

Via email through PrattoTexas.com
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Mr. Pratt,

I was listening to your commentary on the Mayor Miller's desire to build a new "old" performing arts theater yesterday and one thought kept running through my mind.

Isn't the city wrapping up a thorough evaluation of expenditures in an effort to reduce spending and lower taxes? Now he is exploring areas to unnecessarily spend more money? That doesn't make any sense.

Then again, this is the man who recommended the city council hold a retreat in Post at a cost of \$15,500 when he owns his own retreat center designed for leadership teams right here in Lubbock.

Am I just ignorant or does he want to have his cake and eat it too?

Ryan, Lubbock

Pratt replies: Yes, you nailed it. He wants to make everyone feel good. The problem is that it isn't his cake he is using – it's ours!