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Name: MARZSE

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

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Name: Henny Abraham

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

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Name: ~~Mark~~ Nilan

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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Name: Mona

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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Name: Rose
Address: _____
City: _____
Phone: _____

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Name: Maryam

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

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Name: Mahsa Townsend
Address: _____
City: _____
Phone: _____

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Name: ROBERT HOLTZCLAW

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

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City of Lake Forest REQUEST TO SPEAK

PC
Andrew
O'Connor

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Meeting Date: 12/06/22

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- I have read and understood the Rules and Procedures for addressing the City Council.
- I would like to speak on Agenda Item #: General Comments
- I am speaking under Public Comments (subjects NOT on the current agenda)

Name: Andrew O'Connor

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

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December 06, 2022

TO: City Manager, City Attorney, Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem, City Council, Deputy City Manager, Assistant City Manager, Police Chief, Communications Manager, Orange County Register, Tess Sheets

FR: Andrew O'Connor REVISED (1)

RE: Request to speak on the following:

CLOSED SESSION

What is the status of asking for competitive bid for legal services? Best Best and Krieger is projecting \$1.3M for the 2022-23 fiscal year! divided by 12 months is over \$100K per month! What are we litigating that our legal costs are this high?

CEREMONIAL

Definition of OATH:

A solemn appeal to a deity, or to some revered person or thing, to witness one's determination to speak the truth, to keep a promise, etc.:

Comments by Tettermer, Voigts, Yu

I would like to speak *after* each council person takes their oath

Voigts:

-Lawsuit against Lake Forest residents for \$500K, settling for \$150K, taxpayers paid legal representation of \$76K "I didn't make a dime, I paid medical expenses" but never showed receipts.

-Why did you have campaign contributions? You ran unopposed, what expenses did you pay for? Tettermer did not have any contributions, you have 38 contributions:

\$5,000 from IVYMAX Who is this company? Why a big contribution?

\$1,000 from Great Scott, \$500 WCA West Coast Arborists

\$1,000 from CR&R current city contractor, are you going to recuse yourself on future vote for the contract?

\$2,000 ACI Jet \$1,000 ACI Jet Santa Ana

\$1,200 from "Chinese Homemakers" what's this about??

Benjamin Yu

“Small business owner” explain the business, number of employees

Military veteran, which branch of military? Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines Coast Guard. What years did you serve, honorable discharge?

FRE is the home school for Baker Ranch residents, butt your daughter attends a private school, why?

Does your wife still operate the “Family Time Resorts LLC” in Baker Ranch

Contributions:

\$4,900 Omni Partners Benjamin Yu managing partner

\$4,000 Apple Spa Stanford CT

\$1,500 California Real Estate PAC CREPAC

\$999 from Blue Water Lake Forest Who is this company??

\$999 LA Harbor Grain (Dwight Robinson)

\$500 Bristol and Bates Irvine

John Tettermer

Are you going to be a “bump on a log” just sit there and not raise questions to the City Manager on her spending?

\$375K ARBORS and \$40K to Z & K Consultants for a very simple project

CALTRANS signal light synchronization project

Cobblestone replacement at the 5-year-old Sports Park

We paid Kidder-Matthews full price when the Civic Center was closed during the pandemic, WHY??

GENERAL COMMENTS

Pequeno was a big disappointment with no accomplishments. Crime is up, Homelessness is up, D-5 has closed retail stores, CVS, MIMI’s Carl’s JR

What is the vision of the new mayor??

Last year when the developer of Portola Oaks was releasing toxic levels of petroleum emissions into the Portola Hills community air from contaminated soil on the site they were building on, a resident contacted Cirbo to engage his support. The smell in the Portola Hills community was noxious and making people sick. Cirbo did nothing!!

A resident registered a formal complaint with the City and they told me they would have city engineer's out daily to monitor & investigate, but they still did nothing to stop the continuing problem.

Only after the resident contacted the AQMD, and an Orange County Register reporter to run a damning article on the situation, did the city of Lake Forest issue a stop order on the construction and the AQMD issued a citation to the builder.

When multiple retail business was burglarized in D-1 not once but twice, where was Cirbo? The owners said Cirbo never checked in on them.

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Parker
Butterfield

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Name: Parker C. Butterfield

Address: [REDACTED]

City: [REDACTED] Zip: 92610

Phone: [REDACTED] Email: _____

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Name: FARHAD MAFIE

Address: _____

City: [REDACTED] Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

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PC
Randy
Johnson

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Name: Randy Johnson
Address: _____
City: Lake Forest Zip: _____
Phone: () _____ Email: _____

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TO: Lake Forest Council and City Attorney

FROM: Randy Johnson, Lake Forest Resident

DATE: Dec 06, 2022



SUBJ: Second Request for City Response

At the Nov 15, 2022 Council meeting I submitted a written public comment, titled Meeting Minutes (cont. from 11/01/22 CC Meeting, Item 7, under General Public Comments. I requested the city to respond to questions I had regarding a previous Council directive to the City Manager at the Oct 18, 2022 Council meeting. The city did not respond, so this is a second request.

Attached is a second copy of the Nov 15 public comment that was electronically sent to the City Clerk on Nov 15 at about 12:30pm for distribution to your Council and staff.

The corresponding emails related to the public comment can be found posted under Meeting Materials under Public Comments for the Nov 15 Council meeting.

Had someone responded to my questions, I would not have to address the matter at tonight's council meeting. As I have repeatedly stated during my public comments, the failure on part of the city to address valid questions from this resident appears to be a routine business practice in the City of Lake Forest.

As a reminder, the city has an entire page dedicated to Government Transparency at the city website, which, in part, states the following:

"The City is committed to open and transparent government and strives to consistently meet its community's expectations by providing excellent service in a positive, timely, and transparent manner. It is the duty of City government to serve the public, reaching its decisions and conducting its activities in full view of the public."

If the city does not intend to reply to valid resident questions and honor the above commitment, it's not an "open and transparent government". As such, if this practice continues the honest response would be to delete the above paragraph from the city website, since it communicates a falsehood to our residents.

Randy Johnson, Lake Forest Resident, District 5.

TO: Lake Forest Council, City Manager Rose.

FROM: Randy Johnson, Lake Forest Resident



DATE: Nov 15, 2022

SUBJ: Meeting Minutes (Cont. from 11/01/22 CC Meeting, Item 7)

In lieu of speaking at this evening's council meeting, I request this written comment be made part of the public record under general public comments.

This comment regards an email I received from Asst. City Manager Keith Neves on Nov 08, 2022 (see attached) in response to my email I sent to the City Council and City Manager on Oct 27, 2022, re: Public Comment for Item 7 at the 11/01/2022 council meeting, re: Minutes for 10/18/22.

On Nov 08 I sent an email reply to Mr. Neves. (see attached). I had some questions and asked Mr. Neves to reply in writing. No response received. As a result, I'm submitting this written public comment with those same questions and more.

The attached emails describe the situation. In brief, I wanted to know why the city clerk did not include a statement in the Oct 18, 2022 meeting minutes which acknowledged that the council gave the city manager a directive (by council majority) to include a description of public speaker comments in all future minutes.

In his email on Nov 08, Mr. Neves claimed that the city clerk did not include a statement regarding the directive in the initial Oct 18 minutes posted at the city website on Thursday Oct 27 (Item 7) for the Nov 01 agenda. Mr. Neves wrote that the city clerk edited the initial posting by adding the statement re: Item 7, as follows: "*Council gave direction to provide a brief description of comments made by the public*". Mr. Neves wrote the minutes were updated and reposted the next day on Friday Oct 28.

In my email response (Nov 08) I informed Mr. Neves that I carefully checked the Oct 18 meeting minutes on Nov 1 and did not see the additional statement. I rechecked the agenda prior to speaking to the council at the Nov 1 meeting.

After my public comment, Councilman Tetterer asked the city attorney for his legal opinion and inquired whether other cities record official council directives to city managers in their minutes. The City Attorney said there was no legal requirement to do so and that it's at the discretion of each individual city.

My Questions:

- (1). If Staff knew that the Oct 18 minutes were edited and the minutes were reposted to the agenda on Oct 28 with the aforementioned statement, why didn't staff bring this to my attention and to the attention of the council and the city attorney at the time the matter was publicly discussed on Nov 01? Why the silence? If there was a viable explanation why was it concealed, particularly after the council and the city manager were in receipt of my Oct 27 email and were aware of the problem well in advance of the Nov 01 council meeting?
- (2). Why did Mr. Neves wait until Nov 08 to respond to my email, dated Oct 27? A short email reply on Oct 29, 31 or during the workday on Nov 1 would have clarified the matter immediately prior to the council meeting.
- (3). There was a majority agreement vote taken on Item 7. Councilmen Tettemer, Cirbo and Councilwoman Moatazedi gave a directive to the city manager. It was suggested that a council majority was needed. Mayor Pequeno and Councilman Voigts were both silent. No mention of a consensus majority or the names of our council members who contributed to the majority vote. Votes and who contributed to those votes are routinely noted in meeting minutes. Why were the details of this vote omitted?
- (4). At the Nov 01 council meeting City Attorney Richardson responded to Councilman Tettemer's question with his legal opinion of "no legal requirement". I have a question for the city attorney that I would like answered at the Nov 15 meeting. First, please note the wording of the Lake Forest City Code below:

The "Lake Forest, California Municipal Code" is shown on the city website. Under Title 2 Administration and Personnel, Chapter 2.10 addresses the functions and duties of the City Clerk. Under 2.10.030 Functions, in part, it's stated "The principle functions of the city clerk shall be to: A. Attend all meetings of the City Council and be responsible for the recording and maintenance of a record of all the actions of the council".

City clerks record minutes as the official record of council meetings. Every city I know of provides these minutes that is a record of all the actions of the council.

Question for the City Attorney: In the City Code, what does "recording and maintenance of a record of all actions of the council" reference if it's not the meeting minutes? If meeting minutes are part of the "record" wouldn't a council directive ("action") be a requirement for the minutes under the LF City Code?

I would greatly appreciate answers from staff and/or council to my questions at the Nov 15 council meeting in accordance with the city policies on open government and transparency. By doing so, you will save me from attending the next council meeting and asking you in person.

From the city's website on the "Transparency" page:

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We expect the city to honor this stated 'Transparency' commitment. If the city intends to disregard its own commitment, please remove the entire "Transparency" page from the city website.

Thank you.

Randy Johnson, Lake Forest Resident, District 5.