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My name is Dori Nickell and I live at 201 Thompson Dr. We built our new house in 2000 in Poker Flats, 1st addition. In that time we have seen the growth of population, the new water tower, new water treatment additions, City Hall and lots of City failures. Other resident comments have described the hindsight of "not going big enough, and we shouldn't do that with this project." What I see in hindsight, is failures of the City to see problems that lie ahead. Approving new development haphazardly, engineering and building for the sake of more property revenue, knowing that issues could arise.

We've all heard of water problems among different parts of town, and we know water pressure is critical for health and safety. That can has been kicked down the road for too long. The City needs to invest in that, and it's going to be costly. How much debt can the City sustain and still be a growing town? Like others have said, financial responsibility is foremost. City leaders should know that.

We need a fire station yes, but Option C is all we can afford. The least expensive. You don't think other residents would love to have more upgrades or additions to their homes? Sure, but is it in the budget? Remember, there are citizens living here on tight budgets that shouldn't have to pay for the fire department to have the benefit of a gym or multiple sleeping rooms, two way garage, etc. Seems they are only thinking of themselves. We are a community of over 2000, with plenty of others that call upon them.

Let's get building, but not something exuberant.