

EXCERPT FROM PUBLIC HEARING ON FEB. 7, 2012 – ZONE CHANGE FOR EDUCATION CORRIDOR.

QUESTIONS DIRECTED DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ADAMS: John, the whole entire Ed Corridor project got scrutiny from its very inception mainly due to the funding process, the complicated, back door method, bypassing Article 8 Section 3 of the Idaho Constitution for long term capital debt. Also, using outdated potentially improper appraisal that has brought a lot of questions from the community, it has brought a lawsuit. I am just wondering if you anticipate that this will be the continued funding method of the college for any projects that are going to exceed the fiscal year's budget.

MUELLER: I have no way to answer that for you. Honestly, it is a little beyond my pay grade. I think that is a decision that they get to make and I hope not, you know. They have a budget process for smaller projects. I would say just what I know about, just what I have been exposed to in terms of the discussions and the project and all the major work is done down there. The stage is set, the utilities are in, water, the sewer, the telecommunications, stormwater, everything is all set and so if there is anything that gets funded down there, say like a structure, you know, it's going to have to be funded by the State or its going to have to come forward with the Board and go through a process with some scrutiny.

MAYOR: Mike, I think he has a response.

GRIDLEY: I don't have a lot of the information. I know the law suit was thrown out by the court. There has been no violation of the Idaho Constitution, the funding is legal. So I am not sure what you are referring to, but the information, the question you asked contains false information, so maybe we can clarify that and come back at another meeting and clear that up.

ADAMS: It's not a voter approved project, so the Constitution....

GRIDLEY: It doesn't have to be.

ADAMS: Well the Constitution is very clear Mike and just because, you know, the judge used a ruling from Wisconsin law, not Idaho law. There was no precedence in Idaho for this, so. I don't think my statement is false.

GRIDLEY: I think it is inaccurate and misleading, as a lawyer.

ADAMS: Fair enough.

COUNCIL COMMENTS ON THE MOTION:

MAYOR: There is a motion and a second on the floor for ZC-4-11 zone change for North Idaho College Education Corridor and also to accept the findings of the Planning and Zoning. Discussion on the motion.

EDINGER: (Comments not transcribed)

ADAMS: I would just like to say that I am obviously upset that I was denied my constitutional right to vote on this project and just believe that since it is not a voter approved project as it should have been that it, it, it negates the criteria and so that's why I'll be voting no.