

Public Comment #44+6

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8/24/21 BOS Consent Items #4 & #6 - Public Comments

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Please ensure the entirety of this correspondence is entered into the corresponding Consent items #4 & #6.

I am addressing Consent Item #4 where the CAO is recommending the BOS approve a \$400/month step increase for Clerk of the Board Kim Dawson, and Consent Item #6 – the adoption of changes to the Good Governance Handbook. The strategic goal of the Good Governance Handbook states: Achieving the best possible process for making & implementing decisions; characterized by honesty, integrity, accountability, transparency, responsiveness, equitability, inclusion, effectiveness, efficiency and following the rule of law.

On multiple occasions the BOS has been apprised that Ms. Dawson has violated the Brown Act Rights of the Public and her oaths of office. In so doing she has violated her oaths of office, nor did she demonstrate the aforementioned Good Governance characteristics and the Core Values of Accountability, Collaboration, Integrity, and Service Excellence.

Recently you were apprised that Ms. Dawson has colluded with county staff to deprive me of Public Record Act requests for information. In particular, the most recent PRA (# P003410-072821) that was initially made on July 8th and was due no later than July 21st. When I didn't receive a response, on July 27th I again asked to obtain the following documents via email:

- 1. All correspondence between county officials and Lori and Sam Parlin pertaining to Kniesel's Auto Body noise violations, harassment, and retaliation for the period between January 1, 2017 through the present date of this PRA.
- 2. Documentation indicating whether this specific noise issue was resolved with or without the expense of the Parlin's hiring an acoustical consultant. If it has not yet been resolved, please so state immediately.
- 3. All policies, resolutions, and ordinances with reference to the county's newest requirement for citizens to obtain an "acoustical noise consultant" to mitigate excessive noise issues and other SUP violations.

Although the County of El Dorado claims to be "dedicated and responsive to our community", Ms. Dawson fraudulently forwarded 31 pdf documents on August 13th and on August 16th that were UNRESPONSIVE to my PRA. The documents she forwarded were all duplicates of my own emails indicating the county's flagrant mockery of citizen's rights to access California Public Record Act requests.

Consequently I demanded that Kim Dawson, **immediately** identify the specific person who gave her the directive to convey the aforementioned emails: Was it Tiffany Schmid, Lori Parlin, CAO Don Ashton, or

County Counsel?

Once again Ms. Dawson failed to respond to my inquiry as required by law, thus she demonstrated that the county has something to hide.

The First Amendment guarantees the Right of free speech and the Right to petition government for redress of grievances, which, the oath taker, pursuant to her oath, is mandated to uphold. If she fails this requirement, then she has violated two provisions of the First Amendment, the Public Trust and perjured her oath. By not responding, the oath taker denies the Citizen remedy, thus I was denied constitutional due process of law, as stated within the Bill of Rights. Ms. Dawson deliberately violated these First Amendment guarantees with the full knowledge and blessing of the CAO, BOS, and county counsel, thereby making you all complicit and liable for aiding and abetting her unlawful actions.

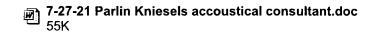
Therefore the BOS would be remiss in their fiduciary responsibilities to reward Ms. Dawson with a salary increase for violating the public trust and her oaths. At the very least Ms. Dawson should be reprimanded and sternly disciplined.

If you have any questions or comments, please make them now. Hearing none, your silence is your acquiescence.

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~ By identifying the people's sovereign will not with its latest but its oldest expression, the Framers succeeded in identifying the people's authority with the Constitution, not with the statutory law made by their representatives. ~



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July 27, 2021

To: Supervisors Districts #1, #2, #3, #4 & #5
EDC Clerk to the Board
CAO Don Ashton
Planning/Code Enforcement Director Tiffany Schmid

CA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST

On 7/8/21 I submitted a PRA that was due 7/21 but I have not yet received a response as required by law regarding the excessive noise issues pertaining to Supervisor Lori Parlin's noise battle with Kniesel's Auto Body adjacent to her home in Shingle Springs: While you are at it, I'd also like to know if Code Enforcement made the same demands of Supervisor Lori Parlin to enlist the services of an acoustical consultant to substantiate the noise emanating from Kniesel's Auto Body, and whether or not the nuisance noise issue was resolved with or without a consultant. FYI, it is my understanding that Code Enforcement retaliated against Lori and Sam Parlin by sending them a notice to bring one of their outbuildings into compliance with county ordinances.

Therefore, pursuant to my rights under the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.), I again ask to obtain the following documents via email:

- 1. All correspondence between county officials and Lori and Sam Parlin pertaining to the above Kniesel's Auto Body noise violations, harassment, and retaliation for the period between **January 1, 2017** through the present date of this PRA.
- 2. Documentation indicating whether this specific noise issue was resolved with or without the expense of the Parlin's hiring an acoustical consultant. If it has not yet been resolved, please so state immediately.
- 3. All policies, resolutions, and ordinances with reference to the county's newest requirement for citizens to obtain an "acoustical noise consultant" to mitigate excessive noise issues and other SUP violations.

The agency must justify the withholding of any record by demonstrating that the record is exempt or that the public interest in confidentiality outweighs the public interest in disclosure. (§6255) If you determine that some but not all of the information is exempt from disclosure and that you intend to withhold it, I ask that you provide a signed notification citing the specific legal authorities on whom you rely.

To avoid unnecessary delays or costs of duplication, electronic copies are acceptable and may be emailed directly to <u>melody.lane@reagan.com</u> in pdf format. Access is always free. Fees for "inspection" or "processing" are prohibited. (§ 6253)

It is further requested that your determination be made within 10 days, or sooner, as stipulated within the California Public Records Act, Government Code 6253(c). *Note these time periods may not be used solely to delay access to the records. (§ 6253(d)) The law makes no provision for extensions due to Covid-19.

Please do not hesitate to contact me immediately if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Melody Lane

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