

Item # 2

AGENDA DATE: 01/18/17

SUPPLEMENTAL # 1

From: D. Muirhead [mailto:doug.muirhead@stanfordalumni.org]
Sent: Monday, January 16, 2017 8:38 PM
To: Angie Gonzalez; Michelle Wilson
Subject: Morgan Hill City Council Meeting January 18, 2017 Closed Session: City Mgr and #2: Council Vacancy

Dear Morgan Hill City Council,
Comments for the Public Record submitted by Doug Muirhead, a resident of Morgan Hill, for:

Morgan Hill City Council
Meeting January 18, 2017
Item Closed Session: City Manager Eval
Item #2: Fill City Council Vacancy

Item Closed Session: City Manager Eval

The City Manager establishes the standard for transparency of City Government. Some agencies, as part of the process, publish a calendar of recurring reports.

- a) At the Council meeting on October 07, 2015, you expanded the scope of signature authority for the City Manager. Several Council members asked that a Best Practice of the County Board of Supervisors, to have a quarterly written report of how that authority was exercised, be a part of this new authority. No such report has been provided.
- b) At the Council meeting on August 24, 2016, you received a Development Services audit that included 160 recommendations, grouped into six key areas (53 priority number one recommendations, 82 priority number two recommendations and 25 priority number three recommendations). The report said that the #1 Opportunity for Improvement was:

Agree on an implementation plan

Unfortunately, Next Steps lacked any specificity:

Implementation of the multiple service enhancements described above will continue.

To ensure visible progress, Council Member Carr asked for a status report every three months.

No such report has been provided.

A new year. A re-invigorated Council. How about direction to the City Manager to renew and strengthen our transparency efforts.

Item #2: Fill City Council Vacancy

Of the many ways you can evaluate the candidates, I would like you to look at whether you are building on strengths the Council already has, or whether you are adding new skill sets. I am in favor of expansion.

And to that end I am in favor of appointing Caitlin Jachimowicz.

I usually see Ms. Jachimowicz up on the dais at the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Commission. Her questions seek clarity. Her suggestions are to constantly improve a very good organization (County Parks). Many of our residents have expressed a strong desire for open space, trails, and parks. We share some common challenges with County Parks. And we will benefit from having a person who has regional perspective and experience.

Just as the City Council does not run the City Enterprise, the County PRC is advisory to the Board of Supervisors.

Other applicants have touted their executive experience, perhaps not understanding that this position is not a superior/subordinate relationship.

Thank you for your consideration,
Doug Muirhead, Morgan Hill

From: Lita Hall [mailto:litahall@charter.net]

Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 3:41 PM

To: Michelle Wilson

Subject: Morgan Hill Times

Importance: High

Dear Michelle:

I am very concerned with the article in the Morgan Hill times about Caitlin Jackimowicz, who lists her most important qualification as being

a native of Morgan Hill. Education, experience, social skills, vision, ability to speak and understand the nature of the job should

be more important than where you were born. Where you were born doesn't qualify you for anything. There are many incompetent

and competent people being born everywhere. I love Morgan Hill with a passion and I hope that you select the most qualified

individual for the job.

Thank you for listening to me,

Lita Hall

From: Victoria Attanasio [mailto:victoria@serenogroup.com]

Sent: Monday, January 16, 2017 10:03 AM

To: Michelle Wilson

Subject: Danielle Davenport for City Council

Dear Michelle,

We have been a residents of Morgan Hill for over 16 years and we are excited about the potential for a new direction with the City Council. I have known Danielle Davenport as a friend and professionally for over 10 years. She has always been very involved in the community and is deeply concerned about the plan for a thriving future. Danielle is a big picture thinker, she has the ability to anticipate growth opportunities and also challenges.

Danielle, having experienced corporate relocation herself and the challenges with getting settled, is intent on reaching out to new neighbors and residents and helping them become familiar with all that our city has to offer. She has great knowledge of our education system and has been helpful to other parents as they get their children situated in schools after moving to the area. Her inclusive welcoming nature makes her an excellent example of Morgan Hill's values and vision.

She doesn't hesitate to get involved when there is a community member in trouble or perhaps if a community member is not upholding values of decency and respect for all.

Danielle mobilized all of her friends and colleagues when there was a serious case of animal abuse in our city and the result of her actions and the actions of a wonderful Horse Rescue (ERC) is that the horses were saved and the tenant farmer was found guilty of abuse and brought to justice. I would not have even been aware if she had not called me, this did not appear in any newspapers until she brought it to light for many of us who will not stand for that activity in our community.

If you spend 5 minutes talking to her you get a sense of her commitment and passion. She strives for a better future for the children in our community and for her fellow citizens. She is focused on long range sustainable progress. Danielle also has a never quit approach to everything in her life, which is apparent in her non-profit work.

We strongly support Danielle Davenport's appointment to city council. For myself and my husband, her kind of energy would definitely inspire us to become more involved in supporting city council efforts and give us a great sense of confidence in the possibilities for the future of Morgan Hill. This is a small town with abundant opportunity but growth needs to happen in the right way, Danielle gets that and I hope you do as well.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Victoria and Gino Attanasio

-----Original Message-----

From: Ellen Vargas-Prokey [mailto:ellendevargas@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 8:15 AM

To: Michelle Wilson

Subject: City council appointments

Council Members,

I have read the article in MH Times and I have a concern that if you appoint Caitlin Jachimowicz you are sending the community a message that you also agree the most important qualification for Council is "growing up in Morgan Hill". Her statement of "She grew up in Morgan Hill, and cited this background as her "most important qualification" for serving on the council."

Ellen Prokey

Best day ever!

From: ramipatel20@yahoo.com [mailto:ramipatel20@yahoo.com]

Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 7:59 AM

To: Michelle Wilson

Subject: Watched Council Appointment Videos

Hello,

Michelle, please confirm this will arrive on the Council members desks.

I was born in India and am a new resident to Morgan Hill. I only rent but hope to purchase a home here. I want to someday run for Council and be part of our City.

I was deeply troubled when I watched the Council Appointments and I heard Caitlin Jachimowicz mention that the "most important qualification" for serving on the council is growing up in Morgan Hill.

I was more worried when I saw that she received 3 votes. This must mean that you, as our elected officials believe the same.

I am not sure of how many people grew up here, but there must be just as many who have relocated to this region and care for it as much as the natives.

I am not sure if you will read this - but I want my Council to represent everyone and make everyone to feel equal and worthy of living here.

R. Patel,

Morgan Hill Resident

BS Engineering

MS Public Administration

From: Danielle Davenport [<mailto:davenport2lydford@gmail.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 9:52 AM

To: Michelle Wilson; marycox555@gmail.com

Subject: Letter of support Danielle Davenport

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mary Cox <marycox555@gmail.com>

Date: January 17, 2017 at 9:46:10 AM PST

To: Danielle <davenport2lydford@gmail.com>

Subject: We want you!

Danielle, I have great hopes for your selection tonight for the vacant city council seat. You have such good background and would be a tremendous asset to our city council team. All of my positive thoughts and energy are with you!

Go Danielle!

Mary

Cox

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