

City of Clearwater

*Main Library - Council Chambers
100 N. Osceola Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33755*



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 7, 2023

6:00 PM

Capitol Theatre – 405 Cleveland Street

City Council

Roll Call

Present: 4 - Vice Mayor Mark Bunker, Councilmember David Allbritton, Councilmember Kathleen Beckman and Councilmember Lina Teixeira

Absent: 1 - Mayor Brian Aungst Sr.

Also Present: Jennifer Poirrier – City Manager, Michael Delk – Assistant City Manager, Daniel Slaughter – Assistant City Manager, David Margolis – City Attorney, Rosemarie Call – City Clerk and Nicole Sprague – Deputy City Clerk.

To provide continuity for research, items are listed in agenda order although not necessarily discussed in that order.

Unapproved**1. Call to Order – Vice Mayor Bunker****2. Invocation – Rev. Dr. Rhonda Blevins from Chapel by the Sea****3. Pledge of Allegiance****4. Special recognitions and Presentations (Proclamations, service awards, or other special recognitions. Presentations by governmental agencies or groups providing formal updates to Council will be limited to ten minutes.) – Given.****4.1 Fire Oaths**

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to: Fire Medics Shawn Binion, Nicholas Steadman, Joseph Jummati, William Thomas, Docho Florov, Michael Sadok, William Ramsey, and Firefighters Fisher Davis, Tristan Robey, Zachary Watt, and Jose Quinones.

5. Approval of Minutes

- 5.1** Approve the August 17, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes as submitted in written summation by the City Clerk.

Councilmember Beckman moved to approve the August 17, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes as submitted in written summation by the City Clerk. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

6. Citizens to be heard re items not on the agenda

Michael Taylor reviewed an incident he had with Clearwater Police when he was open carrying while fishing and expressed concerns with the infringement upon his First Amendment right during the swearing-in of the new Police Chief. He said displaying his middle fingers is protected under the law.

Gladys Andrews and Jonathan Wade expressed concerns with Council's recent direction to staff to change the City's election system to implement run-offs without seeking any feedback from the Charter Review Committee.

Mr. Holuba said the First Amendment exists to protect all forms of expression from government oppression, even the most offensive and controversial speech. He expressed concerns that his civil rights were violated when he was wrongfully ejected from the last council meeting.

*Andrea Evans Dixon opposed changing the City's current election system for runoffs that requires 50% of the vote and expressed concerns that Council's work session discussion did not cite data **to justify the change.*

Patrick Raftery said Council's runoff proposal will be presented on the ballot in March 2024, at which point the voters will decide whether they support the initiative.

Kathy Flaherty submitted a comment regarding the recycling program and supporting the refund go back to 2018 (see page 14).

7. Consent Agenda – Approved as submitted.

- 7.1** Approve a one-year Agreement with Juvenile Welfare Board (JWB) and the City of Clearwater for funding youth programs, approve a first quarter budget amendment of \$486,211 in special program G2107, JWB Youth Programming, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.2** Approve a purchase order to Shade Systems, Inc., of Ocala, Florida for the purchase and installation of Athletic Shade Structures at Baycare Ballpark in an amount of \$131,004.00, pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Sections 2.563(1)(c), Piggyback, and 2.563(1)(d), Impractical, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.3** Approve an Event License Agreement between Jones Lang LaSalle Americas, Inc, in its capacity as agent for the owner of the premises known as Countryside Mall, located at 27001 US Highway 19 North, Clearwater, Florida, and the City of Clearwater Police Department for the purpose of hosting the National Night Out Event on October 3, 2023, located at the Countryside Mall and authorize the appropriate

officials to execute same. (consent)

- 7.4** Renew Financial Assistance Agreement between the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the City of Clearwater, necessary to facilitate a current mutual aid agreement between the two entities, effective upon execution through June 30, 2024, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.5** Approve an agreement with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, Largo, Florida, in the amount not to exceed \$499,861.50 for forensic crime scene processing, latent prints, property and evidence storage, and Pinellas Juvenile Assessment Center services, during the one-year contract period commencing on October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.6** Approve acceptance of University of North Florida Training and Services Institute, Inc., d/b/a Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM), High Visibility Education (HVE) and Enforcement Campaign for Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Grant Award in the amount of \$27,233.22 for police overtime, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.7** Approve the final plat for Landmark of Clearwater, whose physical address is 2680 Landmark Drive, located on the southwest corner of State Road 580 and Landmark Drive. (consent)
- 7.8** Approve the termination and issuance of a three-year Lease Agreement by request of Intercultural Advocacy Institute (HOC) to the mutually agreeable prior terms and conditions affecting 612 Franklin Street in Clearwater, Florida and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.9** Approve a purchase order to American Grinding Company, of Grand Rapids, MI, in the amount of \$500,000 for sidewalk grinding on a unit price basis pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Section 2.563 (1)(C), piggyback on City of Orlando contract IFB23-0119, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.10** Approve the Drainage Easement conveyance request from the landowner Weaver Enterprises, Inc., in support of necessary stormwater culvert upgrades and repairs affecting 1875 Gulf to Bay Boulevard, in Pinellas County, Florida. (consent)
- 7.11** Approve Pinellas County EMS ALS First Responder Agreement Amendment No. 1 between Pinellas County and City of Clearwater, which will include a budget increase of 3.2%, reimbursement of Rescue 48, implementation and installation of a Traffic Preemption System in Pinellas County and municipal traffic control systems, require Clearwater Fire and Rescue employees to pass a background check to access the new 911 CAD System, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

- 7.12 Approve an agreement with New World Communications of Tampa, INC., on behalf of its television station WTVT Fox 13, to allow the City to obtain certain rights to use the film/tape footage as set forth and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.13 Approve a purchase order to Toter Incorporated of Statesville, NC for residential container purchases in the not to exceed amount of \$43,883.45 pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Section 2.563 (1)(c), Piggyback, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.14 Approve a purchase order to Pinellas County Solid Waste for the disposal of solid waste at the Pinellas County waste-to-energy plant/landfill in the not-to-exceed amount of \$5,100,000 for the period October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Section 2.563 (1) (a), Single Source, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 7.15 Appoint David Harder to the Neighborhood and Affordable Housing Advisory Board to fill an unexpired term through June 30, 2024. (consent)
- 7.16 Appoint Rick Broom to the Marine Advisory Board to a term set to expire September 8, 2027. (consent)
- 7.17 Appoint Kelly Dobbin to the Environmental Advisory Board to fill the remainder of an unexpired term through September 30, 2026. (consent)
- 7.18 Approve agreement with HR and A consultants as a ratify-and-confirm. (consent)
- 7.19 Ratify and confirm a Sister Cities Partnership between the City of Clearwater and the City of Ixmiquilpan, of the State of Hidalgo and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

Councilmember Teixeira moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Public Hearings - Not before 6:00 PM

8. Administrative Public Hearings

- 8.1 Approve the 2023 Affordable Housing Inventory List pursuant to requirements of Chapter 166.0451, Florida Statutes; adopt Resolution 23-13 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (APH)

The 2006 Legislature amended Chapter 166, Florida Statutes, adding Section 166.0451 entitled "Disposition of municipal property for affordable housing." Section (1) of the statute, as amended, requires that by October 1, 2023, and every three years thereafter, each municipality shall prepare an inventory list of all real property within its jurisdiction to which the municipality or any dependent special district within its boundaries holds fee simple title which is appropriate for use as affordable housing. Therefore, the 2023 Affordable Housing Inventory List includes the address and legal description of each property and specifies whether the property is vacant or improved.

The state statute includes that the governing body of each municipality must review the proposed affordable housing inventory list at a public hearing and may revise the list at the conclusion of the hearing. Following the public hearing, the local governing body must adopt a resolution that includes an inventory list of such property deemed appropriate for affordable housing development.

The previous list was approved by City Council in 2022 and included a total of eight properties. Resolution 23-13, as drafted, proposes 31 parcels, or 11 tracts of land, to which the City or the city's Community Redevelopment Agency holds title, as appropriate for use as affordable housing.

Resolution 23-13 was presented and read by title only.

Councilmember Allbritton moved to approve the 2023 Affordable Housing Inventory List pursuant to requirements of Chapter 166.0451, Florida Statutes; adopt Resolution 23-13 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

9. Second Readings - Public Hearing

- 9.1** Adopt Ordinance 9684-23 on second reading, annexing certain unaddressed real property located on the north side of Tanglewood Drive approximately 675 feet west of Oak Creek Drive East, Clearwater, Florida 33761, into the corporate limits of the city and redefining the boundary lines of the city to include said addition.

One individual spoke in opposition.

In response to a question, Planning and Development Director Gina Clayton said the next-door property owner owns the property referenced by the individual. The property is being annexed into the city and will remain zoned low density residential.

Ordinance 9684-23 was presented and read by title only. Councilmember Beckman moved to adopt Ordinance 9684-23 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

- 9.2** Adopt Ordinance. 9685-23 on second reading, amending the future land use plan element of the Comprehensive Plan of the City to designate the land use for certain unaddressed real property located on the north side of Tanglewood Drive approximately 675 feet west of Oak Creek Drive East, Clearwater, Florida 33761, upon annexation into the City of Clearwater, as Residential Estate (RE) and Drainage Feature Overlay.

Ordinance 9685-23 was presented and read by title only. Councilmember Teixeira moved to adopt Ordinance 9685-23 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

- 9.3** Adopt Ordinance 9686-23 on second reading, amending the Zoning Atlas of the City by rezoning certain unaddressed real property located on the north side of Tanglewood Drive approximately 675 feet west of Oak Creek Drive East, Clearwater, Florida 33761, upon annexation into the City of Clearwater, as Low Density Residential (LDR).

Ordinance 9686-23 was presented and read by title only. Councilmember Allbritton moved to adopt Ordinance 9686-23 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

- 9.4** Adopt Ordinance 9694-23 on second reading, annexing certain real property whose post office address is 1862 McCauley Road, Clearwater, Florida 33765, into the corporate limits of the city and redefining the boundary lines of the city to include said addition.

Ordinance 9694-23 was presented and read by title only. Councilmember Beckman moved to adopt Ordinance 9694-23 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

- 9.5** Adopt Ordinance No. 9695-23 on second reading, amending the future land use plan element of the Comprehensive Plan of the City to designate the land use for certain real property whose post office address is 1862 McCauley Road, Clearwater, Florida 33765, upon annexation into the City of Clearwater, as Residential Estate (RE) and Water.

Ordinance 9695-23 was presented and read by title only. Councilmember Teixeira moved to adopt Ordinance 9695-23 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4- Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

- 9.6** Adopt Ordinance 9696-23 on second reading, amending the Zoning Atlas of the City by rezoning certain real property whose post office address is 1862 McCauley Road, Clearwater, Florida 33765, upon annexation into the City of Clearwater, as Low Density Residential (LDR).

Ordinance 9696-23 was presented and read by title only. Councilmember Allbritton moved to adopt Ordinance 9696-23 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

10. City Manager Reports

- 10.1** Appoint 11 members to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, including Councilmember Kathleen Beckman as a locally elected official, and adopt Resolution 23-12.

Florida Statute Section 420.9076 states that counties and cities receiving State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program funds are required to establish annually an Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) and prepare a Local Housing Incentive Strategy (LHIS). The statute further provides that the committee be made up of 11 members appointed by the City. The 11 members must represent a specific industry or a specific group.

The required groups and recommended individuals are listed below:

- Banking industry/mortgage: Robyn Fiel
- Area of labor engaged in home building: David Harder
- Advocate for low-income person: Linda Byars
- Not-for-profit provider of affordable housing: Kevin Chinault
- Real estate professional engaged in affordable housing: Lindsay

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- Representative of employers: Camille Hebling
- Clearwater resident: Carmen Santiago
- Essential Services representative: Jacqueline Rivera
- Residential home building: Pierre Cournoyer
- Member of the local planning agency: Bruce Rector
- Locally elected official: Councilmember Kathleen Beckman (At the September 5 work session, there was council consensus to appoint Councilmember Beckman.)

The duties of the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee shall include reviewing policies and procedures, ordinances, land development regulations and the City's adopted comprehensive plan and shall recommend specific actions or initiatives to encourage or facilitate affordable housing while protecting the ability of the property to appreciate in value.

The LHIS must be submitted to City Council by December 31, 2023, and will encompass the definition, vision, strategic focus areas, and action plan (including potential amendments to procedures and existing regulations) in order to facilitate the development of affordable housing in the city. The AHAC will sunset upon acceptance by Council of the 2023 Local Housing Incentive Strategies report.

At the September 5 work session, Economic Development and Housing Assistant Director Chuck Lane reported that Bruce Rector, member of the Community Development Board (Local Planning Agency), has agreed to serve on the Committee.

Resolution 23-12 was presented and read by title only.

Councilmember Beckman moved to appoint 11 members to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, including Councilmember Kathleen Beckman as a locally elected official, and adopt Resolution 23-12. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

10.2 Confirm the Declaration of a State of Emergency due to conditions surrounding Tropical Storm Idalia and adopt Resolution 23-16.

The entire City of Clearwater was threatened by the wind and rain and disruption of services and coastal areas were threatened by storm surge attendant to the arrival of Tropical Storm Idalia.

Mayor Brian J. Aungst, Sr. issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency on

August 28, 2023. Section 15.07(2) of the Code of Ordinances requires the City Council to confirm a Declaration of a State of Emergency at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Resolution 23-16 was presented and read by title only.

Councilmember Teixeira moved to confirm the Declaration of a State of Emergency due to conditions surrounding Tropical Storm Idalia and adopt Resolution 23-16. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

10.3 Appoint two individuals to the Community Development Board to fill the remainder of an unexpired term through February 28, 2026 and one through April 30, 2026.

BOARD: Community Development Board

TERM: 4 years

APPOINTED BY: City Council

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE: Yes

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: City of Clearwater

MEMBERS: 7 & 1 alternate

CHAIRPERSON: TBD

MEETING DATES: 3rd Tues., 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Main Library

APPTS. NEEDED: 2

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS: Per the Clearwater Community Development Code, Section 5-202: "the city commission shall seek a membership with diverse economic, social and professional representation and shall include members qualified and experienced in the fields of architecture, planning, landscape architecture, engineering, construction, planning and land use law and real estate."

THE FOLLOWING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS HAVE RESIGNED OR HAVE AN EXPIRED TERM WHICH NOW REQUIRES NEW APPOINTMENTS:

1. Andrew Caudell - 420 Druid Road West, 33756 - General Contractor
Original Appointment: 2/17/2022
(was serving 1st term set to expire 02/28/26)
Absences: 6/21/22, 9/20/22, 12/20/22, 1/17/23, 4/18/23
Resignation Date: 7/19/23
2. Samuel Hutkin - 755 Eldorado Avenue, 33767 - Alt Member/Commercial Real Estate
Original Appointment: 4/7/22

(was serving 1st term set to expire 4/30/26)

Absences: 6/21/22, 7/19/22, 9/20/22, 2/21/23, 5/16/23

Resignation Date: 7/19/23

THE FOLLOWING APPLICANTS HAVE THE DESIRED PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUNDS:

1. Nicholas Anderson - 115 S Keystone Dr., 33755 - Realtor
2. Kurt Hinrichs - 3151 Oyster Bayou Way, 33759 - Civil Engineer
3. Edward Wilmes - 2346 Druid Road Lot 1018, 33765 - Director of Public Works & Engineering, retired
4. Michael Boutzoukas - 2433 Bond Avenue, 33759 - Real Estate Attorney

THE FOLLOWING APPLICANTS ARE ALSO BEING SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Rebekka Ervin - 920 N Osceola Ave, 33755 - Consultant/Broker
2. William (Bill) Jonson - 2694 Redford Court W, 33761 - Project Manager & Elected Rep
3. Polly Ward - 2009 Sea Front Ct., 33763 - Sales

Zip Codes of current members:

1 at 33759

1 at 33761

1 at 33764

3 at 33767

Current categories:

Real Estate Developer
Sr. Project Administrator
Engineer
Construction/Real Estate
Real Estate Broker/Developer
Corporate General Counsel

A request was made to continue the item to the next meeting because the Mayor was not present.

One individual stated he was a former member of the Community Development Board and that he understands the quasi-judicial process. He said he wants to work with the Board and Council to see Clearwater become the best city in Florida.

Three individuals submitted comments supporting the appointment of Bill Jonson (see pages 33-37).

Councilmember Allbritton moved to continue Item 10.3 to September 21, 2023. The motion was duly seconded and failed with the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Councilmember Allbritton and Councilmember Teixeira

Nays: 2 - Vice Mayor Bunker and Councilmember Beckman

The City Attorney said council rules requires three affirmative votes for an item to pass and if there is a 2-2 split, the item is automatically continued to the next meeting.

The City Manager said the budget meeting scheduled for September 6, 2023 was cancelled due to an unforeseen emergency issue at the Main Library. She requested Council to schedule a special council meeting on September 28, 2023 regarding the budget.

There was council consensus to schedule a special council meeting on September 28, 2023.

11. City Attorney Reports

11.1 Amend Council Rule 6, Order of Business, adopt Resolution 23-14, and authorize appropriate officials to execute same.

On August 7, the City Council directed the City Attorney to update the Council's order of business. The revised order of business advances the consent agenda and scheduled public hearings to an earlier phase of the meeting.

One individual submitted a comment in opposition (see page 32).

Resolution 23-14 was presented and read by title only.

Councilmember Beckman moved to amend Council Rule 6, Order of Business, adopt Resolution 23-14, and authorize appropriate officials to execute same. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 - Vice Mayor Bunker, Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

11.2 Amend Council Rule 15, Rules of Conduct, adopt Resolution 23-15, and authorize appropriate officials to execute same.

On August 7, the City Council directed the City Attorney to update Council rules of decorum. After receiving input from the Council on August 7, and through individual conversations with city staff and Councilmembers, the City Attorney has drafted the updated rules. For comparison, the rules utilized by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners and the Pinellas County School District are also attached to this item.

A concern was expressed with restricting free speech.

One individual spoke in support.

Resolution 23-15 was presented and read by title only.

Councilmember Teixeira moved to amend Council Rule 15, Rules of Conduct, adopt Resolution 23-15, and authorize appropriate officials to execute same. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 3 - Councilmember Allbritton, Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Teixeira

Nays: 1 - Vice Mayor Bunker

12. Closing comments by Councilmembers (limited to 3 minutes)

Councilmember Teixeira thanked staff for their efforts pre and post Hurricane Idalia, congratulated members of Clearwater Fire & Rescue's Recruit Class 27, and reviewed recent events.

Councilmember Beckman thanked staff for their efforts associated with Hurricane Idalia and the broken sprinkler system at the Main Library. She thanked Ruth Eckerd Hall for allowing the City to use the Capitol Theatre this evening. She reviewed upcoming events.

Vice Mayor Bunker thanked Ruth Eckerd Hall and city staff for their efforts. He said Danny Masterson was sentenced to 30 years to life in a rape case this afternoon and a big part of the trial involved Scientology's involvement against the women involved in the case, which will be heard in the civil case.

13. Closing Comments by Mayor – None.

14. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Attest

Mayor
City of Clearwater

City Clerk

Call, Rosemarie

From: Kathy Flaherty <kathyipad68@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2023 1:08 PM
To: Call, Rosemarie; Beckman, Kathleen; Bunker, Mark; Aungst Sr, Brian; Teixeira, Lina; Allbritton, David
Subject: Official Record- Recycling Facts that I will be presenting tonight
Attachments: [Untitled].pdf

Rosemarie- please attach the following email to the next City Council meeting minutes that it is allowed to be. In not tonight's than the next meeting.



Begin forwarded message:

From: Kathy Flaherty <kathyipad68@icloud.com>
Date: August 17, 2023 at 12:59:50 PM EDT
To: David Allbritton <David.Allbritton@myclearwater.com>, Brian Aungst <brian.aungst@myclearwater.com>, David Margolis <David.Margolis@myclearwater.com>, Jennifer Poirrier <Jennifer.Poirrier@myclearwater.com>, Kathleen Beckman <Kathleen.Beckman@myclearwater.com>, Lina Teixeira <lina.teixeira@myclearwater.com>, Mark Bunker <Mark.Bunker@myclearwater.com>, Daniel Slaughter <Daniel.Slaughter@myclearwater.com>, David Margolis <David.Margolis@myclearwater.com>, Michael Delk <Michael.Delk@myclearwater.com>, Micah Maxwell <micah.maxwell@myclearwater.com>, "Kervin St. Aimie" <Kervin.StAimie@myclearwater.com>, Jeh Mohr <jeh.mohr@myclearwater.com>, Jay Ravins <Jay.Ravins@myclearwater.com>, Gina Clayton <Gina.Clayton@myclearwater.com>
Subject: Recycling Facts that I will be presenting tonight


Below are clips regarding your recycling program. I hope you are planing on discussing the actual recycling history and that it was policy to burn the recycling as shown in the clips below.

I want a refund going back to 2018.

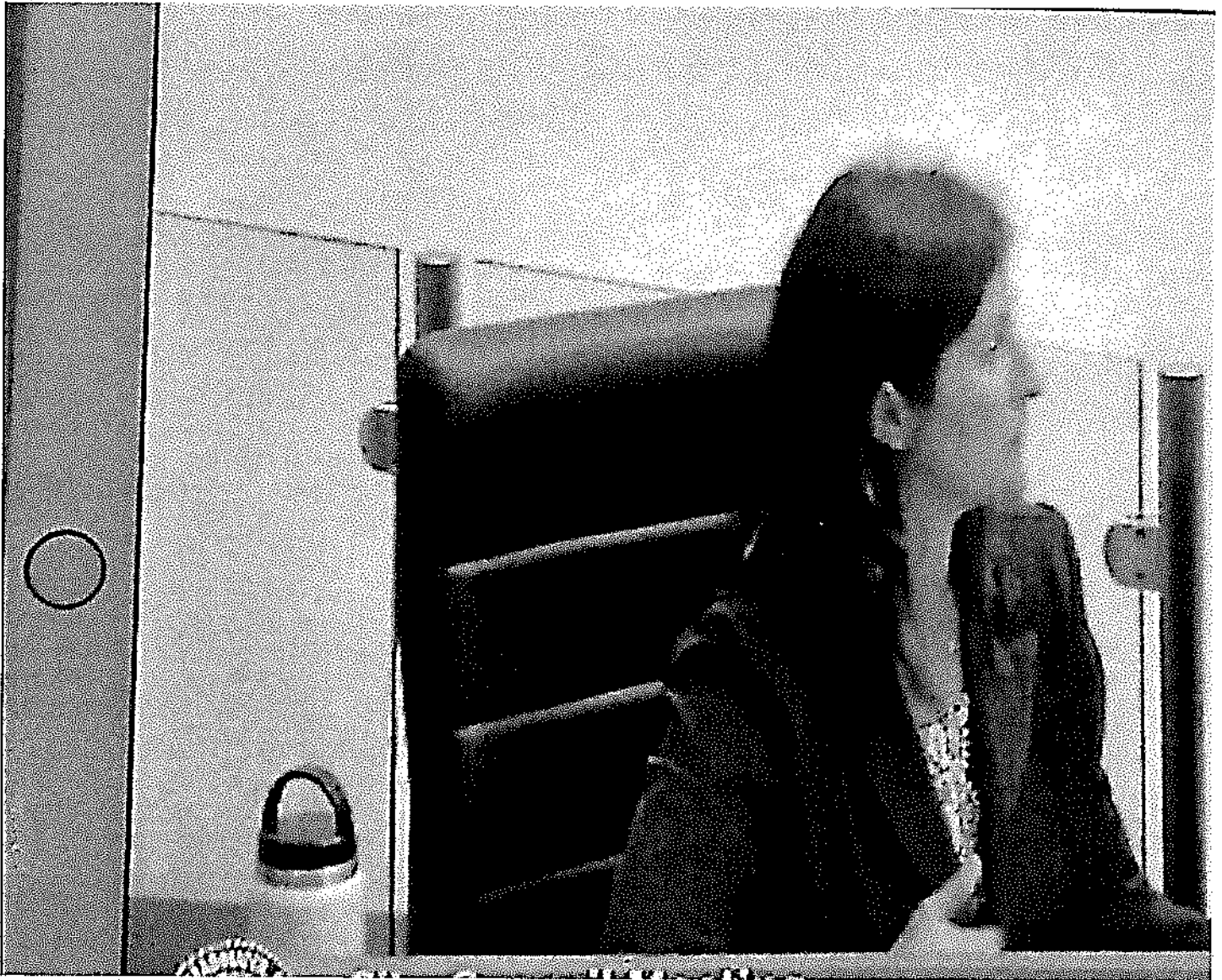
They show Jennifer announcing she has discovered in January of 2023 that the City burned recycling since 2019. In fact the City Attorney knew in November of 22 that the contract was cancelled and it was City Policy to burn the trash as shown below by interviews and Council discussions.

The Mayor of Bellaire thanked me when I sent him this information. The City Manager has no credibility.




2-16-23 Clearwater City Manager dramatically says
no one knew recyclables being . Blames staff.
youtu.be

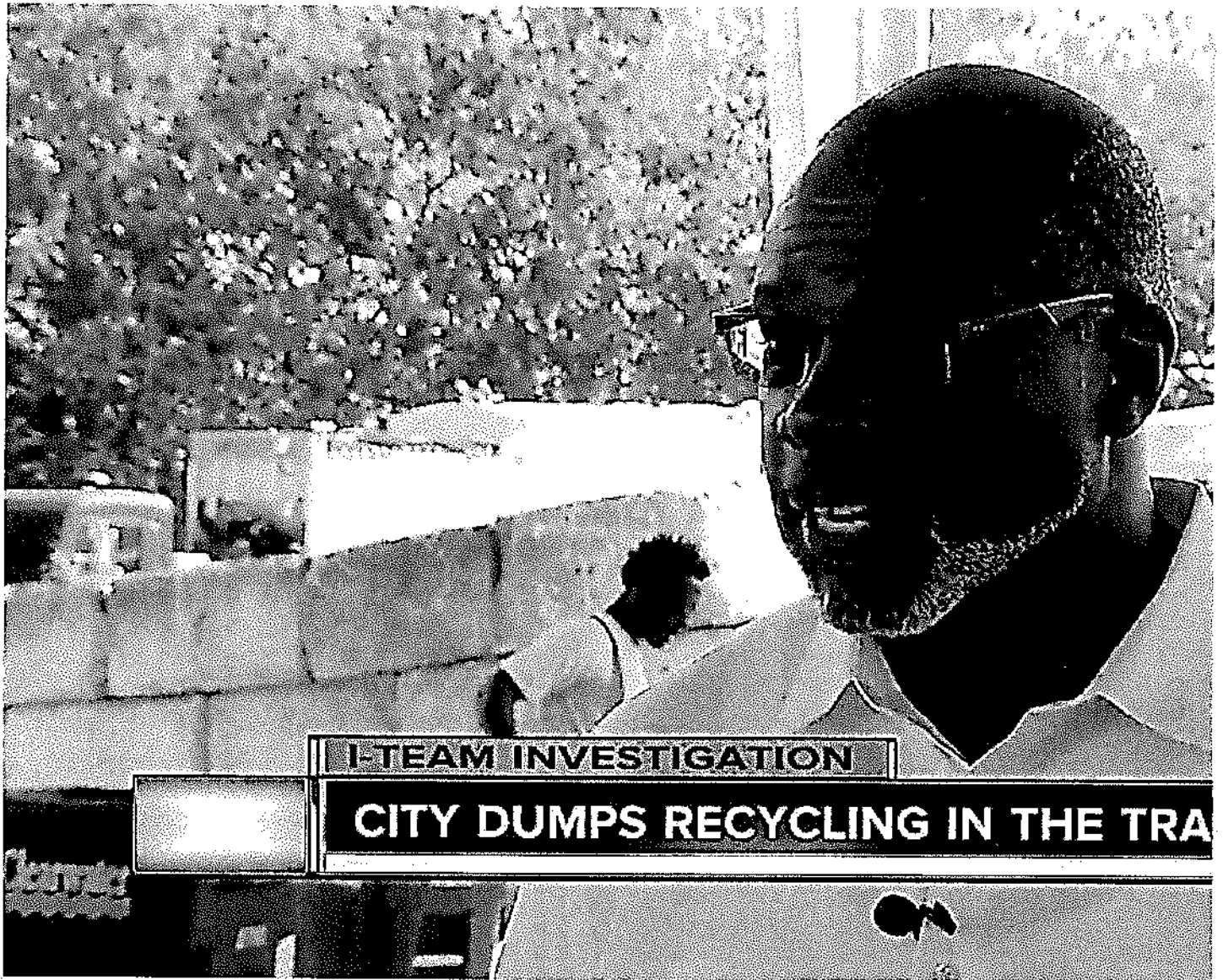
An Interview from 2018 when ABC News caught the City burning recycling.



Clearwater dumping recycling dumped in trash
[youtu.be](#)

2-16-23 Clearwater City Manager dramatically says
no one knew recyclables being . Blames staff.
[youtu.be](#)

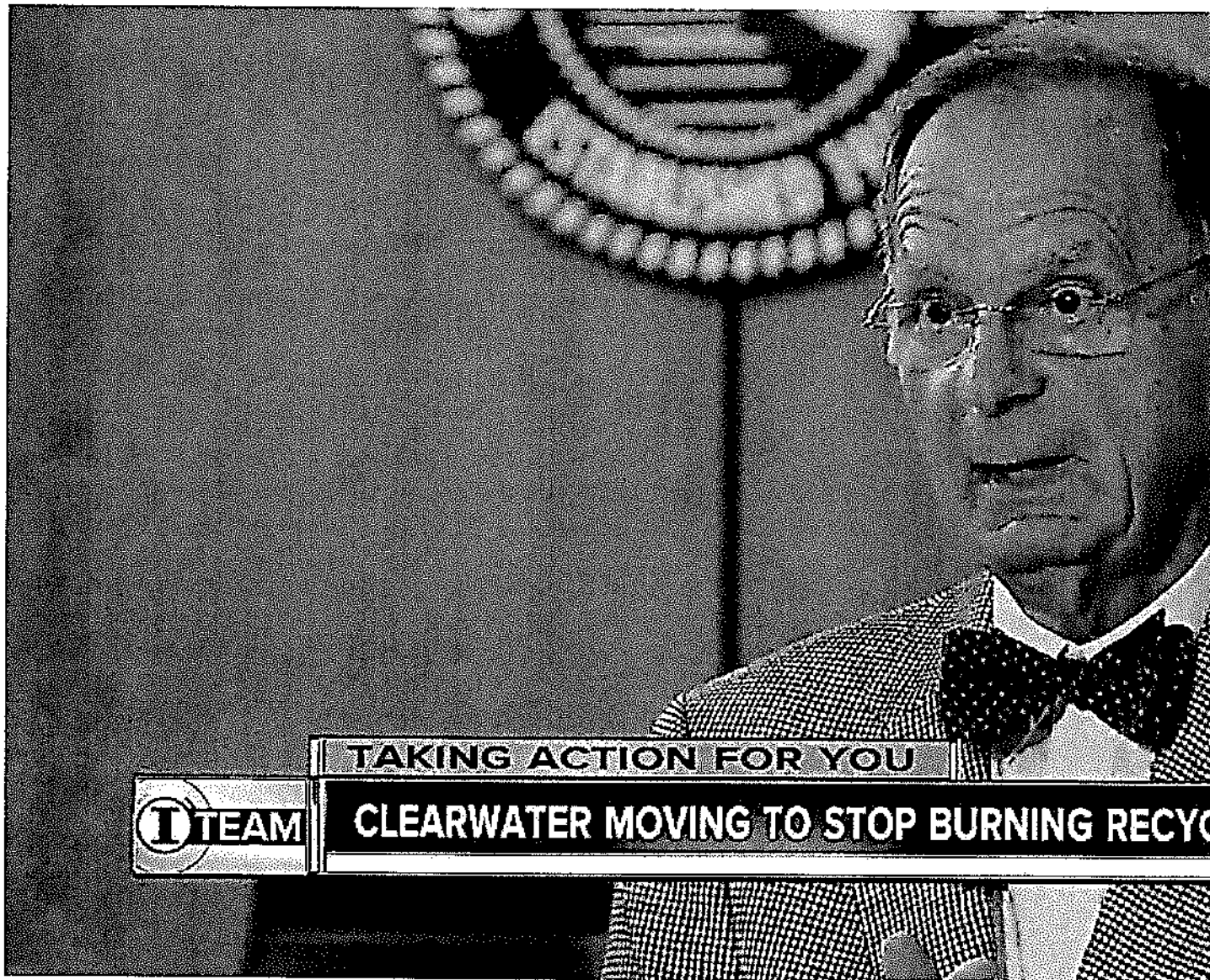
Another interview from 2018 when the City was caught burning recycling



Clearwater Mayor: I-Team investigation spurring
action on burned recyclables
[youtu.be](https://youtu.be/7Gc7fT6eEcM)

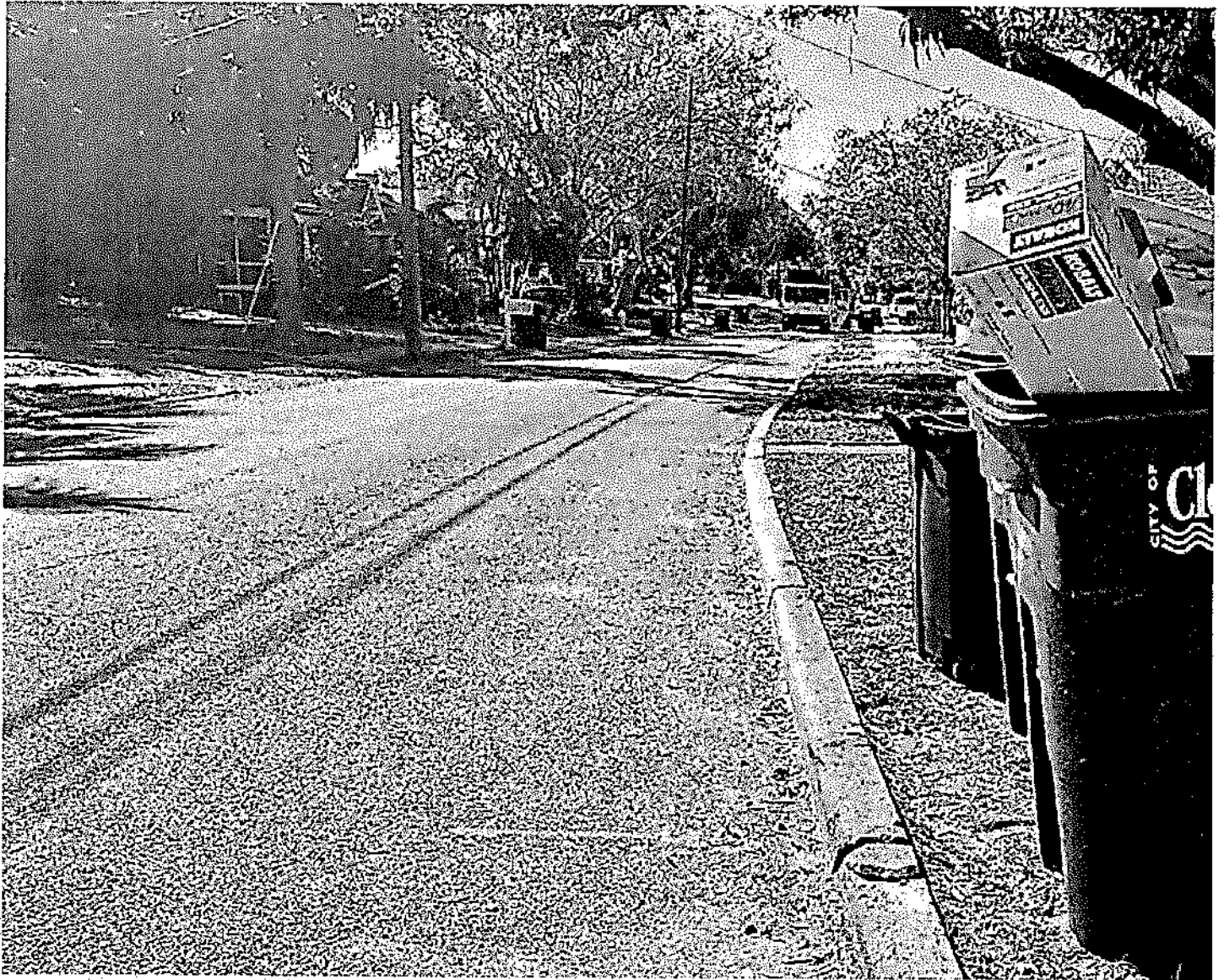
A statement from Councilman Hamilton saying burning recycling was required by the City.
<https://youtu.be/7Gc7fT6eEcM>

The City Manager explaining why the City burns recycling.



Clearwater Asst. City Manager 10-15-2018 - Explains
Recyclable Burning as Recycling
youtu.be

Copy of the cancellation notice. The document is stamped reviewed by the Attorneys office in November. One month prior to Jennifer making the announcement she discovered burning.



Clearwater's recycling problems started before recent lapses, records show
tampabay.com



Call, Rosemarie

From: Kathy Flaherty <kathyipad68@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 31, 2023 10:44 AM
To: Clayton, Gina; Gandy, Eric; Kader, Art; Lane, Charles; Mulder, Rebecca; Ravins, Jay; Mohr, Jeh; St. Aimie, Kervin; Call, Rosemarie; Aungst Sr, Brian; Allbritton, David; Poirrier, Jennifer; Beckman, Kathleen; Slaughter, Daniel; Bunker, Mark; Kirkpatrick, Billie; Delk, Michael; Mohr, Jeh
Subject: Re: Proven Right CRA Director quit for harsh treatment

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Rosemarie,

Can you update my email attachment request to this email. It is the same , just updated for clarity.

I forgot to add Mr. Jennings response to me questioning the Mercado spaces name and purpose changed to the “ Festival Core”, a gathering space for the newly formed, Gateway Group.

This plan was presented by City Staff and CRA Staff on August 30, 2022 at the Cleveland Streetscape meeting. No Eastgate Community Meeting was ever held for the purpose of development of the Mercado as it is currently designed. It still has not been built. Micheal Delk is in charge if the Streetscape Project, thus going rouge with the Festival Core design and disenfranchising the Hispanic Community. He wasted City staff time and resources. For alone this he should have been fired.

From: Kathy Flaherty <kathyipad68@icloud.com>
Date: August 30, 2023 at 3:15:27 PM EDT
To: Michael Delk <Michael.Delk@myclearwater.com>, Kathleen Beckman <kathleen.beckman@myclearwater.com>, Mark Bunker <mark.bunker@myclearwater.com>, Brian Aungst <brian.aungst@myclearwater.com>, Lina Teixeira <lina.teixeira@myclearwater.com>, Jennifer Poirrier <Jennifer.Poirrier@myclearwater.com>, Billie Kirkpatrick <Billie.Kirkpatrick@myclearwater.com>, Daniel Slaughter <Daniel.Slaughter@myclearwater.com>, David Allbritton <David.Allbritton@myclearwater.com>, Rosemarie Call <Rosemarie.Call@myclearwater.com>
Subject: Proven Right CRA Director quit for harsh treatment

So last week I wrote the below email regarding Jaye's departure. This was before this article was released

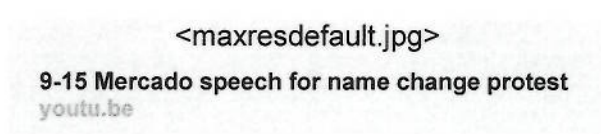
<64ecedc1d3611.image.png>

Clearwater ousts downtown director, and a key post is vacant again
1bnweekly.com

I knew it had to do with the toxic work environment that exists in the CRA. I don't doubt she experienced racism, I experienced the CRA staff's diminishing of the Mercado, thus the Hispanic community, directly. The decades planned Mercado space was wiped from existence. Here is the City Streetscape Project Manager explaining the Festival Core Plan, a gathering place, for the newly formed shill neighborhood group. No mention of the Hispanic community.



I had to go before Council to stop the deliberate diminishment of the Hispanic Community by the CRA staff and City Staff.



The President of Hispanic Organization also spoke



After he spoke the City Manager made this statement .



I have been told those same people, who tried to stripe a minority community of a promised multi use cultural space, still are trying to take away the Mercado designation. With Jaye's departure I am sure those efforts will not only resume but increase.

She did more for the Eastgate community in 6 months than had been done for 20 years.

Her terrible treatment I suspect began from before she was even hired. There were 2 finalists.

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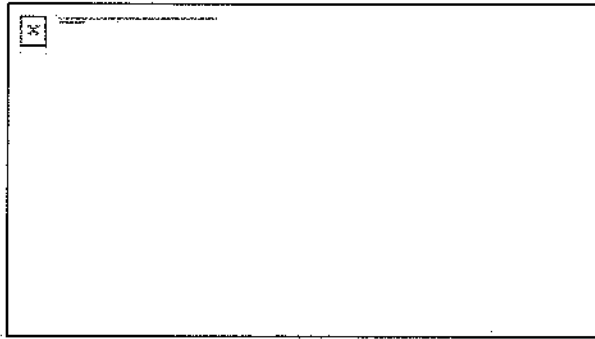
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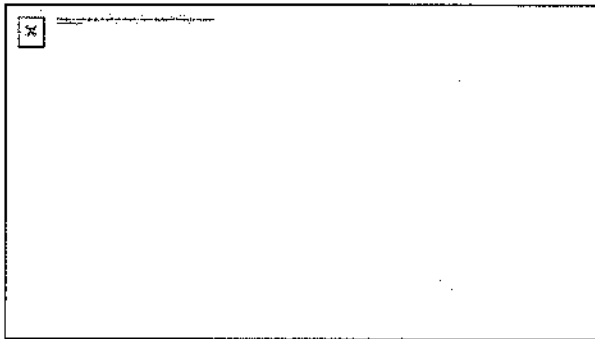
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Subject: Fwd: Proven Right CRA Director quit for harsh treatment

Rosemary,
Please attach this email to the next City Council Meeting.

Everyone in the City should be ashamed on how the CRA and you, the City staff treated a great employee and asset to the City.

Kathy 🌴🚀

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Clearwater ousts downtown director, and a key post is vacant again
tbnweekly.com

I knew it had to do with the toxic work environment that exists in the CRA. I don't doubt she experienced racism, I experienced the CRA staff's diminishing of the Mercado, thus the Hispanic community, directly.



I had to go before Council to stop the deliberate diminishment of the Hispanic Community by the CRA staff and City Staff.



The President of Hispanic Organization also spoke



I have been told those same people, who tried to stripe a minority community of a promised multi use cultural space, still are trying to take away the Mercado designation. With Jaye's departure I am sure those efforts will not only resume but increase.

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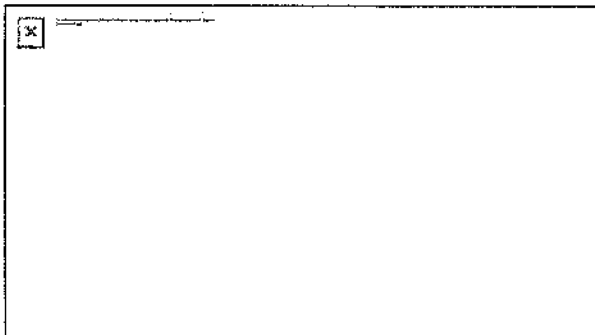
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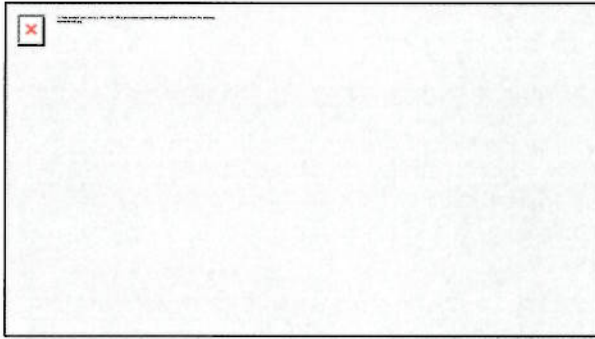
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To: Allbritton, David; Aungst Sr, Brian; Poirrier, Jennifer; Beckman, Kathleen; Margolis, David; Kader, Art; Bunker, Mark; Slaughter, Daniel; Delk, Michael; Margolis, David; Lisa Lanza; Call, Rosemarie
Subject: City of Clearwater - File #: 23-14

This is another step by this Council to stop free speech. Vote no. You should want to hear what is going on in the community- people go to have their voices heard. Putting it at the end makes it difficult for the community.

You don't have call in, you took away e comments. I guess you have to censor and restrict people's first amendment rights because the truth hurts.

This City has a toxic work environment that does not care about the community. The City administration cares only about maintaining itself and certain contracts.

I guess the Citizens Comments from the Union talking about the toxic work environment , the Drew Street advocates, building development projects avoiding oversight approval, the DDB contact, the polluting of Stevenson Creek, excessive and frequent sewage spills, selective code enforcement practices, the recycling disaster and numerous other topics have become too much to hear.

<https://clearwater.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=6327583&GUID=C051017C-BF18-45E1-B15A-A13B32C6A7DE>



Call, Rosemarie

From: beth davis <beth.g.davis@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2023 9:59 AM
To: ClearwaterCouncil
Subject: Bill Jonson for CDB board- representation and experience

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Mayor Aungst and Council Members,

It's important that Clearwater city boards have the most qualified people possible to serve the city as possible. Recognizing the critical role that the CDB members have, reviewing the credentials of submitted candidates toward determining how they meet Community Development Code Section 5-202 which states:

*"the city commission shall seek a membership with **diverse economic, social and professional representation** and shall include members qualified and experienced in the fields of architecture, planning, landscape architecture, engineering, construction, planning and land use law and real estate is essential. Bill Jonson fills all of those qualifications and then some. He is a longtime champion for the citizens of Clearwater. Bill Jonson knows the history of Clearwater and has seen and worked for much of the growth that the city has made in positive directions and as a member of the CDB Board can add to that growth.*

We strongly urge you to appoint Bill Jonson, a committed Clearwater leader to the CDB Board.

Beth and George Davis
1962 Harding Plaza
727 742 3797

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From: RudyChris Michalek <rudy.chris@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 7, 2023 8:31 AM
To: Aungst Sr, Brian; Allbritton, David; Kathleen.Bechman@MyClearwater.com; Bunker, Mark; Teixeira, Lina
Cc: Call, Rosemarie
Subject: Appointment of William/Bill Jonson to CDB
Attachments: 2.17.22 FINAL NEW CDB Candidate Summary & Recommendations.docx

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Good Morning Mayor Aungst and Council Members Allbritton, Beckman, Bunker and Teixeira

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On today's September 7th City Council Meeting Agenda I note the following entry: **CITY MANAGER REPORTS 11.3 ID#23-1111** - "Appoint two individuals to the Community Development Board to fill the remainder of an unexpired term through February 28, 2026 and one through April 30, 2026."

Earlier I sent the below email to you highly recommending that you appoint William/Bill Jonson due to his continued citizen service and "his broad scope of knowledge regarding the Municipal Code and Beach by Design directives."

As some of you know, this is not the first time that Bill has been recommended. He was part of starred/recommended Summary of Candidates that I submitted to the City Council on February 17, 2022. (attached)

At that February 17th, 2022 Meeting: "Councilmember Beckman moved to appoint Bill Jonson. The motion was duly seconded and failed with the following vote: Ayes: 2 - Councilmember Beckman and Councilmember Bunker Nays: 3 - Mayor Hibbard, Vice Mayor Hamilton and Councilmember Allbritton."

Councilman Allbritton ... recognizing your business acumen and your awareness of Bill's professional and volunteer "attention to detail," I trust that your previous February 17th, 2022 vote will not be repeated.

Councilwoman Teixeira ... recognizing your commitment to meet the needs of all Clearwater citizens and your championing of inclusion, diversity, I trust that your vote tonight will be a "YES" for Bill.

Council ... with acknowledgement of your 24/7 service to all of us and with gratitude I remain,
Christine/Chris Michalek ...
855 Bayway Blvd. #707

Clearwater Beach, Florida 33767
214-923-6549

On Aug 21, 2023, at 11:10 AM, RudyChris Michalek <rudy.chris@icloud.com> wrote:

Good Morning Mayor Aungst and Council Members Allbritton, Beckman, Bunker and Teixeira,

It has come to my attention that Bill Jonson has applied as a Candidate to serve on the Community Development Board (CDB.)

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Additionally, Bill has oftentimes spoken with expertise on behalf of neighborhoods before the CDB as his broad scope of knowledge regarding the Municipal Code and Beach by Design directives is outstanding.

With that information, I am writing to ask that he is nominated and that he receives a full Council "YES" vote toward his appointment to the CDB.

With ongoing appreciation for what you do and will continue to do,
Christine/Chris Michalek ...
Clearwater Point
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214-923-6549

P.S. Some of you may recall that for the past few years, I have provided a Summary of CDB Candidates which supports the Community Development Code Section 5-202: "*the city commission shall seek a membership with **diverse economic, social and professional representation.***" Attached is my 2022 Summary. You will note that based on my conversations with several City Activists, we had recommended Bill Jonson's appointment. 🌟

Updated Summary: 2022 Clearwater Community Development Board (CDB) Candidates

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Submitted to the Clearwater City Council for City Council Meeting of February 17, 2022
by Christine/Chris Michalek: Clearwater Point – 855 Bayway Blvd. #707, Clearwater Beach, Florida 33767

CDB Member	Profession Employer	Skills/Expertise	Board Service Involvement	Address Neighborhood Assoc. (serves, is active?)	Other
NEW Paul Bouffard *	Special Agent, Retired US EPA	Criminal Investigator Environmental Crime, Knowledge of Law, Regulations	Neighborhood Watch	421 Palm Island SE, 33767 ISLAND WAY CIVIC ASSOC , active	no Linedin
Andrew Jeffrey Caudell	General Contractor Real Estate D-Mar General Construction		ARC Tampa Bay, Housing Pinellas County	420 Druid Road West, 33756 HARBOR OAKS , active?	spouse former (resigned) CC Member, no Linedin
NEW Michael Englemann *	Engineer Pinellas County Utilities	Engineer: Drinking Water, Waste Water, Public Service	Volunteer: Stem, with Church: Pinellas Hope, Kimberly Home Home	2958 Deer Run S, 33761 COUNTRYSIDE , active?	yes Linedin Environmental Adv Bd, Greenprint 2011
Brenda L. Dallas Griffith	Real Estate Self Employed		Big Brothers/Sisters	2055 Wilson Blvd., 33755 EDGEWATER , not active	no Linedin
NEW Audrey Haudricourt	Engineer McKim & Creed		Work w/City as EOR	5111 IslandWay 1005, 33767 ISLAND WAY CIVIC ASSOC , active	no Linedin
NEW Andrew Hupp	Real Estate Developer One Oak Development	35yrs Real Estate, Development, Appraiser	Non-Profit Charities Financial Support	745 Bay Esplanade, 33767 (NORTH) BEACH ASSOC , active	yes, Linedin
David Jaye	Real Estate, Purser Employer: United Airlines	Prior to Clearwater, In Past 2010 Service on Economic Advisory Board	Pres Landlord Link LLC Big Brothers/Sisters Pinellas Hope, Realtors Organization	2856 Shady Oak Ct, 33761 NO ASSOCIATION	yes Linedin
William C. Jonson *	Former Clearwater Councilmember & Project Manager Employer: Retired	Knowledge of Clearwater Municipal Code	Served Clearwater Code Enforcement Task Force, VP Clearwater Neighborhoods Coalition	2694 Redford Ct W., 33761 COUNTRYSIDE , active	yes Linedin, accel, myclearwater
Travis Norton	Community Relations Employer: Pinellas Realtor Organization	Understanding of housing historic designation	Clearwater Rotary, Pinellas Opportunity Council, Clearwater Chamber	310 Kerry Dr., 33765, DREW, E of HERCULES , active	Question re: service Airport Adv Board, serving now ? yes Linedin
NEW Justin Perrino	Commercial Construction Walbridge		Pinellas County School Mentor, Youth County Home Construction	911 Alameda Ave. 33759 DEL ORO , active?	yes, Linedin
Nicholas West	Political Analyst Employer: FL R Party o	Affordable Housing		111 N. Nimbus Ave., 33765 SKYCREST , not active	no Linedin, applied for several Clearwater Brds
Andrew Winkler	Financial Advisor, Employer: Bank of America	Financial Planning, Retirement Benefits	Previous Board Member Amplify Clearwater Chamber, Little League Countryside	2921 Meadow Wood Drive, 33761 NORTH COUNTRYSIDE , active?	Currently serving on Amplify Board yes Linedin
Bruce Rector	Corporate General Counsel Employer: Sports Facilities Companies		VP Beach Assoc., was on Marine Aquarium Board, Clearwater Charter Review 2018	800 S. Gulfview Blvd., #303, 33767 CLEARWATER POINT , not active	Currently is Chair and serving 1st term Parks & Rec Board to 7/31/24) no Linedin

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Cc: Call, Rosemarie; Poirrier, Jennifer
Subject: Community Development Board

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It recently came to my attention that there are 2 vacancies on the Clearwater Community Development Board, and that William C. "Bill" Jonson has submitted an application to join the CDB.

I believe there are few - if any - residents of Clearwater who would bring as much knowledge, experience and wisdom to the CDB as Bill would do.

I write today as an interested Clearwater resident and property owner to provide my endorsement of Bill Jonson for appointment to the Clearwater Community Development Board.

Thank you in advance for making time to consider my views.

Dennis McDermott
1726 Lakeview Rd, Clearwater
(727) 542-6302