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Subject: Town Council Meeting 4-18-23 Item 17

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Dear Ms. Wood, please include this in the packet for the Council meeting of 4-18-23.

We take issue with the statement that Ms Clark made that she was speaking as a citizen, not as a Planning Commissioner.

In her last paragraph, she says the following:

“I wanted to make y’all aware of this and to see if you would be able to support our town in any way. **We put a lot of work into our General Plan** and these are very strong elements.”

In this sentence, that is a strong indication that this is a knowledgeable Planning Commissioner speaking. She said “WE” put a lot of work into our General Plan. If she was speaking truly as a citizen and not a commissioner, would she not have said “They”? There were likely to have been no citizens that attended all of the meetings; spoke nor wrote letters at the meetings. “We” were the Planning Commissioners she is referring to.

When you join any commission, you don’t get a “bye” because of your age, your tenure, a slip of the tongue; nor should you get a “bye” due to your friendships on the Council nor the staff. In reviewing the text’s sent by staff, Council, and past Councilmembers, they are undoubtedly sympathetic to Ms. Clark’s wanting the censure removed. But her letter proves she was speaking as a commissioner, not a commissioner speaking as a private citizen.

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