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**Elias, Abigail**

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 12:00 AM  
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**Subject:** Your mailbox is over its size limit

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**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Henderson, Karla  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:50 AM  
**To:** Hieftje, John; Fraser, Roger; McCormick, Sue  
**Cc:** Dempkowski, Angela A; Schopieray, Christine  
**Subject:** RE: recent snow fall 12/1/08

Dear Mayor Hieftje,

I am so sorry that it has taken so long for me to respond but as you can see there has been a lot of information regarding this issue. Approximately 6 weeks ago, Sue McCormick, Kirk Pennington and I met with Councilmember Mike Anglin to discuss this situation. After the meeting Councilmember Anglin was going to discuss the opportunities we shared with him that would possibly reduce the frustration occurring among the residents on the street. Here were some of the solutions we discussed:

- 1.) Councilmember would encourage the residents to hire one snow plowing contractor. This contractor could call the Water Treatment plant so that the Street Maintenance supervisor on duty could be contacted. This supervisor would convey the status of plowing so that he/she would not remove accumulation from the sidewalks prior to the plows coming through.
- 2.) If the residents did not want one contractor to provide this service, then one of the residents would take the lead and be the person who would contact the Street Maintenance supervisor and convey the information regarding our removal status and then forward the status via e-mail to the residents on the street.
- 3.) Lastly, we are in the process of initiating a web-based map that would show which areas we had completed snow removal so that residents would know that we had already been in their neighborhood and could move forward with snow removal on their sidewalks.

We agreed at the meeting that this additional information and increased communication would assist the residents. In addition, we have added instructional notes on the route sheet the plow crews use in each area instructing drivers to slow down and recognize the flags placed at the curb so that we minimize any snow that is pushed onto the sidewalk.

Here is some background information (if you were not already aware):

**Background**

In the 1980's and 90's the City of Ann Arbor performed snow and ice removal on designated sidewalks that were considered 'safe school passage' sidewalks. A safe school passage was usually a route that children would take to school, was limited to within a block or two of each school location, and was a joint program with the Ann Arbor Public School District. After sometime, the school districts removed their funding for this service. The City continued to perform this service until 1992 as a General Fund program. In 1992, City Council directed staff to discontinue this practice and advised residents of their responsibility to maintain the sidewalks fronting their properties in accordance with City ordinance provisions. However, there were small number of locations in which the City continued to clear the sidewalks. Sunset Road was one of those locations. Sunset Road is one location in which the sidewalk is adjacent to the street and there are no lawn extensions distancing the sidewalk from the pavement.

Several years ago, when management became aware that this practice was still occurring on a very limited basis, Field Operations staff sent the residents of Sunset Road a letter advising them that the City was no longer performing snow and ice control on private sidewalks and that staff had brought their situation and a very few other exceptions to our attention. We communicated to the residents that we had continued performing this service in error on the south side of Sunset Road, from Spring Street to Newport Road and were discontinuing the service. We also indicated that in the event there was an extreme set of circumstances they could request assistance.

A bit about sidewalks and how their location/placement gets determined: Generally, sidewalks are installed either by a developer within a designed development, or by the City as a retrofit in an preexisting residential neighborhood. As Council may have observed during past discussion with the residents on Easy St., there is much give and take regarding costs, impacts to front yards, trees and other existing landscaping, etc. in determining the 'plan' for sidewalks. Often times this results in placement of the walk in a location that is not traditionally separated from the curblin. In general, the sidewalk plan is prepared in discussion with the then current residents and Council and placement results from a balance of the specific site considerations. In the case of Sunset Rd, the Right of Way is 66 feet from the center of the road and extends 8 to 10 feet from the back of where the sidewalk exists into the green area (grass and trees). We do not have the history of the details of how this process worked on Sunset Rd., but the sidewalks have been there since the mid 1950's and we know that the houses were built between 1926 and 1956. So one can surmise that the sidewalks were put in to minimize the impact on the pre-existing yards and landscaping. In any event there would have been significant public discussion over the sidewalks and their placement.

While we are sympathetic to the residents of Sunset Road, their circumstance of having sidewalks close to the road is not unique. The City has over 7 miles of sidewalk that are similarly located against the curblin as is the case on Sunset Road. A few residents on Sunset indicated they were under the understanding that their circumstance was different in that this area is plowed more frequently due to the proximity to the Water Treatment Plant and is the route for deliveries to the plant. This is not a correct assumption. Assuring deliveries to the Water Plant requires no special practice regarding plowing, nor do the delivery trucks access the plant from the East where these sidewalks are located.

We have every desire to assist the residents in minimizing the difficulties associated with the physical location of the sidewalks and how they are impacted by street plowing. Management has added notes to the special instructions for this plow route that will result in staff doing their best to push the snow up to the edge of the pavement, however, we cannot guarantee that we can eliminate any impact to the sidewalks. The short term impact of this approach, subsequent to any significant snow event, may be that it results in limiting parking on that section of the street.

Please let me know if you need additional information or have any questions or concerns.  
Karla

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

From: Hieftje, John  
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2008 10:54 AM  
To: Fraser, Roger; McCormick, Sue; Henderson, Karla  
Cc: Dampkowski, Angela A; Schopieray, Christine  
Subject: FW: recent snow fall 12/1/08

Hello:

I have heard about this issue in the past and I thought we had it worked out. As I understand it, if the drivers slow down the snow and slush land on the curb and lawn extension and don't reach the sidewalk.

Please let me know ASAP how we will deal with this so I can reply to these residents.

Thanks,

John

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

From: Frank Raymond [mailto: [REDACTED]]  
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2008 8:13 PM  
To: Hieftje, John  
Cc: Anglin, Mike; Frank Raymond; Landis Keyes  
Subject: Fwd: recent snow fall 12/1/08

Dear Mayor Hieftje,

You may be unaware of the long ongoing saga of the snow plowing on Sunset Rd. We have no lawn extension and have sidewalks only on the south side.

City crews need to keep our street open because of access to the water plant. The street is the major foot path to Forsythe and Wines school and a popular place for recreational walks and runs. The problem has been that the city crews speed down the road and plow all the street slush and snow onto our walks. Keeping the walks clean is frustrating because after our cleaning the walks the snowplows often make a second pass and throw all the road stuff back up onto our walks. This has had a very bad history. I have lived on the street since 1963. We have pleaded with officials and we have in the past had some remedial actions. For some time the plow that kept the sidewalks cleared at the water plant would also clear the city's island at Sunset and Brooks.

On its way there, it would go down the sidewalk and clear the debris and snow deposited by the cities plows. The driver would clear the island and then proceed down the walks to Spring street. (This was an arrangement worked out after many years and promised to us in writing in the early 1990's after we were all cited by the police for not cleaning up a huge snowfall that had been dumped onto our walks by the plows and then frozen solid before we could shovel out).

A similar thing happened again 2 years ago. When i complained to the police i was told that they could do nothing about it since people had complained the walks were treacherous and the street was dangerous. I explained that the stuff the city plows had thrown onto the walks had frozen and we could not chop it off. he said he was sorry about the tickets but the police are driven by complaints. The irony of this is that the homeowners had been complaining for years about this problem but our complaints are of no consequence.

Last summer we gathered 70 signatures from residents on our and nearby streets asking city council for some relief:

Slow the plows down! Do not throw the street slush and snow onto our walks! The street is wide enough to leave the street snow 2 to 3 feet from the walks. When this fails, then the small city plow that comes down the street from the water plant to clean the island can just as well go down the sidewalk and clear the mess from the walks.

Our councilmen counseled that they would talk to the people in charge of snowplowing and try to work it out amiably without our going to city hall with our complaints. I was skeptical because we had been talking with the same people for 3 years and we were getting either the run around, insulted or stonewalled.

Recently, I heard that these conversations with those in charge were not successful.

As I mentioned, many school children use these walks to and fro school. The blocks are long and cars (and snow plows) speed up as they drive on the road. Compounding the danger of walking in the road is the layout of the road which has several blind spots. We need to keep the walks passable so the children are not in the road. I am afraid that this is a disaster waiting to happen. After that there will be some hand ringing and another promise (to be broken as in the past) to the residents that the city will do whatever it takes to keep our walks clean.

Think of it . There are not many major snowfalls in a season. We want to do our part to keep our street safe and our walks clean. Supervision of the plowing is the answer. Residents frustrated by the inaction and arrogance of city officials is a blot on good government. We live in Ann Arbor because it is a beautiful place . Its government on the whole tries to make the community work for all its residents.

All the signatories of our petition would appreciate your help in solving this problem. I will append the petition that so many have signed as well as the initiative that brought on this petition.

Sincerely,

Frank Raymond

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**From:** Dempkowski, Angela A  
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**From:** Cooper, Eli  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 8:10 AM  
**To:** Warrow, Anne  
**Cc:** Pirooz, Homayoon; Rapundalo, Stephen  
**Subject:** FW: [trails-and-greenways] Digest Number 1583

FYI

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**From:** Nancy Krupiarz [mailto:nancy@michigantrails.org]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 14, 2008 12:19 PM  
**Subject:** FW: [trails-and-greenways] Digest Number 1583

Note on this Rails to Trails Conservancy blog the latest study on the Pinellas Trail, showing no increase in crime rates since 1993 when it went in and the neutral and increased property values and the increase in revenue and expansion of local businesses. Thought this was significant due to the length of time this trail has been in existence.

Nancy Krupiarz  
Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance

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**From:** trailsandgreenways@yahoogroups.com [mailto:trailsandgreenways@yahoogroups.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 13, 2008 5:58 PM  
**To:** trailsandgreenways@yahoogroups.com  
**Subject:** [trails-and-greenways] Digest Number 1583

## Trails and Greenways

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1a. Re: study on crime levels along trails From: Ken Carpenter

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#### Message

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**Re: study on crime levels along trails**

**Posted by: "Ken Carpenter" [nailshorse@yahoo.com](mailto:nailshorse@yahoo.com) [nailshorse](#)**  
**Sat Dec 13, 2008 7:01 am (PST)**

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Hello Jean

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I hope this helps.  
Ken

Ken Carpenter  
[witrails@gmail.com](mailto:witrails@gmail.com) 608-576-4104  
a director of the WI State Horse Council  
[www.wisconsinstatehorsecouncil.org](http://www.wisconsinstatehorsecouncil.org)  
president of the Glacial Drumlin Horse Trail Assoc



www.madison.com/communities/gdhta  
equine rep on the Governor's State Trails Council  
www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/parks/trails/council/  
WI rep to the American Horse Council & member of their Recreation  
Committee www.horsecouncil.org  
member of the Back Country Horsemen of America  
www.backcountryhorse.com

Date: Tue, 30 Nov 2004 16:25:53 -0500  
From: "Carver, Jennifer" <carverj@talgov.com>  
Subject: RE: Economic impact of bike trails

A study was done on impacts of the Pinellas Trail in Pinellas County  
(Tampa/St Pete), Florida. Some information on the study (from Whit  
Blanton  
of Renaissance Planning Group, which conducted the study) is included  
below:

In 2000, the Pinellas County MPO commissioned Renaissance Planning  
Group of  
Orlando to conduct a study of the community impacts associated with  
the  
Pinellas Trail, a 34-mile converted railroad in the St.  
Petersburg/Clearwater area of Florida. The MPO was planning extensions  
of  
the trail and connections to it from other communities, and had  
encountered  
opposition from homeowner groups and others about potentially negative  
impacts on property values, noise and crime. The study was intended to  
evaluate economic impacts in terms of residential property values,  
business  
investment, and crime statistics, and included a household survey of  
residents living within 1/4 mile of the trail. The trail was divided  
into  
segments to better capture the effect of surrounding land use and  
crime  
characteristics. A national literature review was also completed.

**Major findings:**

The literature review concluded that trails have a deterrent effect on  
crime, a neutral or slightly positive effect on property values, and  
bring  
new money into the local economy. This was borne out by the local  
analysis.

For all trail segments studied, the median home sale prices adjacent  
to the  
trail are escalating faster than countywide. The rate of increase was  
particularly high in certain areas. The results indicated that the  
trail  
does not negatively impact property values and suggested that it may

help

increase property values by roughly 2 percent to 3 percent annually over inflation.

In `<?xml:namespace prefix = st1 ns =`

`"urn:schemas-microsoft-com:office:smarts" />`St. Petersburg, it was determined that crime rates for "trail tracts" were not statistically different from citywide crime tracts. Accordingly, the Pinellas Trail does

not contribute to crime rates. Peaks in crime rates seem to be related to

the character of the area rather than to the existence of the Pinellas Trail. Generally, the 1993, 1995, and 1999 crime statistics support the

finding that the trail has not exacerbated criminal activities.

Factors

external to the trail are better indicators of crime rates.

There were several important findings from the residents' survey. The most

negative perceptions of the trail are held by the 5 percent of residents who

have never used the trail. Even though infrequent users gave the Pinellas

Trail a negative overall rating, their composite score was not as low as the

score given by residents who had not been on the trail. Infrequent users

were primarily concerned about the trail's adverse impact on crime, privacy,

and noise. As a group, they still rated the trail as having a positive impact on property values, accessibility, and neighborhood acquaintances.

Daily users had the highest composite rating of the trail; however, they

were still marginally concerned about crime (0.09) and privacy (0.05).

The

single strongest indicator of trail perception is trail usage and, because

of the high use of the trail (66%), the overall perception of the trail is

positive.

While the trail is generally seen as a community asset, the neighborhoods

that are the most concerned about the Pinellas Trail are those who perceive

inequities between communities in the way that the trail is constructed,

maintained, and policed.

Realtors were surveyed as well, and 90 percent said that home sales had increased significantly or increased somewhat in areas near the trail versus other areas in the market.

The business survey revealed that a majority of businesses near the trail were expanding their facilities or experiencing increasing sales, and generally reported positive impacts from their proximity to the trail.

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Copies of the report can be obtained by contacting Al Bartolotta of the Pinellas County MPO (727-464-8200; [abartolo@co.pinellas.fl.us](mailto:abartolo@co.pinellas.fl.us) <<mailto:abartolo@co.pinellas.fl.us>> ). RPG contact is Whit Blanton ( [wblanton@ciesthatwork.com](mailto:wblanton@ciesthatwork.com) <<mailto:wblanton@ciesthatwork.com>> )

> Could anyone point me to studies that identify the actual vs  
> perceived crime  
> along trails?  
>

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Eli



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**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** Traffic enforcement on Brockman near Devolson

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Sir,

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John

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**To:** 'Scott Trossen'; Briere, Sabra; Henderson, Karla  
**Cc:** trossen@juno.com; McCormick, Sue; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** RE: Leaf Removal

Mr. Trossen,

Thanks for contacting us. The leaf pickup this year has been an issue on many streets. I know that my own street is just a mess this morning!

I am sure that with this warmer weather, the city will make great efforts to finish the job before the snow flies again. I hope we can get an answer for your neighborhood shortly.

Thanks again for taking the time to write us.

### **Sandi Smith**

Ann Arbor City Council  
First Ward  
734-302-3600 x 105

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**Subject:** Leaf Removal

Karen, Sabra and Sandi,

Unfortunately, after two phone calls the department remains unclear if and if ever leaves will be picked up. We were not referred to the now out-of-date information on the city's web site ... which is also inconsistent with the MLive article I just found: [http://www.mlive.com/annarbornews/news/index.ssf/2008/12/early\\_snow\\_delays\\_leaf\\_collect.html#post](http://www.mlive.com/annarbornews/news/index.ssf/2008/12/early_snow_delays_leaf_collect.html#post).

The Dec 3 MLive report said the city was to resume pickup on Dec 8 though I have yet to see any change in our area. We were scheduled for December 2. The city site predicted everything would have been completed last week.

The Post Office has twice threatened to stop delivering mail to the 5 homes served by the mail stand in our yard. Had we known the city would not have shown up by now we could have moved the pile a THIRD TIME, but now it is securely frozen to the street. If we get a real snow, I see the leaves plowed deep in front of the mail boxes and no amount of hand shoveling will get them cleared.

In addition, I am a member of the board of our association. As we don't have a lot of trees in the sub, there have not been many questions but I don't really know what to tell folks.

I have trouble imagining the little snow and ice we have had tied up the staff for over ten days. Looking like a poor excuse for cost savings and/or poor planning along with inattentive communication (phone call handling, media and web).

What's next?

Scott Trossen  
3173 Otter Creek 48105  
Foxfire Sub in Ward 1  
[REDACTED]

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Smith, Sandi  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 10:02 AM  
**To:** 'pdlesko'; [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Belita Cowan; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]; Briere, Sabra  
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Thanks!

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**Sent:** Sunday, December 14, 2008 7:05 PM  
**To:** Prabhi@aol.com; Smith, Sandi  
**Cc:** Belita Cowan; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]  
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Best wishes,

Pat Lesko

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 10:21 AM  
**To:** Crawford, Tom  
**Subject:** Reminder- follow-up re: towing credit card issue

Reminder- Please follow-up to make sure that PD has verified that the towing company is now accepting credit cards and not charging a customer fee to do so. Thanks.

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 10:21 AM  
**To:** Seto, John  
**Subject:** RE: Traffic enforcement on Brockman near Devolson

Thanks!

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**From:** Seto, John  
**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 9:55 AM  
**To:** Greden, Leigh; Jones, Barnett  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** RE: Traffic enforcement on Brockman near Devolson

Sir,

I'll have Special Services initiate a traffic problem enforcement at this location and report back to you the results.

John

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 09:37  
**To:** Jones, Barnett; Seto, John  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** Traffic enforcement on Brockman near Devolson

BJ and DC:

Please see below. Can you we do some enforcement between 3:00 and 5:30 in the areas listed below? Note the offer to park on Develson off Brockman. Thanks.

-Leigh

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Thank you for your timely response. I would say morning and afternoon rush hours tend to be a significant issue, but also when the high school students (I am a teacher at Pioneer - so I get home with the kids) use our street as a cut through there are some consistent vehicles I note going maybe 55-60 mph around the curve on Brockman between Devolson and Carhardt. So - a squad car at intervals between 2:40 and 6:30 would be maybe a good time. The bus comes around 4:00. The last time I saw a squad car they were parked in full view so nobody got caught. I would suggest that parking on Devolson would be helpful. I would even actually offer my driveway I'm so frustrated with rates of excessive speed as notably none of the drivers are paying attention to the fact that small children are crossing the street.

Thanks so much for your response,  
Jodi Bullinger

## Elias, Abigail

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**From:** Cheng, Christopher  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 10:24 AM  
**To:** Rampson, Wendy; Anglin, Mike  
**Cc:** Hohnke, Carsten; Kowalski, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Question South Ashley and other OWS boundaries?  
**Attachments:** Outlook.jpg; Outlook.jpg

Mike,

I spoke with Matt Kowalski and neither of us recall allowing an art gallery as a home occupation use. Please confirm the address of this gallery site and one of us will follow-up. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,  
Chris

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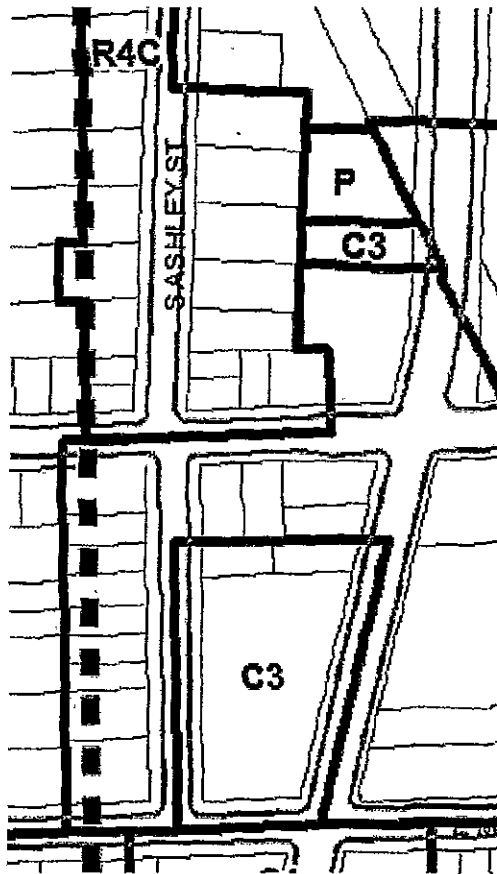
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**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2008 12:49 PM  
**To:** Anglin, Mike  
**Cc:** Hohnke, Carsten; Kowalski, Matthew; Cheng, Christopher  
**Subject:** RE: Question South Ashley and other OWS boundaries?

Hi Mike:

The 500 block of Ashley, both east and west sides, are currently proposed be rezoned from C2B & C3 (see Current Zoning map below) to the new D2 designation (see hatched pattern in Proposed Zoning map below). Properties in the OWS historic district are shown in yellow on that map. The east side of the block is contained in the DDA and the west side of the block is outside of the DDA. There currently is no proposal to change the DDA boundary.

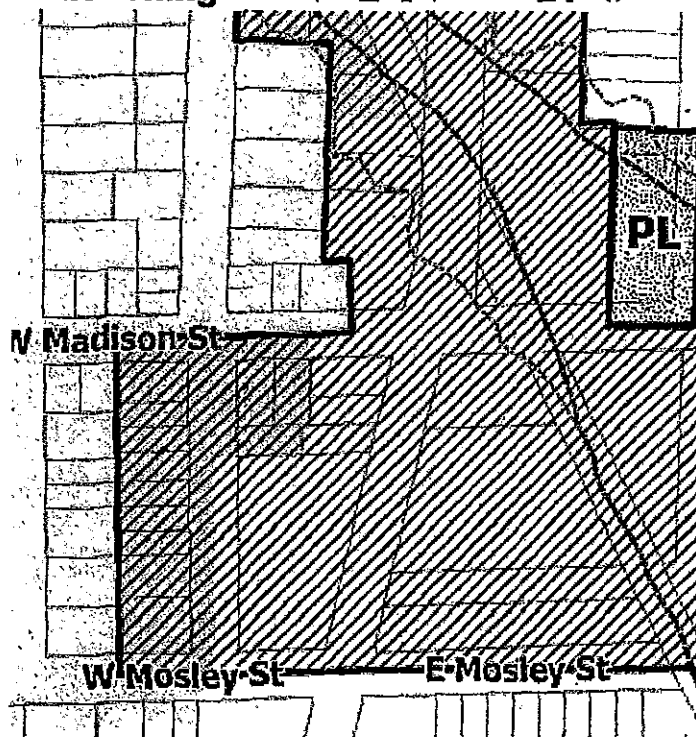
The houses on the north side of Madison between S. Ashley and S. Main are all zoned R4C (multiple-family residential) and are in the OWS. The real estate office is currently zoned C2B and is not in the OWS. The real estate office is proposed to be rezoned to D2, but the R4C parcels are not proposed to be rezoned.





**Current zoning**

**Proposed**



**zoning**

If there is an art gallery in the house next to the office, it may be a violation of the zoning ordinance, unless it was approved as a home occupation. I'm copying Matt Kowalski and Chris Cheng to see if they have seen any information on the building (106 W. Madison, I believe).

There are 34 properties located in the OWS district that are proposed to be rezoned to D2. These properties are currently non-residentially zoned (M1, C2B, C2B/R, C3, PL, P). As soon as I'm able to add addresses to my spreadsheet, I will forward the parcel information to you.

I'm happy to sit down with you to go over the A2D2 proposal and answer your questions. Let me know if this would be helpful.

Wendy

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**From:** Anglin, Mike  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2008 11:16 AM  
**To:** Rampson, Wendy  
**Cc:** Hohnke, Carsten  
**Subject:** Question South Ashley and other OWS boundaries?

Hello Wendy,

I have a question about the 500 block of South Ashley East side of street between Jefferson and Madison.

Could you let me know if this block is under consideration for inclusion in the new DDA boundaries? It has always been by my understanding that this block is included as part of the OWS.

In addition, the North side of Madison between South Ashley and South Main Street I believe was also part of the OWS and recently an art gallery opened on that block adjacent to the corner commercial real estate office.

As a resident of the OWS I would like for you to send me a list of all the other properties which are now in the OWS that are under consideration for a change in the new DDA district which I believe are referred to as D2.

Thank you

Mike Anglin

## Elias, Abigail

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**From:** Teall, Margie  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 11:12 AM  
**To:** 'Greden, Leigh R.'; Hohnke, Carsten  
**Subject:** FW: German Town in India, who knew?

**Importance:** High

Call me a cynic, but who might have created the buzz in Newcombe's e-mail box over in India except someone who has been on the phone asking us where we stand?? Careful how you work "behind the scenes", Leigh! Or tell me I'm wrong, and it was someone who was at Caucus last night? I, for one, am interested in hearing from the people who live and own homes in the neighborhood, and we saw some of them last night.

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**From:** nclark [mailto:nclark@blueadvisors.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 9:55 AM  
**To:** Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten  
**Subject:** German Town in India, who knew?  
**Importance:** High

Hey Margie and Carsten,

Hope all is well and you're both enjoying the ramp up to the holiday season. Even with an 11 and a half hour time difference here in India my e-mail box is a buzz this evening about the proposed German Town. Curious on your thoughts on this. While I am of course supportive of any effort to better understand our city's history, this initiative is a direct result of our two projects, not of any effort to engage in research. Your feelings on the two projects aside, it's a very poor message to send to the development and business community at large (not to mention the rare and threatened young professionals we're trying to keep) that new ideas and innovative planning in our city will face measures such as these in the 11th hour. 2009 is likely to be more painful than we can even imagine across the community. We cannot afford to tell people to not come here to invest and not stay here to live. It's fascinating to me that nothing for this area was ever considered prior to our proposals, yet the houses in question have been student rentals since the 1930s. They haven't been protected, and now, regardless of what we're trying to accomplish for the community with their replacement, their protection is being considered critical.

Also, I find interesting that if proposals like these are justified why the neighborhood that I grew up in (Ashley, North of Huron), has never been considered as worthy of consideration for such a district. My mother's home is just as close to the DDA and the homes are just as old. I spent the first 20 years of my life watching my poor, minority neighbors forced out of their homes to make way, not for more affordable, updated housing, but for the Ann Ashley Parking Deck, then 110 Miller, the Community Dental Center, and so on. The reason? We were too politically disenfranchised to stand up to the redistricting of our neighborhood (while those to the south and west were able to shape the boundary to their interests). The city needed more parking and more office space so they pushed into the weakest represented downtown neighborhood to accomplish it. It's politics, I understand that. And the city needed to expand. But the fact remains that the current DDA boundary is a clear indication, not of historic characteristics, or of what is considered "the downtown" but of what happens when the few of influence protect their own in disregard for their less influential neighbors or for the city's greater good. I urge you to please not cave into the pressure of the a few over the greater needs of our populous and our shared future.

Please keep the debate focused on the merits of a particular project and not on the overreaching and large scale redistricting of a neighborhood. Those in favor are not trying to "protect" a neighborhood, they are trying to fight change. It is the people who live in a neighborhood that define it, not the buildings themselves, and not those that once lived in them. The houses that some people are trying to save themselves were built on the land and homes of others. The poor immigrants that founded our city and worked and tilled the land once lived where the 8-10k SF houses now stand. And there were surely people there before those people. Such is the nature of history. Everyone seems to forget that the hundreds of new residents that will live in our developments will be part of that neighborhood. Part of that history. They

will walk on our streets, ride our buses, shop in our stores, and support our downtown arts organizations, not to mention they will be one of the largest and certainly the most urban, concentration of new 5th ward voters. They will be the creator of a new history, of the continued history, of that neighborhood, not the destroyer.

The people you will likely hear in favor of the district tonight will be organized and may be in more numbers than usual but they do not speak for the city as a whole or its current and future needs. Please be the responsible stewards we trust you to be. Even if everyone in favor of our developments isn't able to attend or reach you in time (we only heard about this last night), we are not silent and we do matter. I only wish I was there to help deliver this message in chambers.

Oh, and I know it's bias but I firmly believe that as not only a downtown member of the 5th ward and a young professional, but also the president of Main Street Area Association, a board member of the Chamber, UMMA, Michigan Theater, Dance Gallery Foundation, and as of next month, the Symphony...all that I represent and all that I love and all that I am seeing suffer... it all is dependent on us moving forward as a city, not back.

This vote tonight is critical in making that happen.

Thanks for giving this the long read, and I look forward to seeing you both when I return.

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## Elias, Abigail

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 11:15 AM  
**To:** Smith, Sandi; 'pdlesko'; Prabhi@aol.com  
**Cc:** Belita Cowan; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Broadway Village

I am always open to a meeting.

Especially about Broadway Village at Lower town.

Please check with us (Sandy and me) before you choose the date, however, to make certain we are both available. I know we both have standing committee obligations (for me, the second Tuesday, third Wednesday, and of course, first, second, third and [for me] fourth Mondays). However, we also have other commitments that aren't standing committee meetings -- with constituents as well as personal lives. I schedule most of my meetings for Saturdays and evenings.

I'll be as accommodating as possible -- so I'm looking at any date in the last week of January barring the 26th.

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**From:** Greden, Leigh R. [greden@MillerCanfield.com]  
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**To:** Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten  
**Subject:** FW: German Town? I'm in India and all I'm hearing about is German town

Newcombe contacted me all on his own. Here's his email. I wrote back and simply gave him an update.

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

**From:** nclark [mailto:nclark@blueadvisors.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:49 AM  
**To:** Greden, Leigh R.  
**Subject:** German Town? I'm in India and all I'm hearing about is German town

Hey,

What's the skinny on this German town thing? I'm only getting bits and pieces.

I go away for one month.... ;)

Hope you're having a good one so far. Lunch on me when I get back.

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## **Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 11:50 AM  
**To:** Tim Galea  
**Cc:** \*City Council Members (All)  
**Subject:** RE: Proposal for Historic District @ Council Mtg

Dear Mr. Galea,

Thank you very much for taking the time to write to City Council. I really appreciate your concerns.

As one of the sponsors of the resolution that put this item on the agenda, I responded to an increasing number of requests from residents / property owners in the neighborhood -- none of whom are my constituents -- who wanted Council to appoint a study committee. Indeed, until last night, I had never met or spoken to any of these residents, only received email from them.

I cannot speak to anyone's real reasons for requesting a study committee. Some of the property owners may indeed be concerned about specific proposed developments; others may be concerned about development in general. However, last night I heard residents say that they valued their homes and their neighborhood, and really wanted to bring that value to the attention of the city as a whole. They saw their neighborhood as an asset to the city, an unrealized backdrop in movie sets, a potential owner-occupied neighborhood reverting from one that is heavily absentee landlord. They clearly saw economic change coming to their neighborhood, and wanted to try to control the outcome. For them, the desired outcome is to keep it a neighborhood of houses.

Establishing a study committee does not guarantee the creation of an historic district. The study committee will need to look at the individual properties and provide their histories -- both their architectural histories (when they were built and what has happened to them) and their social histories (who lived in them and what significance they hold for Ann Arbor's history, if any). They have to define boundaries. They have to count each property as contributing (basically intact original) or non-contributing (altered beyond restoration). They create a report on the proposed district, and if they support creation of one, they send the draft report to the State of Michigan for evaluation and comment. And then they present this report to the neighborhood, the city (holding public hearings) and the Council. If Council doesn't agree that there are a significant number of reasons to create an historic district, they do not support the recommendation of the study committee.

I have seen the design proposed by Mr. duParry, and understand that at some point we (that is, Council) will see a revised design for The Madison. Development within an historic district is still quite possible. However, it is more complex. Older buildings can be moved, demolished, altered, or reused in creative ways. New buildings can be built. Historic districts don't create urban museums, but they do tend to preserve the look of a neighborhood.

I really thank you for reminding us that we need to be sensitive to the needs for development as well as the needs of neighborhood residents. As members of Council, we are always trying to find a way to balance those needs -- it's not easy, and it's not always possible to keep these things evenly balanced, but it's always important to try.

Thank you again for writing. I really value your input.

Sabra

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**From:** Tim Galea [mailto:tgalea@nortonsflowers.com]  
**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 9:14 AM  
**To:** Anglin, Mike; Hohnke, Carsten; Teall, Margie; Higgins, Marcia; Greden, Leigh; Taylor, Christopher (Council);



Derezinski, Tony; Rapundalo, Stephen; Briere, Sabra; Smith, Sandi; Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** Proposal for Historic District @ Council Mtg

To City Council,

With understanding of how valuable your time is, I will keep this message brief and trust that you will understand the importance and urgency of my message.

It has come to my attention that a late addition to the agenda for tonight's council meeting concerns an attempt to create a historic district in the general area east of Main St. and south of William. It appears to me that the primary reason for such a proposal is to thwart efforts of commercial and residential redevelopment. As owner of the oldest retail business in Washtenaw County I can truly appreciate tradition and preservation, when appropriate. In this case, however, I am inclined to believe that new developments such as *The Madison* and *City Place* are substantially more consistent with the long-term interests of our community. It is critical that we avoid the continuing appearance of being a city opposed to commercial investment, particularly in these times of economic uncertainty and potential tax revenue shortfalls. I believe the interests of all county residents and businesses are best served by working to increase the density of our cities and preserving the principles of our Greenbelt Initiative.

Please join me in opposition to the creation of a historic district as intended by tonight's agenda proposal.

Thanks very much!  
Tim Galea

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**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** City of Ann Arbor Helpdesk [help@a2gov.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 12:21 PM  
**To:** Hohnke, Carsten  
**Subject:** RE: Incident #9800 - Thank you for your Helpdesk submission.

## **Incident Received**

**We have received your Helpdesk request:**

### **Details**

**Incident #: 9800**

**Title: Email access to Agenda mailboxes for new Council members**

### **Comment**

**The new council members are asked to send items to Agenda, Clerk and Agenda, Administrator mailboxes in Outlook.**

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## **Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 12:45 PM  
**To:** Karen Sidney; Hieftje, John; Hohnke, Carsten  
**Cc:** Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** RE: Germantown resolution

WE are both the sponsors!

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**From:** Karen Sidney [mailto:████████████████████]  
**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 12:35 PM  
**To:** Hieftje, John; Hohnke, Carsten  
**Cc:** Anglin, Mike; Briere, Sabra  
**Subject:** Germantown resolution

I hope both of you will support the resolution establishing a historic district study committee. I've always thought that the homes along S Fifth Ave are some of the nicest in the city and that Hamilton Place was a hidden gem. I did not realize how many of the homes in this area are significant to our history until I read this history prepared by Susan Wineberg, which is attached to the agenda item. As both of you have often stated, one of Ann Arbor's strengths is its strong neighborhoods. Historic districts, such as the Old West Side, have played a role in keeping our neighborhoods strong. Please vote yes on tonight's resolution and allow this lovely neighborhood a chance to become a new historic district.

Karen Sidney  
Ward 5

## **Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Lloyd, Mark  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 1:11 PM  
**To:** Greden, Leigh; Miller, Jayne  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** RE: County and City surface parking lots

After researching this matter we found that the County-owned property at 4th and Ann is zoned PL and the City-owned property at 4th and Catherine is zoned C2B/R. Both properties have been used for surface parking for many years. I suspect that the City-owned property at 4th and Catherine it is not zoned PL simply because no one thought it was necessary at the time surface parking was established there. On the other hand, it may have been decided to keep the C2B/R zoning in place in order to facilitate future development in the event the City was interested in selling or developing the property. The benefit in keeping the current zoning is that it would avoid the need for a zone change in the future if a more intense land use, not permitted in the PL district, were proposed.

As you are likely aware, we are currently in the process of rezoning and annexing a large number of City-owned parkland properties. Some of these properties have been owned by the City for decades. Rezoning and annexing the parkland property is mostly a housekeeping effort intended to clean-up zoning and boundary interests. Although rezoning the City-owned property at 4th and Catherine is not necessary, it could be done in the same manner and for the same reasons if desired and determined to be beneficial. However, keep in mind that the City is not subject to the provisions of it's own zoning ordinance and therefore, although the existing surface parking lot use is technically non-conforming, enforcement of the ordinance against ourselves would not take place.

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2008 10:57 AM  
**To:** Miller, Jayne; Lloyd, Mark  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** County and City surface parking lots

During the Council Work Session on Monday 12/8, we learned that the County-owned surface parking lot at 4th & Ann and the City-owned surface parking lot at 4th & Catherine are NOT zoned PL. The players involved in this housing debate would like to know why these aren't zoned PL?

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Lloyd, Mark  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 1:35 PM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra  
**Subject:** RE: master plans, please

Hi Sabra,

I have the planning documents you are looking for which include the Central Area Plan, Downtown Plan and draft Transportation Plan. The draft Transportation Plan is expected to be considered by the CPC in February and will likely come to CC in March. I will bring them to the meeting tonight if that is convenient for you. Otherwise I could leave them at the counter for you to pick up. Just let me know. I am also trying to find a link to or a CD of the Non-Motorized Plan. Will have that by days end.

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 1:49 PM  
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**Subject:** Emailing: Non-MotorizedPlan\_Jan2007

Sabra,

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Mark

The message is ready to be sent with the following file or link attachments:

Shortcut to:

[http://www.a2gov.org/government/publicservices/systems\\_planning/Transportation/Documents/Non-MotorizedPlan\\_Jan2007.pdf](http://www.a2gov.org/government/publicservices/systems_planning/Transportation/Documents/Non-MotorizedPlan_Jan2007.pdf)

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**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 1:56 PM  
**To:** Lloyd, Mark  
**Subject:** RE: master plans, please

Dear Mark,

The Council meeting is just fine. Alex duParry's PUD isn't scheduled until after the new year, so I will have time to read up on all the referenced plans.

Thank you very much!

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**From:** Naud, Matthew  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 2:18 PM  
**To:** Catherine Riseng (E-mail) (E-mail); Cathy Gendron (E-mail); Saam, Cheryl; cherylmackrell@comcast.net; 'Christopher Graham' (E-mail); Hupy, Craig; Borneman, Dave; Dave Szczygiel; 'David Stead' (E-mail); Dirk Fischbach (E-mail); Dirk Fischbach alt (E-mail); Evan Pratt (E-mail); Tallant, Jason; Jeff Plakke (E-mail); 'Julia Wondolleck (E-mail)' (E-mail); Laura 'Rubin (E-mail); Marino, Adrienne; Naud, Matthew; Wade, Molly; PAC\_Distribution; Paul Ganz (E-mail); Scott Dierks (E-mail); Shirley White-Black (E-mail); Smith, Colin; Stephen Riley; Steve 'Yaffee (E-mail); Sue Gott - Mahoney; Sue Gott (E-mail); Tom Edsall (E-mail); yazbo822@att.net  
**Cc:** Rosencrans, Scott (PAC)  
**Subject:** RE: Millage Material

FYI

There has been some discussion about millages and Scott provided the following for those interested in the language and background on the Parks millage.

Thanks Scott

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

**From:** Scott Rosencrans [mailto:scottrosencrans@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 2:13 PM  
**To:** Naud, Matthew  
**Subject:** Fwd: Millage Material

Hello Matt,

Here are some good documents regarding the current parks millages, including ballot language in the last one. I hope that this provides answers on how they work.

All The Best,  
Scott Rosencrans

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**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 2:21 PM  
**To:** Larcom, Kristen  
**Subject:** RE: Question

Thank you, Kristen.

I appreciate knowing.

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**From:** Larcom, Kristen  
**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 2:14 PM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra  
**Cc:** Lloyd, Mark; Postema, Stephen  
**Subject:** RE: Question

Hi, Sabra:

If you have not already been informed, a letter was sent from this office on 12/11/08 demanding the owner rectify the situation or we will bring legal action. If we do not receive a satisfactory response within 10 business days, we will bring legal action as soon as possible. In the meantime, I have asked Mark Lloyd to have an inspector dispatched.

Kristen

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 06, 2008 8:29 AM  
**To:** Postema, Stephen  
**Subject:** RE: Question

When you have time to get back to me on this . . .

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**From:** Postema, Stephen  
**Sent:** Wed 12/3/2008 10:56 AM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra  
**Subject:** RE: Question

I'm on a conference call. Should be off in about 45 mins.

**Stephen K. Postema**

Ann Arbor City Attorney

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 01, 2008 10:48 PM  
**To:** Susan Harrison  
**Cc:** Postema, Stephen  
**Subject:** RE: Question

Dear Susan,

I'm copying Stephen Postema on this question. Generally, the City condemns property rarely, but as you and I spoke -- gee, months ago! -- the owners of this property haven't been around for years. I know it's easy to just drive by the houses along your part of North Main and miss the fact that this one is abandoned, especially as they are set up on the hill. However, Mr. Postema, our City Attorney, has a mechanism in place for dealing with hazardous properties.

I'm glad you included your phone number. If Mr. Postema or one of the other attorneys needs to contact you, I know they will. Of course, I expect to hear from someone from the attorneys' office myself. I'll be happy to tell them about the house and what I can about its owner.

Thank you for letting me know the floors finally fell in all the way. I really appreciate it. I'm certain we can help take care of this for you.

Sabra

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**From:** Susan Harrison [mailto: ]  
**Sent:** Mon 12/1/2008 10:47 PM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra  
**Subject:** Question

Hi, Sabra,

I hope you are well and warm in this snowy weather!

We recently noticed that the house next to ours (1315 N Main St-abandoned since 1995) has had the upper floors fall into the basement! It is clearly not structurally sound and we believe poses a severe threat with it's structural instability. We would like to know what the best way to get the city to investigate condemning it. It is quite dangerous and we would like to see it torn down, as you can imagine.

Thank you in advance,  
Susan Harrison  
[REDACTED]  
1319 N Main St  
Ann Arbor, MI

## Elias, Abigail

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**From:** Miller, Jayne  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 2:30 PM  
**To:** Anglin, Mike; Briere, Sabra; Derezsinski, Tony; Greden, Leigh; Hieftje, John; Higgins, Marcia; Hohnke, Carsten; Rapundalo, Stephen; Smith, Sandi; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Teall, Margie  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A; Lloyd, Mark; Pulcifer, Connie; Foondle, Laurie  
**Subject:** FW: Germantown Historic District

Mayor and Council, it has come to my attention that there are a couple of questions regarding the information I provided last week about the establishment of a Germantown Historic District Study Committee. This email is intended to provide further clarification on my responses.

**Clarification on staff time associated with the creation of a Germantown Historic District Study Committee:** As indicated, if the Germantown Historic District Study Committee were established, we estimate that 120 hours of staff time would be devoted to work on this effort. Jill Thacher, a City Planner, would devote approximately 60 hours of time and Kristine Kidorf, the City's Historic Preservation Consultant, would devote approximately 60 hours of time toward this effort. Thirty (30) hours of Ms. Kidorf's time would be part of her contract with the city, while the remaining 30 hours would be in addition to her existing contract work, thereby adding additional costs to the Planning and Development Services budget. In taking on this assignment, Ms. Thacher and Ms. Kidorf would adjust their work activities to complete this project. In taking on this additional assignment, some of Ms. Thacher's planning work would be shifted to other planners and some of her other historic district responsibilities would be shifted to other planning staff. Ms. Kidorf's work providing technical assistance, project review and as needed expertise would be limited.

**Clarification on staff and committee member work efforts on the study committee work:** It is important that the work of any historic district study committee be lead and coordinated by qualified technical staff to ensure the process and work meets the Department of Interior Standards and City code as well as the goals and objectives of the City for establishment and maintenance of Historic properties. While study committee efforts in the past may have relied heavily on committee member work with minimal lead and coordination by qualified technical staff, these efforts lead to inconsistencies with the Department of Interior Standards and City code again. It is our expectation that committee members will contribute greatly to the work of the study committee, however, much of the technical and quality assurance work will need to be completed by Ms. Thacher and Ms. Kidorf.

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**From:** Miller, Jayne  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2008 10:48 AM  
**To:** Anglin, Mike; Briere, Sabra; Derezsinski, Tony; Greden, Leigh; Hieftje, John; Higgins, Marcia; Hohnke, Carsten; Rapundalo, Stephen; Smith, Sandi; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Teall, Margie  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A; Lloyd, Mark; Pulcifer, Connie; Foondle, Laurie; Kahan, Jeffrey  
**Subject:** Germantown Historic District

Mayor and Council, staff received requests for information on the creation of a Germantown Historic District. Below are the requests with answers to them.

**Councilmember Taylor's request:** Can you please provide an estimate for how much staff time and out of pocket expenses (if material) would be devoted to a Germantown Historic District Study Committee?

**Response:** The estimated staff time it would take for the proposed Germantown Study Committee Report is:

60 hours Meetings  
35 hours Research  
5 hours Field work/survey cards  
20 hours Report writing  
120 hours total

Staff believes these numbers are on the high end, and might be lowered if the committee members actively are involved in doing the necessary research. Some of the structures already have written histories because they used to be in the (now defunct) Individual Historic Properties district, but most do not. When the latest Broadway Study Committee convened, they had the advantage of completed research on structures and the neighborhood, and guidance on boundaries from previous attempts to form a district. As a result, that effort took considerably less time (about 60 hours total).

Attached is an example of the documentation for a house in the Broadway Historic District to provide Council with a feel for the kind of research that would be done. Every structure in the proposed district (boundaries to be determined by the Committee) would required similar documentation be completed, and the report would also include such information as a history of the district and a narrative on its significance.

<< File: Sample resource documentation.pdf >>

**Mayor Hieftje's request:** In order for council to properly consider this resolution it would be very helpful to have a large map at he meeting showing the existing historic districts around downtown and perhaps the approximate outlines of the proposed study area. I would like to see this prior to the meeting.

**Response:** Attached is a map. Let me know if you would like hard copies of this map.

<< File: Germantown HD Study Area.pdf >>

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## Elias, Abigail

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 2:58 PM  
**To:** Maureen Sloan; Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten; Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** RE: Formation of a Study Committee Re: Establishing a Historic District

Dear Ms Sloan,

Thank you very much for taking the time to write to City Council. Your willingness to participate in this civic arena helps to make Ann Arbor such a vibrant place to live.

I understand you are concerned about whether this proposed historic district study committee will preclude development proposed for the study area. The language currently proposed has been drafted so that it does not.

This is not because such language would be illegal, but because it might be unfair, especially as *City Place* is currently on the table before Council. *The Madison* is not that far along in the development process, of course.

We on Council are all aware of the delicate balance between economic development and protecting and preserving neighborhoods. It's a balancing act that is often difficult, and one that each of us tries to get right -- in our own ways. I really appreciate the reminder that development in existing neighborhoods can help Ann Arbor grow in good ways, and that change is not always bad.

As I wrote to another concerned business earlier today, I want to assure you that establishing a study committee does not guarantee the creation of an historic district. The study committee evaluates individual properties and researches their histories -- both their architectural histories (when they were built and what has happened to them) and their social histories (who lived in them and what significance they hold for Ann Arbor's history, if any). They define boundaries. They label each property as contributing (basically intact original) or non-contributing (altered beyond restoration) and number them -- how many in each category. They create a report on the proposed district, and if they support creation of one, they send the draft report to the State of Michigan for evaluation and comment. And then they present this report to the neighborhood, the city (holding public hearings) and the Council. If Council doesn't agree that there are a significant number of reasons to create an historic district, they reject the recommendation of the study committee.

A moratorium on demolition -- or any kind of control on building in a study area while the study is being completed -- is purely optional. And as I mentioned above, such a request is not currently on the table tonight.

Thank you again for writing. Your input on this and any other issue will help us form a well-rounded sense of the community's viewpoints.

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**From:** Maureen Sloan [mailto:msloan@hbawc.com]  
**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 12:49 PM  
**To:** Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten; Anglin, Mike  
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To: Honorable John Hieftje, Mayor, and Members of the Ann Arbor City Council

From: Maureen Sloan, CEO (Home Builders Association of Washtenaw County)

It has been brought to my attention that a last-minute agenda item has been added to tonight's City Council Meeting. This agenda item requests the formation of a Study Committee for the Purposes of Establishing a Historic District in the area east of Main and South of William. There are at least two proposed developments in this area, specifically City Place and The Madison. Granting this request will cause irreparable harm to those companies who have diligently attempted to move their projects forward.

I don't have to tell you how bad the economy is right now. These investments come at a time when local units of government are experiencing budget shortfalls and cutting essential municipal services. This is not the time to slam the door on development.

I applaud you for all of the work you have done to promote infill development in the City of Ann Arbor. While our Association may have been initially opposed to the Greenbelt, we have always been supporters of higher density within the urban centers.

Thank you for your consideration,

Maureen Sloan

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**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Crawford, Tom  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 2:58 PM  
**To:** Greden, Leigh  
**Cc:** Jones, Barnett  
**Subject:** RE: Reminder- follow-up re: towing credit card issue

Leigh,

Your caller is incorrect. The City only determines prices for public towing. Private party arrangements are up to the individuals. It's frequently the case in town that the rates are the same but that's not the purview of the City ordinance.

Tom

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 10:21 AM  
**To:** Crawford, Tom  
**Subject:** Reminder- follow-up re: towing credit card issue

Reminder- Please follow-up to make sure that PD has verified that the towing company is now accepting credit cards and not charging a customer fee to do so. Thanks.



## Elias, Abigail

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 2:59 PM  
**To:** Crawford, Tom; Fales, Mary Joan; Fraser, Roger; Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Lloyd, Mark; McCallion, Jeremy; McDonald, Kevin; Smith, Sandi; Thatcher, Jill A.S.  
**Cc:** Hupy, Craig  
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**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Naud, Matthew  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 3:05 PM  
**To:** Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** RE: Skyline Crew  
**Attachments:** image001.gif; image002.jpg; image003.jpg

I think we will meet friday at city hall

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**From:** Hieftje, John  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2008 8:34 PM  
**To:** Naud, Matthew  
**Cc:** Hupy, Craig; Wade, Molly  
**Subject:** RE: Skyline Crew

THANKS

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**From:** Naud, Matthew  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2008 9:15 AM  
**To:** Hieftje, John  
**Cc:** Hupy, Craig; Wade, Molly  
**Subject:** RE: Skyline Crew

I will respond John.

The rowing "community" has retracted their earlier concern that there is overcrowding so this is new information to us.

Thanks

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**From:** Hieftje, John  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2008 9:20 PM  
**To:** 'Cartwright Lorin'  
**Cc:** Kit Bennett; Naud, Matthew; Hupy, Craig  
**Subject:** RE: Skyline Crew

Dear Lorin:

I am happy to the sports teams at both schools are in good hands.

The city is under pressure from the Michigan DEQ to take some type of action regarding Argo Dam. We have been studying this for sometime and there are a few options, each with its own pluses and problems. In any event we need to sort it out fairly soon and make a decision. We have also discussed finding a better way to clear weeds in all of the impoundments.

I am including Matt Naud and Craig Hupy in this email as they have been leading the group studying this issue. They should be able to bring you up to speed on the current thinking.

Good luck with the new school.

John Hieftje

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**From:** Cartwright Lorin [mailto:cartwrl@aaps.k12.mi.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2008 3:03 PM  
**To:** Hieftje, John  
**Cc:** Kit Bennett  
**Subject:** Skyline Crew

Mayor Hieftje:

I hope my email finds you in good spirits and ready for some peace and quiet.

As you may know I'm now the athletic director for both Pioneer and Skyline High Schools. Skyline is currently forming a group of supportive parents to begin a crew program. I suspect within two years we will have enough funding to run a program with both men's and women's teams.

There are some obvious hurdles;

1. room on the water at Argo
2. the possible removal of the Argo dam
3. storage for the boats
4. funding

I have had initial conversations with other coaches from the crews at EMU, U of M, AA Huron and AA Pioneer. The thinking is that there may not be enough space on Argo to bring in another team. So I'm looking at the water options and thought that Barton might be a feasible alternative. My understanding is that Barton has too many weeds, and some sort of cutting or removal would have to take place. Also, there is no real entry point or dock at this time. U of M used to use Barton but it became disruptive for families on the water - but they crewed at 7 AM, we would not.

Just wondering if you could point me in a direction to determine the feasibility of using Barton and what if any would you need from me to get this process moving. I'm sure I'm forgetting many things - so let me know your thoughts.

Thanks and have a wonderful holiday season.

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**"We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future." Franklin D. Roosevelt**



**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Carsten Hohnke [chohnke@a2gov.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 3:32 PM  
**To:** Fraser, Roger  
**Cc:** Dempkowski, Angela A; Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** Joint City/County IT Space in Municipal Bldg

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Carsten

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 3:49 PM  
**To:** Crawford, Tom  
**Cc:** Hohnke, Carsten; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** FW: Joint City/County IT Space in Municipal Bldg

Tom, please answer this for Carsten.

Thanks!

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 3:50 PM  
**To:** Crawford, Tom  
**Subject:** FW: What tenant is this for???

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**From:** Michael Martin [mailto:mcmartin@firstmartin.com]  
**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 10:40 AM  
**To:** Greden, Leigh  
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GDI Infotech

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## Elias, Abigail

**From:** Taylor, Christopher (Council)  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:02 PM  
**To:** Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** FW: Affordable Housing - Forest Hills Cooperative

Hi Angela,

This ended up in my SPAM folder, which is a problem.

I don't know if you're the right person to whom I should turn, but if not, can you please forward this on to the proper parties. I guess I'd like my filter modified.

Thanks!

Christopher

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

**From:** Claudia J. Myszke [mailto: ]  
**Sent:** Fri 12/12/2008 3:07 PM  
**To:** jhieftje@a2gove.org; lgreden@a2gove.org; Taylor, Christopher (Council); McCormick, Sue; Hall, Jennifer; Wheeler, William; Heidi herrell  
**Cc:** Ghada Huessin; donnie stark; Charles Pritchett; John Matthews; nidal Hussein  
**Subject:** Affordable Housing - Forest Hills Cooperative

Dear Honorable Mayor Heifte, Leigh, Chris, Sue, Jennifer and Bill,

Most of you know me as I have had the pleasure of working with many of you over the years. For those that may not, my name is Claudia J. Myszke, I have served as the Managing Agent of Forest Hills Cooperative for over 32 years!

I write to each of you today as I need your help!

Although I would have preferred to make personal contact with each of you, given the time of year, our schedules, and the need to finish up all of our last minute business before the new year, I thought it best to send you an email first and then to offer to meet with each of you, (collectively or individually) if you may desire further information and/or explanation.

As you know, Forest Hills Cooperative is a 306 unit federally subsidized housing community, located on the southeast side of Ann Arbor. What you may not know, is that we are in the process of pre-paying our mortgage with HUD and refinancing. The main reason for this action is to bring to Forest Hills over 5.7M in improvements which will serve to assist us in remaining a viable housing alternative, while at the same time upgrading, modernizing and insuring we remain competitive.

There are many confusing facets of our Refinance and Improvement Plan and, if you would bear with me I would like to explain a few and why I call on you for your assistance.

Back in 1995 the cooperative applied for and was granted a flexible subsidy loan of 3.2M through HUD. With these funds we addressed the many infrastructure issues a development of our size and age required. Such as; replacing windows and doors with much needed energy efficient ones, replacing our roads, roofs, furnaces, appliances, etc.. That loan, at the tune of 3.2M becomes due and payable at the time the co-op is paid off.

At this juncture, we are, once again, in need of modernizing and addressing energy issues. For example, we continue to suffer under the pressure of providing gas to all of our 306 units at a cost far exceeding \$250,000. We have attempted, for years, to encourage conservation and lessen consumption to the point where we even fined individuals who left doors and windows open. However, nothing has served to reduce our costs. Many members do, in fact, conserve, while others continue to have their heat blasting while no one is home and windows left open!

The Capital Improvement Portion of our Refinance and Improvement Program includes the conversion from Master Metering to Individual Metering. It is the position of the Board of Directors and Management that it is every American's obligation to preserve our natural resources and to conserve. The only way, we believe, we will be able to do so is if each member is personally responsible for their individual gas consumption. It is our opinion that their individual monthly DTE bill will more than adequately provide this incentive!

Our Capital Improvement Budget also contains the replacement of exterior doors, appliances, upgrading floors, lighting, energy efficient furnaces, security lighting, playground equipment and the installation of central air conditioning. We have been working on this plan for the past 4 years and we are now on the threshold of our third submission to HUD.

Now, back to the flexible subsidy loan issue. If we simply paid off our mortgage at this time, our carrying charges (rent) would increase considerably and we would NOT be able to move forward with the Capital Improvements I just outlined. However, HUD will allow us to be placed on a 30 year payment schedule to pay off the 3.2 million which will afford us the opportunity to move forward with the capital improvements. There is, however, one major requirement that HUD has in extending a payment schedule. That is, Forest Hills must agree to REMAIN AFFORDABLE FOR THE NEXT 30 YEARS!

As you also know, Colonial Square is now market rate with their units selling at between \$50,000 and \$80,000 which, for Ann Arbor, is affordable. I would guess that University Townhouses and Arrowwood Hills Townhouses will be following suit, that is, deciding to go market rate or condo in the next few years. That leaves Forest Hills Cooperative as the only "real" affordable housing cooperative left in Ann Arbor.

When I initially brought this plan before my Board of Directors there was, understandably, a strong element of personal concern. The reality is, each member of the co-op occupying a townhouse at the time the co-op is paid in full is automatically granted a windfall of anywhere between \$50,000 and \$80,000, or, what the market may bear if the opt to sell their unit as has been the case at Colonial Square. There aren't many folks I know, that are so dedicated to the concept of Affordable Housing, that are willing to give up that type of personal gain!!!!

I have been working with Jennifer Hall, with the City on several issues pertaining to this matter. That is, Forest Hills remaining affordable. We are currently looking into the PILOT program and the possibility of the city loaning funds to potential members of Forest Hills to cover our ever rising membership fee which currently stands at over \$8,500.00. For us, her assistance and guidance could not come at a better time.

What does all of this mean to you and why am I going on and on!

Frankly, I need your assistance.

I would like to ask for either individual letters from each of your Departments or a letter signed by the Mayor encouraging HUD to accept our proposal to refinance. I ask that the letter addresses the need Forest Hills fills in providing affordable housing, the fact that our City's affordable housing stock has and continues to dwindle, and, last but certainly not least, the fact that Forest Hills Cooperative must undertake capital improvements due to age and competition if we are going to continue to attract the caliber of low to moderate income folks we have had the pleasure of serving.

As I mentioned earlier, I would be more than happy to set up a meeting with all of you at my office to review the specifics, what we are doing and where we are trying to get with this. If you may be interested in doing so, or, if you would like more information please do not hesitate to get back with me.

I appreciate your time and look forward to hearing back from each of you!

Sincerely,

Claudia J. Myszke  
Managing Agent  
Forest Hills Cooperative

cc: Board of Directors  
Forest Hills Cooperative

## Elias, Abigail

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:04 PM  
**To:** Scott Trossen; Smith, Sandi; Henderson, Karla  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Leaf Removal

Dear Scott,

I'm sorry it has taken me so long to get back to you, and I'm happy that Sandi was able to write to you a little faster.

I've just gotten off the phone with Karla Henderson. She's really confident that the crews will be through Foxfire tomorrow before the next snow is scheduled to arrive, and that they will pick up all the leaves -- or at least, all the leaves they CAN pick up.

We all believe it's really inconsiderate of the weather to close us down like this, and I thank you and your neighbors for your patience. My own street still has piles of leaves on it, but none of those leaves are keeping anyone from anything except the occasional car from parking, so it's not so bad.

Please keep us posted and let us know if things go well tomorrow -- or if they don't. Your feedback really helps us improve city services.

Thank you for keeping us all informed.

*Sabra Briere*  
*First Ward Councilmember*  
*(734)995-3518*  
*(734)484-3600 x 237 (work)*

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**Sent:** Fri 12/12/2008 5:07 PM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra; Smith, Sandi; Henderson, Karla  
**Cc:** trossen@juno.com  
**Subject:** Leaf Removal

Karen, Sabra and Sandi,

Unfortunately, after two phone calls the department remains unclear if and if ever leaves will be picked up. We were not referred to the now out-of-date information on the city's web site ... which is also inconsistent with the MLive article I just found: [http://www.mlive.com/annarbornews/news/index.ssf/2008/12/early\\_snow\\_delays\\_leaf\\_collect.html#post](http://www.mlive.com/annarbornews/news/index.ssf/2008/12/early_snow_delays_leaf_collect.html#post).

The Dec 3 MLive report said the city was to resume pickup on Dec 8 though I have yet to see any change in our area. We were scheduled for December 2. The city site predicted everything would have been completed last week.

The Post Office has twice threatened to stop delivering mail to the 5 homes served by the mail stand in our yard. Had we known the city would not have shown up by now we could have moved the pile a THIRD TIME, but now it is securely frozen to the street. If we get a real snow, I see the leaves plowed deep in front of the mail boxes and no amount of hand shoveling will get them cleared.

In addition, I am a member of the board of our association. As we don't have a lot of trees in the sub, there have not been many questions but I don't really know what to tell folks.

I have trouble imagining the little snow and ice we have had tied up the staff for over ten days. Looking like a poor excuse for cost savings and/or poor planning along with inattentive communication (phone call handling, media and web).

What's next?

Scott Trossen  
3173 Otter Creek 48105  
Foxfire Sub in Ward 1  
[scott@SOIstaff.com](mailto:scott@SOIstaff.com)  
734-904-5611

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Smith, Sandi  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:09 PM  
**To:** McCormick, Sue  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** Parking on Depot

Sue,  
I have been asked by a property owner in the first ward to look into extending the parking zone on Depot along Wheeler Park. It currently stops well west of the intersection with Fifth Ave and it appears that several more cars could park there. If you could look into this or direct me to the appropriate person, I would appreciate it.

Thank you!

**Sandi Smith**  
Ann Arbor City Council  
First Ward  
734-302-3600 x 105



## Elias, Abigail

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**From:** Teets, Lucy  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:19 PM  
**To:** Teall, Margie  
**Subject:** EOC Activation Form

Hi Margie,

When you have a moment, could you please fill out the attached document and send it back to me? I'm in the process of updating all of the EOC staff and don't have your information on file.



EOC Activation  
Alert List - Co...

Thanks,  
Lucy

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Thank you,

Kristine Kidorf

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:39 PM  
**To:** Berauer, Linda (PAC); Smith, Colin; Rosencrans, Scott (PAC); Anglin, Mike; Barrett, David (PAC); Berla, Tim (PAC); Berson Grand, Julie (PAC); Kunselman, Stephen; Lawter, John (PAC); Macomber, Brigit (PAC); Nystuen, Gwen (PAC); Offen, Samuel (PAC); Taylor, Christopher (Council)  
**Subject:** RE: Packet Distribution

WOW!!! Linda! My efforts are so very sincere, I truly appreciate your kinds words, I really do, more than you will ever know! Thanks again so very much:-)

*Lynn Bowen*

*Administrative Support Specialist*

*(734) 994-2781*

*[lbowen@a2gov.org](mailto:lbowen@a2gov.org)*

*"Today be happy with what you have-not discontent with what you don't have"*

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**From:** Linda Berauer [mailto: ]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:37 PM  
**To:** Bowen, Lynn; Smith, Colin; Rosencrans, Scott (PAC); Anglin, Mike; Barrett, David (PAC); Berla, Tim (PAC); Berson Grand, Julie (PAC); Kunselman, Stephen; Lawter, John (PAC); Macomber, Brigit (PAC); Nystuen, Gwen (PAC); Offen, Samuel (PAC); Rosencrans, Scott (PAC); Taylor, Christopher (Council)  
**Subject:** RE: Packet Distribution

You're welcome Lynn. Thanks for all your work on behalf of PAC – it really makes a difference.

Linda

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**From:** Bowen, Lynn [mailto:LBowen@a2gov.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:35 PM  
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Thank you, thank you, thank you! You really don't know how much I appreciate you recognizing and saying this! You made my day!

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**From:** Linda Berauer [mailto:████████████████████]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 3:55 PM  
**To:** Smith, Colin; Rosencrans, Scott (PAC); PAC\_Distribution  
**Cc:** Bowen, Lynn  
**Subject:** Packet Distribution

Earlier would certainly be better but I can understand the challenges that staff face. Colin, thanks for your efforts in this regard.

On a related note, I have been voicing my concern for a while that the new agendas and packets were not getting onto the website prior to our meetings, and that has improved tremendously. Thank you to Lynn and anyone else involved in making sure that happens.

Linda

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**From:** Smith, Colin [mailto:CSSmith@a2gov.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 6:48 AM  
**To:** Scott Rosencrans; PAC\_Distribution  
**Subject:** RE: 12-16 Agenda

Hello all -

In regards to the packet being distributed earlier, I completely understand the desire for that and will work to see what staff can do. Part of the struggle is collating all the items from varied staff that have numerous deadlines to meet. I would rather send a complete packet out than send one that is partially finished and then have to provide you copies of additional material at the meeting.

See you Tuesday,  
Colin

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**From:** Scott Rosencrans [mailto:████████████████████]  
**Sent:** Sun 12/14/2008 10:30 PM  
**To:** PAC\_Distribution  
**Subject:** 12-16 Agenda

Hello All,

As I have discussed with Linda on a couple of occasions, I am not comfortable providing PAC with a report on the findings of the 415 W. Washington Proposal Review Committee prior to the presentation of those findings to City Council. It may be helpful for you to know that I will be one of those presenters which speaks to the importance that the Committee assigned to Parks concerns during our discussions. The 415 Committee is a Committee of the City Council, not to PAC, and it is to that body that information shall be delivered first.

Whereas, I was selected to serve on that Committee in part because I am a Parks Commissioner and because Parks related issues are germane to the future disposition of that property, rest assured that the resolutions passed by PAC and City Council regarding green space within the floodway have been considered a given by all parties involved, including the applicants. I have mentioned this in other meetings with you all and you have indicated to me that you were already aware that this is the case. I have not heard from any of you that the scope of my representation from PAC should be broadened beyond that of the aforementioned resolutions.

It would have been helpful for me to have been contacted prior to the composition of the Agenda for Tuesday's meeting. I may have, in the past, said that I would hope to be able to provide such an update at the December PAC meeting; but, it really pays to follow up on these things due to the dynamic nature of our work. The work of the 415 Committee was extremely complex and, therefore, was given a thorough study. We had hoped to be done before now; but the complexity of the situation meant that concluding any earlier would have meant an incomplete endeavor.

In addition, I would expect that each of you, with our collective knowledge of the practices for land acquisition and negotiations practices, would understand the purpose and nature of the Closed Session requirements of our work and realize that there is an appropriate time for disclosures once this part of the work is done. Naturally, there is an appropriate sequence for the presentations of findings. Therefore, as veterans of such work, I know that you can appreciate the need for procedural appropriateness in this matter.

I am also concerned about the time frame within which we are provided our meeting packets. We used to get them on the Thursday before our meetings and now we get them late Friday. I think that if we were to change to a schedule wherein we received our packets a week in advance we would, in view of the full schedules that we all maintain, be able to have better opportunities to review them and be better prepared for our meetings.

Therefore, the item on the Agenda for Tuesday, December 16, calling for a report from the 415 W. Washington Proposal Review Committee should be stricken because no report shall be given.

Sincerely,  
Scott Rosencrans

## **Elias, Abigail**

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September 11, 2008

Honorable John Hieftje, Mayor, and  
Members of the Ann Arbor City Council,  
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Re: Formation of a Study Committee for the Purposes of Establishing a Historic District  
in the Neighborhood known as Germantown

Dear Mayor Hieftje and Council Members,

A significant neighborhood in the history of Ann Arbor has gone overlooked for some time with regard to its preservation. It has a cohesive and consistent historic character of such a high degree that it should be considered as a possible Historic District. This neighborhood has suggested boundaries of roughly Division on the East, South Fourth Street on the West, Madison on the South and William on the North.

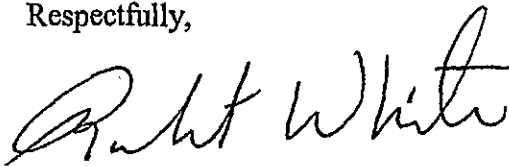
The family name of Otto is one with a long tradition in Ann Arbor. The Otto Band is said to have been the first musical group to perform "The Victors" in public. Harlan Otto, a nephew of the bandmaster, grew up on the 'Old West Side' at 543 South First Street in the 1920's and 1930's. He has stated that his grandfather had been born in a house at the corner of South Fifth and Madison Streets, and still lived there when Harlan was growing up. Mr. Otto says the residents of the relatively newer 'west side' called the neighborhood where his grandfather lived 'Germantown' and considered it 'the old neighborhood'.

In addition to Mr. Otto's grandfather's house, a modest house still in place at its original location, 'Germantown' has a large number of homes, both grand and modest, that are more than the requisite 50 (or even 100) years old. Like the Otto family home at Madison, many of these homes were built or occupied by individuals whose names also continue to ring out in many ways as important Ann Arbor citizens. Eberbach, Goetz, Wahr (founder of an important bookstore in Ann Arbor on State St.), Slauson (for whom a school building on the West Side was named), Schmid (founder of a downtown department store), and Beakes (a family that includes two former Mayors of Ann Arbor) are among the many prominent names whose histories are tied to this neighborhood.

Considering this rich history; the largely extant historic character of the architecture in the neighborhood; the large number of homes in the area from a consistent period of significance spanning from the founding of Ann Arbor to the early 20<sup>th</sup> century; and especially the interest of residents living inside the boundaries of the suggested district, we feel it is appropriate that the Mayor and Council appoint a committee for studying and recommending the creation of an historic district in the area approximating the boundaries described above, which has been known in the past, and by some in the present as 'Germantown'.

The Boundaries are suggested at this point, and are not meant to include those properties already located within districts along Division and William Streets. The final and proper boundaries of such a district would be among the matters for study by the committee itself.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert White". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Robert White, Chair  
On behalf of  
Members of the Ann Arbor Historic District Commission



**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:43 PM  
**To:** \*City Council Members (All); Fraser, Roger; Postema, Stephen  
**Cc:** McCormick, Sue; Harrison, Venita; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** Caucus Questions  
**Attachments:** DC-2 Caucus questions.doc

Here they are. Questions from Margie Teall regarding the Graffiti ordinance will be forwarded to you directly from Public Services as soon as they are ready.

Angela Dempkowski  
City Administrator's Office  
Phone - 734.794.6110 Ext. 41102

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council  
FROM: Jayne Miller, Community Services Administrator  
DATE: December 15, 2008  
SUBJECT: Caucus Questions

### Agenda Item #DC-2 – Resolution Establishing Germantown Historic District Study Committee

Question – A question came up at caucus as to the number of dwellings in the proposed Germantown historic district that were previously included in the Individual Historic Properties District [IHPD] prior to that ordinance being struck down in 2001. How many dwellings between S. 4th Ave, Division, William and Madison used to be in the IHPD? (Hohnke)

Answer – There are 11 principal buildings formerly in an IHPD within the proposed Germantown Historic District boundary (South Fourth Avenue, Madison, Division and William; detached garages and other accessory structures are not included in the count). It appears that 10 of the 11 buildings are residential and include a total of 13 dwelling units. The 11th building is a church and is presumed to contain no dwelling units.

Through any efforts to establish an historic district, the proposed boundaries could be subject to change. It could be that one or two more principal buildings formerly in an IHPD would then be in the Germantown district.

Prepared by: Mark Lloyd, Planning & Development Services Manager  
Reviewed by: Jayne Miller, Community Services Administrator  
Approved by: Roger W. Fraser, City Administrator

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:51 PM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra; Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** RE: Correspondence from Historic Commission

This is already in the latest version of the packet. I think it was added on Friday, but thanks anyway.

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Jacqueline Beaudry  
City Clerk  
City of Ann Arbor  
Please note new phone number:  
734-794-6140 (p)  
734-994-8296 (f)

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:56 PM  
**To:** Anglin, Mike; Beaudry, Jacqueline; Agenda, Clerk  
**Subject:** FW: Request from 4th ave/5th ave Block Committee  
**Attachments:** requeststudy committeeFIN[1].doc

This should be included in tonight's packet, as well.

*Sabra Briere*  
*First Ward Councilmember*  
*(734)995-3518*  
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**From:** KCH [mailto:kch@kerrytown.com]  
**Sent:** Sun 9/21/2008 8:09 PM  
**To:** Suarez, Ron; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Lowenstein, Joan; Kunselman, Stephen; Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Easthope, Christopher; Anglin, Mike; Hieftje@a2gov.org  
**Subject:** Request from 4th ave/5th ave Block Committee

September 18, 2008

To: Mayor John Hieftje and members of city council.

From: Fourth and Fifth Avenue Block Committee

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Sincerely,

John and Cathleen Schulenberg 445 S. 4th Ave. 734 662 2639

Peter and Katharine Kelley 228 Packard corner 5th/ Division  
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Kerrytown Concert House  
Deanna Relyea, Executive Director  
734/769-2999

September 19, 2008

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**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 5:00 PM  
**To:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Subject:** RE: Correspondence from Historic Commission

Thank you. Too much to keep track of, and Mike just called and asked me for a copy. I've just sent the correspondence from the neighborhood. Did you find a copy of the petition from those in opposition? I can't find it, although Carsten had a copy in print at last night's caucus.

*Sabra Briere*  
*First Ward Councilmember*  
*(734)995-3518*  
*(734)484-3600 x 237 (work)*

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**From:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 4:50 PM  
**To:** Briere, Sabra; Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** RE: Correspondence from Historic Commission

This is already in the latest version of the packet. I think it was added on Friday, but thanks anyway.

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Jacqueline Beaudry  
City Clerk  
City of Ann Arbor  
Please note new phone number:  
734-794-6140 (p)  
734-994-8296 (f)

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:41 PM  
**To:** Anglin, Mike; Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Subject:** FW: Correspondence from Historic Commission

Dear Jackie,

This might be useful in tonight's packet.

*Sabra Briere*  
*First Ward Councilmember*  
*(734)995-3518*  
*(734)484-3600 x 237 (work)*

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**From:** Fraser, Roger  
**Sent:** Thu 9/25/2008 8:53 AM  
**To:** \*City Council Members (All)  
**Cc:** Miller, Jayne; Kidorf, Kristine; Dempkowski, Angela A; Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Subject:** Correspondence from Historic Commission

Council, please see the following note from Kristine Kidorf, on behalf of the Historic District Commission. Please note that note and the attached letter are sent as information for the Council pending receipt of a request from the residents.

Roger

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**From:** Kidorf, Kristine

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 24, 2008 4:31 PM

Mayor Hieftje and Council Members,

Please find attached a letter dated September 11, 2008 from the Ann Arbor Historic District Commission that requests your consideration in appointing a study committee to study designating an area being called "Germantown" as a local historic district. The Commission has been communicating with local residents who are interested in having the area roughly bounded by Division, S. Fourth, Madison, and William studied for consideration as a local historic district. It was the intent of the Commission to wait to send you this letter until the neighborhood group submitted their request, however the Ann Arbor News has requested the letter, and we wanted to ensure you received a copy before sharing it with them.

The Commission requests that you simply retain this letter until you receive communication from local residents as the Commission intends their letter to support the request of the local residents.

Please contact Robert White, the Commission Chair, if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Kristine Kidorf

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Briere, Sabra  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 5:03 PM  
**To:** Bonnie Bona; Hieftje, John; Smith Sandi; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten; Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** RE: Germantown  
**Attachments:** image.jpg

Dear Ms Bona,

Thank you very much for your comments.

*Sabra Briere*  
*First Ward Councilmember*  
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**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 4:50 PM  
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**Subject:** Germantown

Dear Council:

As your appointee to the Planning Commission, a strong supporter of the density that creates a vital living environment, and in spite of being an architect that has had several experiences (good & bad) with buildings in historic districts, I want to encourage you to take the time to get the information you need to decide if the neighborhood including Fifth Avenue south of William is worthy of an historic district. Since there are a few houses previously designated as historically significant, I think it is important to verify if they are isolated structures or just the most significant of a neighborhood worth preserving.

If you believe this neighborhood should not be an historic district, the study may affirm your position. If only the buildings previously designated historic are deemed (after the study) worth saving, I encourage you to have them moved for any redevelopment of those properties if incentives for their preservation cannot be achieved. If the entire neighborhood is worthy of preservation, why do you disagree with that?

Please, do not consider a historic district designation as a pure anti-development decision. If this neighborhood becomes a historic district these buildings do not have to be single-family homes. I strongly believe that changes to the R4C zoning district (which CPC would like to do), within the recommendations of the Central Area Plan, would allow not only more appropriate infill but also reasonable additions and would better achieve the 20 dwelling units per acre already allowed. All of the Central Area residential neighborhoods are already significantly denser than the newer residential neighborhoods in the City and have a much greater density than is required for an efficient mass-transit (AATA bus) system -- 4-6 dwelling units per acre -- the Central Area is already zoned for density.

I am not a historic preservation specialist and if I were in your position I would want to make an informed decision about this potential district rather than uninformed one, whichever way you come down on it.

Respectfully, Bonnie Bona

Printed Name: Bonnie Bona  
Printed Address: 1234 Main St  
City: Anytown, State: CA, Zip: 90210



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## **Elias, Abigail**

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 5:17 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Proposed Germantown Historic District Study Committee

Dear Mr. Petz,

Thank you very much for your comments regarding zoning and historic districts.

As I understand the Calthorpe plan and A2D2 -- both of which I watched from the outside and participated in as much as any citizen could -- there was very strong support for maintaining the look and feel of Ann Arbor's older neighborhoods while encouraging adaptive re-use of the structures. Additionally, the neighborhood in questions is outside the A2D2 area -- even if it is by only a few yards.

Historic district study committees do not always result in the creation of historic districts. However, they do provide a census of the buildings within the study area, and can enrich our understanding of the history of Ann Arbor. Creating a study committee does not limit development in the proposed study area, but provides an opportunity for Ann Arbor and its citizens to appreciate what is already there and consider whether it should be preserved and maintained.

A study committee is only the promise of a start. Like planting a seed, it doesn't guarantee a harvest. In the end, the committee may not find that this area is worthy of a historic district. There may not be sufficient support from the area. The majority of properties may have been changed so significantly that they are no longer qualified for preservation. And even if the study committee recommends an historic district, the Council may remain unconvinced.

But if the area is not studied, then Ann Arbor has missed an opportunity to look beyond what we already know to learn more about our past. Since learning more doesn't keep us from changing things, I hope we can take advantage of the opportunity to let ourselves learn.

Thank you for the reminder that we want to encourage downtown density. I'm certain the ongoing dialogue about where exactly 'downtown' is will continue during the next year -- and beyond. Your points are very well taken.

*Sabra Briere*  
*First Ward Councilmember*  
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**From:** John Petz [mailto:jpetz@dominosfarms.com]  
**Sent:** Mon 12/15/2008 4:43 PM  
**To:** Hieftje, John; Smith, Sandi; Briere, Sabra; Rapundalo, Stephen; Derezinski, Tony; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Hohnke, Carsten; Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** Proposed Germantown Historic District Study Committee

Dear Mayor and Council members,

I am writing to urge you to reject the creation of the proposed Germantown Historic District Study Committee, which I understand you will be considering this evening. As you are aware the City of Ann Arbor is in the process of considering the A2D2 recommendations, which call for new development guidelines in the downtown area. These guidelines grew out of the lengthy Calthorpe report process which called for greater density in our downtown area, to among other reasons create more residential housing opportunities and a more vibrant downtown. The associated restrictions of an additional historic district in an area prime for residential redevelopment opportunities, is directly counter to meeting the principles and objectives of both Calthorpe and A2D2.

I am writing this message as an active member of the Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce's public policy committee and one who has spent a significant amount of time studying the various downtown developments being considered by the City and working with the City's staff in addressing business concerns related to A2D2.

The City has been reasonably served by its existing historic district in helping to define our character as a community, but addition historic districts at this stage of the City's progress serve no role but to hamper redevelopment and prevent Ann Arbor from achieving the necessary downtown density to succeed as a vibrant, attractive community in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

John J. Petz  
Director, Government & Community Relations  
Domino's Farms Corporation  
24 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive  
P.O. Box 445  
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106  
734-930-4533  
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## Elias, Abigail

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**From:** McCormick, Sue  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 5:24 PM  
**To:** \*City Council Members (All)  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A; Postema, Stephen; Harrison, Venita  
**Subject:** 1215 Caucus Ques - CA-2 Graffiti.doc  
**Attachments:** 1215 Caucus Ques - CA-2 Graffiti.doc

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Sue F. McCormick, Public Services Administrator

DATE: December 15, 2008

SUBJECT: Council Caucus Question - Agenda Item CA-2

An Ordinance to Amend Section 9:6 (Graffiti) of Chapter 106 of Title IX of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor

Question - Do we have an estimate of the costs of graffiti removal for these small business owners who could be affected? (Councilmember Teall)

Answer – The following is an estimate of the costs for graffiti removal based on the work being performed by Public Service Field Operations inclusive of overhead charges:

Removal	Area	Description	Time, Material, Vehicle Costs
Paint Over	Area 6 x 6	Color match existing paint and cover graffiti	\$175.00
Paint Over	Area 6 x 6 up to 12 x 12	Color match existing paint and cover graffiti	\$255.00
Removal with Power Washer	Area 6 x 6	Remove graffiti and power wash	\$200.00
Removal with Power Washer	Area 6 x 6 up to 12 x 12	Remove graffiti and power wash	\$350.00
Power Wash and Paint	Area 6 x 6	Power wash, color match and paint	\$250.00
Power Wash and Paint	Area 6 x 6 up to 12 x 12	Power wash, color match and paint	\$375.00
Sandblasting	Area 6 x 6	Sandblast brick or concrete surface	\$450.00
Sandblasting	Area 6 x 6 up to 12 x 12	Sandblast brick or concrete surface	\$905.00

Question - We had talked about having these graffiti kits available from the DDA, or merchant associations, but could the City offer them for businesses or non-profits outside of the downtown area if they could confirm need? (Councilmember Teall)



Answer - The merchant associations have access to paint (off white and possibly grey), rollers, brushes and pans. This was stock from the Downtown Cleanup Program. We have not found commercially available graffiti removal kits per se. We did find a brochure from another City's graffiti program offering kits but do not have information regarding the source of those kits.

Question - Sandi Smith told us that their landlord won't allow anything except sandblasting to take graffiti off of his building, and it costs \$500.00 to have it done. There are concerns about charging business owners for being victims themselves, and concerns about non-profits who can't afford to address this issue, should they be victimized by graffiti tagging. Can we address these issues tonight (or before, so that we can send them out to Council members)? (Councilmember Teall)

Answer - The table above provides additional information on graffiti removal costs depending on the method and the surface area. The proposed approach to have landlords responsible for these property management costs is consistent with the provisions in the City's overall Clean Communities program. It is a basic policy decision for Council to consider.

Prepared by: Mike Bergren, Assistant Field Operations Manager  
Reviewed by: Sue F. McCormick, Public Services Administrator  
Approved by: Roger Fraser, City Administrator

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Bowden (King), Anissa  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 5:45 PM  
**To:** Anglin, Mike; Beaudry, Jacqueline; Briere, Sabra; Dempkowski, Angela A; Derezinski, Tony; Fraser, Roger; Greden, Leigh; Hieftje, John; Higgins, Marcia; Hohnke, Carsten; Postema, Stephen; Rapundalo, Stephen; Schopieray, Christine; Smith, Sandi; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Teall, Margie  
**Subject:** 12/15/08 Packet  
**Attachments:** image001.gif; image002.gif

The packet has been updated to include the following:

Intro-1 Update on Public Art Plan - Margaret Parker

DC-3 Transfer Ownership of a Class C Liquor License

H-5 Communication regarding Historic District Study

And is now ready for downloading.

**Anissa R. Bowden | Council Administrative Coordinator**

[abowden@a2gov.org](mailto:abowden@a2gov.org)

**City of Ann Arbor, Michigan,**

**Office of the City Clerk**

100 N. Fifth Ave, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

**PLEASE NOTE NEW PHONE NUMBER:**

**Internal : ext. 41402**

**External (734) 794-6144 ext. 41402**



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**From:** McCormick, Sue  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 6:37 PM  
**To:** Smith, Sandi  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** RE: Parking on Depot

We'll check into it.

Sue F. McCormick  
Public Service Administrator  
100 N Fifth Av  
Ann Arbor, MI 48107  
Phone: (734) 994-2897  
mailto: [smccormick@a2gov.org](mailto:smccormick@a2gov.org)



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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 4:09 PM  
**To:** McCormick, Sue  
**Cc:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** Parking on Depot

Sue,

I have been asked by a property owner in the first ward to look into extending the parking zone on Depot along Wheeler Park. It currently stops well west of the intersection with Fifth Ave and it appears that several more cars could park there. If you could look into this or direct me to the appropriate person, I would appreciate it.

Thank you!

**Sandi Smith**  
Ann Arbor City Council  
First Ward  
734-302-3600 x 105

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**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:01 PM  
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**Subject:** DC-2 changes  
**Attachments:** image001.gif; image002.gif

DC-2 was revised to include 2 attachments (Att3 & Att4) and has been uploaded to your link. Please upload the link if you haven't done so in the past five minutes, thanks.

Anissa R. Bowden | Council Administrative Coordinator  
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**From:** Higgins, Marcia  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:12 PM  
**To:** Rapundalo, Stephen  
**Subject:** wE NEED TO REOPEN THE aGENDA AND ADD OUR RESOLTUION. JACKIE DIDN'T GET IN.

**Elias, Abigail**

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**To:** Greden, Leigh  
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**Subject:** FW: Bylaws Resolution



Bylaws  
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Jacqueline Beaudry  
City Clerk  
City of Ann Arbor  
Please note new phone number:  
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**From:** Postema, Stephen  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 6:57 PM  
**To:** Beaudry, Jacqueline  
**Subject:** FW: Bylaws Resolution

**Stephen K. Postema**  
Ann Arbor City Attorney

100 N. Fifth Ave  
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107  
From outside City Hall: (734) 794-6189  
Internal to City Hall only: 41889

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**Kevin S. McDonald** | Senior Assistant City Attorney  
City of Ann Arbor | 100 N. Fifth Avenue, PO Box 8647 | Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107  
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**RESOLUTION TO DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO REVIEW AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS TO THE BYLAWS OF CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, AND TO MAKE ALL BYLAWS SUBJECT TO CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL**

Whereas, The City has numerous boards and commissions with bylaws that have been developed and amended over some time;

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Whereas, City Council has previously provided this direction to the City Attorney, and the City Attorney has developed a bylaws format to address uniformity and consistency of the bylaws of City boards and commissions;

**RESOLVED**, That all City boards and commissions submit their bylaws and proposed amendments to the City Attorney for review prior to amendment by the board or commission;

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**RESOLVED**, That new bylaws, and amendments and revisions to the bylaws of all City boards and commissions not take effect until approved by City Council.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Marcia Higgins, Stephen Rapundalo, and Mike Anglin



**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:17 PM  
**To:** 'Joan Lowenstein'; 'srapundalo@michbio.org'; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; 'chris@easthopelaw.com'; Hieftje, John  
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Whatever is best for Chris and Joan.

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**To:** Higgins, Marcia  
**Subject:** RE: Intro

We needed a roll-out and reminder to new Members and public about the Art program several weeks before we roll out the PD/Courts art plan, and today was chosen because (1) the Agenda is light and (2) 1/5 is too close to the 1/10 retreat at which the world will know about budget cuts.

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**From:** Smith, Sandi  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:22 PM  
**To:** Callan, Mary Jo  
**Subject:** 100 units

Did the HHSAB look at Ann & Main street parking lot?

**Sandi Smith**  
Ann Arbor City Council  
First Ward  
734-302-3600 x 105

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:25 PM  
**To:** Ristenbatt, Phil; Rainey, Dan  
**Subject:** Computers inside City Hall

My laptop is still not recognizing the blue wire. It's using wireless and is very slow-- slower than when I'm at home or elsewhere.

## Elias, Abigail

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**From:** Bowden (King), Anissa  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:27 PM  
**To:** Beaudry, Jacqueline; Anglin, Mike; Briere, Sabra; Dempkowski, Angela A; Derezinski, Tony; Fraser, Roger; Greden, Leigh; Hieftje, John; Higgins, Marcia; Hohnke, Carsten; Postema, Stephen; Rapundalo, Stephen; Schopieray, Christine; Smith, Sandi; Taylor, Christopher (Council); Teall, Margie  
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Anissa



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**Cc:** Anglin, Mike  
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-Leigh

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**From:** Shannon Bellers [mailto:sbellers@adamsoutdoor.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 10, 2008 12:11 PM  
**To:** Greden, Leigh  
**Cc:** Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** Maple / Dexter project - status of overall pilot?  
**Importance:** High

Good morning –

I know this is a really busy time of year in general and even more hectic with all your city projects, but I received an email from Rene Papo regarding the Maple/Dexter road project indicating that he is planning to begin demolition activity in mid-January and wants to know if we have any progress for relocating the billboard. Have you heard anything from staff regarding our status?

Thank you – I really do appreciate your time.

-Shannon

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From: Laura Strowe [mailto: [REDACTED]]  
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Cc: annarborneighborhoods@gmail.com  
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Thank you for considering the issues I have raised.

Laura Stowe  
1327 Broadway  
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To: Rainey, Dan  
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Tom is here-- he said he'll check it out.

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From: Rainey, Dan  
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2008 8:46 PM  
To: Greden, Leigh  
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There's no one in the office right now.

If you login like you used to it might work. Make sure the blue cord is in and the check box on the login screen \*unchecked\* when you do.

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I tried that before and it didn't work, but I might have picked the wrong options that I was given after I checked that box. Is someone still here to walk me through it?

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She said the idea was brought to her by others, but she obviously took that and wrote it.

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**To:** Greden, Leigh; Hohnke, Carsten; Higgins, Marcia  
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Sent: Monday, December 15, 2008 9:36 PM  
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An in-depth study has revealed that my computer box under my desk (where the wire comes from) is broken. We tried not checking the box... We got a new blue wire... Nothing worked. Everyone else's packet downloads super fast. Mine is a snail's pace. So I think I need a new box.

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**From:** Teall, Margie  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 9:58 PM  
**To:** 'Joan Lowenstein'; Higgins, Marcia; Greden, Leigh; srapundalo@michbio.org; Chris EasthopeLaw.com; Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** RE: Thursday dinner

I don't think I can do the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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**From:** Joan Lowenstein [mailto:jlowenstein@jaffelaw.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 9:57 PM  
**To:** Higgins, Marcia; Greden, Leigh; srapundalo@michbio.org; Teall, Margie; Chris EasthopeLaw.com; Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** RE: Thursday dinner

I could do 22, 23, 29, or 30.

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**From:** Higgins, Marcia [mailto:MHiggins@a2gov.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:18 PM  
**To:** Greden, Leigh; Joan Lowenstein; srapundalo@michbio.org; Teall, Margie; chris@easthopelaw.com; Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** RE: Thursday dinner

Whatever is best for Chris and Joan.

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**From:** Greden, Leigh  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 7:17 PM  
**To:** 'Joan Lowenstein'; 'srapundalo@michbio.org'; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; 'chris@easthopelaw.com'; Hieftje, John  
**Subject:** Thursday dinner

Gang: As you may have seen from the GCSI email, the legislature will be in session this Thursday until very late in the night. It's the only day this week they're in session! That means it's very likely Kirk will have to cancel our dinner. He'd like to re-schedule ASAP. Do people want to try to re-schedule sometime in December, or wait until January?

**Elias, Abigail**

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**From:** Crawford, Tom  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 10:19 PM  
**To:** Fraser, Roger  
**Cc:** Hohnke, Carsten; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** RE: Joint City/County IT Space in Municipal Bldg

At this time the City/County IT areas are working on 3 large initiatives, in addition to everything we do together. They are:

1. Perform a joint needs analysis for financial system software to determine if the City & County can move to 1 system.
2. Look at a joint strategic plan for the two departments to see which areas make the most sense to partner.
3. Implement a joint/shared data center in the Larcom building, with plans to move to the new building after it's complete.

Karen is asking about #3. The plan is the county would rent space from the City so we'd share the same facility. This is the first step in consolidating servers, etc. Anticipated rent is approx. \$35k per year.

Let me know if you have additional questions.

Tom

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

**From:** Fraser, Roger  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 3:49 PM  
**To:** Crawford, Tom  
**Cc:** Hohnke, Carsten; Dempkowski, Angela A  
**Subject:** FW: Joint City/County IT Space in Municipal Bldg

Tom, please answer this for Carsten.

Thanks!

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

**From:** Carsten Hohnke [mailto:chohnke@a2gov.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 15, 2008 3:32 PM  
**To:** Fraser, Roger  
**Cc:** Dempkowski, Angela A; Anglin, Mike  
**Subject:** Joint City/County IT Space in Municipal Bldg

Roger,

Karen Sidney asked Mike and me what contribution we could expect from the joint city/county IT space that is indicated on the plans for the municipal building.

Will that space be shared \*if\* the city and county work out an IT consolidation agreement, or will it be shared in any case? If shared, then what will their rent be?

Thanks,  
Carsten