

STERLING HEIGHTS TAX & SPEND COUNCIL OUT OF CONTROL

Renewal of Safe Streets Millage on Nov. Ballot

Below are just a few of the frivolous things
our tax **\$\$\$\$\$\$\$** have been spent on!

- The City Council spent almost **\$1/2M** out of General Fund to build the Gold Ring in the middle of Hall Rd.
- The City Council spent **\$12K** on a life size chess set on the library grounds.
- The City council spent **\$80K** on the Seed in the middle of the round-about on Utica Rd. and Dodge Park by City Hall.

YET

- **Taxpayers** pay for 11 pages of propoganda in the Sterling Heights Magazine telling us that if we don't renew the **Safe Streets millage** they will have to lay off **45 police officers and 20 firefighters**. (see page 6 of magazine)
- **Budget** shows that the cities unfunded liability per resident for pensions is **\$1074** (This means that every man, woman and child in Sterling Heights would have to pay **\$1074** each to make the cities pension fund whole)
- Per Vanderpool and Brian Baker, the police and fire portion of the Safe Streets millage was put in the general fund budget. Money in the general fund can be moved around and spent for anything they choose. When asked about that they agreed that was possible, but denied that it would happen. **My question is, 'Why didn't they create a special dedicated fund to put the money in so that it couldn't happen?'**

How many police officers and or firemen could we pay for if we added up all the frivolous spending in this city?

**TELL THEM THROUGH YOUR VOTE
'NO MORE WASTEFUL SPENDING'**



VET YOUR CITY COUNCIL & MAYOR CANDIDATES

- **Maria Schmidt** was appointed to city council in 2003 elected later that year.
- **Liz Sierawski** was appointed in 2016 and elected in 2017.
- **Henry Yanez** was appointed in 2019 after losing his election to State Senate in 2018.
- **Michael Radtke Jr.** registered to vote in Sterling Heights in June of 2015, He worked on Tony Marrocco's campaign when Candice Miller beat him. He was elected to city council in Nov. 2017.
- **Michael Taylor** was mayor pro tem and took over being mayor upon the death of Mayor Notte in 2014.

NON-INCUMBENT CANDIDATE

- **Jazmine Early**, has been involved for many years fighting for the people and is the only candidate that has ever received the Macomb County Taxpayers Assoc. endorsement:

<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfJazmineEarly/>

Look at all the taxes we have incurred in the last 10 years.

- Brought taxes to the limit the charter allowed without vote of the people.
- Safe Streets Millage (6years) Renewal of millage (10 years)
- Parks and Rec Millage (20 years)

OUR SEV'S (STATE EQUALIZED VALUE) KEEP GOING UP

This means that your property values have increased and they are collecting more money for your regular city taxes as well as the 3 millages!

2013: 2.4% +
 2014: 1.6% +
 2015: 1.6% +
 2016: .3% +
 2017: .9% +
 2018: 2.1% +
 2019: 2.4% +

PLUNK YOUR VOTE

Plunking your vote means to vote for only one candidate no matter how many you legally are allowed to vote for in each category. Make your vote stronger by not dividing your vote among other candidates.

If there is only one person running and you don't like them, 'Don't vote for anyone', or write in someone.!