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I did read the Chamber Platform when it was first released a few weeks ago.

I believe it to be a very balanced set of ideas which promote a healthy amount of dialogue and action to not only benefit the business community, but also the City as a whole.

Work has already begin on some of the items like the WWMP, and others are in the hopper, like the land management program. The latter is a much lauded system that would coordinate our many our current functions with real time data, anywhere, anytime. It is not inexpensive, but the long-term benefits, both financial and goodwill, far outweigh the up front costs.

It is this long term outlook that Council has demonstrated more of in the last 4 years than any previous term. It is the type of thinking and analysis we need to continue to expand in the next 4 years. I know the Chamber knows this and that is why I can support the Chamber's platform.

Regards,

Mike