

CITY COUNCIL EMAILS

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From:

Kunselman, Stephen

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 12:16 AM

To:

Briere, Sabra

Subject:

RE: CA-7 Coach's Catastrophe Cleaning & Restoration

I believe the FDD program was actually a result of a state mandate due to the waste water treatment plant discharging sewage when overwhelmed by storm events. Steve

From: Briere, Sabra

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 8:04 PM

To: *City Council Members (Ali)

Subject: FW: CA-7 Coach's Catastrophe Cleaning & Restoration

Sabra Briere First Ward Council member (734)484-3600 x 237 (W) (734)995-3518 (H)

From: McCormick, Sue

Sent: Friday, September 05, 2008 11:58 AM

To: Briere, Sabra

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

From:

Miller, Jayne

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 8:24 AM

To:

Greden, Leigh; Lloyd, Mark

Cc:

Lussenden, Keith; Barber, Janet (Barth)

Subject:

RE: rental signs

Mark, please provide me with a response to Leigh's question. Thanks.

Jayne Miller
Community Services Area Administrator
City of Ann Arbor
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734-994-8460 (fax)

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NOTE Our e-mail addresses are changing! Please update my contact info to: imiller@a2gov.org

From: Greden, Leigh

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 10:32 AM

To: Lloyd, Mark; Miller, Jayne

Cc: Lussenden, Keith **Subject:** FW: rental signs

Please see below and advise if, based on that area's zoning, such signs are allowed. Thanks.

From: Jennifer Manning [mailto:

Sent: Friday, September 05, 2008 8:11 PM

To: Greden, Leigh

Cc: Evans, Family; Holley, David; Karibian, Kimmy; Manning, Bryan

Subject: rental signs

Dear Leigh,

I noticed recently that sometime within about the last 6 months a Wilson White rental sign has been permanently attached to the siding on the duplex at 2001/2003 Anderson Ave., which is just around the corner from our home. (The current residents sometimes hang a U of M flag over it, which is temporary improvement for Wolverine fans, at least!) I am wondering quite frankly if this type of signage is allowed in our neighborhood. It is the type of sign that can be seen on student rental homes all over campus, but we live in a neighborhood of mostly owner-occupied homes and the constant advertisement of this type of permanent sign is an eyesore. I tried to look into codes online but got quite overwhelmed and wondered if you could help in any way with this issue, or if you can direct me to someone within the City that can help? Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Manning, 2021 Devolson Ave.

See how Windows Mobile brings your life together—at home, work, or on the go. See Now

From:

Kulhanek, Matthew

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:05 AM

To:

Greden, Leigh

Ce: Subject: 'mark_perry@mascohq.com'

Attachments:

RE: low flying planes Low Flying Plane.pdf

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Mary Karen McClellan 2008 Hall Ave

SECTION STATE

THE REGULATION

Bease note there are instances when an afficialt may be operated in flight below these regulations with proper FAA approval. In addition, there are designated low-level military training routes where military aircraft may operate from the surface up to a specified altitude in visual and instrument meteorological conditions.

THE RULE

Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 91.119, Minimum safe attitudes, prohibits low flying except under the following conditions:

"Sec. 91:119 Minimum safe altitudes: General: Except when necessary for takeoff or landing no person may operate an aircraft below the following altitudes: (a) Anywhere. An altitude allowing, if a power unit fails, an emergency landing without undue hazard to persons or property on the surface. (b) Over congested areas. Over any congested area of a city, town, or settlement, or over any open air assembly of persons an altitude of 1,000 feet above the highest obstacle within a horizontal radius of 2,000 feet of the aircraft (c) Over other than congested areas. An altitude of 500 feet above the surface, except over open water or sparsely populated areas. In those cases, the aircraft may not be operated closer than 500 feet to any person vessel, vehicle, or structure (d) Helicopters. Helicopters may be operated at less than the minimums prescribed in paragraph (b) or (c) of this section if the operation is conducted without hazard to persons or property on the surface in addition each person. operating a helicopter shall comply with any routes or altitudes specifically prescribed for helicopters by the Administrator."

DO YOUR PART: REPORT LOW-FLYING AIRCRAFT

Your help is needed in preventing unauthorized low-flying aircraft. Do your part report such flying to the FAA.

For more information, you can write to the Federal Aviation Administration, General Aviation and Commercial Division:

Operations Branch AFS-820, 800 Independence Ave.; SW:

Washington DG 2059: Title relephone number is
202-267-82! 2.

Help FAA
Identify Unauthorized
LOW-FLYING
AIRCRAFT







The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is responsible for aviation safety in the United States and its territories. To help ensure the safety of persons and property on the ground and those onboard an unauthorized low-flying aircraft, FAA asks that anyone seeing an unauthorized low-flying aircraft to report that sighting to the nearest FAA Flight Standards District Office (FSDO), the preferred notification point, or the nearest FAA Air Traffic Control (ATC) facility. That ATC facility will then notify the appropriate FSDO. The telephone number for each type office may be found in your local telephone directory under U.S. Government: The number may be listed under Transportation, Department of or under Federal Aviation Administration. Telephone numbers and addresses of many FAA facilities are listed on the Internet at www.faa.gov. Check under the listing for "FAA Organizations." You can also check in "Public Inquiry" under "Low Flying Aircraft" to access FSDO locations.

FAA takes any complaint of an alleged violation of a Federal Aviation Regulation seriously. To aid in any investigation, the FAA FSDO aviation safety inspector assigned to the case will require as much information as possible to help identify the aircraft involved in the alleged incident.

The following information will aid in the investigation. Please keep a record of any information you provide FAA. You may want to write out a brief statement describing what you saw before you contact FAA to ensure you can provide as much information as possible and to help you organize the information. If your complaint results in an enforcement action, you may be required to testify or provide a written statement in the case.

DESIRED INFORMATION

You need to provide FAA as much of the following information as possible. A brief summary of what happened, where did it happen, when did it happen, how did it happen, and who did it, if known, is important. The FSDO will use the information to determine if a regulatory violation occurred and to help identify and locate the aircraft involved.

Please remember that not all low-flying aircraft are in violation of a regulation.

LOW-FLYING-AIRCRAFT REPORTING CHECKLIST

- What happened? Describe in detail.
- MY hat was your estimate of the aircraft's altitude or height? How did you determine this estimate?
- Where did it happen? Describe location in detail.
- When did it happen? Date and time.
- DWhat were the weather conditions at the time?
- I How many times did the aircraft appear to be low?
 Did it continue to fly low in the area?
- □What was the direction of flight?
- QWho did it? List the name of the pilot or aircraft owner if known.
- ■What was the aircraft's registration number?
- Other witnesses List all who witnessed the event.
 List names, telephone numbers, and addresses if known.
- Were the local police notified. Did a police officer with ness the alleged incident? It so, list the name of the police department and telephone number of any officer involved if known.
- ☐ Did you feel threatened?
- D Was more than one aircraft involved? If so, provide data on each aircraft involved.

AIRGRAFT IDENTIFICATION AIDS

- ☐ Type: aircraft? Fixed-wing airplane; helicopter; glider, balloon; airship; ultralight vehicle; seaplane.
- □ Wasit military or civilian?
- CI Did you see a registration number? If, so, what was it?
- List any partial numbers if complete number is not known.
- DWas it a high-wing type aircraft for low-wing aircraft?
- LiWhat color was it? Did it have one or more other colors
- Did it have any distinct markings; designs, or logos!
- □Was it a jet powered aircraft or piston-powered aircraft?
- ☐ Did it have propellers?
- "If How many engines or propellers did it have?
- How large was the aircraft?
- If it was a helicopter how many main notors did it have.
- If it was a helicopter, now many main rotor blades did it have?
- ☐-Was there anything unusual about the aircraft!

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

Did you take any photographs or video of the event? If so, what type and focal length of lens was used? If a zoom type lens was used, was the lens zoomed in or out?

Were you able to zoom in on the aircraft's registration number, if it had one, to help identify the aircraft?

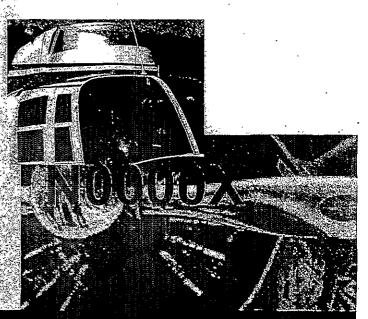
Did you try to photograph or video the aircraft against a background that would show height such as against a tall building, tower, hill, mountain, or other such object to aid in determining the aircraft's altitude? Please note, it is preferable to photograph the aircraft using a "normal" lens setting to avoid any misleading sized images caused by the compressive effects of a zoom or telephoto lens setting beyond the "normal" lens setting for the type of camera used.

If an object is included in the photograph or video to help show the aircraft's height, do you know the object's height?

If you photographed or videotaped the aircraft in flight from another aircraft, what was your aircraft's altitude when the photograph was taken or the video was made?

If film was used to photograph the aircraft, it is better if the negatives are not cut into smaller sections. You can ask your processor not to cut the film.

It is important to keep positive control of any type of recording media used to record the incident.



Do Your Part: Report Low-Flying Aircraft

From:

Cooper, Eli

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:40 AM

To:

Fraser, Roger

Cc:

Subject: Attachments: Dempkowski, Angela A; Hieftje, John DRAFT Letter to David Nacht AATA 09082008.doc DRAFT Letter to David Nacht AATA 09082008.doc

Roger,

Attached please find a draft letter of support to David Nacht regarding the AATA ramping up their role in the WALLY Project. I have drafted this version to be signed by the Mayor. Please let me know if this draft is ok to move for John's signature.

Thank you,

Eli

September 8, 2008

Mr. David Nacht Ann Arbor Transportation Authority 2700 S. Industrial Hwy Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mr. Nacht:

Thank you for your active participation in the Wally Coalition meeting with Congressman Dingell on September 4, 2008. The meeting was arranged to review progress to date on the initiative and explore next steps following the completion of the RL Banks Technical Review. Your involvement was a large part of the positive tone of the meeting, I thank you for that.

It was clear to all in attendance that there is more work needed to enable Congressman Dingell to better assist our coalition. One key variable is the identification or creation of an entity to lead the effort. Your offer, that the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority (AATA) would be willing to hire an individual to serve as the WALLY Project lead was outstanding and appeared to be well received by the others. The City of Ann Arbor is fully supportive of the AATA moving in that direction. I also respect your thinking that AATA is actively considering becoming the sponsoring Authority for this project. That is a very interesting thought indeed, and merits consideration by the members of the coalition.

In order to keep the process moving forward, I suggest AATA work with the coalition members and engage the proper staff to further develop this project. While the Authority fills this important new role in this initiative, you have the City's support to explore the opportunity for AATA to serve as the official sponsor and Authority of Record for the WALLY project. I understand, from Shea Charles' comments, the City of Howell remains very supportive of the project and expressed a willingness to continue their involvement. I trust you and your staff will work with him to make sure we fully embrace their involvement and support.

Thank you for your leadership and offer to facilitate implementation of this important transportation system. It will keep this important project on track.

Sincerely,

John Hieftje Mayor

CC Coalition members

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:49 AM Mary Karen McClellan; Kunselman, Stephen

To: Subject:

RE: low flying planes

Ms. McClellan-

Thank you for writing. I apologize for your inconvenience. I asked the City's Fleet & Facilities Manager, who supervises airport operations, to provide me some information. Here is his report. I will forward you his attachment in a separate e-mail. I hope this information is helpful.

-Leigh Greden, Member of City Council

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To:

mark_perry@mascohq.com; Kulhanek, Matthew

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Thanks to you both. This is very helpful info. I forwarded a summary of Matt's report to Mrs McClellan, and I also sent her the low flying brochure. I'd love a copy of the noise abatement policy too.

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Please also send Leigh and Mrs. Hall a copy of the City's new noise abatement procedure. This document is intended for just such inquires.

Mark

Mark Perry, CAE MASCO Corporation 21001 Van Born Road Taylor, MI 48180-1300

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Subject:

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Dempkowski, Angela A; Greden, Leigh; Harrison, Venita; Kroll, Jeffrey; Kunselman, Stephen;

McCormick, Sue; Minor J Coon; Molly Mengebier; Mr. Felbeck - on Scottwood; Pirooz,

Homavoon: Zeichman, John

Subject:

Water main connection - Wednesday temporary water shut down

Dear Neighbors of Austin Ave.

This is to let you know what is happening with the construction of a new water main on Austin Avenue.

The new water mains have been tested to make sure they are tight and clean – we received their passing grades this morning. So the contractor, Verdeterre Construction, can continue with connecting the new water main with the existing system. This connection will happen on Wednesday, September 10th. There will be a water main shut down on Wednesday for several hours while the connection is made. During this time you will not have water service. You will receive a notice today on your front door that says it will last from 8:30 to 5:00 – we don't expect it will last that long, but rather, only several hours. It is just difficult to predict exactly when the contractor will be ready to make the tie-in. The water will be turned back on that same day.

After the water shut down, sometimes there is discoloration in the water. After the water shut down, flush out the water by running the tap in your basement sink, near where the water comes in the house, for a minute or two to see that the water runs clear. Or, if you notice any discoloration in an upstairs sink, just run the water for a few minutes until it runs clear.

After the tie-in, the contractor will be back to connect each house's curb box to the new main. The curb boxes are located in the sidewalk extension, so the excavation will be limited to that area.

Let me know if you have any questions, and our city inspector Jeff Kroll is on-site during construction if you have any questions "in the field". Thanks for your patience with the dust and noise during the construction.

-Susan

Susan Bryan, MLA
Project Management Services Unit
City of Ann Arbor
100 N. Fifth Avenue, P.O Box 8647, 4th Floor
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Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 10:58 AM

To:

'Wendy J Carman 1'; Christopher Graham; Ruppel, Bradley; Cheng, Christopher; DiLeo,

Alexis

Cc:

Nystuen, Gwen (PAC); Steve Bean; Teall, Margie; Naud, Matthew; WarrenAttarian; Kim

Waldo; Borneman, Dave; Tallant, Jason; Gray, Kerry

Subject:

RE: NFC Meeting Sept 26

Wendy,

Chris Cheng (Zoning), and Brad Ruppel (Grading) would be able to answer the questions you raised in the email below. A good portion of the answer has to do with land divisions and the limitation the State puts on communities ability to apply local requirements to land divisions.

Alexis DiLeo (Planning) has been working on a code change to help address this type of situation by at least requiring access drives that serve more than 2 lots to be site planned. I am not sure where that code change is in the process.

Chris, Brad, and Alexis,

The meeting referred to in the email below is the Natural Features Committee at 12 PM on Friday Sept. 26 in the 4th Floor Workroom.

Jerry Hancock, CFM

Stormwater and Floodplain Programs Coordinator City of Ann Arbor Public Services - Systems Planning Unit 100 N. Fifth Ave, Ann Arbor, MI 48107 Ph# 734-996-3004 Fax# 734-996-3064

----Original Message----

From: Wendy J Carman 1 [mailto:

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 8:33 AM

To: Christopher Graham

Cc: Nystuen, Gwen (PAC); Steve Bean; Teall, Margie; Naud, Matthew; WarrenAttarian; Kim Waldo;

Hancock, Jerry; Borneman, Dave; Tallant, Jason; Gray, Kerry

Subject: Re: Meeting Sept 26

I would like to add to the agenda, the recent grading permit for the 8 or so lots just west of Geddes along the south side of the Gallup Park. I am unlcar about what happened there and I would like to understand the circumstances under which this was given a permit and whether or not the rules we (the NFO) thought we established were followed.

From:

Schopleray, Christine

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 11:59 AM

To:

Hieftje, John

Subject:

FW: Thank mayor for Meeting with AATC on Friday

FYI

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From: Yuval Roth [mailto:

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 11:33 AM

To: Schopieray, Christine

Subject: Thank mayor for Meeting with AATC on Friday

Hello,

Regarding Mayor meeting with Ann Arbor Track Club/Dexter Ann Arbor Run on Friday September 5.

We would like to thank the Mayor again for meeting with us on Friday, for listening to our issues, for his thoughtful advice, and for committing to follow up specifically on the issue of the Dexter Ann Arbor Run coordination with the City.

Please convey our appreciation to the Mayor.

With kind regards,

Dr. Yuval Roth Ann Arbor Track Club Board member

From: Sent: Sabra Briere [sabra.briere@gmail.com] Monday, September 08, 2008 12:45 PM

To:

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Ce:

Ron Suarez; Anglin, Mike; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Greden, Leigh; Rapundalo,

Stephen; Kunselman, Stephen; Hieftje, John; Judy McGovern

Subject:

Re: First Martin's Tax Break Request/Industrial Development District

First Martin has just withdrawn their request.

Sabra

On Mon, Sep 8, 2008 at 11:56 AM, pdl (wrote: Hello,

I am a First Ward resident who owns a business and works in the Ward, as well. I bike past Mr. Martin's building frequently. In my opinion, architecturally, It's a wonderful addition to the Ward. It's a shame, Bill Martin hasn't been able to find a tenant or tenants. Now, First Martin Corporation is asking Council to approve the city's first speculative tax abatement district. This is a request by Mr. Martin to have Ann Arbor's taxpayers subsidize his project costs, and the rent of his tenants in perpetuity, because his building has sat empty since its completion in 2006, and he is paying \$60,000 in property taxes per year on it. In fact, a quick look at the First Martin web site reveals that the site has been available for rent since 2005. Mr. Martin's gamble to build on the site has not yet paid off. That's his problem, not that of the taxpayers in Ann Arbor.

Mr. Martin is in no way the only Ann Arbor property taxpayer facing difficult and unsure times. There are thousands of Ann Arbor taxpayers who are currently in possession of homes whose values have fallen 17 percent since July of 2007, but who continue to pay property taxes that remain burdensome. Frankly, I hope Mayor and Council gently remind Mr. Martin of his several options, the most obvious of which is to lower his own rents and subsidize renters himself for as long as he likes, or to sell his building and recoup as much of his original investment as it possible. Neither may be attractive, but both are preferable to Council awarding him welfare from property tax payers in a climate where taxpayers live under the threat of foreclosure, and the very real danger for many that property values will meet State Equalized Values.

I urge you all to vote no on the resolution to create a Speculative Tax Abatement District for Mr. William Martin's company. Let's spend our property tax money wisely on developments that are sustainable (Mr. Martin's is NOT), that create jobs, (Mr. Martin's does NOT) and adhere to publicly available and carefully crafted criteria. If Ann Arbor wants a speculative tax abatement district, let's act as a community and create it carefully, thoughtfully, and not simply create it as a kneejerk reaction to one man's business woes.

Sincerely,

Patricia Lesko

From:

Pirooz, Homayoon

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 12:46 PM

To:

Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie

Cc:

Fraser, Roger

Subject;

FW: W. Stadium (Pauline to Seventh) CAC

Marcia, in an earlier e-mail you mentioned that you know of three W. Stadium residents who might be interested in becoming the project's CAC members. Would you happen to know who they are and if they will attend the meeting this Wednesday night? Thanks,

From: Rolla, Elizabeth

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 10:59 AM

To: Pirooz, Homayoon

Subject: W.Stadium (Pauline to Seventh) CAC

HP - Seven citizens have volunteered to be on the W.Stadium (Pauline to Seventh) Citizen Advisory Committee. I was wondering if you have heard from Councilmember Higgins about any others who might attend? We'll be printing out the handout materials Wednesday morning. Thanks, liz

From:

Hieftje, John

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 12:51 PM

To:

Lowenstein, Joan; Greden, Leigh

Subject:

Speaking to my class

Joan & Leigh:

I am writing with my annual request for you to meet with my class at the Ford School. If you could each speak for a few minutes about your experience on City Council and join in a discussion about downtown, development issues, local politics, etc. I have 30 students this year so probably a lot more questions.

The best day would be Tuesday. Oct. 14 or Thursday Oct. 16. Class starts at 1:10 and runs until 2:30 in room 1210 (same as last year) at the Ford School.

THANKS!

John

From:

Lloyd, Mark

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 1:08 PM Teall, Margie; Fraser, Roger; Miller, Jayne

To: Subject:

RE: 42 North meetings

In response to the e-mail below, I asked Connie to provide some insight on how the Citizen Participation Ordinance being considered this evening would address this matter (response below). In addition, the response addresses the question of staff participation/attendance at these meetings. Staff participation was discussed early on with the advisory committee and determined not to be a good idea. However, City Council members are encouraged to attend.

Connie's response...

Mark.

The proposed Citizen Participation Ordinance is intended to address when and how a petitioner notifies neighbors. If City Council gives us direction to move forward with the ordinance, our next step will be to prepare supporting materials for petitioners. Among other materials, we will prepare guidelines with standard procedures for conducting the meetings. such as acceptable meeting locations, meeting length, materials available, facilitation tips, format for documenting the meeting, etc. The petitioner would be required, per the guidelines, to forward meeting documentation to all meeting attendees. This will give attendees an opportunity to comment on accuracy of the documentation.

We recommend planning staff not attend the required citizen participation neighborhood meetings to avoid compromising our procedural review role. We want to avoid the perception of being advocates for any particular project and do not want our role to be viewed as political (rather than procedural) in any way. In addition, since the information will be conceptual in nature and, in most cases, not yet part of the formal review process, staff should not be in the position to comment on the project's compliance with City codes or plans. Nor should staff be in the position to comment on behalf of any City department prior to formal review.

Hope this helps.

Mark D. Lloyd

Planning and Development Services Manager City of Ann Arbor, MI

vox: (734) 994-2799 fax: (734) 994-2798

----Original Message----

From: Teall, Margie

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 8:05 PM

To: Fraser, Roger; Miller, Jayne; Lloyd, Mark

Subject: FW: 42 North meetings

I need to pass this on to you folks. I know we ask developers to meet with neighborhood groups, but given this (and other accounts from these particular neighbors) I worry that we should set some standards for how these meetings are run, or something... Is it possible that we could have a staff member at one or two of these meetings?

----Original Message-----

From: James Foulke [mailto:

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 7:01 PM

To: Hieftje, John; Briere, Sabra; Suarez, Ron; Rapundalo, Stephen; JLowerstein@a2gov.org; Kunselman, Stephen; Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Easthope, Christopher; Anglin, Mike

Cc: Foulke, James

Subject: 42 North meetings

Dear Mayor Hieftje and Members of City Council,

Several months ago, you asked Mr. Marshall, Mr. Anderson, and Grace Bible Church pastor, Mr. Glupker, to meet and work with the South Maple Group (SMG) neighbors who would be impacted by 42 North. They did notify us of FOUR meetings, but contrary to their statements, there was NEVER any attempt to work with us or to listen to our concerns. The developer and the landowner submitted their revised plan for 42 North before the first meeting took place.

MEETING 1: Although SMG requested meetings be held in a ?public, neutral, and non-denominational site,? each of the meetings was held at 6:00 pm. at Grace Bible Church under the control of Mr. Glupker (who, incidentally, does not live in Ann Arbor). At the beginning of the first meeting (which was well attended by SMG neighbors), Mr. Glupker said that he hadn?t eaten dinner yet and was going to keep the meeting short- which he proceeded to do. He cut short the questions by saying, ?We?ve had enough questions about water. Ask something else.? And to people with more than one question or follow up question: ?You?ve already asked a question.?

MEETING 2: On the morning of the scheduled second meeting (May 12), Mr. Glupker sent an email to Friends of Dicken Woods: ?Looks like the meeting for tonight will be postponed ? some issue with getting notices out from the city.? However, later in the day, those of us who checked our e-mail again were notified that the developer would be at Grace Bible Church at 6:00 pm. for an informal Q & A. Imagine our surprise when the ?informal Q & A? turned out to be a formal presentation by the consultants hired by the developer. After each presentation, I asked each consultant if he or she had been notified

by Mr. Glupker that the meeting was postponed. Each one said, ?No.?

At the end of the meeting, I asked Mr. Marshall privately if he could honestly tell me that he would welcome a development the size of 42 North in his neighborhood. He asked where I live, and when I told him, ?the second street over from Maple Road,? he smiled and said, ?I?d be glad that I have the woods as a buffer.?

MEETING 3: SMG was notified on June 25 that the third meeting would be on June 26. Our spokesperson, Mr. Eaton, asked to have the meeting rescheduled ?to give the neighbors sufficient advanced notice.? Mr.

Marshall responded that since Mr. Anderson was already in Michigan, the meeting would continue as planned. My husband and I were unable to attend this meeting because we were out of town.

MEETING 4: The fourth meeting was held on July 16 and ended before all of the issues were addressed because Mr. Glupker gave permission for SMG neighbors to walk the property. Requests had previously been denied. A handout from the developer entitled, ?Development Impacts Analysis and Mitigation for the 42 North Apartments? contained errors in their calculations. When my husband (an engineer) pointed out one of their improbable figures (How can there be a 1,268% reduction in the peak flow? The number makes no sense.), Mr. Anderson said he didn?t know who was responsible for that particular calculation.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of our numerous concerns about 42 North including the veracity of the developer and the landowner. To quote a local sports writer ?there are known unknowns and unknown unknowns? ? this development has too many of both. Please vote against 42 North.

Sincerely, Sandra J. Foulke 1606 Waltham Drive

From:

Fraser, Roger

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 1:17 PM

To:

*City Council Members (All)

Cc:

Dempkowski, Angela A; Postema, Stephen; Beaudry, Jacqueline

Subject:

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Thanks, Marcia

From:

Kulhanek, Matthew

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 1:19 PM

To:

Greden, Leigh; 'mark_perry@mascohq.com'

Subject: Attachments: RE: low flying planes

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NABrochurev3.pdf

Leigh,

Attached is a copy of the draft Noise Abatement Policy document being developed by the Airport. The brochure was recently developed and we will soon be soliciting input from the airport users and any interested members of the public. The attached version is geared more for a pilots use, though a version geared for the public is also being developed. Feel free to send a copy to Mrs. McClellan, though let her know it is just a draft. If you or she has comments on the document, please let me know. Thanks.

Matt

From: Greden, Leigh

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 9:50 AM

To: mark_perry@mascohq.com; Kulhanek, Matthew

Subject: RE: low flying planes

Thanks to you both. This is very helpful info. I forwarded a summary of Matt's report to Mrs McClellan, and I also sent her the low flying brochure. I'd love a copy of the noise abatement policy too.

From: mark_perry@mascohq.com [mailto:mark_perry@mascohq.com]

Sent: Mon 9/8/2008 9:17 AM

To: Kulhanek, Matthew **Cc:** Greden, Leigh

Subject: RE: low flying planes

Matt,

Please also send Leigh and Mrs. Hall a copy of the City's new noise abatement procedure. This document is intended for just such inquires.

Mark

Mark Perry, CAE MASCO Corporation 21001 Van Born Road Taylor, MI 48180-1300

Direct: 313-792-6422 Mobile: 734-730-0964 Blackberry: 313-510-3547 Fax: 313-792-6158 mark perry@mascohg.com "Kulhanek, Matthew" < MJKulhanek@a2gov.org>

09/08/2008 09:05 AM

To "Greden, Leigh" < LGreden@a2gov.org>
cc < mark perry@mascohg.com>
Subject RE: low fiving planes

Leigh.

To my knowledge, there have been no changes in the approach or departures procedures by the FAA at the Ann Arbor Airport which would cause this activity. I will contact Mrs. McClellan personally to see if she has any information on approximately when or how frequently this is happening. If we can determine the aircraft, we can contact the pilot(s) to see why the aircraft may have been flying low. The vast majority of pilots are sensitive to our residential neighborhoods and make all reasonable efforts to minimize their impact on the residents. The Airport tries to work with both the aviation community and the neighbors to address these concerns when they do come up.

There are a number of options Mrs. McClellan has available when she sees a low flying plane. She should contact the FAA's Ann Arbor Air Traffic Control Tower (734.769.1830) immediately when she sees a low flying plane. The ATCT operates 7 days a week from 8 am to 8 pm. She can also call the FAA's Flight Service District Office (734.487.7222) immediately when she sees a low flying plane. She could also contact me directly (734.972.9112) but I would just turn around and contact the FAA. I have also attached a brochure about reporting a low flying plane which provides additional information. Let me know if you have additional questions. Thanks.

Matt Kulhanek Airport Manager

From: Greden, Leigh

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 8:42 PM

To: Kulhanek, Matthew; 'mark_perry@mascohq.com'

Subject: FW: low flying planes

Pls see below and advise how I should respond.

From: Mary Karen McClellan [mailtor]

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 12:28 PV

To: Kunselman, Stephen; Greden, Leigh

Subject: low flying planes

Stephen and Leigh

My husband and I have notice loud low flying planes over our home on Hall Ave. Can you provide me with information about why this is happening and where I should go to log a formal complaint?

Thank you for your help,

Mary Karen McClellan





- The Run-up areas are located at each end of runway 06-24.
 The run-up area for runway 24 and the eastern most 200 feet of the parallel taxiway southwest of the approach end is NOT visible from the control tower.
- When the tower is closed, activate Pilot Controlled Lighting by clicking 7 times within 5 seconds on CTAF (120.30) for high intensity.
- When the tower is closed, confirm snow removal operations and winter conditions on CTAF and ATIS / AWOS.
- When the tower is closed and weather conditions favor either runway, runway 24 is the preferred runway of use.
- All turbine powered aircraft are requested to perform the NBAA
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- It is requested that turbine powered airplanes do not perform touch-and-go landings.

NOISE SENSITIVE AREAS:
ALL QUADRANTS SURROUNDING AIRPORTH

Elevation: 839' MSL SVM VOR: 114.30

Runway 06 - 24: 3,505' X 75' (concrete, grooved)

Runway 12 - 30: 2,750' X 110' (turf)

ATIS: 134.55 CTAF: 120.30

Control Tower: 120,30 Ground Control: 121,60

DTW Cinc/Del (after hours): 121,60 DTW Approach/Departure: 118,95

Control Tower Hours of Operation: 08:00 - 20:00 Local (daily)

Airspace Class:

Class "D" Airspace = 08:00 - 20:00 Local Class "G" Airspace = 20:00 - 08:00 Local

Traffic Pattern Altitudes:

Piston Aircraft: 1,000' AGL (1,800' MSL) Turbine Aircraft: 1,500' AGL (2,300' MSL)

Traffic Pattern Direction (tower closed):

Runway 06 - Right Hand Pattern

Runway 24 -- Left Hand Pattern (preferred calm wind runway)

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Community Friendly Flight and Noise Abatement Procedures at Ann Arbor Municipal Airport - ARB

This brochure has been prepared to help pilots operate their aircraft in the quietest manner possible, while remaining consistent with safety. It is also designed to help the airport be a good neighbor to the surrounding residential communities.

The Ann Arbor Airport Noise Abatement Procedures focuses on pilot education and cooperation. Compliance with noise abatement procedures is requested unless deviations are made necessary by weather, ATC instructions or clearances, an inflight emergency or other safety considerations.

The procedures described in this brochure are not intended to preempt the responsibilities of the pilot-in-command for safe aircraft operations. Recommended procedures are not intended to conflict with instructions from ATC or those which are the exclusive authority of the FAA.

Pilots are the key to a successful Noise Abatement program.

Your courtesy will enhance the airport's operating environment and assist in preserving this valuable community economic development gateway transportation asset.

All inquires may be addressed to the airport manager at 734-994-9124 or by email at: mjkulhanek@a2gov.org
You may also learn more about the Ann Arbor Community by visiting: http://www.a2gov.org/

Have a great flight.

Thank you for visiting the Ann Arbor Municipal Airport.

These procedures are intended to reduce and limit the sound footprint of departing and arriving Aircraft over populated areas.

Recommended ARRIVAL Procedures:

VFR Arrivals During Control Tower operations, join the traffic pattern as assigned by ATC remaining at or above 2,000' MSL when practical until within traffic pattern boundaries. Other than Control Tower operations, remain at or above 2,000' MSL when practical outside of the traffic pattern boundaries.

IFR Arrivals: Fly arrival procedure as assigned by ATC. All turbine powered aircraft are requested to perform the NBAA "Close-in" noise abatement procedure for arrivals.

Recommended DÉPARTURE Procedures:

VFR Departures

Maintain runway heading and best rate of climb (W) airspeed to 1,300' MSL (500' AGL) when possible. Reduce power as soon as practical. Then...

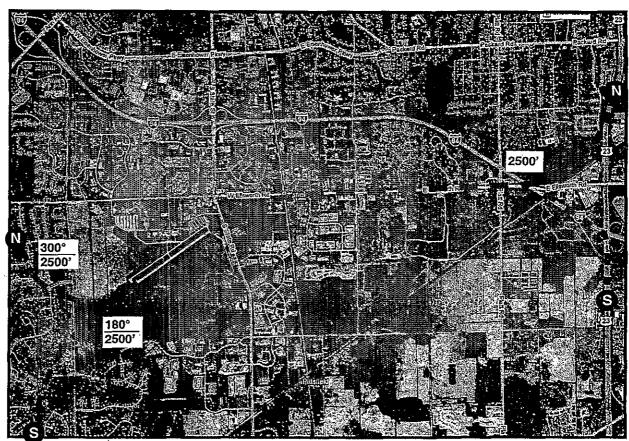
Runway 06:

When exiting the traffic pattern remain south of East-West highway (I-94) over Elsworth Road, then turn North over North-South highway (US-23). Remain on North heading until at or above 2,500' MSL, or clear of the city.

Runway 24:

- a) When exting the traffic pattern to the North or East (heading 300° clockwise to 060), remain on a 300° heading until reaching 2,500' MSL, then proceed on course.
- b) When exiting the traffic pattern to the South or East (heading 060 clockwise to 180°), remain on a 180° heading until 3 miles south of the runway centerline and at or above 2,500′ MSL, then proceed on course.
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Map not to scale. Not for navigational use.

Recommended TRAFFIC PATTERN procedures:

Maintain runway heading and best rate of climb (Vy) airspeed to Traffic Pattern Altitude when possible. Reduce power as soon as practical. When possible, vary crosswind turn location. Please be mindful of multiple Touch-and-Go landings, especially early morning and evening.



From:

Lowenstein, Joan

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 1:21 PM

To: Subject: Hieftje, John; Greden, Leigh RE: Speaking to my class

Hi John. I have both times free right now.

Joan

From: Hieftje, John

Sent: Mon 9/8/2008 12:50 PM

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THANKS!

John

From:

Lowenstein, Joan

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 1:30 PM

To:

: Rapundalo, Stephen

Subject:

RE: sidewalk repair

Mr. Maxwell, I have forwarded your email on to Brad Kluczinski, who is the engineer in charge of the sidewalk slab replacements. He is going to take a look at your sidewalks and get back to us with his assessment.

Joan

From: jrmaxwel@umich.edu [mailto

Sent: Sun 9/7/2008 9:40 AM To: Rapundalo, Stephen Cc: Lowenstein, Joan Subject: sidewalk repair

Councilman Rapundalo and Councilwoman Lowenstein

I live at 3696 Middleton Dr and I have several sidewalk panels that need to be replaced. I have no complaint other than I think the city should pay for the repairs but...

- (1) As I walk around Frederick and Greenbriar apartments I see many many sidewalk panels that are cracked and that have not been marked for replacement... why the huge inconsistency and disparity?
- (2) There is one long block along Bardstown Tr without sidewalks... why do they not have any sidewalks? I live on the corner of Middleton and Bardstown and two of the sidewalk panels that I am responsible for are on a short sidewalk segment along Bardstown Tr. This is a short one-lot sidewalk to nowhere!

Please explain the inconsistency as detailed in (1) and why the sidewalk to nowhere stops at my property line (2) and is of any consequence at all.

Thank you,

J. Robert Maxwell 3696 Middleton Dr Ann Arbor, MI 48105





From:

Higgins, Marcia

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 1:45 PM

To:

Fraser, Roger; *City Council Members (All)

Cc: Subject: Dempkowski, Angela A; Postema, Stephen; Beaudry, Jacqueline RE: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

When was the last time the S. Maple / Scio Church / Oak Valley signals had a site visit and the timings checked? Hopefully this is done during the public school year. What triggers the site visit? What level of service does your software model show for inbound and outbound during the 4 p.m to 6 p.m timeframe M-F?

I'm concerned about the backups that residents are currently experiencing before factoring in 42 North.

Am I reading this correctly, that if 42 North was built and no residents took public transporation that this intersection would be a level C?

Thanks for your time.

Marcia

From: Fraser, Roger

Sent: Mon 9/8/2008 1:16 PM To: *City Council Members (All)

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To:

Cooper, Eli

Cc:

Dempkowski, Angela A; Hieftje, John

Subject:

RE: DRAFT Letter to David Nacht AATA 09082008.doc

This looks fine.

Roger

From: Cooper, Eli

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 9:40 AM

To: Fraser, Roger

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; Hieftje, John

Subject: DRAFT Letter to David Nacht AATA 09082008.doc

Roger,

Attached please find a draft letter of support to David Nacht regarding the AATA ramping up their role in the WALLY Project. I have drafted this version to be signed by the Mayor. Please let me know if this draft is ok to move for John's signature.

Thank you,

Eli

From:

Briere, Sabra

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 2:11 PM

To:

Kyle V. Mazurek; HDC

Cc:

Hieftje, John; Suarez, Ron; Rapundalo, Stephen; Lowenstein, Joan; Kunselman, Stephen; Greden, Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Easthope, Christopher, Anglin, Mike

Subject:

RE: Historic District Commission

Dear Mr. Mazurek,

Your letter, coming as it does with no detailed information, leaves me wondering what it concerns.

While I appreciate the broad, general sentiment you express, I'd appreciate more information rather than this statement.

Please let us all know which precise issues that have recently appeared before the HDC concern you and please understand that the City Council does not have supervisory authority over the HDC. That authority rests with the State of Michigan, and is so written into the language that authorizes historic district commissions in Michigan.

Thank you very much for humoring my curiosity,

Sabra

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

From: Kyle V. Mazurek [mailto:Kyle@annarborchamber.org]

Sent: Mon 9/8/2008 1:47 PM

To: HDC

Cc: Hieftje, John; Briere, Sabra; Suarez, Ron; Rapundalo, Stephen; Lowenstein, Joan; Kunselman, Stephen; Greden,

Leigh; Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie; Easthope, Christopher; Anglin, Mike

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Please see the attached document.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kyle V. Mazurek Vice President of Government Affairs Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce 115 West Huron Street, 3rd Floor Ann Arbor, MI 48104 Office: (734) 665-4433

Direct: (734) 214-0101 Fax: (734) 665-4191

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Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A

Subject: RE: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

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Sent:

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To:

Teall, Margie; 'David Stead'; Naud, Matthew; 'Steve Bean'

Cc:

'Jim Frey'

Subject:

RE: Commercial Recycling Committee Recommendations and Report

Yes, there are an anticipated three more meetings with the full commercial recycling committee. We are also looking to get some of our coordinating committee meetings together soon. It's Fall, we've run out of places to travel to, and it's time to get busy again! A timeline coming soon.

Thanks.

From: Teall, Margie

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 2:52 PM **To:** 'David Stead'; Naud, Matthew; Steve Bean

Cc: Weinert, Bryan C; Jim Frey

Subject: RE: Commercial Recycling Committee Recommendations and Report

Yea! I was just thinking about this, this morning. Bryan, had we planned on any more meetings regarding the RFP responses, or were there any more unanswered questions? I just can't remember. This schedule looks good to me. It will be important for us to invite, particularly, the new council members and bring them up to speed. Thanks David. -Margie

From: David Stead [mailto:dstead@recycle.com] Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 2:28 PM To: Naud, Matthew; Steve Bean; Teall, Margie

Cc: Weinert, Bryan C; Jim Frey

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David Stead Chair, Recycling Implementation Committee Environmental Commission

From:

Naud, Matthew

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 3:24 PM

To;

'Steve Bean'; David Stead

Cc:

Teall, Margie; Weinert, Bryan C; Jim Frey

Subject:

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We talked about a possible briefing on the transp plan at that meeting also -

could we do both?

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Subject: Re: Commercial Recycling Committee Recommendations and Report

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Steve

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Marcia:

Here is staff's response.

Roger

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Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 3:49 PM

To: Cc: 'Alex Gopp'; Higgins, Marcia Jones, Barnett; Hieftje, John

Subject:

RE: Election Vandalism

Mr. Gopp:

I am sorry to hear about the vandalism that has taken place on your property. I do know that yard sign theft is a common occurrence throughout the county, but I know that it's absolutely no excuse. (Ask the mayor how many signs he has to replace throughout the city every election year!) But the damage to your car, even taking off stickers, really worries me. I will go ahead and forward your message to our police chief, and perhaps he could give us some advice or let us know how the city can help. I really do hate to know that this is happening to any of our neighbors, and I'm sorry.

Thanks for writing, and feel free to attend a council meeting. Sign up with the clerk on the morning before a meeting if you wish to speak during the "public comment" period. You can also attend a caucus meeting on the Sunday evening before a Council meeting to talk with council members on a more informal basis, but these meetings are not televised. These meetings are at 7:00 in Council Chambers.

-Margie Teall, 4th Ward Council Member

From: Alex Gopp [mailto:

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 3:30 PM

To: Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie **Subject:** Election Vandalism

Councilwoman Marcia Higgins: Councilwoman Margie Teall:

I live in Ann Arbor for over 25 years, all time in your Ward 4. When I moved here, it was a nice liberal town. It was a town where people could feel and be free to express and exchange ideas in sometimes heated, contentious, or even overheated debates. Much has changed lately.

Let me highlight some changes. I am a staunch Republican, and am not very much afraid to display it. Last Presidential election campaign, my yard signs for Bush/Cheney were vandalized and/or destroyed 5 times in about 1 month. My cars stickers were ripped off, and one car was scratched.

This year started even worse. My first yard sign was stolen in 4 days, and the second one was stolen after only 2 days. Yesterday I installed the third sign and wonder how long it would survive. I placed these signs well inside my front yard, so it is now not only a matter of free expression but also of trespassing and stealing. My wife begged me not to use car stickers, and not to display any Republican insignia. My neighbors consider me almost a hero.

I am asking you to help me survive in this hostile environment, to protect mine and yours civil rights, liberties, and property. I don't know what City can do, and certainly I don't expect police

on every corner. But we have to start to do something to reclaim our freedoms, and you were elected to lead us and fight for it. It

does not matter that you are both Democrats because this is a just cause for all decent and honorable citizens of either party.

I am also asking you to advise me what I can do myself. I am buying a security video camera, motion detector alarm, installing a permanent heavy duty yard stand. What else?

I am planning to present my case at the next city council meeting, if this vandalism continues. Would you please stand up and support me.

Respectfully,

Alexander Y Gopp
3315 Tacoma Circle, Ann Arbor MI 48108
Cell phone
Sep. 8, 2008

From:

Teall, Margie

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 4:04 PM

To:

Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A

Cc:

Hieftje, John

Subject:

Introduction at a Council meeting

I'd like to schedule a short presentation by Tamara Real (or it might be Deb Polich) at one of the upcoming meetings, to present the Washtenaw County Cultural Plan. Tamara will be out of town on Sept. 22nd so Deb might be able to do it then. Otherwise, October 6th or 20th would work. Do you folks have a preference? Let me know, and I will tell her when. Thanks! -Margie

From:

Beaudry, Jacqueline

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 4:19 PM

To:

*City Council Members (All)

Cc: Subject: Dempkowski, Angela A; Fraser, Roger; Postema, Stephen; Bowden (King), Anissa

Caucus Question Answers

Attachments:

DS-11, 12, 13, 14 Caucus.doc.doc; DS-1 - IDD.DOC; CA7.doc.doc; Caucus Questions-

DS9.doc; Caucus Questions-B1.doc; Caucus Questions-DB1.doc; Letter.doc

Hi:

Attached are the Caucus Question responses. The last attachment "letter" was included as part of the response to the DB-1 questions.

See you tonight!

Jackie

Jacqueline Beaudry City Clerk City of Ann Arbor 734-994-2725 (p) 734-994-8296 (f)

TO:

Mayor and Council

FROM:

Sue F. McCormick, Public Services Administrator

DATE:

September 8, 2008

SUBJECT: Caucus Question

Agenda Item DS-11, 12, 13, 14 - Swift Run Sanitary Sewer Relief Project

Question - Can you help me understand why so many land easements? (Briere)

Answer - The Swift Run project is a relief sanitary sewer that runs cross lots and in a private road way. Easements are necessary where the sewer will cross some of the lots, about 3-4. Other easements are necessary because the front of the lots are impacted even though the sewer is constructed in the private. roadway. One of the easements is for use of the private road way. All parcels are located in Ann Arbor Township.

Prepared by: Craig Hupy, P.E., Systems Planning Manager Reviewed by: Sue F. McCormick, Public Services Administrator

Approved by: Roger W. Fraser, City Administrator

TO:

Mayor and Council

FROM:

Tom Crawford, CFO

DATE:

September 8, 2008

SUBJECT:

Caucus Question

Agenda Item #DS-1 – Resolution Establishing Ann Arbor Industrial Development District 2008-40 for 201 Depot Street

Question – Please provide examples in other communities where an IDD was established with no related and anticipated petition for a specific Industrial Development Exemption Certificate. Do these communities have any associated criteria that qualify how such a request should be considered? (Rapundalo)

<u>Question</u> - What benefit is there (if any) for the City to accommodate the current request? (Rapundalo)

<u>Question</u> - In my estimation, approval of the current request simply provides the petitioner a potential marketing advantage. Does the City set a precedent for approving such an IDD request that will require us to approve subsequent such requests: What risk or exposure would an approval mean for the City? (Rapundalo)

<u>Answer</u> - First Martin has submitted a letter withdrawing their request for the establishment of a development district, therefore DS-1 will be removed from the agenda.

TO:

Mayor and Council

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DATE:

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SUBJECT:

Caucus Question

Agenda Item CA-7 - Resolution to Approve a Service Purchase Order with Coach's Catastrophe Cleaning & Restoration Services for Cleaning and Sanitation Services for Sanitary Sewer Backups at Single and Multi-Family Dwellings. Bid No. ITB-3961 (\$70,000.00/Year)

Question - The contract is for \$70,000.00. Do we pay that price no matter how many cleanings we need? Or is that a maximum expenditure? (Council member Greden)

Answer – We only pay for the cleanings that are performed and yes, the \$70,000.00 is our projected maximum expenditure.

Question – Joan has explained that we changed our policy to pay for all sewer backups. Are residents being billed for these cleanups if this is not the City's fault? Did this policy change come before council for approval? (Council member Higgins)

Answer - Sanitary backups can occur throughout the City and we have had eight so far this calendar year. The responding City Supervisor makes an initial determination of cause and location. The cause can be tree roots, grease buildup, etc. Location can be either in the sewer collection system or in the private sewer lead. The City only pays for cleaning and sanitation services for sewer backups if there is a problem in the City collection system. This practice has been in place since 1998.

Private firms that focus on this type of work are better equipped, better trained and more focused on this type of work; thus more likely to deliver satisfaction to our customers. Clean-up for these backups can range from \$700-\$7000 per occurrence.

Prepared by: Karla Henderson, Field Operations Manager

Craig Hupy, P.E., Systems Planning Manager

Reviewed by: Sue F. McCormick, Public Services Administrator

Approved by: Roger W. Fraser, City Administrator

TO:

Mayor and Council

FROM:

Jayne Miller, Community Services Administrator

DATE:

September 8, 2008

SUBJECT:

Council Caucus Questions

Agenda Item #DS-9 - Resolution to Approve Street Closings for the Big House/Big Heart Running Event - Sunday, September 28, 2008

<u>Question</u> - Where will traffic be rerouted if State Street is closed for 6 hours? Does this impact any emergency traffic routes into the city from the South? (Higgins)

Answer – The race itself is scheduled to take place from 12:30 PM – 4:30 PM with set up and take down scheduled from 12:00 Noon – 12:30 PM and 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM. Barricades will be staffed and most streets will be reopened after the race has passed that particular area. It is anticipated that State Street will be closed for approximately 1 hour. Packard will remain open throughout the race as an alternate route for emergency traffic. All street closings have been coordinated with Safety and Public Services as well as AATA and the University of Michigan, and as a result, if any emergencies arise during the event, emergency personnel are prepared to handle them.

Prepared by:

Jan Barber, Management Assistant

Reviewed by:

Jayne Miller, Community Services Administrator

Approved by:

Roger W. Fraser, City Administrator

TO:

Mayor and Council

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DATÈ:

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SUBJECT:

Council Caucus Questions

Agenda Item #B-1 - An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 55 (Zoning) and Chapter 57 (Subdivision and Land Use Control) of Title V of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor regarding Citizen Participation

Question - The proposed new Article XII, Section 5:110(3) refers to "other projects" that require a hearing and are not already covered by 5:110(2). 5:110(2) covers PUDs, planned projects, amendments to the zoning map, and major projects. What are the "other projects" that would be covered by 5:110(3)? (Greden)

Answer – Article XII, Section 5:110(3) reads "for any other type of petition that requires a public hearing under this chapter, but is not specified in Section 5:110(2), the following requirements shall be completed by the petitioner". Section 5:110(3) goes on to describe notification requirements for any project that requires a public hearing but is not a PUD, planned project, amendment to the zoning map, or major project. This is intended to provide earlier notification for any petition that requires a public hearing (for example a site plan for City Council approval) so that residents hear about the project shortly after the petition is submitted to the City rather than hearing about the project for the first time, through the current notification process, two weeks before the public hearing is scheduled. In addition, Section 5:110(3) describes a requirement that the petitioner shall provide written documentation of any meetings or discussions that are held with citizens at least 10 business days prior to the planning commission public hearing on the petition.

<u>Question</u> – Provide clarification between the two types of notification requirements for the proposed Citizen Participation Ordinance.

Answer -

1. For Planned Projects, Planned Unit Development Zoning Districts and Site Plans, Amendments to the Zoning Map, and major projects, the petitioner shall mail written information about citizen participation to all property owners, addresses and registered neighborhood groups within 1,000 feet of the proposed petition site, as well as the Planning and Development Services Unit, at least ten business days prior to the date of the Citizen Participation Meeting.

2. For any other type of petition that requires a public hearing, but is not specified as described in number 1 above, the petitioner shall mail written information about citizen participation to all property owners, addresses and registered neighborhood groups within **500 feet** of the proposed petition site, as well as the Planning and Development Services Unit, within five business days of acceptance of the petition by the Planning and Development Services Unit.

Prepared by:

Connie Pulcipher, Senior Planner

Reviewed by:

Mark Lloyd, Planning and Development Services Manager

Jayne Miller, Community Services Administrator

Approved by:

Roger W. Fraser, City Administrator

TO:

Mayor and Council

FROM:

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Sue F. McCormick, Public Services Administrator

DATE:

September 8, 2008

SUBJECT:

Council Caucus Questions

Agenda Item #DB-1 - Resolution to Approve 42 North Site Plan, Development Agreement and Wetland Use Permit, 15.32 Acres, 1430 South Maple Road

Question - Please provide explanation:

- 1. What type(s) of mitigation will alleviate some of the impacts noted by the peer-review?
- 2. Why does the Transportation Update suggest acceptable Level of Service at the D level, which will result at no mitigation requirement for the 42 North project, whereas the peer-review notes a worsened situation? Please reconcile. (Rapundalo)

Answer – The mitigation mentioned in the peer review report, includes signals at Liberty and Maple and S. Maple and Scio Church. Since there is a remote possibility to add lanes at both of the signals, the adequate mitigation can be achieved by signal coordination. The analysis prepared by MCI does not include nearest signals (Stadium and Liberty, and Oak Valley Drive at Scio Church). Usually, the impact of upstream signals reduce delays at downstream intersections. This is the case here. When we compared models to our signal timing efforts, our levels of service are better, because they take into account the impacts of other signals. Therefore, we can mitigate the impact of the development by coordinating signals.

The Transportation Plan Update follows the recommendations from the Northeast Area Plan as approved by the City Council, where the acceptable Level of Service of signalized and unsignalized intersections was dropped to the D level. The Transportation Update process found that this is acceptable in many communities, so we assumed that this recommendation will be included in the final document, which discusses the revised Traffic Impact Study requirements.

Question – In a letter (attached) to Deb Dursi from Mark Hutchison, general manager of Walden Management, who manages several properties in the area directly affected by the 42 North project, Mr. Hutchison states that, among other expert data, the 42 North site plan does not comply with fire-flow requirements according to international fire

codes that have been adopted by the City of Ann Arbor. Please respond to issues raised around fire codes. (Rapundalo)

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September 5, 2008

Deb Dursi 1215 S. Maple, #302 Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Sent via email only: ddursi@mediaspansoftware.com

RE: 42 North Maple

Dear Deb,

I have reviewed the information you have provided me regarding the 42 North Maple Project. As a licensed builder with experience in multi-family construction, I would like to point out the following:

To start, the City of Ann Arbor has adopted the International Fire Code 2003 edition by reference to include Appendix B, Fire-Flow Requirements for Buildings. In my opinion, the plan I saw does not meet this code as referenced in the City Code of Ann Arbor.

Table B105 from the above code states minimum required fire flow for buildings based on area and construction type will permit a 25 percent reduction for residential use and will permit "up to" an additional 50 percent reduction if sprinklers are installed. The full 50 percent reduction usually would require an NFPA 13 system vs. an NFPA13R system to be installed which would increase the water demand requirements for the sprinklers.

Even with all the reductions, the minimal fire-flow requirement for any newly constructed building cannot be less than 1500 gallons per minute. The water supply requirements for the sprinkler system are applied cumulatively to this amount.

Site plan approval is required to authorize construction and in some jurisdictions they can include specifics such as construction classification.

In order to comply with the fire code adopted by the city in the ordinance, and based upon the size of the buildings indicated on the site plans and the fire-flow data you showed me, the buildings would be restricted to being constructed as type IA, IB, IIA, IIIA, IV or VA construction and most likely fully sprinklered under the NFPA 13 Standard. If other construction types are used the buildings would have to be reduced in area by two-hour fire walls.

I do see a much larger problem however. The flow data you provided is based upon water available today without the additional usage from the project itself. Also the sight plan indicates additional water mains and hydrants being added. These are the hydrants that are required to provide the fire flow. The location indicated in the flow test does not take in to account the additional friction loss of the added supply piping and hydrants which would reduce the available water supply.

With 1780 gpm available at 20 psi as the fire flow, I do not see how this will meet the minimum requirement with the addition of sprinkler system demand especially if the flow data is current, not future (including increased demand).

Another problem that would concern me even more is that fact that the available fire flow, which may not currently be sufficient to meet the requirements of Walden Hills, will be reduced even more. (Walden Hills, as an existing building, does not have to meet current fire-flow requirements).

Sincerely,

Mark Hutchison General Manager Walden Management Company, LLC

Subject:

Administrator/Attorney Evaluations

Start:

Mon 9/8/2008 1:30 PM Mon 9/8/2008 2:00 PM

End: Show Time As:

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Recurrence:

(none)

Meeting Status:

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Organizer:

Higgins, Marcia

Required Attendees:

Higgins, Marcia; Suarez, Ron; Briere, Sabra; Lowenstein, Joan; Greden, Leigh; Kunselman,

Stephen; Easthope, Christopher; Anglin, Mike; Hieftje, John; Teall, Margie; Rapundalo,

Stephen

Councilmembers,

Here are the evaluation forms for Roger and Stephen. Please take a few minutes to complete the forms and return to me by September 8.

Thank you. Marcia



RF Performance Evaluation 2008...



SP Evaluation 2008.doc

CITY OF ANN ARBOR

Employee Performance Review

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ANN ARBOR CITY COUNCIL

Employee Job Performance Evaluation & Appraisal

Job Title: City Attorney

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Stephen Postema

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Organizer:

Rampson, Wendy

Required Attendees:

Rampson, Wendy; Pulcipher, Connie; Bird, Sandra E; Hancock, Jerry; Kuras, Amy Beth; Naud, Matthew; McDonald, Kevin; Kidorf, Kristine; McCormick, Sue; Harrison, Venita;

Easthope, Christopher

Optional Attendees:

Crawford, Tom; 'kristine@kidorfpreservationconsulting.com'

Agenda attached.



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415 W. Washington Proposal Review Committee

September 15, 2008 – 5:30 -6:45 pm 6th Floor Conference Room, City Hall

Agenda

- Compile proposal scores
- Discussion
- Outline recommendation
- Next steps
 - Transmittal to Council
 - PAC Report
 - Dreiseitl Visit
- Adjourn

For information, please contact Wendy Rampson at (734) 994-2802 or wrampson@a2gov.org

From:

Ristenbatt, Phil

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 4:32 PM

To:

Teall Margie

Subject:

not spam, I promise

FYI - Here are some examples of where your old email address shows up when googled for "ci.ann-arbor.mi.us" and "Teall";

http://arborwiki.org/index.php/City Council

and here;

http://www.aaps.k12.mi.us/pioneer.mediacenter/elected official contact information

and

http://www.recycle.com/AACcomrecrosteraug06.pdf

and

http://www.freedomactivist.net/personst.html

I don't believe we have any on the City's web site. (I checked for it!) ~ Phil

Phil Ristenbatt - City of Ann Arbor, Michigan Financial & Administrative Services - Information Technology 100 North Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 USA (734) 794-6550 x45521 - PRistenbatt@a2gov.org

From:

Hieftje, John

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 4:32 PM

To:

Postema, Stephen

Subject:

FW: Thank you for your interest

From: Steve Kulp [mailto:

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 4:27 PM

To: HRRecruitment

Cc: Hieftje, John; Teall, Margle; Higgins, Marcia

Subject: Re: Thank you for your interest

I have not received any response to my inquiry. I have no intention of letting this pass. If you refuse to respond to my inquiry, I will be forced to take more formal measures. Please reconsider your decision to ignore this matter. I would like all of my questions answered, but first and foremost I want to know when you filled the position that was posted.

For the benefit of the copied parties, I am a resident of the 4th ward.

---- Original Message -----

Eromy Dawn Kulby English Street San Dept. Sept. Sept.

To: hrrecruitment@a2gov.org

Cc:

Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2008 8:48 PM Subject: Re: Thank you for your interest

I am writing back on behalf of my wife who submitted this inquiry. I am a labor and employment attorney who has lived in the City for 40 years and I am appalled by your extremely careless approach to human resources management. You certainly did not "carefully consider her qualifications and experience" for a skating director position since your form did not even provide a place for such input (by the way her skating experience is quite extensive and upon discovery in litigation I'm confident it would surpass anyone you may have hired). Moreover, you responded to her inquiry in less than 24 hours from when it was sent. When you had time during business hours to conduct your "careful consideration" is a mystery and by all appearances someone generated a form response to clear their desk.

Now that you have made such an appalling mockery of a serious hiring process, I would like an explanation as to: (1) when and how you filled the Skating Director position you posted; (2) how many people you offered interviews to and what their age, race and sex were; (3) what you did specifically to "carefully consider her qualifications and experience" for the posted position; and (4) who actually conducted the "careful consideration" and how long they took to do so in relation to other candidates.

Given my years representing large employers on employment and labor law matters, I am willing to give you a chance to explain your conduct but I am completely unwilling to let this ridiculous effort and explanation by my City Government pass by unquestioned. I can assure you from experience that your best route at this point will not be to ignore the issue or to try and cover your tracks. If you need to do better job, just own up to it now and try again as I can accept that mistakes happen. However, I will assure you now that a careless response on top of your first careless response will not be left unchallenged by a determined, knowledgeable and appalled city taxpayer and long-time resident.

My name is Steve Kulp and you may contact me at 734-657-2833 or at skulp@comcast.net

On Tue, Aug 19, 2008 at 11:50 AM, <a href="mailto:shreering-new-wide-new-wi

8/19/2008

Dawn Kulp

Dear Dawn,

Thank you for your interest in the Ice Skating Program Director position located in the Parks-Vet's.

Very careful consideration was given to your qualifications and experience, and we regret to inform you that we cannot offer you an interview at this time.

On behalf of City of Ann Arbor, I would like to express our appreciation that you included us in your job search, and wish you well in your career endeavors.

Sincerely,

City of Ann Arbor Human Resources

From:

Fraser, Roger

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 4:51 PM

To:

Teall, Margie

Cc: Subject: Dempkowski, Angela A; Hieftje, John RE: Introduction at a Council meeting

October 6.

From: Teall, Margie

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 4:04 PM **To:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A

Cc: Hieftje, John

Subject: Introduction at a Council meeting

I'd like to schedule a short presentation by Tamara Real (or it might be Deb Polich) at one of the upcoming meetings, to present the Washtenaw County Cultural Plan. Tamara will be out of town on Sept. 22nd so Deb might be able to do it then. Otherwise, October 6th or 20th would work. Do you folks have a preference? Let me know, and I will tell her when. Thanks! -Margie

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 5:30 PM

To: Subject: Kulhanek, Matthew RE: low flying planes

Thanks!

From: Kulhanek, Matthew

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 1:19 PM **To:** Greden, Leigh; 'mark_perry@mascohq.com'

Subject: RE: low flying planes

Leigh,

Attached is a copy of the draft Noise Abatement Policy document being developed by the Airport. The brochure was recently developed and we will soon be soliciting input from the airport users and any interested members of the public. The attached version is geared more for a pilots use, though a version geared for the public is also being developed. Feel free to send a copy to Mrs. McClellan, though let her know it is just a draft. If you or she has comments on the document, please let me know. Thanks.

Matt

From: Greden, Leigh

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 9:50 AM

To: mark_perry@mascohq.com; Kulhanek, Matthew

Subject: RE: low flying planes

Thanks to you both. This is very helpful info. I forwarded a summary of Matt's report to Mrs McClellan, and I also sent her the low flying brochure. I'd love a copy of the noise abatement policy too.

From: mark_perry@mascohq.com [mailto:mark_perry@mascohq.com] .

Sent: Mon 9/8/2008 9:17 AM

To: Kulhanek, Matthew **Cc:** Greden, Leigh

Subject: RE: low flying planes

Matt.

Please also send Leigh and Mrs. Hall a copy of the City's new noise abatement procedure. This document is intended for just such inquires.

Mark

Mark Perry, CAE MASCO Corporation 21001 Van Born Road Taylor, MI 48180-1300

Direct: 313-792-6422
Mobile: 734-730-0964
Blackberry: 313-510-3547
Fax: 313-792-6158
mark_perry@mascohq.com
mperry07@comcast.net

"Kulhanek, Matthew" < MJKulhanek@a2gov.org>

09/08/2008 09:05 AM

To "Greden, Leigh" < LGreden@a2gov.org > cc < mark perry@mascohg.com > Subject RE: low flying planes

Leigh,

To my knowledge, there have been no changes in the approach or departures procedures by the FAA at the Ann Arbor Airport which would cause this activity. I will contact Mrs. McClellan personally to see if she has any information on approximately when or how frequently this is happening. If we can determine the aircraft, we can contact the pilot(s) to see why the aircraft may have been flying low. The vast majority of pilots are sensitive to our residential neighborhoods and make all reasonable efforts to minimize their impact on the residents. The Airport tries to work with both the aviation community and the neighbors to address these concerns when they do come up.

There are a number of options Mrs. McClellan has available when she sees a low flying plane. She should contact the FAA's Ann Arbor Air Traffic Control Tower (734.769.1830) immediately when she sees a low flying plane. The ATCT operates 7 days a week from 8 am to 8 pm. She can also call the FAA's Flight Service District Office (734.487.7222) immediately when she sees a low flying plane. She could also contact me directly (734.972.9112) but I would just turn around and contact the FAA. I have also attached a brochure about reporting a low flying plane which provides additional information. Let me know if you have additional questions. Thanks.

Matt Kulhanek Airport Manager

From: Greden, Leigh

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 8:42 PM

To: Kulhanek, Matthew; 'mark perry@mascohq.com'

Subject: FW: low flying planes

Pls see below and advise how I should respond.

From: Mary Karen McClellan [mailto

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 12:28 PM To: Kunselman, Stephen; Greden, Leigh

Subject: low flying planes
Stephen and Leigh.
My husband and I have notice loud low flying planes over our home on Hall Ave. Can you provide me with information about why this is happening and where I should go to log a formal complaint?

Thank you for your help,

Mary Karen McClellan 2008 Hall Ave

From:

Beaudry, Jacqueline

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 5:40 PM

To:

*City Council Members (All)

Cc:

Postema, Stephen; Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A; Crawford, Tom

Subject:

FW: 9/8/08 Caucus Question DS-1- Stephen Rapundalo

Attached are additional Caucus Question Answers regarding the First Martin IDD.

Jacqueline Beaudry City Clerk City of Ann Arbor 734-994-2725 (p) 734-994-8296 (f)

From: Crawford, Tom

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 4:51 PM To: Dempkowski, Angela A; Beaudry, Jacqueline Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; Singleton, Sarah

Subject: FW: 9/8/08 Caucus Question DS-1- Stephen Rapundalo

From:

Singleton, Sarah

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 3:07 PM

To:

Crawford, Tom

Subject:

9/8/08 Caucus Question DS-1- Stephen Rapundalo

Please review and forward to Administrator Agenda Mail Box.



Caucus Question Resp Stephen R...

Sarah Singleton

Management Assistant/Risk Specialist

City of Ann Arbor

Financial and Administrative Services

Phone: (734) 994-4699

Fax:

(734) 997-1271

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mayor and Council

FROM:

Tom Crawford, Chief Financial Officer

DATE:

September 8, 2008

SUBJECT:

Council Caucus Question

Agenda Item: DS-1 - Resolution Establishing Ann Arbor Industrial Development District 2008-040 for 201 Depot Street

Question: 1. Please provide examples in other communities where an IDD was established with no related and anticipated petition for a specific Industrial Development Exemption Certificate. Do these communities have any associated criteria that qualify how such request should be considered?

- 2. What benefit if any, is there for the City to accommodate the current request?
- 3. In my estimation, approval of the current request simply provides the petitioner a potential marketing advantage. Does the City set a precedent by approving such an IDD request that will require us to approve subsequent such requests? What risk or exposure would an approval mean for the City? (Council Member Stephen Rapundalo)

Answer: The requestor (First Martin) withdrew their request for item DS-1, so it is being removed from tonight's agenda. Earlier today, Mike Martin sent Council an email describing the circumstances which led to his original application for an IDD district and confirming his withdrawal of this item.

Staff is still working with SPARK to answer the questions Council raised at the previous Council meeting and will send responses to Council when it is complete (estimated one more week).

If you have additional questions, please let me know.

Prepared by: Tom Crawford, Chief Financial officer Approved by: Roger W. Fraser, City Administrator

From:

Bowden (King), Anissa

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 6:48 PM

To:

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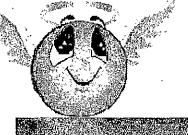
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Subject: Attachments: packet

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Anissa R. Bowden Council Administrative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk 734.994.2892 734.994.8296 (Fax)



From:

Beaudry, Jacqueline

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:09 PM

To:

Bowden (King), Anissa; Anglin, Mike; Briere, Sabra; Dempkowski, Angela A; Easthope, Christopher; Fraser, Roger; Greden, Leigh; Hieftje, John; Higgins, Marcia; Kunselman, Stephen; Lowenstein, Joan; Postema, Stephen; Rapundalo, Stephen; Schopieray, Christine;

Suarez, Ron; Teall, Margie

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FYI – the title was revised for DS-2 (Hilton property purchase) and a letter from First Martin was added to DS-1 (requesting to withdraw their petition).

Jacqueline Beaudry

City Clerk

City of Ann Arbor

734-994-2725 (p)

734-994-8296 (f)

From: Bowden (King), Anissa

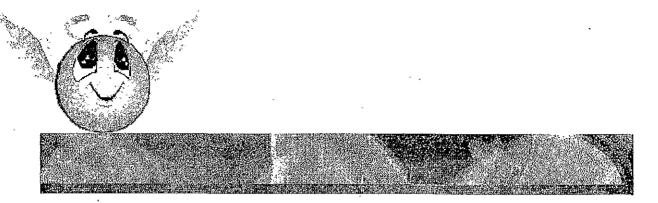
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Higgins, Marcia

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:11 PM

To:

Miller, Jayne; McCormick, Sue

Cc:

Fraser, Roger, Teall, Margie; Higgins, Marcia

Subject:

RE: Construction on Greenview

Thanks Jayne. Sue and Roger is there anyway to clean this area up to some degree. It is a real eyesore particularly the port a potty. Thanks, Marcia

From:

Miller, Jayne

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 5:09 PM

To:

Higgins, Marcia

Subject:

Construction on Greenview

Marcia, the City's contractor for the Footing Drain Disconnection Program is utilizing the are area adjacent to Greenview as a staging area. The contractor is planning to work through October.

Jayne Miller
Community Services Area Administrator
City of Ann Arbor
jmiller@a2gov.org
734-994-2704 (phone)
734-994-8460 (fax)

www.a2gov.org

^{**}NOTE** Our e-mail addresses are changing! Please update my contact info to: jmiller@a2gov.org

From:

Higgins, Marcia

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:13 PM

To:

Teall, Margie

Subject:

FW: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

Looping you in.

From: Fraser, Roger

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 4:43 PM

To: Higgins, Marcia

Subject: FW: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

fyi

From: Sipowski, Les

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 4:25 PM

To: Fraser, Roger; McCormick, Sue

Cc: Pirooz, Homayoon

Subject: RE: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

I will do this on Thursday, and report back on Friday.

From: Fraser, Roger

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 3:40 PM

To: Sipowski, Les; McCormick, Sue

Subject: FW: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

Les,

Please schedule a time to check out this signal and let me know what you find.

Thanks!

Roger

From: Higgins, Marcia

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 3:35 PM **To:** Fraser, Roger; *City Council Members (All)

Cc: Postema, Stephen; Beaudry, Jacqueline; Dempkowski, Angela A

Subject: RE: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

Les, our whole area experienced several power outages in early July due to major thunderstorms. I would like you to schedule a time to look at the timing and report back in the very near future. Consider this a complaint if that what it takes to have this done.

Thanks for your help.

Marcia

From: Fraser, Roger

Sent: Mon 9/8/2008 2:55 PM
To: *City Council Members (All)

Cc: Postema, Stephen; Beaudry, Jacqueline; Dempkowski, Angela A

Subject: FW: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

Marcia:

Here is staff's response.

Roger

From: Sipowski, Les

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 2:12 PM

To: Fraser, Roger; McCormick, Sue; Pirooz, Homayoon; Cawley, Patrick

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A

Subject: RE: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

It is correct. Our model shows this intersection at the Level of Service C with 42 North at 0 public transit use. Westbound approach experiences LoS D during the PM peak, Eastbound approach has LoS C.

We do not have a schedule to retime this signal. We look at the settings when there is a complaint, or we work in the area. My last review was in the spring.

Les Sipowski, P.E. Sr. Proj. Manager Project Management City of Ann Arbor ph: (734) 996-3286 fax: (734) 994-1744

From: Fraser, Roger

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 1:49 PM

To: Sipowski, Les; McCormick, Sue; Pirooz, Homayoon; Cawley, Patrick

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A

Subject: FW: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

Please respond to this follow-up inquiry.

Thanks!

From: Higgins, Marcia

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 1:45 PM **To:** Fraser, Roger; *City Council Members (All)

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; Postema, Stephen; Beaudry, Jacqueline

Subject: RE: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

When was the last time the S. Maple / Scio Church / Oak Valley signals had a site visit and the timings checked? Hopefully this is done during the public school year. What triggers the site visit? What level of service does your software model show for inbound and outbound during the 4 p.m to 6 p.m timeframe M-F?

I'm concerned about the backups that residents are currently experiencing before factoring in 42 North.

Am I reading this correctly, that if 42 North was built and no residents took public transportation that this intersection would be a level C?

Thanks for your time.

Marcia

From: Fraser, Roger

Sent: Mon 9/8/2008 1:16 PM To: *City Council Members (All)

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; Postema, Stephen; Beaudry, Jacqueline

Subject: 42 North and Scio Church Signal

Marcia, et. al.:

Please see the following regarding Mr. Valenti's comments at last evening's meeting.

From: Sipowski, Les

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 11:33 AM

To: Fraser, Roger; McCormick, Sue **Cc:** Pirooz, Homayoon; Cawley, Patrick

Subject: RE: 42 North

The City works with the Washtenaw County Road Commission to resolve signal issues. Once we realized the growth of traffic at Oak Vailey Drive, we requested signal timings for the WCRC signal. I created a computer model of the signals, optimized signal settings and shared them with the WCRC. We then met on site and coordinated both signals, verified that they work well and fine tuned the settings. The signals are not interconnected, so the coordination relies on frequency of electrical current at both signals. Therefore, the coordination has a tendency to drift off from prescribed offsets with time, or after a power outage, and it needs a site visit and coordination of internal clocks from time to time.

The coordination of signals has impact on traffic conditions. The models prepared by MCI for 42 North development did not have Oak Valley signal included in the analysis, and they show Level of Service D. When I compared the results, our signal software model, which includes Oak Valley Drive signal, shows the Level of Service C even under 0% transit use for the 42 North development.

Maple and Liberty signal is fully actuated, therefore if detection works as designed, the signal operates well. Similarly to Scio Church, coordination with the closest signal at Liberty and Stadium will reduce delays, and we have plans to include this as a part of the Stadium signals interconnect project which is under way.

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fax: (734) 994-1744

From: Higgins, Marcia

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 7:44 AM

To: Fraser, Roger Cc: McCormick, Sue Subject: 42 North

Last night, Jim Valenti, a former employee, spoke to the traffic study for this development. He stated that the lights at Liberty and Scio Church are on demand and the traffic crunches we see here can be mitigated by the city. If this statement is true, why have we chosen not to mitigate this two intersections? Regarding Scio Church, at various time of the day the back up is the light at Oak Valley (operated by the Washtenaw Road Commission) and S. Maple, my question is are we working with them to mitigate this backup? Is the degradation at this intersection intentional? Thanks,

Marcia

From:

Higgins, Marcia

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:17 PM

To: *

'Steve Kulp': HRRecruitment

Cc:

Hieftje, John; Teall, Margie; Fraser, Roger; Postema, Stephen

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Cc:

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8/19/2008

Dawn Kulp

Dear Dawn,

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Very careful consideration was given to your qualifications and experience, and we regret to inform you that we cannot offer you an interview at this time.

On behalf of City of Ann Arbor, I would like to express our appreciation that you included us in your job search, and wish you well in your career endeavors.

Sincerely,

City of Ann Arbor Human Resources

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent: To: Monday, September 08, 2008 7:21 PM 'Terry Abrams'; Kunselman, Stephen

Cc:

Hieftje, John

Subject:

RE: Concern about speed bumps on Gladstone

Mr. and Mrs. Adams-

Thank you for writing. The City's speed bump program is a citizen-initiated program. The City does not install speed bumps unless the neighbors request it as part of a multi-step program involving resident votes and meetings with staff. Nearby streets are not solicited for input because of the confusion that would cause.

I agree it's possible that traffic through Ember Way could increase if speed bumps are installed on Gladstone. Ember Way residents are welcome to initiate the speed bump process. The process includes collection of signatures from residents, surveys of existing speeds on the street, meetings with City staff in your neighborhood, and a final vote of residents. I will ask the staff person in charge of the program to forward information to you about the process.

-Leigh Greden, Member of City Council

----Original Message----

From: Terry Abrams [mailto:

Sent: Sunday, September 07, 2008 6:49 PM

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Cc: Hieftje, John

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tranquil nature of the street, but that will change once drivers determine that they can speed unobstructed down Ember Way instead of Gladstone.

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Please respond at your earliest convenience.

Thanks, Terry & Lisa Abrams

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From:

Teall, Margie

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:21 PM

To:

Fraser, Roger

Cc:

Dempkowski, Angela A; Hieftje, John

Subject:

RE: Introduction at a Council meeting

Thanks Roger. I just let her know.

From: Fraser, Roger

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 4:51 PM

To: Teall, Margie

Cc: Dempkowski, Angela A; Hieftje, John

Subject: RE: Introduction at a Council meeting

October 6.

From: Teall, Margie

Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 4:04 PM **To:** Fraser, Roger; Dempkowski, Angela A

Cc: Hieftje, John

Subject: Introduction at a Council meeting

I'd like to schedule a short presentation by Tamara Real (or it might be Deb Polich) at one of the upcoming meetings, to present the Washtenaw County Cultural Plan. Tamara will be out of town on Sept. 22nd so Deb might be able to do it then. Otherwise, October 6th or 20th would work. Do you folks have a preference? Let me know, and I will tell her when. Thanks! -Margie

From:

Jones, Barnett

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:22 PM

To: Cc: Teall, Margie Seto, John

Subject:

Re: Election Vandalism

Ma'am:

We will reach out to Mr. Goop

Barnett. Jones

Using the advanced technology of the iPhone.

On Sep 8, 2008, at 3:48 PM, "Teall, Margie" < MTeall@a2gov.org > wrote:

Mr. Gopp:

I am sorry to hear about the vandalism that has taken place on your property. I do know that yard sign theft is a common occurrence throughout the county, but I know that it's absolutely no excuse. (Ask the mayor how many signs he has to replace throughout the city every election year!) But the damage to your car, even taking off stickers, really worries me. I will go ahead and forward your message to our police chief, and perhaps he could give us some advice or let us know how the city can help. I really do hate to know that this is happening to any of our neighbors, and I'm sorry.

Thanks for writing, and feel free to attend a council meeting. Sign up with the clerk on the morning before a meeting if you wish to speak during the "public comment" period. You can also attend a caucus meeting on the Sunday evening before a Council meeting to talk with council members on a more informal basis, but these meetings are not televised. These meetings are at 7:00 in Council Chambers.

-Margie Teall, 4th Ward Council Member

From: Alex Gopp [mailto Sent: Monday, September 08, 2008 3:30 PM

To: Higgins, Marcia; Teall, Margie **Subject:** Election Vandalism

Councilwoman Marcia Higgins:

Councilwoman Margie Teall:

I live in Ann Arbor for over 25 years, all time in your Ward 4. When I moved here, it was a nice liberal town. It was a town where people could feel and be free to express and exchange ideas in sometimes heated, contentious, or even overheated debates. Much has changed lately.

Let me highlight some changes. I am a staunch Republican, and am not very much afraid to display it. Last Presidential election campaign, my yard signs for Bush/Cheney were vandalized and/or destroyed 5 times in about 1 month. My cars stickers were ripped off, and one car was scratched.

This year started even worse. My first yard sign was stolen in 4 days, and the second one was stolen after only 2 days. Yesterday I installed the third sign and wonder how long it would survive. I placed these signs well inside my front yard, so it is now not only a matter of free expression but also of trespassing and stealing. My wife begged me not to use car stickers, and not to display any Republican insignia. My neighbors consider me almost a hero.

I am asking you to help me survive in this hostile environment, to protect mine and yours civil rights, liberties, and property. I don't know what City can do, and certainly I don't expect police on every corner. But we have to start to do something to reclaim our freedoms, and you were elected to lead us and fight for it. It

does not matter that you are both Democrats because this is a just cause for all decent and honorable citizens of either party.

I am also asking you to advise me what I can do myself. I am buying a security video camera, motion detector alarm, installing a permanent heavy duty yard stand. What else?

I am planning to present my case at the next city council meeting, if this vandalism continues. Would you please stand up and support me.

Respectfully,

Alexander Y Gopp

3315 Tacoma Circle, Ann Arbor MI 48108

Cell phone



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Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:28 PM

To:

Greden, Leigh

Cc: Subject: Crawford, Tom RE: Debt group

I believe that was part of the recent upgrade we received from both Moody's and Standard and Poor's. The other part of that argument is that we are way, way behind in our investment in public infrastructure. The debt growth is part of a very careful plan.

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:20 PM

To:

Fraser, Roger

Subject: Debt group .

What's the name of the group that just issued a report praising our debt management? Moody's?

From: Sent:

Higgins, Marcia Monday, September 08, 2008 7:29 PM Greden, Leigh Citizen Participation

To: Subject:

I'd like to postpone this for 2 weeks. Could you support this? Could you ask rapun's?

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 7:38 PM

To:

Selvig, Beverly J McCormick, Sue

Cc: Subject:

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From: Sent:

Teall, Margie Monday, September 08, 2008 7:59 PM Greden, Leigh I'm having a really tough time ...

To: Subject:

I think I have to vote with Sabra on this one. It's just not fair that she'll get the credit for defending Marcia's and my ward. I can't stand it.

From:

Briere, Sabra

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:00 PM

To:

Teall, Margie

Subject:

FY

I will be voting NO on the resolution.

42 North is proposed for a currently vacant lot, owned by the Grace Bible Church on South Maple Road. This lot is zoned R4D; the highest density multi-family zoning in the city. The West Area planned had recommended rezoning this lot to R1 if Grace Bible ever chose to sell the land; this rezoning never occurred.

The lot is particularly significant, as it's the highest point in the city and it's crest is where not one, but three separate creeksheds feeding the Huron River rise. Allens Creek, Malletts Creek and Honey Creek all start here on this truly unappreciated piece of land. There are 12 wetlands here; several have been created by accidental dumping of debris over a number of years. The soil is clay and does not perk. The land is home to several endangered species and currently forms a valuable habitat for wildlife.

The developers have presented this Council with a site plan that includes a wetland mitigation plan that places the mitigation off-site. This plan is necessary because, by the siting of their buildings and parking lots, the developers are paving over 11 of the 12 existing wetlands, natural and manmade, with impervious surface.

According to the City of Ann Arbor's Subdivision and Land Use ordinance (Chapter 57, Section 5:127), mitigation of natural features *shall* be provided on-site. However, where mitigation cannot be accomplished on the site, all or part of the mitigation may be provided on public land within the city if approved as part of the site plan. Additionally, according to Chapter 60, Section 5:213, Wetlands Preservation Ordinance (mitigation), wetlands mitigations must be provided on-site where practical, within the watershed where practical, and only off-site in it's inappropriate and impractical to mitigate on-site. Staff members state that mitigation will take place on-site if the land is not sold by Grace Bible Church to Wood Partners. *And while Grace Bible Church owns both sites, everyone understands that the church will be selling the land to Wood Partners if this site plan is approved.*

Either Chapter 57 or Chapter 60 operates here, and neither fits the plan offered by the developer, and approved by staff. I commend staff for their willingness to creatively solve problems while working with developers. Their efforts to find ways to resolve storm water run-off and improve the mitigation of the three creekksheds is impressive. They admit this is the first time such mitigation has been approved off-site. However, their innovation in this case has gone beyond that allowable by the ordinances, and threatens the health, safety and well fare of the City.

Since the site plan violates the City's mitigation language in the land use ordinance, Council cannot determine that the site plan complies with all applicable local ordinances. Therefore, this project, with its present site plan, cannot be approved.

Sabra Briere First Ward Council member (734)484-3600 x 237 (W) (734)995-3518 (H)

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From: Sent: To: Subject:

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Sent:

Greden, Leigh Monday, September 08, 2008 9:30 PM Easthope, Christopher

To:

Subject:

RE: .

SK's mama did. He's killing us with this stuff.

From:

Easthope, Christopher

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:29 PM Greden, Leigh

To:

Subject:

I know what Im doin...my momma didn't raise no fool

From:

Sent:

Greden, Leigh Monday, September 08, 2008 9:23 PM

To:

Easthope, Christopher

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RE: .

Amen. I'm outta here.

From:

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Monday, September 08, 2008 9:34 PM

To:

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Subject:

Look to your left...you helped elect a fool

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I know what Im doin...my momma didn't raise no fool

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:23 PM

To:

Easthope, Christopher

Subject:

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Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:40 PM

To:

Easthope, Christopher

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RE: .

Yup. One of the guys I lived with in College is in town. At Grizzly waiting for me. He was a football player like you. Only better.

From:

Easthope, Christopher

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:39 PM

To:

Greden, Leigh

Subject:

RE:

Oh no

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:39 PM

To:

Easthope, Christopher

Subject:

RE: .

Amen. I'm outta here.

From:

Easthope, Christopher

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:34 PM

To: Subject: Greden, Leigh

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RE:

Look to your left...you helped elect a fool

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:30 PM

To: Subject: Easthope, Christopher

PS- And yes, your mama did raise a fool.

From:

Easthope, Christopher

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:29 PM

To: Subject: Greden, Leigh RE: .

I know what Im doin...my momma didn't raise no fool

From:

Greden, Leigh

Sent:

Monday, September 08, 2008 9:23 PM

To:

Easthope, Christopher

Subject: