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With regards to the city's evaluation of public-private partnerships, otherwise called P3s, please keep in mind that these sorts of agreements are not all they're made out to be and can sometimes become little better than taxpayer giveaways that can even cost city governments more money than it would have taken to do otherwise. This is not to say that there can't be successful ones but it is very important that city officials don't just take the pitches of developers at face value and ask tough questions before entering into any deal. It is also important to make sure that any agreement has protections for the city and its residents to make sure the public interest is protected. Please keep this in mind when considering any such agreement and do not rule out alternatives just because these agreements sound like an easy means of financing.

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