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It comes as no great shock that our bumbling city councillors are now wringing their hands in despair about how to find an escape route from their reckless half-billion-dollar spending spree.

In rather arbitrary fashion, with no concern as to who will pay, council has rubber-stamped approval to building an art gallery and police station, moving the bus barns, south bridge, a Traffic Bridge replacement, etc.

And now it has the audacity to insult taxpayers' intelligence by announcing a "gut-wrenching" review of services in the guise of being fiscally prudent? Heaven help these councillors if they think the electorate will tolerate cutbacks to basic services such as garbage pickup, snow removal and maintaining streets.

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