

Bill Scheu

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To: Bill Scheu
Subject: Dear Sir, Something to consider

Dear Sir,

My name is Connie Benham and I have spoke before the Pension Reform task force in the past and had every intention of making yesterdays meeting with a solution for the debt but woke not feeling well enough to attend.

There is a solution to the debt for the Police and Fire Fighters pension debt. This solution I have brought up in the past but most did not want to hear it and some said it could only be done if the city were in dire straights.

Sir I believe the city has reached the point of being in dire straights on this issue and warrants this solution but many will refuse to do so ... unless it come from you.

Mr. Scheu the city is in possession of billions of dollars of artwork through out the city especially the main library. Just a few of these pieces could be sold off and solve the debt problem in one fell swoop.

The city routinely adds to the Banking Fund debt for capital/non capital items and annually to balance the Budget and if forced to sell assets before adding to our debt I know they would be responsive to using existing revenue rather than annually borrowing it. The same goes for the PFPF debt but on a much larger scale.

I know the city is nearly \$ 5 Billion dollars in debt and citizens in the foreclosure capital of America cannot afford more debt and I pray you will find this to be the solution this community dearly needs. The idea will catch flack but "We, The People" should not have to shoulder more debt when "We" have assets to sell.

Sir please make this happen.

Thank you for your time
Sincerely
Connie Benham