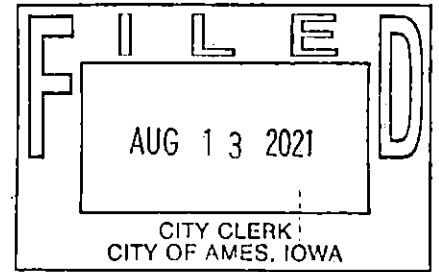


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Open letter to Ames City Council and Mayor

Due to your actions concerning the Wuhan Flu how many

- People in Ames lost their jobs?
- Still don't have a job?
- How many businesses in Ames ceased to exist?
- How many remaining Ames businesses are struggling to survive?
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Can you, will you answer these basic questions? If not, why not?

Recent reports are that if the Big 12 Conference collapses Ames will lose \$150-million annually and suffer the loss of another 2,000 jobs.

What are your plans to help the city if the Big 12 collapses?

What is the occupation rate in our hotels and motels? It can't be good? Yet plans are afoot for several square blocks of new development with another hotel. Really? How many largely vacant hotels do we need? Reduced student numbers at ISU don't lead to greater hotel occupancy. Ditto for reduced attendance at football and basketball games.

And where do we get money for the swimming pool project in which the public has no input?

The list of questions you can't or won't answer grows. Meanwhile the newspaper prints what you insist upon.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark H. Tompkins".