

Public Education Series-Q&A/Comments Response Log for November 29, 2006

QUESTIONS:

- 1) Why does Dearborn assess a 1% tax collection/processing fee rather than a flat rate cost-recovery amount (e.g. \$50)? Obviously the cost for this service on a per transaction basis does not vary based on the amount of taxes paid / assessed per household or business. I believe that Dearborn Heights recently abolished this fee because of potential legal action by city taxpayers. Is this fee subject to a Headlee Rollback?
R) Responded to live, see video.

- 2) For the West Dearborn Downtown Development, where are the public funds coming from? Bonds? Or Equity Investment? For example, you say city has leverages, \$2 private per \$1 public. Where does the public money come from?
R) Responded to live, see video.

- 3) What can we do to bring more federal dollars to Dearborn, for CSO, etc? We have most powerful rep in congress living here. What can Dingell do for us?
R) Responded to live, see video.

- 4) Over the years City has granted tax abatements to industry who builds a new facility in the city. What has been the impact?
R) Responded to live, see video.

- 5) What about privitization of some facilities? Privitize library system, historic museum, performing arts center?
R) Responded to live, see video.

END for November 29, 2006