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From: Mary Ojakian <ojakian@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, October 8, 2018 8:24 AM

To: Council, City

Subject: 980 Middlefield Road

Attachments: Letter to PA Council 10_2018.pdf

Honorable City Council Members,

At the October 1 Council meeting pre-screening of a potential permit request for the property at 980 Middlefield, the former Roller, Hapgood, and Tinney Mortuary, comments were made by some Council members that were very painful and insulting for me. My brother was killed at age 25 by a drunk driver who ran a red light at University and Middlefield. His body was taken to this funeral home where my Mother and I went to identify him. My son, who died at age 21, was buried from this funeral home. The Mortuary provided much needed support at those times. Some of the Council's comments made light of services provided for the grieving by that facility. These were deeply hurtful.

Beyond that I have lived in this neighborhood for over 40 years. Mortuary services rarely used street parking. When the street was used it was for a short time in the middle of the day. The funeral home also allowed parking on their property for Addison School parents dropping off or picking up their children. This parking opportunity is no longer allowed by the new owner. In addition parking in this neighborhood has gone from difficult to almost impossible. The presence of a bike lane prohibits parking on one side of Addison Ave. The current RPP program limits parking to two hours without a permit. The neighborhood is densely populated. It consists of single family homes, duplexes, apartment buildings, and condominiums. It was never designed for the number of cars current lifestyle uses.

The implication at the October 1 Council meeting was that families where both parents work is a new phenomenon. In this town the need for duel incomes is not new at all. I was a "working mom" while raising 4 children in the mid 1970's on. Almost every woman I knew worked either as an entrepreneur or an employee of a business or service in the South Bay. Childcare needs while working is not a new issue nor does it differ from when I and my friends were raising our children in this neighborhood and this town.

Currently the City of Palo Alto offers families the Children's Theatre, the Children's Library, and the Children's Museum (under improvement). In town we also have Parent's Place, Palo Alto Community Child Care, Children's Health Council, Family and Children's Services, Parca Children's Services, Hand in Hand, Pre-School Family, YMCA, Abilities United, Parent's Club of Palo Alto-Menlo Park, and Worklife Office Stanford University. There is not a dearth of services in Palo Alto for working parents.

The proposal put forward is for a private club not a public service. The club would provide work space, childcare, classes and parties often for charges beyond the membership fees. It would employ approximately 28. Per the applicants statement it would hold numerous events for up to 400 people both day and night 7 days a week. The applicant stated there would be 250 events per year for up to 75 attendees and 150 events per year for 75 to 400 attendees. That is 400 private events per year. Also indicated were a total of 28 gatherings offered for free or low cost for non-profits or charities. This is extremely high usage for a facility located in an already densely populated residential neighborhood.

Currently the applicant holds large private parties at her home located one block from the property at 980 Middlefield. Delivery trucks double park on Addison Ave. for up to 3 consecutive days in order to prepare for and clean up after these events. Several other activities have occurred that have closed down the street for a full day making it impossible for residents to get to their own homes. Moving these types of activities one block away and across the street from Addison school while at the same time greatly increasing the number of events to 400 or more per year is not acceptable use of neighborhood property.

In my view this is an application for a carte blanche permit for any and all activities on a private property at a private club. This is not a proposal for a community service available for the benefit of the residents of Palo Alto. This private club will be a detriment to the surrounding neighborhood. Another location for this facility should be found.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Ojakian Tall Tree Award Recipient for Outstanding Citizen Volunteer

FINANCE MEETING 10/16/2018 Received Before Meeting

Carnahan, David

From: Jeff Hoel <jeff_hoel@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 9, 2018 4:58 PM

To: Council, City

Cc: Hoel, Jeff (external); UAC; CAC-TACC

Subject: AMI (smart meters) goes to Finance -- 10-16-18

Council members,

On 10-16-18, the Finance Committee will consider an item about smart meters.

I stand by my previous comments from 05-01-18, 05-09-18, and 09-02-18 (cited below the "###" line, in case you want to reread them).

Here are some remaining issues:

- * The plan's financial analysis "breaks even" only if it includes the predicted savings due to customers conserving more because of information they get from smart meters. But how do we know that's why customers conserved more?
- * The plan refuses to consider any way of connecting the smart meters that can't be ready by 2020. Why do we need the network by then? If the City had a citywide municipal FTTP network by the time smart meters were needed, I think it would play a role in connecting the smart meters.
- * The plan is thinking about relying on one of the incumbent wireless carriers (e.g., AT&T or Verizon) for smart meter connections. But from time to time, there are reports of major outages.

https://www.seattletimes.com/business/regions-cell-networks-disrupted-after-presidential-text-alert/https://www.phonearena.com/news/Verizon-outage-affecting-much-of-

U.S. id109230?mc cid=fd6f586d63&mc eid=99443c82f8

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Klg82AmC Vc

Shouldn't our utilities be in control of the reliability and resiliency of these connections? When the electric power goes out, some of the incumbent carriers' access points don't even have battery backup. How much would this connection service cost, both now and in the future?

- * The plan seems to say that the electric smart meters won't have battery backup either, only enough power for one "last-gasp" message when the electric power goes out. Is that what we want?
- * Staff has said that there's no point in considering the details of customers' options for opting out of smart meters until after Council approves of going ahead with smart meters. But why wouldn't Council want to know more about the opt-out options before going ahead?

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Thanks.			
Jeff			
Jeff Hoel	Avenue		

HISTORY:

Palo Alto, CA 94303

10-16-18 Finance Committee agenda:

https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?t=71592.98&BlobID=67079

10-16-18 staff report about smart meters (110 pages)

https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/67112

09-05-18 UAC agenda

https://cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/66594

09-05-18 staff report about smart meters (23 pages)

https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/66550

09-02-18: my message to UAC about smart meters (reported in this 10-03-18 document, PDF pages 2-3) https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/66860

05-09-18: my transcript-and-comments message to UAC about the 05-02-18 UAC meeting, the smart meter item (reported in this 06-06-18 document, PDF pages 27-50)

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05-02-18 UAC agenda:

https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/64810

05-02-18 staff report about smart meters (103 pages)

https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/64784

05-01-18: my message to UAC about smart meters (reported in this 06-06-18 document, PDF pages 2-19) https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?t=62465.62&BlobID=65229

From: Sent:	" " " c g			
То:	Council, City			
Subject:	Airplane noise on Sunday			
See below.				
Of course, this isn't ALL of the overflights - I wasn't home all day and didn't record everything. Notice 8 flights just before midnight! Why do we have to put up with this??				
Is the city council doing anything about this? If not, do you have any suggestions as to what individuals can do?				
The FAA was supposed to move the SERFR route back to the BSR ground track in August. That has not been done. And I can find no info about the status of this move. Do you have any info?				
Thank you Jim Holmlund				
PS. Note that the items below with no Flight represent flights that are too close together to decide which to report. Thus, each blank represents one or maybe two flights.				
All of these complaints have already been auto-submitted to SFO, so please do not forward this email to sfo.noise - they already have them all !				
This is a list of 33 reports relating to jets on flight paths for SFO, SJC and OAK. Where possible, the aircraft were identified via flightradar24.com.				
My details:				
Caller code :				
Name :				
Address :				
The 33 reports:				
Mon, Oct 08, 11:53 PM				
Mon, Oct 08, 11:53 PM	Flight: AS 193 [EWR-SFO] (B739; speed: 189 knots, altitude: 6445.336288050134 ft, distance: 2 KM)			

Mon, Oct 08, 11:52 PM	Flight: CM 382 [PTY-SFO] (B738; speed: 206 knots, altitude: 4217.509492928 ft, distance: 1 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 11:50 PM	Flight: AS 934 [SEA-SFO] (B738; speed: 225 knots, altitude: 6560.6833004224 ft, distance: 3 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 11:48 PM	Flight: AS 162 [KOA-SFO] (B738; speed: 222 knots, altitude: 6002.0486292992 ft, distance: 2 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 11:48 PM	Flight: AS 300 [SEA-SFO] (B738; speed: 299 knots, altitude: 4100 ft, distance: 1 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 11:43 PM	Flight: DL2776 [LAX-SFO] (B738; speed: 216 knots, altitude: 5442.503837013333 ft, distance: 2 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 11:42 PM	Flight: AV 560 [SAL-SFO] (A20N; speed: 215 knots, altitude: 5379.1075180544 ft, distance: 2 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 10:58 PM	Flight: WN1820 [SAN-SFO] (B737; speed: 296 knots, altitude: 6109.061012299733 ft, distance: 4 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 10:46 PM	Flight: AS1195 [EWR-SFO] (A320; speed: 250 knots, altitude: 4712.569339776 ft, distance: 2 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 10:37 PM	Flight: Y4 910 [MEX-SFO] (A320; speed: 232 knots, altitude: 4938.837270986666 ft, distance: 1 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 10:36 PM	
Mon, Oct 08, 10:27 PM	Flight: WN2177 [PHX-SFO] (B737; speed: 251 knots, altitude: 5470.546265984 ft, distance: 4 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 10:25 PM	Flight: AS1045 [LAX-SFO] (A320; speed: 230 knots, altitude: 5574.161138304 ft, distance: 3 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 10:17 PM	Flight: UA1288 [OGG-SFO] (B738; speed: 223 knots, altitude: 5897.650463592533 ft, distance: 2 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 10:03 PM	Flight: WN 481 [BUR-SFO] (B737; speed: 231 knots, altitude: 4907.304567573334 ft, distance: 1 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 09:58 PM	Flight: AM 662 [GDL-SFO] (B738; speed: 222 knots, altitude: 4856.848848789334 ft, distance: 0 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 09:20 PM	
Mon, Oct 08, 05:15 PM	
Mon, Oct 08, 05:13 PM	Flight: AS3377 [ABQ-SFO] (E75L; speed: 214 knots, altitude: 3535.772620224 ft, distance: 2 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 05:10 PM	Flight: AY 11 [HEL-SFO] (A333; speed: 216 knots, altitude: 4100.5368071232 ft, distance: 1 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 05:01 PM	
Mon, Oct 08, 04:05 PM	Flight: UA 718 [MEX-SFO] (A320; speed: 240 knots, altitude: 6001.3245143936 ft, distance: 5 KM)

Mon, Oct 08, 04:03 PM	Flight: UA 590 [LAX-SFO] (B738; speed: 247 knots, altitude: 4125.3944543488 ft, distance: 1 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 12:39 PM	Flight: UA2294 [BOS-SFO] (B752; speed: 184 knots, altitude: 4879.513400711467 ft, distance: 1 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 12:36 PM	Flight: AS1899 [LAX-SFO] (A320; speed: 223 knots, altitude: 5526.992174656 ft, distance: 1 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 12:34 PM	Flight: AS2042 [SNA-SFO] (E75L; speed: 207 knots, altitude: 4578.057486907734 ft, distance: 1 KM)
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Mon, Oct 08, 11:52 AM	
Mon, Oct 08, 11:49 AM	Flight: UA2343 [MFR-SFO] (A319; speed: 268 knots, altitude: 4636.807206384 ft, distance: 6 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 11:48 AM	
Mon, Oct 08, 11:46 AM	Flight: AS 318 [SEA-SFO] (B738; speed: 230 knots, altitude: 3985.5403681706666 ft, distance: 2 KM)
Mon, Oct 08, 11:12 AM	Flight: CA 985 [PEK-SFO] (B748; speed: 176 knots, altitude: 3807.2576693589335 ft, distance: 2 KM)

Thank you.

From: Michael Harbour <dr.mharbour@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 3:44 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: ARB Rejects 429 University Plan for Third and Final Time

Dear City Council Members,

Today the ARB voted 2-1 to <u>again</u> reject the proposed plans for 429 University Ave. This is the third rejection in a row since the City Council Motion (2-6-17) which gave the Applicant an opportunity to develop an appropriately designed building. The Applicant's first year timeline expired, and the Planning Department graciously extended the period by one year. The Applicant did not present her first set of plans to the ARB until 18 months after your motion. She was allowed two ARB hearings, but the ARB also graciously granted her a third due to slow progress. Her clock has now run out. The Planning Department Director, Jonathan Lait, is now required to deliver to City Council a report in writing with his recommendations. City Council will have the final say regarding this proposed development, and I urge you to officially deny it. The proposed development is in appropriate for the following reasons:

- Massing and scale is not appropriate for this site; one story existing buildings immediately adjacent to a four story cement building
- The design and materials are not harmonious with surrounding buildings and architecture
- It lacks the mandated design linkages
- The HRB unanimously denied this proposal. It will destroy existing Birge Clark buildings and leave a poorly
 designed building in its place
- The building is not pedestrian friendly. It has no shelter, overhangs, or alcoves.
- It inhibits pedestrian and commercial use of alleyway by turning it into a major garage entrance



As one prominent ARB member astutely stated today, "this building is not helping the city's design." Thank you for your continued devotion to the city's appropriate development and respect for its architectural heritage.

Sincerely, Michael Harbour, MD, MPH Neighbor

From: Aram James <abjpd1@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 7, 2018 11:28 AM

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Subject: Brown surprises by opening police discipline police discipline records

https://www.mercurynews.com/2018/10/05/brown-surprises-by-signing-bill-opening-police-discipline-records/amp/

Sent from my iPhone

From: Asim <asim.r.p@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 6, 2018 11:03 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: Concerning single use / disposables in the eateries

Dear City Council

A majority of restaurants and cafes in Palo Alto offer food only in single use, disposable utensils. The single use items incur heavy energy cost and carbon footprint, both of which can be easily avoided by choosing reusable alternatives. Some of these items cannot be recycled and make it straight to the landfill. In order to mitigate the adverse impact on environment, is it possible for the city to mandate that reusable utensils be provided for all food items sold within the city and the use of disposables be limited to "to-go" orders? This might incur additional cost but the impact can be minimized through policy incentives. Moreover, large businesses like Starbucks, shouldn't be impacted significantly. It seems the environmental benefits are worth the economic cost in this matter.

If such efforts are already underway, I would be glad to have some information.

Thank you, Asim

From: Wayne Martin <wmartin46@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, October 8, 2018 12:56 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: FPPC Forms Available In Multiple Formats

Palo Alto City Council

City of Palo Alto

Palo Alto, CA 94301

Elected Council Members:

The Office of the City Clerk has done a fairly good job providing a set of user interfaces that allow candidates in local elections to report financial contributions on-line, reducing the work required to comply with various campaign finance reporting obligations. Although these interfaces link to web-sites of various government and commercials servers, using centralized processing makes sense and reduces the cost to the City.

Would like to complement the City Clerk for doing what needed to be done for a city located in the Silicon Valley.

There is one issue that needs more work, however. The FPPC Forms are still being posted as .PDF files—which makes the data not easily introduced into a spreadsheet, or other data management system. Without using a data analysis tool, a decent analysis of this data can not be accomplished without rekeying the data.

One of the local media outlets has done this rekeying, offering this data to its readers via Google.docs. While this makes the data accessible immediately for analysis—the question as to why the City can not make this data available still needs to be asked. Additionally, this data should be archived for future analysis—which can not be expected of commercial operations, such as a newspaper.

This is a request for the Council to suggest that the City Clerk begin making all FPPC forms available in a format that can be used by a spreadsheet and/or database manager, as well as archive them in perpetuity.

Wayne Martin

Palo Alto, CA

From: Loran Harding <loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Sent: Monday, October 8, 2018 2:01 PM

To: Loran Harding; dennisbalakian; David Balakian; Mayor; esmeralda.soria@fresno.gov; paul.caprioglio;

Council, City; Dan Richard; beachrides; bearwithme1016@att.net; pavenjitdhillon@yahoo.com; bballpod; Cathy Lewis; Doug Vagim; Daniel Zack; fmerlo@wildelectric.net; huidentalsanmateo; info@superide1.com; jerry ruopoli; Joel Stiner; Mark Kreutzer; kfsndesk; kwalsh@kmaxtv.com;

newsdesk; leager; midge@thebarretts.com; Mark Standriff; nick yovino;

nchase@bayareanewsgroup.com; popoff; russ@topperjewelers.com; Raymond Rivas;

robert.andersen; terry; Tom Lang

Subject: Fwd: One year after wine country fires. KCBS interview with mayor of Santa Rosa

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Mon, Oct 8, 2018 at 1:53 PM

Subject: Fwd: One year after wine country fires. KCBS interview with mayor of Santa Rosa

To: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Mon, Oct 8, 2018 at 1:51 PM

Subject: One year after wine country fires. KCBS interview with mayor of Santa Rosa

To: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Mon. Oct. 8, 2018

To all-

One year after the wine country fires, KCBS interviews the Mayor of Santa Rosa where 3,000 homes were lost:

Audio only. It's radio:

https://21153.mc.tritondigital.com/OMNY_KCBSINDEPTH_P/media-session/0e188be5-6a30-45cd-a19e-42080e905623/d/clips/4b5f9d6d-9214-48cb-8455-a73200038129/666efd05-f7e2-47cc-8895-a78e00b63c85/a2000dc9-7d6d-4c23-96b6-

a970000b0fe6/audio/direct/t1538700054/Reflecting On One Year Since the Wine Country Wildfires.mp3?t=15387 00054

Some lessons were learned. I recommend this, especially to local government officials.

LH

From: Loran Harding <loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Sent: Wednesday, October 3, 2018 12:53 PM

To: Doug Vagim; Steve Wayte; Mark Standriff; beachrides; bearwithme1016@att.net; Mark Kreutzer;

Mayor; Dan Richard; kfsndesk; newsdesk; kwalsh@kmaxtv.com; terry; Cathy Lewis;

midge@thebarretts.com; Joel Stiner; leager; hennessy; bballpod; pavenjitdhillon@yahoo.com; dennisbalakian; David Balakian; Daniel Zack; paul.caprioglio; esmeralda.soria@fresno.gov;

info@superide1.com; Council, City

Subject: Fwd: PBS POV Dark Money

Wed. Oct. 3, 2018

To all-

The complete <u>"Dark Money"</u> POV will run tonight, Wed. Oct. 3, 2018, at 5:30 and at 9 PM on Ch. 18-4 in Fresno. I strongly recommend it, unless, of course, you are convinced that our political system is clean and honest, and that special interests have only very limited influence on our elections.

I won't say that this is a second "shot heard round the world", (that should have been the first shots that LBJ caused to be fired in Viet Nam), but this is an eye-opener.

Recipients living outside of the Central Valley should look for Dark Money on PBS. I can't believe it will only be run once between now and November. Or even pay to see it on YouTube.

L. William Harding Fresno

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:55 AM Subject: Fwd: PBS POV Dark Money

To: <esmeralda.soria@fresno.gov>, paul.caprioglio <paul.caprioglio@fresno.gov>

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:47 AM Subject: Fwd: PBS POV Dark Money

To: Doug Vagim <dvagim@gmail.com>, Steve Wayte <steve4liberty@gmail.com>, Mark Standriff

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org >

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:34 AM Subject: Fwd: PBS POV Dark Money

To: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org >

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:21 AM Subject: Fwd: PBS POV Dark Money

To: Doug Vagim < dvagim@gmail.com>, Steve Wayte < steve4liberty@gmail.com>

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:18 AM Subject: PBS POV Dark Money

To: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Wed. Oct. 3, 2018

Doug- We've been naïve. Watch this to see how dark money now works in politics. Our country is nearly lost.

This is a trailer:

http://www.pbs.org/pov/darkmoney/video/what-is-dark-money-dark-money--/

Here's another trailer:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K4OGIW1JJpc&list=PL3ODbKmHhkJ8abbJpVveL qD00g mFoM5

I don't seem to find the full program on YouTube. It is very worthwhile seeing, especially if you think we have an honest political system.

Citizens United decision by the Sup. Ct. had a lot to do with this, apparently. I didn't go to Viet Nam. If they tried to murder me now in such a deal, I'd REALLY resist.

I rarely watch these POVs. Usually about inner city downtrodden wondering how they got that way. But I stumbled into this one, and it is interesting. If you thought Montana must be pure and clean, this will change your mind. I sure get the big glossy brochures from the candidates. Full of lies and distortions, as are their tv ads. Solution, probably

move to Deutschland. We can believe nothing we hear from those in government or those trying to get elected to it. Down through history, that has often provoked a strong reaction from the governed when it goes on long enough.

From: John Kelley <jkelley@399innovation.com>

Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 6:09 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: FYI: Climate Change Is Forcing the Insurance Industry to Recalculate

Here is something from WSJ.com that might interest you:

Climate Change Is Forcing the Insurance Industry to Recalculate https://www.wsj.com/graphics/climate-change-forcing-insurance-industry-recalculate/

From: Aram James <abjpd1@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 6, 2018 12:32 PM

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christina@christina4rwc.com

Subject: Guilty verdict in the cold blooded murder of Laquan McDonald by Officer Jason Van Dyke

https://www.nytimes.com/2018/10/05/us/van-dyke-guilty-laquan-mcdonald.amp.html

Sent from my iPhone

From: Tariq <southwestassociatesllc@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 3:59 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: I had a chance to visit your downtown area of Palo Alto with my son. I would greatly appreciate if

you read this email.

I'm tariq asani and I was visiting for a few days the Palo Alto downtown area and I'll say this your town is the most racist and rude place I've seen in a very long time. Made me think I was in the south in the 60's. If you haven't guessed I'm a African American male, I did get to meet one gentleman another African American the other evening and I asked him are the residents here always this rude after some conversation back and forth he informed me it gets worse. And it did at your Caltrain station some Rn's awaiting a bus spoke amongst themselves he can go around us and one of them was a African American. The gentleman man I met was my tour guide of sorts for that afternoon. I reside in North Scottsdale Arizona and was in the area with my son whom was going to attend Stanford but had a change of heart with what we witnessed. If your town has racial diversity classes i implore you to implement it now unless this is the norm here. The gentleman i talked with was educated had 2 jobs but was homeless staying in one of your local churches through one of the various programs (I can't remember the organization) but if this what he has to deal with on a daily basis it'll be a dam near impossible with the stereotyping I witnessed. I witnessed quite a few homeless people but this gentleman wasn't on drugs or inebriated nor did he ask me for any money.

You do have a beautiful town with some very ugly people in it that need to come off there high horse Palo Alto is a far cry from Scottsdale az or Bellevue wa and I we will not be returning after what we endured in our 3day stay here. Thank you for your time in reading this email and in the near future all those who had there noses turnt up when I asked for simple directions and the group of Rn's at your bus station whom wouldn't clear a path for us to walk by shows what culture you have here a d it's close to Stanford. They need to go find the gentleman who took time out of his schedule to guide us to our destination that was homeless and never asked us for anything and showed more compassion than your towns residents.

Please excuse my spelling I'm using my phone to send this email.

Tariq asani

From: cky <ckyana@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2018 11:44 AM

To: Greg Tanaka; Tanaka, Greg; DuBois, Tom; Council, City

Subject: Lincoln/Middlefield Intersection

Attachments: 20181010_090957.jpg

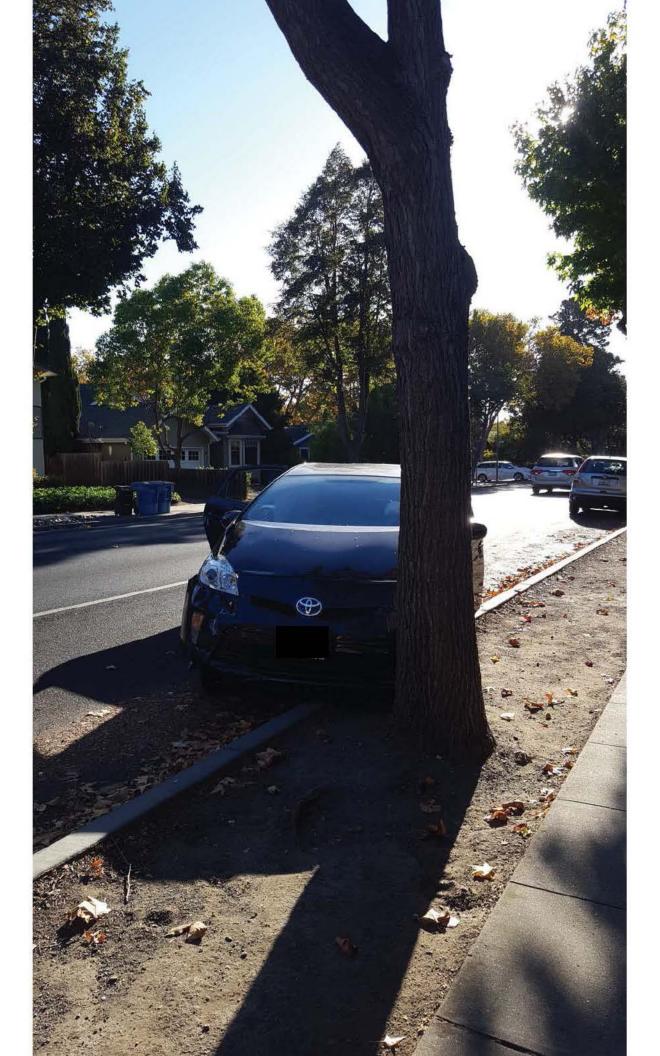
Hi,

I'm sorry to sound like a broken record. but accident #14 (this year) occured today 9am. Please review our petition;

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1wrSYEWJt3aNctlWPjB 5osGLH7B21mCgaXLOamXCcpw/edit?usp=sharing

Addison School borders this intersection. The northbound MF car almost ended up on school property. See pic.

craig yanagisawa



From: Lucinda Abbott <lucindawabbott@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2018 10:18 AM

To: Council, City; pwecips

Cc: Hap Abbott; Jeff Brown; Jon Graves; ojakian@comcast.net; petersteinhart@sbcglobal.net

Subject: Multiple monthly accidents at Middlefield and Lincoln

Honorable City Council Members and Public Works Engineering Department:

It is 9:20 am on Wednesday morning and we have just had our umpteenth accident at the corner of Middlefield and Lincoln. This intersection began to see an uptick in fender benders about three years ago, and the frequency is only increasing. Cars are moving at top speed on Middlefield and it has become dangerous for cross traffic. Visibility is poor and the notorious dip on the west side of Lincoln only makes things worse. Cars have been hit so hard that they are pushed up over the sidewalk and into the front yard of houses on the corners. I no longer consider it safe to drive across Middlefield at this intersection, instead, I go up to the light at Addison and Middlefield.

Some kind of relief, beyond the caution signs on Lincoln, and the no parking barriers on Middlefield (two of which were crushed in this morning's accident) is absolutely **essential** here. We are all incredibly lucky that no serious injury accident has happened here. All of the potential exists for a car occupant or a pedestrian to be badly hurt or even killed. This is an **unacceptable** risk and I urge you to give priority to accident prevention measures here. A possible solution would be making Lincoln right-turn-only in both directions at this intersection. In any case, the likelihood of an injury accident occurring here demands immediate attention to come up with a safer traffic situation.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Lucinda Abbott 646 Lincoln Ave. Palo Alto CA 94301 650-279-3495 lucindawabbott@gmail.com

From: John Kelley < jkelley@399innovation.com>

Sent: Tuesday, October 9, 2018 1:14 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: NYTimes: New U.N. Climate Report Says Put a High Price on Carbon

Here's a story from The New York Times that I thought you'd find interesting:

Most nations don't tax carbon. Those that do tax emissions have not set carbon prices high enough to bring deep reductions in carbon pollution.

Read More...

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Best, John

(Mobile. Brief. Please excuse.)

From: Aram James <abjpd1@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 9, 2018 12:04 AM

To: Jonsen, Robert; Binder, Andrew; Kilpatrick, Brad; Lee, Craig; michael.gennaco@oirgroup.com; Kan,

Michael; paloaltofreepress@gmail.com; gkirby@redwoodcity.org; citycouncil@menlopark.org;

dcbertini@menlopark.org; Council, City; council@redwoodcity.org

Subject: Opposition to Tasers in Palo Alto —some history 2007

https://archive.org/details/raySamuelsOnTasers

Shared via the **Google app**

Sent from my iPhone

From: Michael Harbour <dr.mharbour@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 3, 2018 10:09 PM
To: Architectural Review Board; Council, City
Cc: Lait, Jonathan; Gerhardt, Jodie; Adam Petersen

Subject: Proposal for 429 University Ave Fails to Meet City Council Motion

Dear ARB Members,

You have been asked to provide final feedback for the proposal at 429 University Ave. This is an important corner at Kipling St. which consists of existing Birge Clark Buildings. Kipling St. is the most narrow street in downtown Palo Alto, almost one half the width of Bryant or Waverly. It cannot accommodate a mammoth 4 story structure as proposed. It is also located on a pedestrian-friendly alleyway with existing businesses that open onto the alleyway, and this building destroys that ambience. It is imperative that the ARB help approve a building that is appropriate in size, scale, mass, and transition from the *perspective of all sides of the building*.

As you know, this project was appealed, and the City Council passed a Motion on February 6, 2017. The Motion included the following exact wording:

- •Review Western Wall Design and Landscaping
- •Review and Make Recommendations to Director of Planning regarding:
 - -Building materials
 - -Colors
 - -Craftsmanship-related detailing associated with the project
- •Purpose is to "ensure the ARB reviews the exterior materials and colors and architectural details to improve design linkages"
- •"Recommend ARB Consider Recessed Pedestrian Entries to Improve the Pedestrian Experience of Building"
- Approval of Project is subject to actual Project Matching Option 1
- •"Direct Staff to return with written findings for adoption"

The proposed Western wall design is incongruous does not relate to the rest of the building. The proposed landscaping does not match the original design of Option #1 and does not soften the stark cement block design. The multi-story potted vines do not grow as advertised. The craftsmanship and construction materials are not appropriate for the proposed side. A review of a similar building at 102 University Avenue shows that the building is not aging well and has significant cracks in the cement. The building does not transition appropriately to its neighbors. The building is not pedestrian friendly as requested in the City Council Motion. Overall, this building is not compatible with the City Council Motion, and we ask you to refute the design and let the Planning Department know that it does not meet the standards of the Palo Alto ARB.

Thank you for your detailed review of this building and how it complies with the City Council Motion, Palo Alto Municipal Codes, Downtown Design Guidelines, and the Comprehensive Plan. Sincerely,

Michael Harbour, MD, MPH, FACP Lead Appellant 429 University Ave

From: PJ Balin-Watkins <pjbalin@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, October 5, 2018 6:48 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: Re: Bike circle on Ross road

Also, I feel much safer when driving too I have lived in Palo Alto for over 10 years and I finally feel like I'm not going to hit the junior high school students while turning onto my street.

On Fri, Oct 5, 2018 at 6:45 PM PJ Balin-Watkins pjbalin@gmail.com> wrote:

I live at 3814 Ross road and I love the traffic calming circles. My kids bike and so do my husband and I and making it safer for my family is great!

Thanks
PJ Balin-Watkins
650 387 5492

From: Chris & Jennifer Steck <angesdeux@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Tuesday, October 9, 2018 3:25 PM **To:** Kniss, Liz (internal); Council, City

Subject: Re: City 311 referral system update one year later

A month has gone by since I asked if you'd seen the Deputy City Manager response to my 311 system questions and I had yet to hear back from you. Nothing has ever really changed with the system, how it operates and how it's handled by City staff since it's inception nor in the last year since I met face to face with new incoming City Manager Ed Shikada to discuss my concerns. City staff are aware of the system shortcomings and I imagine always have been. The new Deputy City Manager seems to have an excellent understanding of what needs to be done to correct the situation but states it will take quite a while to make the corrections to the system and currently staff isn't available to assign to the tasks of making the corrections and overseeing the system once the corrections are made.

I know this type of system can work for a city if it's set up properly and managed on an on-going basis. I retired the first part of last year as a code enforcement officer with a neighboring city that also had a system for public service/inquiries similar to Palo Alto's 311. A few noticeable differences however between the two systems. Our direction was to make contact with the citizen within twenty four hours of receiving the initial inquiry. We were then expected to resolve the issue within a week or give weekly updates to the citizen and City oversight staff until the issue was resolved. Then moving forward, depending on the issue, City staff that had been assigned the issue initially were expected to monitor the situation to assure it didn't reoccur.

Therefore I hope in the not too distant future staff can be allocated to start upgrading the system and oversee it is responsive to the needs/requests of the citizens of Palo Alto.

On Tuesday, September 11, 2018 6:36 AM, Chris & Jennifer Steck <angesdeux@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Were you copied on the response from the Deputy City Manager on my concerns about the 311 system?

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 31, 2018, at 4:05 PM, Kniss, Liz (internal) < Liz.Kniss@CityofPaloAlto.org > wrote:

I'll ask Ed Shigata our acting City manager to get back to you. thanks for writing, Liz Kniss

On Aug 31, 2018, at 3:39 PM, Chris & Jennifer Steck < angesdeux@sbcglobal.net > wrote:

City Council Members:

I contacted all of you a little over a year ago via e-mail with concerns over how the 311 system was being managed by the City. To be more precise my concern was that nobody in the City was responsible for overseeing the operation of the system. I offered a number of examples of how this lack of overall oversight was leading to all sorts of problems in the system including but not limited to excessive delays before items were ever addressed, indication in the system that items had been addressed when either they hadn't been addressed at all or had only been partially addressed and items that sat in the system and were never addressed at all. At the time I only received a response from a single Council member who indicated they shared many of my concerns. I never heard from anyone else over the last twelve months. I realize you all have a lot of issues on your plates but this seems like a city wide issue that should concern all of you and would have triggered more than just the lone response I received. I can't see that anything has changed or improved in the last year with the 311 system management by the

City. I'd like to get suggestions from any of you who are concerned with this situation on the best way for me to proceed at this time with this issue.

Thank you, Chris Steck Chimalus Drive

From: Minor, Beth

Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2018 10:59 AM

To: Hope Raymond; Council, City

Subject: RE: IMG_7156.jpg

Hi Hope,

Your email has been forwarded to our Code Enforcement Division to check into this.

Thanks and have a great day.

B-

Beth Minor, City Clerk City of Palo Alto 250 Hamilton Avenue Palo Alto, CA 94301 (650)329-2379



From: Hope Raymond <mshoperaymond@icloud.com>

Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2018 10:25 AM **To:** Council, City <city.council@cityofpaloalto.org>

Subject: IMG_7156.jpg

Dear Members of the City Council,

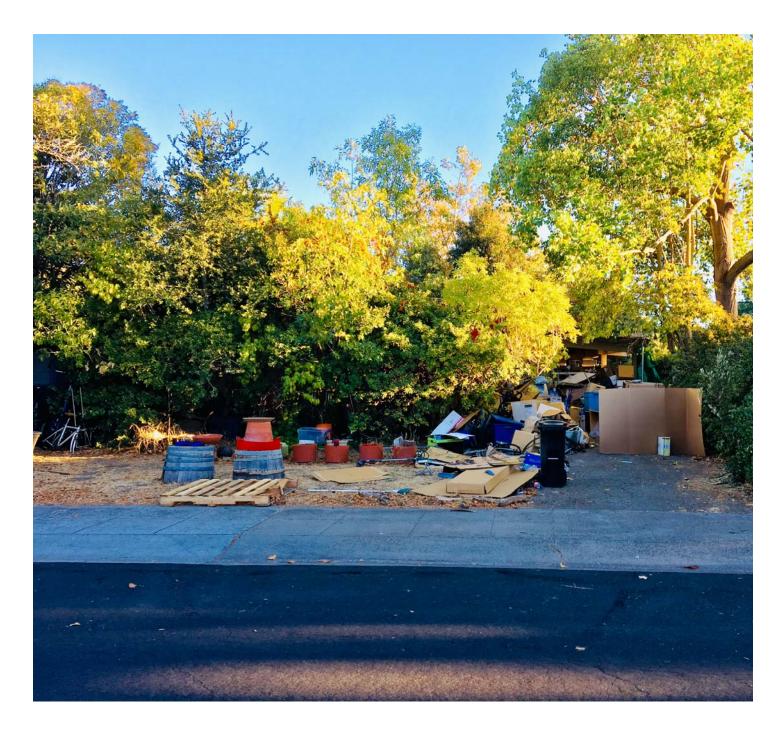
Once again I want to direct your attention to the cluttered front yard next to mine. The address is 18 Roosevelt Circle.

If you look back at email I have sent to you (mostly through Karen Holman), you will see that this is a long-existing problem in our neighborhood.

I implore you to do something about this. It is a blight on our neighborhood and on our lovely city. Whatever you can do to ameliorate the situation will be greatly appreciated—not only by me, but by my whole neighborhood.

With sincere thanks—and hope,

Hope Raymond 20 Roosevelt Circle Palo Alto, CA 94306 650-493-4806 mshoperaymond@gmail.com



Sent from my iPhone

From: Palo Alto Free Press <paloaltofreepress@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 8, 2018 7:56 PM

To: Aram James

Cc: wilpf.peninsula.paloalto@gmail.com; gkirby@redwoodcity.org; apardini@cityofepa.org;

michael.gennaco@oirgroup.com; council@redwoodcity.org; Jonsen, Robert;

dcbertini@menlopark.org; Tony Dixon; citycouncil@menlopark.org; mdiaz@redwoodcity.org;

Kilpatrick, Brad; HRC; Council, City; Kniss, Liz (internal); Lee, Craig; Kan, Michael;

cromero@cityofepa.org; rabrica@cityofepa.org; Binder, Andrew; stephanie@dslextreme.com;

stevendlee@alumni.duke.edu; myraw@smcba.org; Scheff, Lisa; jrosen@da.sccgov.org; molly.o'neal@pdo.sccgov.org; Stump, Molly; mbuell@cityofepa.org; jsylva@scscourt.org; sscott@scscourt.org; Keene, James; Bains, Paul; fields.randal@gmail.com; Doug Fort;

cats4jazz@gmail.com; hayden@yourcriminaldefender.com

Subject: Re: Jurors Believed Their Eyes, not officer's words

Thanks for sharing Aram. In all the years together we've expressed the need for transparency and accountability in untold number of emails to government officials, not a single one, has ever, ever responded or commented. And their silence, their silence is far, far worse then verdict of this officer.

Saludo, Mark Petersen-Perez Ticuantepe, Nicaragua NI

Sent from my iPad

> On Oct 8, 2018, at 12:15 AM, Aram James <abjpd1@gmail.com> wrote:

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> https://www.nytimes.com/2018/10/06/us/jason-van-dyke-chicago-jury.amp.html

> >

> Sent from my iPhone

From: Cindy Alvarez < cindy.alvarez@mail.com> Sent: Monday, October 8, 2018 6:14 PM

To: cindy.chavez@bos.sccgov.org

Cc: Alma Salihovic; Andrea Urton; Armitage Hux; Arthur Lipscomb; Carol Matzas-Weeks; Carolyn Bayer;

> Center, Contact@DFEH; Chris Neale; Christine Hager; Compliance Review@HCD; David A.Garcia; Emily Vallejo; Evanslaw Attorney; Hilary Barroga; Iris Sanchez; Jacky Jaime Angulo; Janette Rosales; John A. List; Justice In Aging; Karla Arango; Kimberly D Johnson; Lester Fontecha; Lopez, Robert (HSG); Madeline Howard; Moore, Anthony; Nathanael R Hill; OIG Hotline; Rob Christopher; Shelsy Bass; Susanne Bentley; Teresa Barker; Tom, Angelo C; Witters, Gerald; district7

@sanjoseca.gov; dneale@thecorecompanies.com; fnibungco@ywca-sv.org;

gregg.kays@scchousingauthority.org; reac_tac@hud.gov; Jennifer Ong; Jennifer Wadsworth; Jeremy Pruitt; Joe Litigant; Kate Walz; Scott Largent; Jason contact@thefreethoughtproject.com;

kenditkowsky@yahoo.com

Re: My death and blood on your heads Subject:

Dear Ms. Chavez,

I don't know what happened to Jason whether he is dead or maybe just locked up somewhere but nobody is able to reach him. It is truly a shame it has come to this point.

With whatever oversight capabilities you have, if Jason is in fact deceased, could you please see to it that the family is given some respect and left alone to grieve peacefully and privately.

Knowing the Sheriff department and their history in this matter, I am concerned that they may show up at Jason's funeral to threaten and terrorize his mother and other family members or that they may show up at the Markham Plaza apartments to harass and threaten the residents to keep silent about what they have experenced and witnessed.

There is no limit to how low they will go they are truly despicable. As history has repeatedly shown, this behavior will not solve any problems it will only make matters worse and cause this scandal to escelate even worse and I should hope nobody wants this to happen.

I pray that Jason is ok and that everyone is safe.

I also ask that if anyone hears from Jason or has news about his situation or whereabouts to please let me know.

Thank you, Cindy (MPTA)

Sent: Friday, October 05, 2018 at 9:16 PM

From: "Markham Plaza Tenant Association" <markhamplazata@gmail.com>

To: "Alma Salihovic" <alma.salihovic@scchousingauthority.org>, "Andrea Urton" <aurton@homefirstscc.org>, "Armitage Hux" <knights.of.ren@outlook.com>, "Arthur Lipscomb" <arthur.lipscomb@disabilityrightsca.org>, "Carol Matzas-Weeks" <carol.matzas@hhs.sccgov.org>, "Carolyn Bayer" <fairhousing.fairlending@gmail.com>, "Center, Contact@DFEH" <contact.center@dfeh.ca.gov>, "Chris Neale" <chris@thecorecompanies.com>, "Christine Hager" <christine.hager@disabilityrightsca.org>, "Compliance Review@HCD" <compliancereview@hcd.ca.gov>, "David A.Garcia" <chvld.tilrclo@pro.sccgclv.org>, "Emily Vallejo" <evallejo@catholiccharitiesscc.org>, "Evanslaw Attorney" <attorney@evanslaw.com>, "Hilary Barroga" <hilary.barroga@hhs.sccgov.org>, "Iris Sanchez" <iris.sanchez@scchousingauthority.org>, "Jacky " <Jacky @sanjoseca.gov>,

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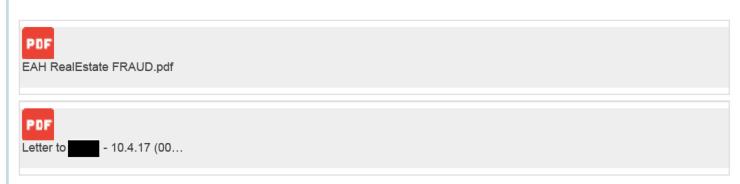
<nathanael.r.hill@hud.gov>, "OIG Hotline" <hotline@hudoig.gov>, "Rob Christopher"

rob.christopher@justresolve.com>, "Shelsy Bass" <Shelsy.Bass@eahhousing.org>, "Susanne Bentley"< <senior.affairs@groupmail.com>, "Teresa Barker" <Teresa.Barker@eahhousing.org>, "Tom, Angelo C' <Angelo.Tom@hud.gov>, "Witters, Gerald" <Gerald.Witters@hhs.sccgov.org>, "district7@sanjoseca.gov" <district7@sanjoseca.gov>, "dneale@thecorecompanies.com" <dneale@thecorecompanies.com>, "fnibungco@ywca-sv.org" <fnibungco@ywca-sv.org>, "gregg.kays@scchousingauthority.org" <gregg.kays@scchousingauthority.org>, "reac_tac@hud.gov" <william.b.anderson@hud.gov> Cc: "Jennifer Ong" < jenno@bitfocus.com>, "Jennifer Wadsworth" < jenniferw@metronews.com>, "Jeremy Pruitt" <jeremy4justice@activist.com>, "Joe Litigant" <rua@uglyjudge.com>, "Kate Walz" <katewalz@povertylaw.org>, "Scott Largent" <scottlargent38@gmail.com> Subject: My death and blood on your heads To all those who conspire to abuse and kill the low income senior and disabled at markham plaza 2000 & 2010 monterey rd, san jose, ca 95112 I have fought the illegal evictions done by the fake non-profit EAH inc who works for Core Developments and who both lied by email say they were not hud funded and the city of san jose lied and covered up the truth to me. The city of san jose housing director jacky did lie and tried to hide the truth. They conspired with the santa clara county to have me locked up until so they could have a tenant meeting on Sunday, 9-19-2018 and they never work weekends, about tenant participation in management decisions which hud wrote to the city of san jose housing director and that a fair lease and fair grievance and plan for tenant participation was mandatory. That i wrote hud and they evictes me within days is automatic retaliation and protected by San Jose Tenant Protection Ordinance which the city of San Jose will not enforce on Markham Plaza because they conspire to steal federal funds from HUD by not providing the services HUD paid good moneys for and they do not monitor the HUD subsidized projects like they have contracted with HUD to do so. I have been homeless since and have notified every angency possible with no response or delays. The HUD OiG letter and notification is attached though i will no longer be around i wish anything that is payable to me go to my Mom Debbie , san jose, CA 95112 May my death and blood stain the very souls of the evil and greedy people who abuse the tenants of Markham

Plaza so their souls go straight to hell when their lige on this planet.

May this message be passed all over the earth and may no one do business with EAH Inc, Core Developments and HomeFirst(Formerly EHC original non-profit for Markham PlazA whole stole \$6 million in supportive housing funds meant for the Markham Plaza Tenants)

May God have no mercy on those who have abused their position to abuse the most fragile of people.



Jason Markham Plaza Tenant Association Fair and Healthy Housing for all markhamplazata@gmail.com 669-244-3169

From: Loran Harding <loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 1:22 PM

To: Doug Vagim; Steve Wayte; Mark Standriff; beachrides; bearwithme1016@att.net; Mark Kreutzer;

Mayor; Dan Richard; kfsndesk; newsdesk; kwalsh@kmaxtv.com; terry; Cathy Lewis;

midge@thebarretts.com; Joel Stiner; leager; hennessy; bballpod; pavenjitdhillon@yahoo.com; dennisbalakian; David Balakian; Daniel Zack; paul.caprioglio; esmeralda.soria@fresno.gov;

info@superide1.com; Council, City

Subject: Re: PBS POV Dark Money

Thurs. Oct. 4, 2018

Just saw the last 20 min. of "Dark Money" again, for the third time. That is how I learn something. You should see me when I've seen it ten times.

Campaign finance reform is what we need, it shows. <u>Citizens United</u> said that the company there was a person and had a right to free speech, as do all persons in the U.S. The problem is not its <u>identifiable</u> free speech, it is the **ANONYMOUS** free speech which the decision has led to through the 501(c)(4) non-profits which are the PACS.

Mr. Wittich, the Montana legislator, is shown being convicted in Montana for the following: His campaign "coordinated" (key term) with the dark money PAC. How? He worked with the dark money PAC to design his campaign. They do the following for a candidate once they know he is on-board with their program. They design, create and mail the slick mailings targeting his opponent. They design and run radio and TV ads and pay to run them. They provide him with statements to make to the press and in town-halls. They tell him where to go on walking tours. They choose the special interest groups for him to target in his campaign- things like right to life orgs, right to work orgs (in the Wittich case), taxpayer groups, etc. They get his signature and photo to put on all of the mailings. They even create a handwritten letter to be signed by his wife saying what a hero he really is. I think the program showed that they even give him drafts of legislation to introduce once he is elected, well fed, well housed and well clad.

The trial showed that Wittich knew about all of this and that his campaign "coordinated" with the PAC. He had told them he wanted the complete treatment or the whole deal or some such term. AND THEN, knowing the value of all of this to his campaign, he did not disclose that in his campaign finance disclosure required by law. He took corporate campaign contributions without reporting it, therefore. Convicted, the judge fined him \$68,000, but did not remove him from office. The voters did that in the next primary.

Maybe I'm dreaming, but it seems that this approach might work to convict lots of politicians who accept huge, expensive, full-on coordinated campaign programs from the 501(c)(4)s, ones they knew about and cooperated with and coordinated with fully.

Until then, we desperately need campaign finance reform in the United States. Notice that these anonymous PACS can accept contributions from any source, **even foreign ones**. Sound familiar?

The candidate, under current law, can say to someone or some corporation, or some government, "I can't take your money without reporting it, but you can give money to that PAC over there that supports me and they do not have to report where the money came from". This is how politicians can be bribed now, all very legal.

I've wondered of late how the various candidates can afford the big, slick brochures they mail out. They have clearly gotten bigger and more expensive, some of them multi-page affairs.

On Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 12:52 PM Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org wrote: Wed. Oct. 3, 2018

To all-

The complete "Dark Money" POV will run tonight, Wed. Oct. 3, 2018, at 5:30 and at 9 PM on Ch. 18-4 in Fresno. I strongly recommend it, unless, of course, you are convinced that our political system is clean and honest, and that special interests have only very limited influence on our elections.

I won't say that this is a second "shot heard round the world", (that should have been the first shots that LBJ caused to be fired in Viet Nam), but this is an eye-opener.

Recipients living outside of the Central Valley should look for Dark Money on PBS. I can't believe it will only be run once between now and November. Or even pay to see it on YouTube.

L. William Harding Fresno

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:55 AM Subject: Fwd: PBS POV Dark Money

To: <esmeralda.soria@fresno.gov>, paul.caprioglio <paul.caprioglio@fresno.gov>

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:47 AM Subject: Fwd: PBS POV Dark Money

To: Doug Vagim <<u>dvagim@gmail.com</u>>, Steve Wayte <<u>steve4liberty@gmail.com</u>>, Mark Standriff <<u>mark.standriff@fresno.gov</u>>, beachrides <<u>beachrides@sbcglobal.net</u>>, <<u>bearwithme1016@att.net</u>>, Mark Kreutzer

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:21 AM Subject: Fwd: PBS POV Dark Money

To: Doug Vagim < dvagim@gmail.com>, Steve Wayte < steve4liberty@gmail.com>

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From: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org>

Date: Wed, Oct 3, 2018 at 2:18 AM Subject: PBS POV Dark Money

To: Loran Harding < loran.harding@stanfordalumni.org

Wed. Oct. 3, 2018

Doug- We've been naïve. Watch this to see how dark money now works in politics. Our country is nearly lost.

This is a trailer:

http://www.pbs.org/pov/darkmoney/video/what-is-dark-money-dark-money--/

Here's another trailer:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K4OGIW1JJpc&list=PL3ODbKmHhkJ8abbJpVveL qD00g mFoM5

I don't seem to find the full program on YouTube. It is very worthwhile seeing, especially if you think we have an honest political system.

Citizens United decision by the Sup. Ct. had a lot to do with this, apparently. I didn't go to Viet Nam. If they tried to murder me now in such a deal, I'd REALLY resist.

I rarely watch these POVs. Usually about inner city downtrodden wondering how they got that way. But I stumbled into this one, and it is interesting. If you thought Montana must be pure and clean, this will change your mind. I sure get the big glossy brochures from the candidates. Full of lies and distortions, as are their tv ads. Solution, probably move to Deutschland. We can believe nothing we hear from those in government or those trying to get elected to it. Down through history, that has often provoked a strong reaction from the governed when it goes on long enough.

LH

From: Sent: To: Cc:	Amar Johal <amarjohal@gmail.com> Tuesday, October 9, 2018 10:27 AM Stump, Molly Council, City Par Smalking Ordinance (TRR)</amarjohal@gmail.com>
Subject:	Re: Smoking Ordinance (TRP)
Hi Molly,	
I wanted to follow u	p on the tobacco flavored ban, this is still in affect and begins in January right?
	owntown Palo Alto, and I believe we will no longer be able to sell flavored tobacco? Will someone us in identifying what we can and cannot sell?
-Amar	
On Mon, Sep 11, 20	17 at 7:38 PM Stump, Molly < Molly.Stump@cityofpaloalto.org > wrote:
Hello Mr. Johal –	
included in one ord	put on all of the new rules at the City Council meeting on September 18 th . All of the new rules are linance, which is before the Council for adoption on September 18 th . Some of the new rules go into 18, while other rules don't go into effect until January 1, 2019.
Regards,	
Molly Stump	
City Attorney	
Sent: Thursday, Sep	mailto:amarjohal@gmail.com] otember 07, 2017 9:34 PM ity.council@cityofpaloalto.org> Ordinance (TRP)
Hello,	
I received the attac	hed letter (7-Eleven, <u>401 Waverley St</u>).

I see in the letter there are 2 different ordinances:
1) July 1, 2018 - Ban Tobacco Sales at Pharmacies, and the Tobacco Retail Permit
2) Jan. 1 2019 - Ban Flavored Tobacco at certain establishments.
Then on the bottom there is a date for a hearing, does this hearing include both ordinance's or is it just for the July 1st ordinance?
Reason I ask is because I went to the http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/smokingordinance website, and it doesn't mention anything about Flavored Tobacco ban.
Please let me know, as a retailer the 2nd ordinance impacts our business and also creates a blackmarket for these products that I rather not have in our neighborhoods. We already go through a rigorous ID checking process to insure no minors are sold products to, and also subscribe to a mystery shop service to check our employees on a consistent basis.
-Amar

From: asharpe@andrewsharpe.com

Sent: Wednesday, October 3, 2018 2:28 PM

To: Minor, Beth

Cc: Carnahan, David; Kniss, Liz (internal); Council, City **Subject:** Re: Voting records for each council member

Thank you, Beth. This will, at least, start me on the trail (or should I say, trial) of determining who did what, and what concerns they might have. I really would ask that you add a simple text search capability for these minutes; it would seem that it would help you, too.

Andrew

On 2018-10-03 08:19, Minor, Beth wrote:

Hi Mr. Sharpe,

Attached is the email sent to you yesterday by Mr. Carnahan and it contains the link to the council's agendas and minutes page. Here is a list of dates that various parts of the plan were discussed.

3/17/14 8/31/15

6/6/14 10/26/15

1/20/15 11/30/15

6/29/15 8/28/16

8/31/15 5/9/16

10/26/15

Here is a snap shot of the council agendas and minutes page. The green underline means those are links to those items. Additional below this table is all the past years agenda/minutes and reports, you can click on a year and then one of the dates above and you can find your information.

February 03, 2018	Council Retreat	Action Minutes	Transcript	<u>Video</u>	Presentations
January 29, 2018	Agenda and Packet	Action Minutes	Transcript	<u>Video</u>	<u>Presentations</u>
January 22, 2018	Agenda and Packet	Action Minutes	Transcript	<u>Video</u>	Presentations
January 15, 2018	Cancellation				
January 08, 2018	Council Reorg.	Action Minutes	Transcript	<u>Video</u>	Presentations

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Thanks and have a great day.

B-

Beth Minor, City Clerk

City of Palo Alto

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----Original Message----

From: Andrew Sharpe <asharpe@andrewsharpe.com>

Sent: Tuesday, October 2, 2018 8:34 PM

To: Minor, Beth <Beth.Minor@CityofPaloAlto.org>; Carnahan, David

<David.Carnahan@CityofPaloAlto.org>

Cc: Council, City <city.council@cityofpaloalto.org>; Kniss, Liz (internal) <liz.kniss@cityofpaloalto.org></liz.kniss@cityofpaloalto.org></city.council@cityofpaloalto.org>
Subject: Re: Voting records for each council member
Let me be very clear about my purpose here. I need this information to determine which of you I will vote back into office. I can find out what my representatives in congress voted on, and I can find out what my senators voted on. I cannot even find a search box for the past Minutes on the Palo Alto Council pages. Can you really suggest that the Palo Alto City Council is less transparent than one of the worst federal legislatures in my lifetime?
Thank you for your consideration,
Andrew Sharpe
On 10/2/18 5:16 PM, asharpe@andrewsharpe.com wrote:
> Thank you for your replies. How might I determine the voting record of
> the members on one specific issue, like the intersection constriction
> planned by
> https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/62349 ? How
> would I find those Minutes?
>
> Andrew
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>
> On 2018-10-02 16:49, Minor, Beth wrote:
>> Hi Andrew,
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>> This is not a record that we keep. You would have to go back and
>> look at each meeting that they attended and write down their votes on

>> each item.
>>
>> Thanks and have a great day.
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>> B-
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>> Beth Minor, City Clerk
>> City of Palo Alto
>> 250 Hamilton Avenue
>> Palo Alto, CA 94301
>> (650)329-2379
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>> Good afternoon Mr. Sharpe,
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>> Minutes for City Council meetings can be found on the City Council
>> Agendas/Minutes webpage. The Minutes for each meeting contain the
>> vote taken by each Council Member, the Mayor, and Vice Mayor.
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>> Minutes from other City of Palo Alto legislative bodies, including
>> City Council Standing Committees can be found on the general Agendas
>> and Minutes webpage.
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>> David Carnahan, Deputy City Clerk, MPA

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>> O: 650-329-2267 | E: david.carnahan@cityofpaloalto.org
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   ----Original Message----
>> From: asharpe@andrewsharpe.com <asharpe@andrewsharpe.com>
>> Sent: Tuesday, October 2, 2018 4:36 PM
>> To: Council, City <city.council@cityofpaloalto.org>; Kniss, Liz
>> (internal) <Liz.Kniss@CityofPaloAlto.org>
>> Subject: Voting records for each council member
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>> Hi,
>> I'd like to know where I can find the voting record of each council
>> member, including the mayor and vice mayor, on every issue that was
>> brought to a vote. Can you help me find this?
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>> Thank you very much,
>> Andrew Sharpe
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From: Minor, Beth

Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 1:54 PM

To: Simon Mawer; Council, City

Subject: RE: Voting

Hi Simon,

Here is the <u>link</u> to the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters website. It can answer all of your questions along with registering online.

Thanks and have a great day.

B-

Beth Minor, City Clerk City of Palo Alto 250 Hamilton Avenue Palo Alto, CA 94301 (650)329-2379



From: Simon Mawer <sjmawer@me.com> Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 12:38 PM

To: Council, City <city.council@cityofpaloalto.org>

Subject: Voting

Hello,

I am:

- a Palo Alto resident
- a US Permanent Resident (Green-Card holder)
- an Australian citizen (I'm not a US citizen)

Can I vote in the Palo Alto city elections and ballots?

If so, how do I register to vote?

thanks, Simon

From: Madeline Rose <madeline.a.rose@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 8, 2018 2:16 PM **To:** Council, City; Kniss, Liz (internal)

Subject: Single use plastic mitigation idea for Palo Alto

Dear Mayor Kniss and City Council Members --

I am a PA resident, living at 728 Channing Ave, Palo Alto, 94301. I am writing to suggest an idea for the Palo Alto school district: that all schools provide eco-friendly water bottles to all students [in order to reduce the city's overall single use plastic numbers and related carbon footprint/environmental harm].

I <u>just read about</u> an effort now being launched by the New York City Mayor's Office and the water bottle company S'Well to provide 320,000 free water bottles to New York City public school students. The goal is to help the city reach its target of cutting 54 million single use bottles per year.

While the company sponsoring the New York effort alongside the Mayor's office is NYC-based, there are many Bay Area based companies that I imagine would be willing to replicate such an effort, such as: Camelback, Sports Basement, The North Face, Klean Kanteen. <u>Here</u> is a list that may inspire ideas.

In light of today's <u>terrifying climate change report release</u> by the UN's Intergovernmental Panel Climate Change, I figure we need to do everything we can -- including seemingly small steps like reducing plastic use.

Please let me know what you think and if there is more I can do to support this idea.

Thank you very much for all you do! Madeline

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Madeline Rose

madeline.a.rose@gmail.com

From: David Jorgensen <djorg1938@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 9, 2018 12:17 PM

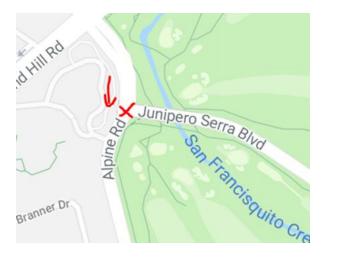
To: Council, City

Subject: stop light at Alpine Road and Junipero Serra

Dear Council Members,

When traffic is flowing North on Alpine Road (green light) the cars going South are stopped because the light is red at the Alpine/Junipero intersection.

Why? This makes no sense. Can this be corrected?



From: Hope Schachter <hope.sch@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 2:43 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: Support for The Corner House on Addison (The 'CoHo' Project)

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is written in support of the Corner House on Addison community center project, also known as the "CoHo," whose initial proposal for the city council was held on Monday, October 1st of 2018. As a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, trained Postpartum Doula and Parent Educator serving families in Palo Alto for nearly a decade, I believe this resource would be an asset to the needs and enrichment of modern parents, children and the general population of your city through customized programs and comprehensive support for busy and diverse local families. It is my hope that the project receives the approval it deserves in order to accomplish that.

Thank you for your consideration on this project, I am excited to see this unique facility progress for the benefit of the residents of Palo Alto.

--

Hope Schachter, LMFT #107066

From: Ron Conway <ron@svangel.com>
Sent: Monday, October 8, 2018 8:26 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: Supporting the The Corner House on Addison

I wanted to echo my support for The Corner House on Addison (or the "CoHo") that will be a "family hub" for the community

The CoHo takes a commercial property and turns it into a community center, designed around the needs of busy, modern families with a special focus on kids and working moms.

What a great gift to the community!

I hope you can support this and expedite its approval

My children are grown now but I would have loved this "in the day". !

Thanks

Ron Conway Former peninsula resident now in SF

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From: The Ojakian < ojakian@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, October 4, 2018 4:39 PM

To: Council, City

Cc: Hodgkins, Claire; Shikada, Ed; Keene, James; Stump, Molly; 'Peter Steinhart'; Judith Steinhart

Subject: Time to respond to a question and a comment

At Monday's City Council Meeting, Council Member Tanaka asked if the 980 Middlefield neighbors would prefer a mortuary to the proposed project. Instead of being rude by shouting an answer, I will give him and you my reply now: "Yes". Why? The mortuary staff was/would be far, far less intrusive. The former mortuary staff was respectful and courteous. Based on past history, I seriously doubt the current applicant would be concerned about neighborhood residents' quality of life.

Council Member Scharff suggested the applicant could do more or better outreach. Let me respond to this suggestion. There has been no neighborhood outreach that I and others are aware of, unless you want to classify the numerous out of control events held by the applicant at her home and 980 Middlefield Road as outreach.

(A more pertinent question for Council Member Scharff is **did this applicant or her consultants/advisors reach out to you (Council Members) prior to this meeting?** From the comments I heard it appears this happened, but instead of speculating I would like to know for the public record which Council Members spoke to Ms. Mayer or her advisors prior to Monday's meeting. Similarly did you have any meetings with people in the neighborhood?)

Here is the real issue. Speakers the other nigh expressed concerns about traffic and parking, which is understandable. My belief is that this is not the only concern with this project. Anyone who has lived near this applicant knows the mess that would occur if this project is approved. The applicant's neighbors, myself included, have experienced countless offensive behaviors and intrusions to our everyday lives. Our neighborhood has been and will be blanked with valet parked cars. We have been and will be subjected to constant noise, idling cars, delivery trucks double parking on Addison Avenue over several days, and people walking and talking and shouting as they pass homes late at night. Frankly I could go on and on about the egregious acts that have occurred. All we can expect to have happen is similar behaviors, but on a grander scale, if this application is submitted and approved.

I am constantly asked by people in town how I can live in such an environment. One thing that surprises me is that current City Council Members are unaware of what has been happening. Have you never asked or heard from people about what has gone on or is it that you prefer not to know?

The difference between now and after this project is approved, if that happens, is the applicant's response will no longer be that "I can do whatever I want on my property" or ignore complaints about conforming to existing ordinances. Now, it will be that the city has sanctioned and legitimized this bad behavior. The 600 person party proposed for 980 Middlefield by the applicant that was denied by planning staff will be harder to refuse. Numerous super large events would be likely and may be the real motivation for this proposal. The potential is for a significant detrimental impact on the surrounding neighborhoods that will last long term.

Yes, the project is couched in a feel good concept, a place for professional women. Some want to view it as a project for entrepreneurs or current overburdened working women, but let's be honest. This is a convenient guise for helping get an events center with condoned large scale and highly intrusive events. One City Council Member's comment wanted to exacerbate the situation by suggesting a Neighborhood Commercial zoning for the site, allowing for any number of uses incompatible with a residential neighborhood.

As I mentioned on Monday, there is nothing inherent in this site that justifies this facility or any similar commercial operation being in this neighborhood. If it is that desired, ask staff to identify other locations in town where it could be located.

The pre-screen process was instituted on my watch. The idea was not to move a project forward that would cost an applicant and city staff, time and money only to eventually see it fail. That is where this proposal is possibly headed.

I am reminded of a similar situation in the early 1980s where an applicant and some supporters made promises and espoused the worthiness of a project. After numerous meetings, and a growing neighborhood opposition with over 300 neighbors attending the final city council meeting, , the project was rejected. Though time has passed and some of those neighbors have moved or died, the core leadership team still lives in this neighborhood. Then as now, their goal was to ensure an R-1 neighborhood and maintain an environment for comradery, neighborliness, safety, and respectful interactions.

Past experience by this applicant makes it clear that anything goes and people's quality of life is more than at risk. Maybe it is good this happened now because it is time to end this non-sense and the negative intrusion into peoples' lives.

Respectfully submitted,

Vic Ojakian, Former Two-Term City Council Member and Mayor

From: Linnea Wickstrom < ljwickstrom@comcast.net>

Sent: Tuesday, October 9, 2018 4:59 PM

To: Council, City

Subject: Updates to ADU ordinance

City Council members,

I appreciate the updates to the ADU ordinance and hope that you will vigorously pursue the suggestions for:

- fee waivers for commitment to BMR for property owners who build an ADU (mine will be for a developmentally disabled adult)
- Template plans (readily available from some other cities and maybe you could offer architects or home owners \$ for plans already in progress and approved)

Thank you for your support for ADUs!

Linnea Wickstrom Monroe Park, Palo Alto

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