Invitation to choose roles for workshop

Dear colleagues,

I'm looking forward to working with you on this Thursday, January 13, at our Jurassic Parliament workshop.

Please look through the roles included in this file and pick a couple that you would like to play. If possible, print those roles out. (There is no need to print all of them.)

See you Thursday!

With best wishes,

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architect	elderly member
artist	enemy of the mayor
astronomer	engineer
attorney	environmentalist
auto mechanic	fashion designer
baker	fern collector
banker	ferryboat captain
barista	festival director
botanist	fisherman
bungee jumper	food program director
burnt-out member	football coach
carpenter	fossil hunter
chef	gardener
chocolate maker	general contractor
dancer	gingko farmer
dentist	golfer
doctor	guitarist

ham radio operator harmonica manufacturer knitter massage therapist movie fan museum director neighborhood blogger office manager opera fan pharmacist port director psychiatrist psychologist restaurant owner spa manager

architect

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Building a performing arts center is a great idea! It should be a superb model of architectural glory.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we hold an architecture competition to locate the best architectural talent for our projects.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	I'm just fed up with the poor-quality buildings in our city. We need to get some really classy structures!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "to be designed by an architect with at least 15 years' experience here in our city."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	As long as the performing arts center includes facilities for ALL artists, I'm in favor

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we create 15 life-size replicas of our most significant species to show the world what we truly are.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Well, if Granger, Washington and Rapid City, South Dakota can do it, why can't we?
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and we retain the services of a competent artist to paint the project for tourist promotion."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	We would be much better advised to build an observatory so we can research asteroids and when they might hit us.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we develop an asteroid research program to fend off the next expected asteroid fall due next year.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	I'm serious—research shows that an asteroid may hit us at any time! Doesn't anyone care?
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and we provide asteroid protection shields for all buildings in the city."

attorney

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	It's critical that we ensure that the project is zoned appropriately and meets all League requirements.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we hire a team of twelve attorneys to review every city project.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Our society is so prone to cheap lawsuits that we need to protect ourselves!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "subject to the advice of counsel."

auto mechanic

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Oh come on, what about the working stiffs? This would be of interest only to posh people with big incomes!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we provide electric cars for all dinosaurs under 500 pounds.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Electric cars are the wave of the future! We should put our dinosaurs in them right now.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and offer a subsidy to all electric car owners."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	I would be interested in providing gingko biscuits to the refreshment stands at the center. Our biscuits are tasty and healthful!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we subsidize the production of gingko biscuits.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Gingko biscuits are a great source of vitamins and minerals for dinosaurs. We need to produce more of them!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and offer free gingko biscuits at all city functions."

banker

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Hard times are on the horizon. We shouldn't spend this now, we should invest it for the future.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we give the banks a \$5 million subsidy to cover their shaky loans.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	In these tough economic times, dinosaurs are defaulting on their mortgages right and left.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and provide a special subsidy to all banks."

barista

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Starbucks would be the best vendor to provide beverages at this center.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we give Starbucks an exclusive franchise to provide coffee at city events.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Starbucks offers a great service to dinosaurs working from home – they can bring their laptops!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and offer free coffee from Starbucks."

botanist

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	We need to commit to using only suitable native plans in the landscaping of this center.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we develop new harvest machines.
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Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Our present outdated methods mean that half the fernseed we produce is wasted!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and we subsidize the sale of fernseed oil to botanists engaged in researching our local flora."

bungee jumper

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Oh I'm fed up with all the emphasis on "HIGH CULTURE." We need more sports facilities, not a performing arts center!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we build a new lighthouse to prevent the terrible loss of dinolife near Cape Dino.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	This would also be a great jumping-off point for those who practice the sport of bungee jumping.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and support the Bungee Jumpers Club by announcing all their events on our community bulletin board."

burnt-out member

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Is this really the best use of our surplus? I think we should invest it instead.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we take our entire surplus and distribute it to the members of our council.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We've worked hard for our city and it's time that we received some reward for all that effort!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "once the investigation by the Dinosaur Times is completed."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	The traditional crafts like carpentry are in danger of extinction. We should spend the money supporting them.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we authorize homeless dinosaurs to cut down the gingko forests for wood.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	If we could build more housing then we wouldn't have so many homeless dinosaurs.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and use only the finest gingko woods."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	The center should have a café that uses only local, organically sourced produce.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we start a food café training project like Farestart.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	This will encourage delinquent dinosaur teenagers to find a career interest that will give them an economic future.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and provide free meals to all participants during the length of the project."

chocolate maker

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	In my opinion, chocolate is a much better way to lift people's spirits than arts performances.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we place chocolate bar dispensing machines in all our district schools.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Recent research has shown that chocolate has many healthful qualities and can even encourage better thinking. This will benefit the students as they study.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and we send specially wrapped candy packages to all the other towns of our state as a promotion."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	We could hold swing dance contests in the center!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we establish a troop of Dinodancers who can perform at all public celebrations.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Dancing is an ancient dinosaur custom and the public will appreciate the entertainment.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and we seek the support of the Dinotango Dance Company to carry this project out."

dentist

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Dinosaurs are notorious for terrible dental hygiene. How about a public health initiative in favor of flossing instead?

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we arrange for free dental checkups for all dinos in our school district twice a year.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	With the provision of chocolate bar machines in the schools, we have to think about the health of our dino children's teeth!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and get the assistance of the Dinodentists Association in providing these services."

doctor

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Everyone is just worn out from the pandemic. I think we should use this money for projects that bring more immediate relief.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we build a new gymnasium, free to all, that will allow all sizes of dinosaur to exercise in order to maintain the best possible health.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	This will save us on healthcare costs in the long run. Prevention is better than cure.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and provide reduced rates to all healthcare workers."

elderly member

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Since the money has been generated from taxes paid by our residents, we should hold a referendum on how to use it.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we build a nursing home on the river.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We have many dinosaurs with serious disabilities. They must be properly cared for! The dino-boomers must not be forgotten!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "provided that no dinosaurs over the age of sixty shall be required to pay taxes."

enemy of the mayor

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	I think the mayor is proposing this because she's also a choir director, and she wants to promote choral singing.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we retain a consultant to examine the source of this surplus.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We have to verify that all accounting records have been properly maintained. I think some fishy business has been going on.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "provided that the old biddy who's running this city resigns immediately."



Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Don't you people understand what's happening with fossil fuels? We must invest this in nuclear power!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we develop new energy sources to power our civilization once all our carbon is used up.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	At the present rate of speed, the carbon on the planet will be completely exhausted by 2015.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and that we support the creation of HOD lanes on our freeways for all our Highly Oversized Dinosaurs."

environmentalist

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	We don't need another high-impact building project in our county! Let's find a better way to use the money

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we authorize water purification research to ensure a safe water supply for the future.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Science is making it clearer than ever that we have to do something about water—now! Water is the next oil.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and we establish special bypass channels to ensure that ancient fishes are not harmed."

fashion designer

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Dinosaurs need the psychological lift that nice clothes give them. I think we should subsidize the clothing industry with this money.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we establish an Institute of Fashion for young female dinosaurs.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We can't compete with the League of Northwest Dinosaur Cities without a fashion institute.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and require all students to have at least one course in fashion design."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	I don't know, I'm just kind of confused about this. Isn't our property in a sensitive area?

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we special training in fern preservation so that botanists will be able to share the wealth of our fern heritage with others.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	If we fail to do this, we run the risk of simply losing the knowledge of what ferns mean to dinosaurs.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and establish a Fern Collection in the Botanical Gardens"

ferryboat captain

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Marine activities are the healthiest form of recreation. I'm against throwing up another huge building.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we provide funds for the dredging of Fossil Creek.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	By doing this the ferries can make their way across Fossil Lake and up the rivers to the other communities.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and that we create a special committee to monitor the results of this project."

festival director

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	If we do this, we can make the "Fernville Dreaming" festival DOUBLE in size!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we hold the "Fernville Dreaming" festival every year instead of every other year.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Holding this great festival once every two years just isn't cutting it! We will see enormous benefits in tourism and commerce if we do this.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "publicity for the "Fernville Dreaming" festival be included in all project materials."

fisherman

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	The fishing industry needs relief much more than we need to spend money on a grandiose project.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we build a fish-preserving plant.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	This will allow us us to share the watery wealth of our region with others. Marine life is a critical nutritional resource.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and provide free fish-and-chips lunches to all dinosaurs engaged in recreational sporting activities."

food program director

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	We have to look at basic food need in our under-served communities. How about supporting the food bank instead!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we assign \$1 million of these funds to our food bank.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	The food bank does the best it can, but many dinos are not getting enough gingko fodder to eat! That's what causes delinquency.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and increase the Food Program subsidy by 200%."

football coach

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Our high school stadium is in pitiful shape! Why don't we spend the money improving it instead?

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we request the Superintendent to open a touch football program in the elementary schools.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Football is the only sport that teaches young dinosaurs how to succeed. It will make a difference in the game of life.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and make football mandatory for all college students."

fossil hunter

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	This is just a waste of money. Let's hire a team of archeologists who can preserve our ancient fossils before they are ground up in the great churn of progress.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we create a Fossil Museum to preserve the precious heritage of our species.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	If we don't know what fossils of the past mean, we will fail to prepare for our future.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "provided that the Archeology Council declares the area for the project to be a fossil- free zone."

gardener

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	It's OK by me, as long as we guarantee that at least 2% of the cost will be dedicated to great landscaping.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we create a new public park to improve recreational opportunities in our fair city.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Parks are one of the most important amenities in any city! If we want to preserve the environment we must preserve plants!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and that the Macfarlane Gardening Center be awarded the contract for the landscaping of this project."

general contractor

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Small-scale industry needs support more than this kind of project. I'm in favor of grants to small businesses.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we build a new dock at the Fernville port.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We have more than 200 vessels visiting per year and the old dock is just a disgrace!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and that the Macfarlane Marine Masterbuilders be retained to build the project."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	What about small farmers? This money ought to go to the backbone of our economy, not be wasted on frivolous entertainment. I'm against it!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we subsidize the cost of all supplies necessary to produce a healthy gingko crop for our families.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Ginkgo is a staple of our diet! If we don't support good ginkgo crops, our health will really suffer.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and that we institute a crop spraying program to protect our gingko fields."

golfer

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	I think this would be a big waste of money. Our golf course needs refurbishing and improvements to continue to serve.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we build a new golf course to enhance our recreational facilities.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Our old golf course has been totally chewed up by dinosaur claws.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and build a new golf course in addition."

guitarist

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	We don't need a big performance space. How about creating smaller venues that will allow for more intimate experiences, like guitar concerts?

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we request the superintendent of schools offer guitar lessons to all students in the high school.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Guitar is the best possible instrument for dinosaurs to make beautiful music.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and organize free guitar concerts in the city park at lunch time."

ham radio operator

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Emergency management is a crying need right now. I think we should invest in our ham radio system.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we establish a ham radio network so all dinosaurs can have good reception when the telephone and internet are down.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We know that keeping everyone in the loop is essential for the public safety.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and that we request the ham radio enthusiasts to provide backup communication in the event of a natural disaster."

harmonica manufacturer

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	My harmonica quartet will really enjoy performing in this space. I'm for it!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we subsidize our small musical- instrument factories who are finding it a challenge to make ends meet.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Music and other recreational activities will suffer if we aren't able to produce harmonicas for every home in our city, as we have in the past.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and celebrate the completion of the project with a concert by the Happy Harmonica Band."

knitter

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Don't forget the hobbyists! Let's include a yarn store in the center.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we request the YMCA to offer free knitting classes.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Knitting is very good for soothing dinosaurs that suffer from stress.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and ensure that hobbyists are also included."

massage therapist

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	What if we transformed this idea into a wellness center? It could include the arts AND massage.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we research the health-giving properties of our mineral mud.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We are sitting on a gold-mine here in Fernville. Do you have any idea how much people will pay for mud-bath treatments?
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "free massages be offered to all employees."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	We've gotta make sure that the center includes a wide screen suitable for showing IMAX movies.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we ask Mr. Steven Spielberg to film this project for posterity.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Mr. Spielberg is one of the great directors of the world, and it would be an honor to have him film our project!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and we retain a local movie director to film the project for posterity."

museum director

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Performing arts live for a moment, but what we really need is a museum that will give immortality to dinosaurs.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we build a new museum to honor the glorious history of dinosaurs.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We need to help our posterity remember where they come from. Our old museum is a disgrace!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and give out free museum tickets to all participants in the project in appreciation for their hard work."

neighborhood blogger

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	I can certainly promote this project on my blog – I have over 6000 readers!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we provide high-speed Internet access to every home in the city.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We need to give everybody access to my blog so they can find out the real truth about what's going on in our city.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and give bloggers the same status as journalists."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Current economic conditions have hit our small businesses hard. How about a subsidy to businesses with fewer than 50 employees?

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we eliminate the head tax on employees in offices located in this city.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	This tax is wildly unfair and makes us non- competitive.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and subsidize free lunches for all city employees."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	This is a splendid idea and I look forward to patronizing our region's best opera performers!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we allocate \$1 million to partner with the schools and bring students to opera performances free.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	This will increase the happiness and well-being of our students.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and that we invite our high school choir to sing at the ceremony marking the opening of the project."

pharmacist

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	We've been hit by the pandemic so hard that mental health is really suffering. We ought to use this money to offer free Valium to our residents.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we provide Valium without charge to every resident dinosaur suffering from stress.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	In these tough economic times, many dinosaurs are truly suffering from anxiety and stress. Valium would make them calmer.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and provide chemical assistance to all."

port director

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Shiver me timbers! How can we think about a project like this when our port timbers are covered with barnacles?

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we form a consortium with the five other ports of Dino Bay.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	All the traffic is going to Port Dino and Montedino! We need to rev up the economic engines.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and do an in-depth study of port traffic to find out what our true costs are."

psychiatrist

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	I think the members of this council ought to have their heads examined! How can we think of spending this money on a building, when people are so mentally beat up by the pandemic?!

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we set up a Mental Health Court to deal with dinosaurs who have medical issues.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	It seems clear that the threat of impending doom has made many dinosaurs paranoid.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and provide long-term therapy to all residents who need it."

psychologist

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Provision of mental health services to our residents would be a much better use of the money.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we support a psychologist in the high school to provide counseling and assistance to the dinosaur youth who are challenged by school conditions.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Dinosaurs find it very challenging to sit in a classroom for six hours a day!
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "including sensitivity training on interspecies respect."

restaurant owner

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	It will be great to have a restaurant of the very highest quality included, to create an elegant atmosphere.

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we create a Culinary Institute to train young dinosaur chefs.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	We can't compete with the League of Southern Dinosaur Cities unless we have our own Culinary Institute.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and encourage all young dinosaurs to learn how to cook."

Motion we are considering	That the city build a performing arts center at a maximum cost of \$10 million.
Your remarks on this motion	Couldn't we spend half the money on the center, and use the other half to provide relaxing spa services to all our residents?

YOUR Main Motion	I move that we fund skin care research to develop the useful properties of the special mineral muds of our area.
Sample remarks in favor of your motion	Our spas could really benefit from this initiative. And given the stress of these tough economic times, spas are vital to our health.
Sample Amendment	I move that we amend the motion by adding the words "and that our city provide subsidized spa treatment to all employees in recognition of the stress of their jobs."