

From: [David Shapiro](#)
To: [Clerk](#)
Subject: Public Comment Item #17
Date: Monday, April 17, 2023 6:33:29 PM

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Thank you for making this forum available for comment on Item #17.

I strongly support affordable housing and the treatment of Kylie Clark was inexcusable in our society today.

People of all races, genders, political beliefs, and religions(or lack thereof) are needed in every community including the town of Los Gatos.

As someone who lived in Los Gatos for over 20 years, I benefited from all the town has to offer it's a shame to turn a blind eye to those of low to moderate income.

Sincerely,

David Shapiro.

From: [Susie Berg](#)
To: [Clerk](#)
Subject: Public Comment Item #17
Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 5:52:51 AM

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Pointing out the fact that we are white is not racist, it's fact. Racism is about using skin color to determine power and worth in a hierarchical system. When we don't name it, we allow that power to go unchecked. Since white people, men in particular, are at the top of that system, one cannot be racist against them. One can show prejudice, or use stereotypes, but racism is about power. Whiteness demonstrates power in the United States. And every one of us knows it.

Naming ourselves is the work that all of us white people should be doing so that we can move toward communities where all voices are allowed to be heard and where power is shared to make communities more connected for all.

Please reinstate Ms Clark in her position and allow for the thoughtful growth and change that the community needs.

Thank you,
Susie Berg

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Susie Berg (she/her)



From: [Patti van der Burg](#)
To: [Clerk](#)
Subject: Kylie Clark
Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 7:02:22 AM

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Hello Town Council-

Thank you all for serving out town.

I'd like to register my support of Kylie Clark. I am surprised at the way some on the council handled their disagreement with her right to free speech. The public shaming wasn't right and not a proud moment for Los Gatos. The censure should absolutely be removed.

It's important to understand: those who study racism have noted that pointing out systemic racism is not racist.

I have grown to understand the housing issue more in the last year and have personally changed from being pro low-density to pro affordable housing (which requires higher density).

I applaud her courage and forward thinking, and am glad she is working on the housing crisis our region is facing. We can't lament the regional housing crisis yet not want anything done in our town about it.

I feel represented by her. Bravo Kylie!

Sincerely,
Patti van der Burg
LG resident

From: [Beth Figuera](#)
To: [Clerk](#)
Subject: Public comment item #17 / In support of Kylie Clark
Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 10:14:33 AM

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