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ISSUES PROGRAMS LIST

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1st Quarter

Section I. Issues

The stations have identified the following as significant issues facing our community in this quarter.

- A. Affordable Housing Shortage.** While urban renewal funding for new projects is not ideal, it is the only method of funding available in Idaho.
- B. Legalizing Marijuana and Hemp.** With the opening of marijuana dispensaries on the Oregon/Idaho border, many worry it will negatively impact Canyon County and Ada County in many different ways.
- C. Inadequate State Funding.** Ada County lacks funding to improve many of its roads and bridges. There are many options being discussed in government to alleviate concerns.
- D. Property Taxes Reform.** Debates begin for reducing residential property tax fees. Discussions revolve around how cities can maintain adequate income, and how citizens cannot be priced out of their own homes. A one-year tax freeze has been proposed.
- E. Coronavirus.** The threat of coronavirus becomes bigger every day as it continues to sweep the nation. Many fear the unknown effects that the virus can bring and are turning to social distancing to keep themselves safe.
- F. The Federal Stimulus Bill.** Many local businesses are forced to temporarily shut their doors to help combat the spread of COVID-19. Our state has been awarded a stimulus package which will be used to benefit our small business.
- G. COVID-19 and Veteran's Care.** Looking into how the mandatory stay at home order has affected growth of the coronavirus, and how people, including our Veterans, can protect themselves as we move forward.

Section II. Responsive Programs

Idaho Insights is a **30-minute** public affairs program written and produced by Townsquare Media in Boise, Idaho. The topics addressed are drawn from issues in the city of Boise and the surrounding communities. The program airs on all six Townsquare Media stations in Boise, Idaho **every Sunday** as follows: **KXLT-FM, KAWO-FM, KIDO-AM** and **KFXD-AM** at **6:00 a.m.** and **KSAS-FM** and **KCIX-FM** at **7:00 a.m.**

(1/5/20) Affordable Housing Shortage. Dr. Tommy Ahlquist, CEO of Ball Ventures Ahlquist and Saltzer Medical Group, previews the continued growth of commercial and residential properties in the Treasure Valley. He explains how local impact fees should be used more effectively to pay for growth. Mr. Ahlquist warns that a proposed property tax freeze in the Idaho Legislature would negatively impact employment in Idaho. He shares although urban renewal funding for new projects is not ideal, it is the only method of funding available in Idaho.

(1/12/20) Impeachment and Congressional Issues Upcoming in Congress. Washington Lobbyist Phil Hardy outlines the upcoming legislation in Congress. Mr. Hardy says that both political parties will be distracted until the impeachment trial of President Trump is completed. He continues to say that an infrastructure bill signed by the president would help both parties before this November's general election. Mr. Hardy reviews the work of Idaho's congressional delegation including Senator Jim Risch, the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

(1/19/20) Legalizing Marijuana and Hemp. Luke Niforates, Chief of Staff and Policy Advisor of Smart Approaches to Marijuana, reviews how marijuana dispensaries on the Oregon/Idaho border will negatively impact the Canyon and Ada Counties and farmers. Mr. Niforates explains the public health consequences of states that have legalized marijuana. He shares how crime, traffic accidents, and drug convictions have risen in states like Colorado, California, Oregon, and other states. Mr. Niforates notes that Hemp is a plant that is hard on the soil and law enforcement cannot determine the difference between hemp and marijuana. The politics of the possible impeachment of President Trump is discussed at length. The political ramifications of the massive California migration to states like Nevada, Idaho and Texas are reviewed.

(1/26/20) Presidential Impeachment. For the third time in American History, a president has been impeached. David Bozell from For America in Washington DC reviews the first week of the trial of President Donald Trump. He explains the differences between the impeachment trials of President Trump, President Clinton and President Johnson. Mr. Bozell explains the lasting historical impact of the current trial of President Trump.

(2/2/20) Inadequate State Funding. Ada County Highway District Commissioner Kent Goldthorpe looks at the Idaho Legislature's efforts to increase funding to improve roads and bridges in Idaho. The governor proposed additional funding in his state of the state speech. Legislators have looked at funding an additional 100 million dollars for infrastructure.

Commissioner Goldthorpe explains that the state and counties will need more money to build more roads and fix bridges. He continues by pointing out that the local, county, and state organizations cannot build enough roads to keep up. The commissioner says that people will have to get adjusted to longer commutes.

(2/9/20) Treasure Valley Affordable Housing. Idaho Realtor Greg Ferrara reports on the continued rise in home prices in the Ada, Canyon, Gem, and Boise Counties. Mr. Ferrara works to find affordable housing for Treasure Valley residents. He explains that the affordable housing crisis will soon impact the growth in cities such as Boise, Meridian, Nampa, and others. As home prices increase, so does the property value and property taxes that home owners have to pay the state of Idaho.

(2/16/20) The Economic Impact of the Big Sky Basketball Tournament in Boise. Big Sky Commissioner Tom Wistrill previews the upcoming championship tournament that will be held in Boise. This will be the second year that Idaho's capital city has hosted the tournament. Fans from all over the Northwest will be spending the week living in hotels and dining at local restaurants. The commissioner explains how the partnership with the state and city have aided Big Sky Universities. He expressed the importance of how being a student athlete positively helps students find meaningful employment after graduation.

(3/01/20) Idaho Cancer Awareness Campaign. Executive Director Jodi Weak of Komen Idaho and Montana reports on the breakthroughs in Cancer screenings for men and women. She shares how the states of Idaho and Montana are a challenge for treatment due to their low population and large geographical footprint. Mrs. Weak promotes the Komen Race for the Cure that will be coming soon to Boise this spring. The proceeds from the race fund mobile mammograms for Idahoans who do not live near a hospital.

(3/8/20) Idaho Legislative Affairs State. Representative Pricilla Giddings reports on the progress of the Idaho Legislature. She sponsored a bill that would have repealed the state's grocery tax. The bill was voted down in committee. Representative Giddings describes the controversy on two transgender bills. One bill would prohibit boys from competing against girls in sports. The other would not allow Idahoans to change their gender on their birth certificates.

(3/15/20) Property Taxes Reform. The Idaho Legislature has begun debating a reduction in residential property taxes in the Gem State. Idaho House Majority Leader, State Representative Mike Moyle, has introduced legislation that will freeze property taxes in place for one year. Nampa Mayor Debbie Kling takes issue with the measure saying a freeze will devastate Idaho cities and counties. She explains that property tax revenues are used to match impact fees charged to developers to fund infrastructure. Representative Moyle says cities and counties should cut spending and manage their money more effectively. He shares stories from voters who fear they may lose their homes to higher property taxes.

(3/23/20) The Federal Stimulus Bill. US Congressman Russ Fulcher explains how the state will use the 1.25 billion dollars that Idaho will receive of the 2 trillion-dollar stimulus relief package. The congressman points out how small business grants will allow Idaho Employers to keep their employees working. Congressman Fulcher describes how much work went into crafting the

stimulus legislation. He shares how he and the entire Idaho Congressional Delegation are working with the governor's office in coordinating a unified response to the coronavirus.

(3/30/20) COVID-19 and Veteran's Care. Program Manager Brandon Atkins at Central District Health explains how the governor's 21 mandatory stay at home order will slow the growth of the coronavirus in Idaho. He explains how citizens can keep themselves safe from the virus. United States Secretary of Veterans Affairs Robert Wilkie shares how the federal government is protecting veterans from contracting the coronavirus. He compliments the work of the Idaho State Veterans Home in saving the lives of Idaho Veterans.

SECTION III

This section is a list of public service announcements that aired on KIDO-AM/FM, KAWO-FM, KSAS-FM, KFXD-AM/FM, KXLT-FM, KCIX-FM.

AARP Aging, American Water Works, Car Seat Safety, Stroke, Susan G Komen, Fire Drill, Air Force, Disabled Veterans of America, Asthma, Hidden Disease, Project Yellow Light, Rise Up Sarcoma Foundation, Share the Road, Save the Food, Women's Heart, Bullying, Veterans Hospital, Parkinson's, Crime Stoppers 60, Disaster Readiness, Feed America, Fire Prevention, Foundation Fighting Blindness, Earthquake Preparation, Hidden Disease, Homeland Security, Idaho State Fishing, Humane Society, Opioid Abuse, PTSD, Poison Hotline, Seatbelt Safety, St.

Jude, Teacher Recruitment, Teen Volunteer, Underage Drinking, US Military, Veterans Affairs, Stuttering Foundation, Veterans Crisis Line, Marines, Mercy Ships, Narcotics Anonymous, Ovarian Cancer, Make a Wish Idaho , Migraines, Firearms Safety, Crime Stoppers APP, Adopt Us Kids, Kindness Revolution, March of Dimes, Girl Scouts, Bullying AG Safety, Women and Children's Alliance, Gynecological Cancer, Drug Impaired Driving.