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SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Oh, okay, and if we ov...and if we override, that's really what we're committing ourselves to?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, it is. Without providing all the money, it's simply giving an indication that we will be back next year looking at it.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Well, if they do \$987,000 worth of work, will they stop?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: They won't be able to probably start actually. They can start planning.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Now I am confused. If we appropriate \$987,000, do they need \$987,000 for planning?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: No.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: If planning is all they're going to do, why would we give them \$987,000?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: It's a way to commit some money to it.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Oh. The...is the Centennial Mall improvement override...originally that was \$500,000 and \$500,000. Do we...would we eventually have another \$500,000 obligation for that?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: It's not the intent of this committee to do that, but I can't speak for future committees. The original request was \$8 million. It was reduced to \$2 million. We did it for \$1 million. The Governor cut it all out. We said we will do \$500,000 and that will be it.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Okay, and then, and I think as you indicated the university health care costs would certainly be ongoing costs in some amount, is that...?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That is true.