unless absolutely necessary.

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

From: Ramlawi, Ali <[ARamlawi@a2gov.org](mailto:ARamlawi@a2gov.org)>  
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2020 10:14 PM  
To: Beaudry, Jacqueline <[JBeaudry@a2gov.org](mailto:JBeaudry@a2gov.org)>  
Subject: Add CM Ramlawi to DC-7 as a co sponsor.

Jackie,  
Sorry for all the single issue emails today.  
Could you please add me as a co sponsor to DC-7.

Appreciate all the work you do for us.  
Best wishes,  
CM Ramlawi

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Carol Seidl](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
**Subject:** We all benefit when the most vulnerable are protected  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:35:22 PM

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**Please vote no on Agenda Item DC-8!**

Carol Seidl



**From:** [Daniel Moerman](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Elizabeth](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Please vote NO on DC-8!  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:53:56 PM

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Hello Elizabeth. Yes, I live outside the City of Ann Arbor. I live in Superior Township, neighboring the city on your eastern, and our western, borders. I lived in the city, for many years on North Ashley street, a 5 minute walk to the Farmer's Market; and at a half dozen different addresses since I was a student at UM in 1959. I got a phd at UM, and lived on North Ashley for 25 years while I was teaching at UM-Dearborn. I am an Ann Arborer . . . even tho I don't now live in the city. I think I should have a say.

I give a large amount of money each year to Avalon. I can't imagine living on the streets. (I've lived for several years in a tent; mostly in South Dakota, doing archaeology. It's not impossible if you have a decent cook, and a ramada over the dining table. Not in the winter, never in winter. ) Housing should be a right. Health Care should be a right. Food should be a right. The ability to make and sell food should be a right. We see all this in its extremity during the pain of this pandemic. We need to empty they jails and the prisons. We need to find other work for the prison personnel. . . "fix the damned streets" someone we well know and love said: but it hasn't happened yet. Put the prison guards, and the ex prisoners, to work fixing the damned roads. Or something. You are the one in charge here: be creative. It's an opportunity. Make real change. Help Avalon. Go past Avalon. be brave. We will be behind you. You don't want us marching against you. Lead us. We want you to FIX things. Not waffle. Go BLUE. Go Ann Arbor!!!

best, Dan.

On Mon, May 18, 2020 at 1:33 PM Smith, Chip <[ChSmith@a2gov.org](mailto:ChSmith@a2gov.org)> wrote:

I oppose DC-8 - the Lumm resolution - and all of the attempts to undo the pledge we made to voters on how the City would use the rebate from the County Public Safety and Mental Health millage.

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Chip Smith  
Ann Arbor City Council - Ward 5  
734-709-2022

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**From:** Daniel Moerman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 9:46 AM  
**To:** CityCouncil <[CityCouncil@a2gov.org](mailto:CityCouncil@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** Please vote NO on DC-8!

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Housing is, or ought to be a right. If this virus has taught us anything, it's that we each need a home to shelter in. Not now, not ever.

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Daniel E Moerman  
William E. Stirton Professor Emeritus of Anthropology  
University of Michigan-Dearborn  
Research Associate, Botanical Research Institute of Texas

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**From:** [Elijah Hatcher-Kay](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#); [Taylor, Christopher \(Mayor\)](#)  
**Subject:** Follow-up to my public comment at this evening's meeting re: A2Zero  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:57:51 PM

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Good evening, Council and Mayor Taylor,

Thank you for giving me a chance to speak during tonight's ongoing City Council meeting. For reference, I was the speaker who identified myself as a ward 5 resident and Pioneer High School freshman, and one of the several commenters to speak in favor of adopting and funding the A2Zero Carbon Neutrality Plan.

In the hopes that you may catch this before voting on this plan shortly, or more likely before voting on funding later in the meeting, I wanted to speak to a comment Councilmember Lumm just made about the Plan. Specifically, she cited U of M's lack of leadership on carbon neutrality and the funding needs of COVID relief as reasons she is hesitant to support this proposal.

Regarding U of M: we cannot wait for the university to take action before moving forward with our own carbon neutrality initiative. The longer we wait to begin implementation, the more expensive the plan will become - and expense, of course, was one of Councilmember Lumm's other concerns. U of M has historically struggled to take leadership on climate justice work, which is no excuse for the City of Ann Arbor to do the same. Instead, let's lead by example by trusting our City staff who developed this Plan and adopting it.

COVID relief funding is something I specifically addressed in my comments earlier tonight, but I'll touch on it again briefly. While we take action to equitably recover from this devastating virus, we must learn from the coronavirus crisis by taking strong, early action to address the looming climate crisis before it has the opportunity to similarly overwhelm our community - and, indeed, the world.

Please pass the A2Zero Plan and fund it as recommended in the Interim Administrator's proposed budget.

Thank you! --Elijah

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Elijah Hatcher-Kay  
He/Him/His

**From:** [Renee McPhail](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote NO on DC-8!  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 9:00:38 PM

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**To the AA City Council:**  
**Please follow the recommendations that were made to City Council by the City's Housing & Human Services Advisory Board. They know what they're talking about.**  
**Renee M.**

**From:** [Mitchiner, Jim](#)  
**To:** [Lumm, Jane](#)  
**Subject:** Medicare for All Resolution  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 9:00:56 PM

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Jane,

Sorry I was unable to get my comments in on time, but wanted you to know I support the Medicare for All resolution that was due to be discussed at tonight's AA City Council meeting. Happy to talk with you more if you want.

Jim Mitchiner

Ps. Thanks for contacting the City forester about replacing my tree!

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** [Ramlawi, Ali](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Urgent: 2 Ann Arbor Councilmembers Plotting to Defund CAN and Other Nonprofits  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 9:04:44 PM

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Colleagues,

This is the one of 2 Email's that lead to the accusations of misinformation Referred to this evening.

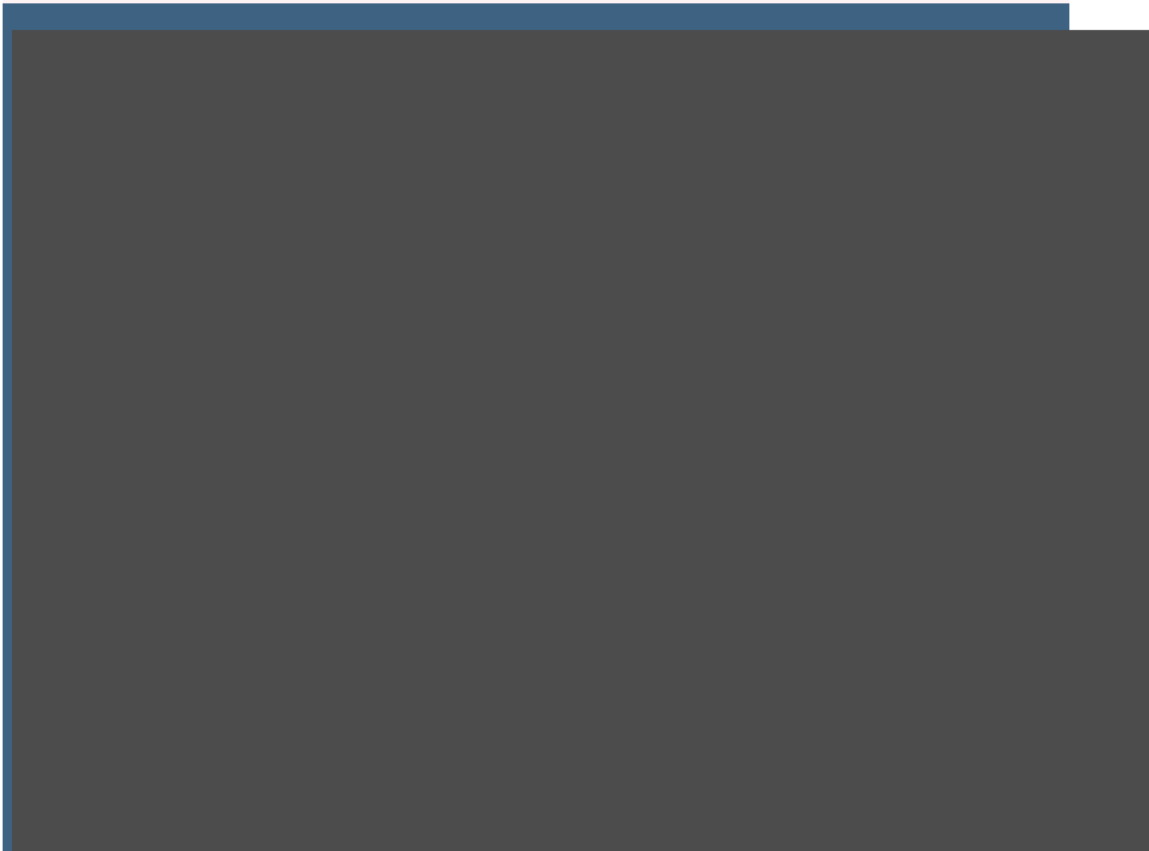
Respectfully,  
CM Ramlawi

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Community Action Network <[info@canannarbor.org](mailto:info@canannarbor.org)>  
**Date:** May 18, 2020 at 9:34:13 AM MDT  
**To:** "Ramlawi, Ali" <[ARamlawi@a2gov.org](mailto:ARamlawi@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** **Urgent: 2 Ann Arbor Councilmembers Plotting to Defund CAN and Other Nonprofits**  
**Reply-To:** [info@canannarbor.org](mailto:info@canannarbor.org)

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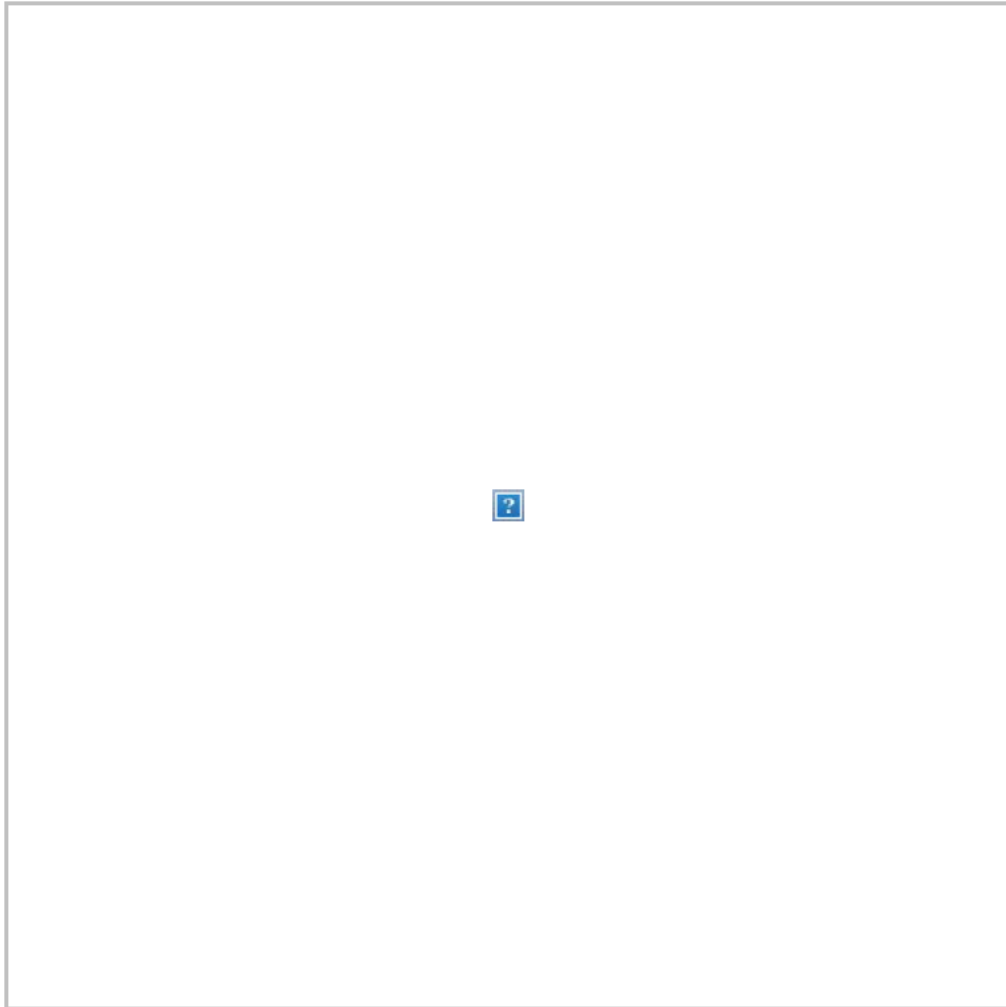
## Ask City Council to Double Support Today!

CAN Supporters,

You have all been amazing before and during the pandemic! With your help, CAN is holding on while our food pantries and distributions have experienced a 200% increase in demand. CAN is barely holding on while we have distributed recorded number of meals (over 40,000 meals in 2 months compared to 19,000 all of last fiscal year). CAN is holding on as we provide academic and arts/crafts supplies to thousands of youth and adapt to virtual engagement. CAN is holding on because of YOU! We would not be able to do a fraction of this without your support and we need you once more.

On the agenda for tonight's Ann Arbor City Council meeting at 7:00 pm, is [a resolution by Councilmembers Jane Lumm and Kathy Griswold](#), which aims to remove dedicated funding from CAN and several other nonprofits that provide critical support services including affordable housing!

CAN has purposefully remained out of local politics as many know it has become exceedingly toxic. Never would we have imagined that during this pandemic in Ann Arbor would our community's most vulnerable be compared to as chickens by Councilmember Griswold and a few others.



Instead, we need community members like [Lilian Anderson from Sprouting Chefs](#) and [Allison Anastasio from Last Bite](#) previewed in a recent [Weloveannarbor.org](#) article.

Excerpted from the article: "Derrick Miller, the executive director of Community Action Network, is grateful for the work being done by Anastasio, Anderson and their team.

"They have been truly incredible and have really stepped up to the plate (pun intended)," he said. "They have been so flexible and the meals, as you can see from the pictures, are absolutely beautiful, delicious, and healthy. It is continuing to fill a growing need in our community and we cannot thank them enough for being so kind with their time, expertise and resources. They are a big reason why I and those at CAN love Ann Arbor."

We need your help today not only to stop this resolution but to also demand doubling their support for CAN and other affordable housing organizations!

The single action of this resolution alone will have wiped out the impact of all donations received by CAN to combat the effects of the pandemic! CAN needs your voice so that we can continue to hold on.

## How can you help?

### Message Councilmembers Lumm and Griswold as well as all City of Ann Arbor Councilmembers voicing your concerns!

Ward 2: Councilmember Jane Lumm - 734.677.4010 - [jlumm@a2gov.org](mailto:jlumm@a2gov.org)

Ward 2: Councilmember Kathy Griswold - 734.657.7900 - [kgriswold@a2gov.org](mailto:kgriswold@a2gov.org)

Demand that this part of their resolution be withdrawn- RESOLVED, That the proceeds the City receives from the County Mental Health and Public Safety millage are treated like all other unrestricted, general purpose tax revenues with Council determining annually how they are to be utilized as part of the budget process;

[Full list of councilmembers and their contact information!](#)

Do you want City Council to NOT Defund CAN and Instead Double Their Support?

Yes

Select

No

Select

**Spread the Word:** We need your help spreading the word quickly. Council votes tonight and this resolution was posted just a few days ago! Forward this email to your friends, family, and colleagues and ask for their action as well.

Thank you for all that you do to support our community's most vulnerable. It is all of you who makes this an incredible community with values to include and support all its residents.

Sincerely,

Your friends at CAN!

Community Action Network  
[info@canannarbor.org](mailto:info@canannarbor.org)  
PO Box 130076, Ann Arbor, MI 48113

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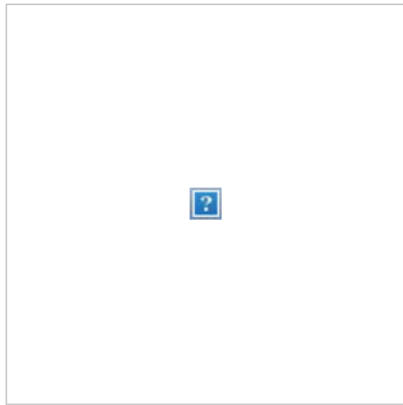


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**Subject:** Proud of Ward 3 tonight..  
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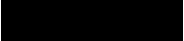
Tremendous thanks for calling it as you saw it tonight (and you both have the added benefit of being right). I'm proud to be represented by you both!

Keep doing what you do!

Bradley

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Bradley Parsons



**From:** [Jessica Black](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
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Hello,

Please clarify the intent behind the following resolved clause:

***DC-8, Resolution Regarding FY21 Budget & Financial Recovery Plan:***

**RESOLVED,** *That the proceeds the City receives from the County Mental Health and Public Safety millage are treated like all other unrestricted, general purpose tax revenues with Council determining annually how they are to be utilized as part of the budget process.*

My basic understanding is this resolved clause may reduce funding to Human Service organizations such as Avalon Housing, CAN, etc. and if this is the intent, I strongly encourage you to remove this clause.

Please clarify the intent of the resolution.

Sincerely,  
Jessica Black  
Ward 3, Precinct 6  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [sue.symington](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
**Subject:** Sustainability issue  
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**Please vote to postpone this issue. I'm a 3rd ward resident who is being outpriced of my home with every passage of increased tax agendas. I'm also waiting for my bumpy, broken street to be repaired.**

Thank you,  
Sue Symington

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**From:** [Thomas Lyon](#)  
**To:** [Griswold, Kathy](#)  
**Subject:** A2Zero Vote  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 9:31:19 PM

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Dear Councilmember Griswold,

As one of your constituents in Ward 2, I am wondering how the vote went tonight on the A2Zero resolution.

How did you vote, and why?


Thanks very much,

Tom Lyon

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Thomas P. Lyon

Dow Chair of Sustainable Science, Technology and Policy  
Ross School of Business  
School of Environment and Sustainability (SEAS)  
University of Michigan



**From:** [MG](#)  
**To:** [Taylor, Christopher \(Mayor\)](#)  
**Subject:** Thank you for your comments on the A2Zero Plan  
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Thank you, Mayor Taylor, for your eloquent and on-point comments about the climate crisis tonight.

I guess we'll all be back June 1st, we hope it passes :)

Mary & Hugh Garton

**From:** [NAMI WC Volunteers](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Elizabeth](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Please vote NO on DC-8!  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 9:51:24 PM

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Elizabeth,

Thank you for the clarification. I appreciate the difficulty that the loss of revenue presents at such a difficult time. Your explanation is helpful to me as I try to understand how affordable housing fits into a very different picture than it did 2 years ago.

Thank you for your time and effort to respond.

On Mon, May 18, 2020 at 1:53 PM Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)> wrote:

Hi,

Council has received a lot of interesting emails from people today who, like you, have been led to believe that agenda item DC-8 is about defunding affordable housing, climate action, and pedestrian safety. I think it's important to help clarify issues like this, particularly in a time of uncertainty when people are under a lot of other stress and pressure. Misunderstanding is not helpful and this kind of misunderstanding is a lot of work to untangle. We are not "defunding" anything to simply allow those funds to enter the general budget.

We are facing extreme challenges re: potential loss of revenue to fund quite a lot of essential needs. E.g. Revenue towards maintaining our water treatment plant will be way down if the university students do not return in the fall. We've already accepted that renovation of our water treatment plant must be delayed, due to the current crisis. Many of the expectations we all had around funding and policy six months ago are nowhere near relevant to the situation we face now.

The millage rebate designation of 40/40/20 was made two years ago and those proportions may or may not reflect community needs during this pandemic. Last year, Council raised this issue and attempted a compromise—committing the promised 40/40/20 for the upcoming fiscal year, but acknowledging that if circumstances changed drastically, this decision needed to be up for discussion as a regular part of the annual budget process (this is actually how the rebate money enters our budget: untethered as to purpose). The mayor vetoed that compromise. Conversations around the 40/40/20 commitment last year were never about defunding anything, though I have seen it framed that way again and again. This year, we see the exact situation that many of us feared and anticipated last year: we are in a crisis that forces us to look at everything differently.

Council is well aware of the increasing need for funds to support affordable housing-- twice in the last month we have unanimously approved emergency stop-gap funding for homeless shelters, we know this problem is getting bigger (not smaller). I would argue that lifting the 40/40/20 split is probably more likely to result in additional funding for affordable housing and reduced spending on pedestrian safety. At least some of the funding allocated for climate action is earmarked for additional staffing. Staffing is a huge expenditure in our budget and one that we will have to look at critically in the coming months. We need discretion in looking at budgets moving forward—it is a huge leap of logic to say that we are defunding support for our most vulnerable residents and it disturbs me that this messaging is out there, being spread. The opposite is true: we are more likely to need flexibility is assigning more budget to those issues.

I appreciate you reaching out. I encourage you to take a look at this budget presentation from our work session May 11, 2020. It may help clarify the very difficult financial circumstances we face as a city.

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Elizabeth

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**From:** NAMI WC Volunteers <[volunteers@namiwc.org](mailto:volunteers@namiwc.org)>

**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 1:47 PM

**To:** CityCouncil <[CityCouncil@a2gov.org](mailto:CityCouncil@a2gov.org)>

**Subject:** Please vote NO on DC-8!

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I am asking you to please fund Affordable Housing in the city's FY 2021 budget.

My son, living with a serious chronic mental health condition, has relied on housing through AA Housing commission for 20 years. It has provided an independent affordable housing option for him. Prior to this, he was homeless due to his illness and lack of access to

the crucial supports he needed. He, like many others, are the most vulnerable in society.

Thank you,

Patricia E Doyle | Volunteer Coordinator | NAMI WC | 313.510.9333

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**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
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**To:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**Subject:** amendments  
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B-1

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DB-1

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Jack Eaton  
Ward 4 Council member  
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**To:** [\\*City Council Members \(All\)](#); [Postema, Stephen](#); [Crawford, Tom](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerhart, Stephen](#)  
**Subject:** FW: amendments  
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**To:** [Elijah Hatcher-Kay](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Follow-up to my public comment at this evening's meeting re: A2Zero  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 10:03:01 PM

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Hi Elijah,

Thank you very much for calling in to speak. I so appreciated your comments -- for both their logic and their passion. While I am in office, I will continue to elevate your voice and work to make Ann Arbor a leader in climate action.

As an aside, I started attending City Council meetings at the age of 15, a sophomore at Pioneer. The experience inspired me so much that I ran for Council at 21 and was elected as a senior at U of M.

Keep it up! I look forward to voting for you someday soon.

Best,  
Zach

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Zachary Ackerman  
Ann Arbor City Council  
Ward 3

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**From:** Elijah Hatcher-Kay [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 8:57 PM  
**To:** CityCouncil <CityCouncil@a2gov.org>; Taylor, Christopher (Mayor) <CTaylor@a2gov.org>  
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Good evening, Council and Mayor Taylor,

Thank you for giving me a chance to speak during tonight's ongoing City Council meeting. For reference, I was the speaker who identified myself as a ward 5 resident and Pioneer High School freshman, and one of the several commenters to speak in favor of adopting and funding the A2Zero Carbon Neutrality Plan.

In the hopes that you may catch this before voting on this plan shortly, or more likely before voting on funding later in the meeting, I wanted to speak to a comment Councilmember Lumm just made about the Plan. Specifically, she cited U of M's lack of leadership on carbon neutrality and the funding needs of COVID relief as reasons she is hesitant to support this proposal.

Regarding U of M: we cannot wait for the university to take action before moving forward with our own carbon neutrality initiative. The longer we wait to begin implementation, the more expensive the plan will become - and expense, of course, was one of Councilmember Lumm's other concerns. U of M has historically struggled to take leadership on climate justice work, which is no excuse for the City of Ann Arbor to do the same. Instead, let's lead by example by trusting our City staff who developed this Plan and adopting it.

COVID relief funding is something I specifically addressed in my comments earlier tonight, but I'll touch on it again briefly. While we take action to equitably recover from this devastating virus, we must learn from the coronavirus crisis by taking strong, early action to address the looming climate crisis before it has the opportunity to similarly overwhelm our community - and, indeed, the world.

Please pass the A2Zero Plan and fund it as recommended in the Interim Administrator's proposed budget.

Thank you! --Elijah

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Elijah Hatcher-Kay  
He/Him/His

**From:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**To:** [\\*City Council Members \(All\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Crawford, Tom](#); [Hupy, Craig](#); [Postema, Stephen](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Water/Sewer Rated  
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**Cc:** Lumm, Jane <[JLumm@a2gov.org](mailto:JLumm@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** FW: FY21 Budget Amendment - Amendment Regarding Water Rates

Jackie, Could you please forward this to council when we discuss B-3. It's an amendment I plan to introduce.

Thanks! Jane

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**From:** Lumm, Jane  
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**Subject:** FW: FY21 Budget Amendment - Amendment Regarding Water Rates

Friends,

This is an amendment to defer the water rate increases until January, and I thought it would included on the list of budget amendments. It wasn't included so I'm sending it now as a heads-up. I think if you read through it it's self-explanatory, and I plan to introduce it when we're considering B-3.

Have a nice weekend, all, and see you Monday, Jane

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**From:** Jane Lumm [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2020 3:43 PM



**To:** Horning, Matthew <[MHorning@a2gov.org](mailto:MHorning@a2gov.org)>; Buselmeier, Kimberly <[KBuselmeier@a2gov.org](mailto:KBuselmeier@a2gov.org)>  
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Matt, Kim,

Here's my last budget amendment. It would be introduced as an amendment to agenda item B-3 (not DS-2), but I'd still like it kept on the list of amendments you distribute so all of my colleagues are aware it's coming.

Thanks, and again please let me know if you have suggestions.

Jane

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### **FY21 Budget Amendment - Amendment Regarding Water Rates**

*(To be introduced as amendment to agenda item B-3)*

Whereas, effective July 1, 2018, Ann Arbor's water rates were re-structured including establishing a new multi-family customer class, adding a fourth volume-based tier to single-family residential rates and eliminating the tier structure in the commercial customer class; and

Whereas, the re-structuring shifted approximately \$2M annually in cost to single-family residential customers and substantially increased the cost premiums paid by higher volume single-family residential water users including customers with large families; and

Whereas, within the residential customer class, the per gallon rate is 8 times higher for Tier 4 usage than Tier 1 usage and prior to the July 2018, the range from high to low was 3.8 times. In FY19, Tier 3 and 4 usage accounted for 21% of the residential usage, but 53% of the residential revenue collected; Tier 4 accounted for 6% of the usage, but 25% of the residential revenue collected; and

Whereas, city staff have indicated that the elasticity assumptions made, and presumably reflected in the Cost of Service study, were understated compared with the actual experience following the re-structuring; and

Whereas, a fundamental premise underlying the re-structuring proposal was that volume peaking drives costs, yet the re-structuring proposal was internally inconsistent in its application of that logic – the re-structuring expanded volume-based price tiering for single-family residential, but eliminated the tiers in the commercial customer class where the peaking impact on the system (on both a percentage and

absolute basis) was even greater; and

Whereas, in response to a council resolution, Arcadis Inc. developed feasible and legal water rate structure tiering alternatives for residential (four alternatives) and commercial customers (two alternatives) that were revenue neutral to the city, and those alternatives were presented to Council at a work session on March 11, 2019; and

Whereas, at that meeting, Arcadis indicated that Ann Arbor's high to low range of rates within the residential customer class were much wider than are typically used; and

Whereas, the decision in 2018 to re-structure water rates was not unanimous and there continues to be strong concern regarding the re-structuring both among council members and in the community: and

Whereas, city council believes that the city has no higher responsibility than to provide safe drinking water to residents and to ensure adequate funding for re-investment in the water system infrastructure; and

Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused financial hardship for Ann Arbor residents and businesses and it is appropriate for the city to identify actions that can provide relief for them, if even temporary and relatively small relief; and

Whereas, deferral of a water rate increase for six months to January 1, 2021 would result in reduction of approximately \$700,000 in city revenue.

**RESOLVED**, that the proposed water rate increase effective July 1, 2020 is deferred until January 1, 2021:

**RESOLVED**, that if determined necessary by city staff, city council authorizes that the incremental revenue lost to the Water System as a result of the six-month deferral be recovered in the January 1, 2021 increase;

**RESOLVED**, that during the six-month period, city staff review the rate structure alternatives presented by Arcadis and present to council a recommended structure that is feasible, legal and addresses councils concerns regarding (1) the wide range of per gallon charges in Ann Arbor's residential customer class (2) the lack of tiering or any mechanism in the commercial customer class rate structure to incentivize conservation and to reflect the system costs associated with peaking (3) the validity of the cost of service study results given the actual usage experience subsequent to the re-structuring.

**RESOLVED**, that the recommendations be presented to city council prior to council's consideration of the January 1, 2021 water rate increase proposal.

Submitted by Jane Lumm

May 14, 2020

**From:** [Mirsky, John](#)  
**To:** [Bannister, Anne](#)  
**Subject:** A2 ZERO CN Plan  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 11:45:11 PM  
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Hi Anne,

I watched the entire discussion about the A2 ZERO plan tonight. I was disappointed that council kicked the can down the road yet again.

I would appreciate it if you would reread my email to council. A copy is attached below. I stand by my contention that what our generation has been doing for decades is immoral. We are causing irreparable harm to the planet and are causing trillions in social costs to each other, ourselves and future generations. We do nothing and are unrepentant because we don't want to change, it costs a lot of money (albeit much less than the damage we have done) and everyone has nits to pick.

You asked a question about EV batteries tonight. Here is a link to a very recent post addressing the topic of their reuse and recycling:

[Quick Guide To EV Battery Reuse & Recycling | CleanTechnica](#)

As it describes, EV battery packs can and are already being both reused for different purposes than in cars AND recycled. Moreover, the processes to do both will improve as more and more EVs are purchased because reuse and recycling volumes will increase dramatically - hundreds of percent - and costs will drop correspondingly. More importantly, there are lots and lots of studies that have been done on the total life cycle emissions of EVs vs. Internal Combustion Engines (ICEs). All of the newer ones show that EVs have lower total life cycle emissions AND they are dropping fast; for example, in the US EVs' mile per gallon equivalent performance has improved 10% in the last two years alone because more and more coal plants are being retired and more and more energy is being generated by clean renewables. Since EVs will stay on the road at least ten years like other cars, that means years from now they will perform far better than today as the grid gets cleaner whereas ICEs will still be burning the same dirty gas and diesel. And remember, as people buy EVs their old ICEs will be resold. In a domino effect those ICEs will displace **the oldest, dirtiest cars on the road**. I can understand that laypeople don't know these details but this question is not fundamental to the overall plan. It becomes one more distraction, one more nit to pick.

The A2 ZERO plan is like a 44 piece puzzle, with mostly interlocking pieces of different sizes. A few stand on their own but many are interdependent. You need 44 pieces to get to carbon neutrality. You can remove pieces but you need to replace them with others that still fit under the 7 pillar strategies, otherwise you end up at 80 or 90%. Some council members were critical that some pieces have a low rank, like the landfill solar and energy disclosure. Well of course, when you force rank 44

different actions, some end up lower than others; it's impossible to have 44 actions end up with force rankings of ten or less. Those projects are not big and they are not expensive in the big scheme of things, but they are important signals to the community. They are like the heritage trees at 2857 Packard. In the big scheme of things, the Packard trees are almost meaningless compared to the total large tree mass in A2 but preserving them is symbolic. Removing landfill solar and energy disclosure, which informs every property owner how their property performs in both absolute and relative terms, is like cutting down all of the Packard trees. It sends a signal that A2 doesn't give a damn about standing up and taking actions in our neighborhood or in our own homes and yards to achieve carbon neutrality or to preserve our natural features.

Council seems to be striving for consensus on a perfect ten year plan. There will never be such a plan. It's like asking for an aggressive US-wide carbon neutrality plan where every constituency - from Koch brothers to Greenpeace and Republicans to Democrats and Libertarians - can support every one of the 44 pieces. Don't let the perfect be the enemy of the good. Please listen to the good in your heart and not every little attack from your peers and constituents. If A2 can't get to carbon neutrality, it will send a signal far and wide that others can't either. Kids around the world read the book "The Little Engine That Could" to this very day *because it could, it did, and it is still inspiring*. Will A2 be the little city that could or the little city that just couldn't? A2 will be tested not only on June 1 but on many, many votes in the future.

I'd like to talk with you in the coming days. I will reach out by email to set up a time. I know you are busy but I'd appreciate it if you could fit me in.

Thanks for your service,

John

**From:** [Delacourt, Derek](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Elizabeth](#)  
**Subject:** Re: The Chicken ordinance  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 11:50:14 PM

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I can't believe SP tried to kill that, he even threw up the specter of legal action over duck noise - has he never heard a dog

Sent from my iPhone

On May 11, 2020, at 4:58 PM, Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)> wrote:

I'm not finding your number (!) I must not have put it in my phone—can you call me on my cell



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**From:** Delacourt, Derek <[DDelacourt@a2gov.org](mailto:DDelacourt@a2gov.org)>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 11, 2020 2:47 PM  
**To:** Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: The Chicken ordinance

Sorry for the delay, I've got meetings straight through 4:15 but can chat anytime between then and CC tonight.

Derek

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**From:** Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 07, 2020 8:33 PM  
**To:** Delacourt, Derek <[DDelacourt@a2gov.org](mailto:DDelacourt@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: The Chicken ordinance

Let me know if you have time for a chat. I appreciate your perspective and experience with this

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**From:** Delacourt, Derek <[DDelacourt@a2gov.org](mailto:DDelacourt@a2gov.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 7, 2020 8:27 PM  
**To:** Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: The Chicken ordinance

I've got someone I can reach out too tomorrow. I think I know where SP is coming from, better for a conversation. I don't know why I didn't think of this person right away. She's a Councilperson too, best Chicken person I know.

Derek

Sent from my iPhone

On May 7, 2020, at 8:15 PM, Nelson, Elizabeth  
<[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)> wrote:

CDC does not seem to advise anything more than “wash your hands”, I cannot figure out where this airborne risk idea is coming from.

I did get that vibe from SP and I do not understand it. I heard from Mlive today, they are coming tomorrow to take my picture by my coop. I really do think the pushback is irrational. Ali said he got an additional email from someone proposing that this was an inappropriate/silly thing to be legislating during a pandemic (I find that a little bit exasperating because that kind of logic would disqualify Council from considering ANY new not-directly-pandemic related ideas).

Elizabeth

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**From:** Delacourt, Derek <[DDelacourt@a2gov.org](mailto:DDelacourt@a2gov.org)>

**Sent:** Thursday, May 7, 2020 8:05 PM

**To:** Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)>

**Subject:** Re: The Chicken ordinance

I didn't but I'll look into it. It's the same thing we discussed, all of the same arguments and concerns can be applied to dogs and cats. There have been actual reported cases of dogs and cats with Covid.

I did experience the fear of all kinds of things before ordinances were adopted - none of which ever came to fruition.

The issue here is SP is also anti-chicken - at least to get the feeling he is, he was emailing after it passed first reading. I'll be curious what he does with Jane's email.

I'll see if I can find some info or an actual expert to offer an opinion. I'm guessing there are no demonstrated cases of what they are taking about.

Derek

Sent from my iPhone

On May 7, 2020, at 7:54 PM, Nelson, Elizabeth  
<[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)> wrote:

So there is a single household in ward 5, husband and wife who have emailed separately (happen to have different last names) without clarifying that they represent one household —this email below that Anne forwarded me, plus his wife Leslie Ford echoing same concerns.

I'm curious if you went through this in Ferndale, if you had data to confront this "disease" nonsense head on? This guy is out of his mind with description of smell (that just doesn't exist) and disease. Ali and Jane are like "oh, gosh, we didn't think of that" and I'm just.... Aaagh!

ELizabeth

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**From:** Bannister, Anne <[ABannister@a2gov.org](mailto:ABannister@a2gov.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 7, 2020 2:17 PM  
**To:** Nelson, Elizabeth <[ENelson@a2gov.org](mailto:ENelson@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** Fw: The Chicken ordinance

Hi -- Do you want to handle this? I was thinking we could ask staff to research it, or maybe they already have. Here again we need our Communications Dept to distribute information about dogs and cats being more dangerous than chickens.  
Anne

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**From:** Gregg Crane <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 7, 2020 1:31 PM  
**To:** Ramlawi, Ali <[ARamlawi@a2gov.org](mailto:ARamlawi@a2gov.org)>; Smith, Chip <[ChSmith@a2gov.org](mailto:ChSmith@a2gov.org)>; Eaton, Jack <[JEaton@a2gov.org](mailto:JEaton@a2gov.org)>; Grand, Julie <[JGrand@a2gov.org](mailto:JGrand@a2gov.org)>; Ackerman, Zach <[ZAckerman@a2gov.org](mailto:ZAckerman@a2gov.org)>; Griswold, Kathy <[KGriswold@a2gov.org](mailto:KGriswold@a2gov.org)>; Lumm, Jane <[JLumm@a2gov.org](mailto:JLumm@a2gov.org)>; Hayner, Jeff <[JHayner@a2gov.org](mailto:JHayner@a2gov.org)>; Bannister, Anne <[ABannister@a2gov.org](mailto:ABannister@a2gov.org)>; Taylor, Christopher (Mayor) <[CTaylor@a2gov.org](mailto:CTaylor@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** The Chicken ordinance

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Dear Mayor and City Council of Ann Arbor,



I live in Ward 5 in Ann Arbor.

I ask you to change your minds about allowing chickens in Ann Arbor without requiring neighbor permission.

The timing of this decision boggles my mind given the fact that we are enduring a public health crisis that in all likelihood arose from a virus being transmitted from live animals to humans.

Having spent considerable time on a farm in my youth, I have first hand experience of the waste and odor they produce. The 10-foot boundary limit seems utterly inadequate to me. On the farm, our chicken coop was a good 50 yards from the house. I live on the west side of ann arbor and I'm very concerned about the proximity of these animals to numbers of frail and immune compromised residents. I'm concerned about the air-borne avian diseases they might transmit to people.

In arriving at your decision, did you consult with any experts on avian diseases? Did you look at the considerable research on avian viruses and their potential for transmission to humans? If not, your decision is uninformed.

Please reconsider your vote. Do not blithely and rashly foster conditions that could give rise to another health crisis. If ever there was a time to take extra precautions to protect public health, that time is now, isn't it?

For those of you who have had chickens and feel that because of your past safe experience with them, there can be no risk in the future, have you learned nothing from the coronavirus crisis?

Finally, you are putting the city of Ann Arbor -- and all city council members -- at risk of being sued if health problems arise because of your decision.

thanks for your consideration.

Gregg Crane

**From:** [Taylor, Christopher \(Mayor\)](#)  
**To:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**Subject:** Re: DC-5  
**Date:** Monday, May 18, 2020 11:51:41 PM

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Will do.

Co sponsor plz for DC7

Christopher Taylor  
Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor  
301 East Huron Street  
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104  
734-794-6161  
*he/him/his*

**STAY HOME – STAY SAFE – SAVE LIVES**

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**From:** Beaudry, Jacqueline <JBeaudry@a2gov.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 11:50 PM  
**To:** Taylor, Christopher (Mayor) <CTaylor@a2gov.org>  
**Subject:** DC-5

Can you clarify was unanimous for 7Vote requirement?

**Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk**

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**To:** [\\*City Council Members \(All\)](#); [Postema, Stephen](#); [Crawford, Tom](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerhart, Stephen](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Amendment to DC-8  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 12:01:25 AM

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**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 7:32 PM  
**To:** Beaudry, Jacqueline <JBeaudry@a2gov.org>  
**Subject:** Amendment to DC-8

Ms. Beaudry,

Please circulate this proposed amendment to DC-8 when I need it during discussion.

Current:

**RESOLVED**, That City Council requests the Interim City Administrator update City Council at least monthly on actions implemented and financial forecast.

Proposed:

**RESOLVED**, That City Council requests the Interim City Administrator update City Council with a quarterly report on the actions implemented and financial forecast.

Thank you.  
CM Ramlawi

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Eaton, Jack](#)  
**To:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**Subject:** DC-8 Amendment  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 12:02:03 AM

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Please circulate to Council members;

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Language as amended:

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Thank you,  
Jack

Jack Eaton  
Ward 4 Council member  
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**Cc:** [Gerhart, Stephen](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Amendment to DC-8 - additional 7th resolve clause.  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 12:03:30 AM

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To: Beaudry, Jacqueline <[JBeaudry@a2gov.org](mailto:JBeaudry@a2gov.org)>  
Subject: Amendment to DC-8 - additional 7th resolve clause.

Ms. Beaudry.

Please introduce this as a 7th Resolve clause.

Resolved, City council accepts a 10 % reduction in compensation for all council salaries that are payable in the FY 2021.

Respectfully,  
CM Ramlawi  
Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
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**Cc:** [Gerhart, Stephen](#)  
**Subject:** FW: DC-8 Amendment  
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**To:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**Subject:** Affordable Housing Funding Resolution  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 12:09:05 AM

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RESOLVED, that the base level of Affordable Housing funding is set at 40% of the Mental Health millage funds.



**From:** [Lumm, Jane](#)  
**To:** [Postema, Stephen](#)  
**Cc:** [Ali Ramlawi](#); [Crawford, Tom](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Amendment to DC-8 - additional 7th resolve clause.  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 12:15:56 AM

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Thank you, CM Ramlawi.

Mr. Postema, can we formally (via a separate resolution to be presented later) request that the Local Officers Compensation Commission consider a salary reduction for city council?

At your convenience to advise, and thank you.

Jane

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Beaudry, Jacqueline" <[JBeaudry@a2gov.org](mailto:JBeaudry@a2gov.org)>  
**Date:** May 19, 2020 at 12:03:30 AM EDT  
**To:** "\*City Council Members (All)" <[CityCouncilMembersAll@a2gov.org](mailto:CityCouncilMembersAll@a2gov.org)>, "Crawford, Tom" <[TCrawford@a2gov.org](mailto:TCrawford@a2gov.org)>, "Postema, Stephen" <[SPostema@a2gov.org](mailto:SPostema@a2gov.org)>  
**Cc:** "Gerhart, Stephen" <[SGerhart@a2gov.org](mailto:SGerhart@a2gov.org)>  
**Subject:** FW: Amendment to DC-8 - additional 7th resolve clause.

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**Cc:** [Gerhart, Stephen](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Affordable Housing Funding Resolution  
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**From:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**To:** [\\*City Council Members \(All\)](#); [Postema, Stephen](#); [Crawford, Tom](#)  
**Cc:** [Gerhart, Stephen](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Affordable Housing Funding Resolution  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 12:39:38 AM

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Correcting title of funds.

RESOLVED, that the base level of Affordable Housing funding is set at 40% of the Mental Health and Public Safety millage rebate funds.

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**From:** [Ackerman, Zach](#)  
**To:** [Beaudry, Jacqueline](#)  
**Subject:** DC-8 Amendment  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 1:00:18 AM

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Ann Arbor City Council  
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**Cc:** [Gerhart, Stephen](#)  
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**From:** [Michelle Ryan Hughes](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil](#)  
**Subject:** Affordable Housing Millage  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 1:01:44 AM

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Tonight, CM Ramlawi spoke in favor of a dedicated millage for affordable housing being placed on the ballot.

That's a great idea! Is that something we can get on the November ballot? It is my understanding that Council could pass a resolution putting a millage like this on the ballot. It would be great if you would avail yourselves of this opportunity.

Voters could certainly do a campaign to put this on the ballot, but it is very hard to collect signatures at this time. That's why it would be so great if this could come from Council.

Thanks.  
--Michelle

**From:** [Michelle Ryan Hughes](#)  
**To:** [Taylor, Christopher \(Mayor\)](#)  
**Subject:** DC-8  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 1:24:49 AM

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Hi. It seems that DC-8 passed in a form that still undoes the 40/40/20 promise. I hope that you will veto it.

Thanks.  
--Michelle



**From:** [Jennifer Steiner](#)  
**To:** [Lumm, Jane](#)  
**Subject:** County Mental Health and Public Safety millage  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2020 2:44:54 AM

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Dear councilperson Lumm,

It has come to my attention that you and councilperson Kathy Griswold have proposed using millage funds for County Mental Health and public safety for other needs.

I am writing in protest of this initiative.

I am a volunteer with HouseN2Home.org . We are not yet a nonprofit and we work purely on a volunteer basis. Our work is to help furnish the homes and apartments of those coming out of homelessness in Washtenaw County. We partner with many agencies within the county – Community Mental Health, Ozone house, Interfaith Hospitality Network (Alpha House), Safe house, Veteran’s groups, etc. We also have been generously loaned space at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital grounds to store the furnishings we collect through diligent searches on Next door, appeals to friends and neighbors, and generous donations by interested donors.

I started work with this group a little over a year ago and I can verify that the numbers of people in GREAT need are constant. We have come in close contact with many of the leaders of the various non profit as well as government funded agencies in our county. Without known exceptions these agencies have extremely dedicated staff and volunteers who assist the ever increasing needs for provisions for our most vulnerable populations.

Please consider withdrawing your resolution. The funds are already tight, the staffs are your most dedicated individuals, and the need is anticipated to increase – especially as organizations such as ours are finding it very difficult to continue operating with the efficiencies we once knew before COVID.

Thank you,  
Concerned citizen

Jennifer Steiner [REDACTED] please feel free to text me for further discussion and input

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