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Dear Alders,

I have already expressed my opinion on the city's bloated budget and the structural deficit. It looks like tonight you'll be giving your approval to Breese Stevens multimillion dollar project, which subsidizes for-profit businesses that don't pay property taxes or reimburse Madison for their personal use of city property (PILOT). The matching gifts for the $8 million investment seem generous but the mayor has already said that Breese Stevens will need much more. I thought investments are made in hopes of making money. Th Big Top and Frank Productions will be making that money but the city, paid the measly annual rent, certainly will not!

Who are the people pushing for this "investment"? Where was the bidding process? How much more borrowing will you keep on authorizing?

Why are you hanging this albatross on taxpayers' necks?

Thank you.

Darlene Gakovich

From: Kay Rock
To: All Alders
Subject: $8 million dollar grant for Breeze. Please don"t approve money for private "profit" projects.
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I'm retired and living alone. Taxes are going to choke me out of Madison, my home since 1974.

K Rock

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