



PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Meeting Date: May 11, 2021

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: for the meeting May 11 - not on the agenda items
Date: Thursday, May 6, 2021 10:44:10 AM

Tomas Sowell said, "one of the scariest things about our times now, is how easy it is to scare people and start a political stampede. The pack will get us angry or envious at others and we will surrender our freedom".

Martin Luther King said " I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. All other interpretations are false and alarming. Life is about learning and accepting all and everyone one of us. He also said "TRUTH CRUSHED TO EARTH WILL

”
RISE AGAIN .

Jordan Peterson teaches "An antidote to your unhappiness is to take on more positive responsibility. If you want deep meaning in your lives that is the key".

This division is not good for our town or our world.

Respectfully Terri Couture

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Justice Vanguard abuse
Date: Friday, May 7, 2021 12:12:20 PM

Please take whatever steps necessary to put a stop to the nonsense being promulgated by “Justice Vanguard.”

There is no place in our system for persecution of a duly elected councilperson.

Given that these JV people are enthusiastic supporters of the BLM organization, which was founded by self-admitted Marxists, that fact should be acknowledged by the Council and considered when dealing with them.

I have no idea why there is a lot of recent publicity talking about anti-Asian hate and violence, but perhaps the Council might take a look at that aspect of the JV behavior as well.

Thank You,

Richard Blanding

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: JV / Lynette Lee Eng
Date: Monday, May 10, 2021 10:48:45 AM

It time to put a side and move on with the important issues our City Council has to deal with. The above controversy should be considered over and done with. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anthony Iantosca
1610 Ben Roe Drive



May 7, 2021

Los Altos City Council
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Re: Dispute involving Council Member Lee Eng and Kenan Moos

Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor and Council Members:

There is something we can all hopefully agree upon concerning the dispute between Council Member Lynette Lee Eng and Kenan Moos: these are two people who feel that injustices have been done to them and both are hurting. They also have at least one thing in common: they are members of minority groups in our community, and they seek justice and equality for all minorities. Both want an end to discrimination, racial incidents and hate crimes.

Each of them agreed to confidential mediation, however a question has now arisen regarding Mr. Moos' sincerity in view of his quote in the April 29th Daily Post. Mr. Moos stated, *"The only thing I was going to ask for was a resignation, which, come on, we all knew that wasn't going to happen."* His quote would lead one to believe that Mr. Moos is not open to any resolution other than Council Member Lee Eng's resignation. That is **not** how mediation works. Confidential mediation is meant to help the parties find a resolution to a dispute through **compromise**.

We agree with Vice Mayor Anita Enander who stated at the April 27th Council Meeting, *“This matter is between two parties. Their best chance of resolving the matter is through mediation ... Much of what the mayor said goes to the heart of the problem; and that is people interpreting another party’s behavior based on perhaps a different life experience or a different expectation of behavior.”* We also agree with Vice Mayor Enander’s assessment of the Council’s role in the dispute. She said, *“I do not believe that this Council has a role to play in resolving that [the dispute] other than to support the parties in such an activity,”* [referring specifically to mediation].

We are disappointed that Mayor Fligor continues to allow callers to violate Council Norms by making rude and insulting statements when calling in during Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda. [**Council Norms, Section 13. Decorum.** Section 13.1 **Councilmembers shall accord the utmost courtesy to each other, City employees, and the public appearing before the City Council.** When speaking, a Councilmember’s tone should remain neutral and non-verbal communication aspects should be considerate and polite. **Section 13.3 Public. Members of the public attending City Council meetings shall observe the same rules of order and decorum applicable to the City Council.**] For example, at the April 27th Council Meeting, Mr. Moos’ response to Council Member Lee Eng’s statement turned into a personal attack on her. He said, *“What is the point of having mediation with someone who comes in and makes a statement now five months later like this? **Disgusting and absolutely appalling**, and the same goes for the people calling in to support you.”* In addition, he has on at least two occasions shouted the word **“Bullshit”** during his Public Comments. Allowing such rude and profane comments by a member of the public and that are directed to a Councilmember during the Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda portion of a Council Meeting is a clear abdication by current Mayor Fligor of her duty to enforce the Council Norms and require the public to treat Councilmembers with the utmost courtesy [see Rosenberg’s Rules of Order, Courtesy and Decorum, page 7, integrated into Council Norms].

It is time to take this dispute offline in order for any hope for a resolution to prevail. The Mayor and the other Council Members must work to achieve a resolution without taking sides in the dispute and without diminishing the contributions of or the authenticity of the feelings and reactions of either party.

Respectfully,

Freddie Wheeler

Jim Jolly

Steering Committee

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From: [David Roode](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Cc: [David Roode](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA NON-AGENDA TOPICS MAY 11, 2021
Date: Friday, May 7, 2021 6:56:19 PM

I would like to make an observation on the spate of public comments objecting to the way Kenan Moos was treated or defending the way Council Member Lee Eng informed the public at one particular meeting back in November.

The misimpression that was created may or may not have been intentional.
The council member may or may not have been worried about the info she received by reading texts during the meeting, contrary to council norms.
That's all really irrelevant to what people are asking the council to do, as I see it.

I would like to see the council adopt a resolution apologizing officially to Kenan Moos and to us all for the reactions of the council members in accepting the idea that there were threats of violence coming from the public.
You had all little good information, so it's understandable, but it seems to me past time for an official apology.

I would hope that this would do some good, to apologize. What concerns me most is the people commenting in ways that WORSEN the damage done to Kenan Moos. I see it as irrelevant whether or not the council member creating the misimpression was too worried to focus on message. What was said was said.

Thank you.

From: [Bill Hough](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Andrea Chelemengos](#); [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public comment on items not on the 5/11 agenda
Date: Saturday, May 8, 2021 2:01:11 PM

I must email the Council once again because enemies of Council Member Lee Eng continue to poison discourse by continuing to harp on an issue from half a year ago. I am tired of having to comment, but I am not the one keeping this issue alive. For those who do not know, Lee Eng is being pressured to resign because she was disturbed by the text messages she received, which can be interpreted as threatening. As I said at the time, she should not resign.

For the thousandth time, I must state the obvious: Lee Eng's enemies continue to beat this dead horse even though the council adopted a resolution denouncing ongoing Anti-Asian Sentiment and Violence Against Asian American Community Members. Since passing a resolution did nothing to resolve the issue, I suspect that city-wide anti bias training would be useless. One must ask the question: are there racist motives that are keeping this issue alive? What else could it be? I would appreciate an explanation.

We must recall Lee Eng's enemies have fabricated the facts: she did not allege anyone threatened her or mention anybody by name. However, she had every right to be concerned by the texts that were sent to her. Although the final text in the series reads, "I just want to be clear, this is in no way a threat of any kind. This is me expressing my disappointment," one has to ask why this statement was necessary if the texts in question were unambiguously **NOT** a threat? Considering recent events around the country, it is reasonable to fear doxxing, vandalism or physical harm. Last year, this happened to the mayors of San Jose and Oakland.

People have fanned the flames by demanding Lee Eng apologize but her enemies need to acknowledge that the texts could be interpreted as a threat. The existence of the final text admits that possibility. Lee Eng should not apologize or resign. Lee Eng's enemies owe the city an apology for keeping this issue alive.

Bill Hough
Los Altos

From: [Mary Glennon](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Support for Ms. Lee Eng
Date: Saturday, May 8, 2021 4:13:06 PM

Ms. Lee Eng has my full support. She is being bullied and harassed by a group that has the sole mission of destroying her.

Justice Vanguard and Kenan Moos owe her an apology for fabricating a false narrative. Show some leadership, and demand the racist attacks on Ms. Lee Eng end. We all know Kenan Moos is not interested in civil discourse, but just wants to get his way, and thinks if he yells louder, he can win. Please, prove him wrong! Ms. Lee Eng has done NOTHING wrong, and catering to his phony attempt to smear Ms. Lee

Eng will only flame the fire of Anti-Asian rhetoric. If you don't stand up against this onslaught, you may be next, and there will be no one to stand up for you.

Sincerely,

Mary Glennon

From: [Celia House](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Support for Ms. Lee Eng
Date: Saturday, May 8, 2021 7:27:30 PM

Dear Los Altos City Council Members:

I am outraged to hear of recent events where Justice Vanguard and Kenan Moos are able to perpetuate lies and harass a council member Ms. Lee Eng. Their methods are unethical, discriminatory, and hateful.

Stand up for Ms. Lee Eng and demand a full-stop to these baseless attacks against her. People who disagree with policies need to come prepared with facts and in a spirit of problem-solving, not use bully tactics laced with threats to displace her.

You have the power to stop anti-Asian attacks. Use your power wisely.

Celia Liu House
California voter in nearby Cupertino
Community organizer with friends in Los Altos

To Los Altos City Council:

We are writing to protest the treatment of your fellow councilwoman Lynette Lee Eng over her apparent failure to vote the way a college student (whom she had reportedly previously been in discussions with) had expected her to vote.

Lee Eng has been misquoted, called “unfit” by the young man at the heart of this and a “liar” by his mother. Members of his organization have stated that “they know” some who voted for her are “racists” inferring that Lee Eng is racist. Where is the proof? She has been heavily criticized for not engaging in this war of words by way of an apology.

Well, we listened carefully to what Lee Eng said at the November 2020 council meeting. We didn’t hear her name-call or make any accusations. What we heard was her expression of legitimate concern for the safety of her family, perfectly understandable in a year of unprecedented attacks on people of Asian descent. This was based on texts that she was receiving in real time during the council meeting from the young man and his followers.

Please, Mayor Fligor and council, show your fellow council member the respect she deserves and you would wish to receive by putting an end to this now and get on with the business of running the city.

Respectfully,

Kathleen and Roland Dow