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Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2014 1:44 PM
To: Francisco Zermeno - Forward
Cc: Michael Sweeney; Greg Jones; Barbara Halliday; Mark Salinas; Marvin Peixoto; Al Mendall; CityClerk
Subject: funds for unworthy agencies

Dear Councilmember Zermeno,

I would like to encourage you not to follow through with your motion proposed at the last Council meeting. To find funds for an agency that has disregarded the funding process and ignored the help given repeatedly by city staff appears to be just plain favoritism. It says, to me, that ALL others need not apply unless they get into a Councilmembers' pockets. Especially at an election time it sends another message.

The CSC Commissioners did not ignore this agency. This agency has been late against deadlines and incomplete fillings 10 and another 18 times, per City staff. This is not a new agency with unfamiliar staff and volunteers. They are seasoned veterans in the fight against hunger and homelessness. This agency has been in the past a funding approved agency. We voted together to give this agency what we could so as to give them something to continue their work, as per guidelines, while funding other deserving agencies. Every deserving agency, and many are fighting, working and succeeding against an uphill battles has met the funding processes. Which one of them do you recommend we deny?

Are you sending the message that all can apply, meet some or no deadlines or rules and you will give them what they want? If you are then I will be the first to plant a NO MORE taxes, or bonds or fees or GENERALS FUNDS for Hayward City Council without FAIR AND EQUABLE REPRESENTATION and a CLEAR and EXACTING WHERE THE MONEY CAN BE SPENT, because then it will be your choice and not a fair and clear process.

This agency does not deserve more money, it needs to get its act together and the community it serves needs to know where the fault lays. Will you be willing to make this clear?

Sincerely,

Peggy L. Guernsey
CSC Commissioner
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Councilmember Zermeno, I want you to know that I am using your personal(?) email address because when I copied your email from the City website my email would not recognize it as valid.