

Freedom Principle MO Blasts Tone-Deaf Board of Aldermen For Doubling Pay While City Crumbles

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The Freedom Principle MO is blasting the tone-deaf City of St. Louis Board of Aldermen for voting themselves a 93% pay raise on Friday. According to the bill their pay would raise from the current salary of \$37,400 to \$72,000 after the April elections. "This is incredibly tone-deaf," said Byron Keelin, President of the Freedom Principle MO. "Only in the City of St. Louis could a politician vote themselves a 93% raise while their city is literally crumbling before them. Instead of getting a raise, they should all be fired."

The Board of Aldermen passed the bill on a 15-8 vote. They said the pay raise will help attract more and better candidates to public service. "This just smacks of typical progressive nihilism. Our police officer morale is at its lowest and the city is losing police at a rapid pace. Instead of giving pay raises to the people who are trying to keep St. Louis City residents safe, they give the police the cold shoulder," said Keelin.

Keelin went on to say, "They are also giving residents the cold shoulder. The city can't and won't pick up its trash, the roads and city bridges are crumbling, and criminals are in control of the streets. Instead of addressing these problems, these self-centered aldermen voted themselves a huge raise!"

The State Legislature is considering several bills in the current session to address the corruption and incompetence of St. Louis elected officials. "You want to know why the state legislature is taking measures to take back control of the St. Louis City Metropolitan Police Department and using other means to address crime, look no further than this action."

"When you look at this vote and you look at the agenda the progressive candidates are pushing, eliminating parking minimums, abolishing single-family zoning, and penalizing conversions to single-family homes, these problems will only get worse, not better and we hope the voters of St. Louis wake up and vote them out of office," said Keelin.

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