

To: Boise Guardian and Dave Frazier

Thank you for creating a forum for increased participation of Boiseans (and citizens of other communities) in having a voice in our government. I have always admired your “watchdog” role in our community along with your social conscience, humor and effort at historical perspectives and factual information that facilitate not only good debate but forming opinions. As a Boise Council Member, your transparent conversations have helped provide insight I may not otherwise have had. Keep up your good work and invaluable role in Boise.

## CITY COUNCIL MEMBER SCOT M. LUDWIG WILL NOT SEEK RE-ELECTION

Serving the citizens of Boise has been a thrill, educational, humbling and an incredible honor, but there are so many talented Boiseans that should be afforded this opportunity also.

Having come from the private sector, learning how government operates has been enlightening. Boise has dedicated and bright employees and administration that put their heart and minds into bettering this greatest of cities. The council members I have served with do so tirelessly, without ego or self-service. Boise should be proud of the honesty and integrity of this group of citizen-leaders.

In my final year, in addition to continuing to address ever-pressing housing and transportation issues, I would like to accomplish other matters:

1. Continue the fight against domestic abuse;
2. Evaluate Boise's acquisition of its water system to ensure the future of water quality, quantity and low cost of water;
3. Evaluate and reorganize cost sharing between Boise and surrounding municipalities for services such as bus (VRT), library and fire training facilities, et al. to ensure Boise is not paying more than our fair share;
4. Evaluate the cost-effective delivery of services in the various departments in Boise;
5. Re-elect the finest Mayor in the country;
6. Obtain a long-term lease for the Boise Art Museum, a cultural icon in Boise;
7. Build a stadium that will bring economic and cultural opportunities to Boise;
8. Obtain a Key to the City Post-Mortem for the late Steve Appleton, truly a founding member of the amazing city that Boise has become; and
9. Support preservation of remaining open space along Hill Road in Northwest Boise with less density than proposed.

I hope and pray I have served the citizens of Boise by giving back a small piece of what I have been blessed with as a long-time Boisean, where I have been given my education, career, family and health. Thank you Boise for the opportunity to have served its citizens.