

Item 9B, Complaint vs. Councilmember Melinda Orbach

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Dear Mayor Clarke and Councilmembers-

Thank you so much for your service! Relative to Item 9B, I hear, and I believe, Councilmember Melinda Orbach when she says that she was concerned for herself and her family. I also hear, and I believe, her when she says that naming the individual at a Council meeting was a mistake. She has taken steps towards mediation, and therefore I would encourage the City Council to dismiss the complaint against her. As the late great Robert Hunter wrote, "The ABCs we all must face, try to keep a little grace." Councilmember Orbach indeed has.

In gratitude,

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