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**Re: 1/10/17 Board of Supervisors, Closed Session Item #30, File #17-0025, Appoint of Director of Community Development Agency**

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Mon, Jan 9, 2017 at 5:01 PM

To: Jim Mitrison <jim.mitrison@edcgov.us>, Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

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Thank you for your consideration,  
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We appreciate your efforts to improve the relationships between the public and the County, and also within the County itself.

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