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A Message from Ernie Crist:

You may be aware that some time ago I urged Council that we review all Community Committees of Council. Such a review should take place regardless periodically but has not been done for many years. A review of sorts has now taken place but it was done on what I consider to be a rather superficial basis. In my opinion it was not based on true community criteria but on purely political considerations, this at least is my opinion.

The end result was a suggestion that 5 of the committees be considered for elimination more or less. Interestingly enough this includes Committees who have done an outstanding job including the Customer Service and Quality Assurance Committee and the Transportation Advisory Committee. Those 2 committees are clearly not favorites of the present Council.

As to the claim by one of the District Councillors that the cost of those committees is \$300,000 I have requested the figures from the clerk and according to a report the total annual administrative cost of the 13 committees in 1999 was approximately \$ 183,000. According to the report there are a total of 128 volunteers on these committees, providing 1,465 hours of volunteer work.

I have now requested that we receive an update report on the total cost of those committees for 2001. This figure was not available which in itself is extremely curious I think.

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