

**WRITTEN
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COMMENT

CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING**

MAY 1, 2024

From: Claudia Snyder <highlandpalmsneighbors@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 9:53 AM
To: Monika Radeva; Records requests
Subject: WRITTEN COMMENTS - Special Meeting 05/01/2024- Claudia Snyder of Highland Palms
- City Officials Must Be Neutral and Unbiased
Attachments: Cole Woods Like to Push Limits to Upset Someone in Neighborhood.pdf

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I am submitting this written comment to remind you that City leaders must be neutral and unbiased in dealing with constituents and to request that Mayor Evans and Councilmembers refrain from publicly making derogatory statements about me and/ or those of us who oppose Mayor Evans's policies.

Per my email to the City on February 11, 2024, I learned that Mayor Evans and Councilmember Fitzpatrick publicly undermined me and other neighbors as liars (in the 12/19/23 City Council meeting) in connection to several incidents involving Mayor Evans's good friend, Lynne Daniels of the Dupont Estate. To reiterate, I have never lied and, in fact, provided corroboration for every one of the statements I have made. Furthermore, per my January 29, 2024 email to Councilmember Fitzpatrick, I have even invited Mayor Evans to point to the alleged "false" statements I have made. To date, I have not received a reply.

As our leader, Mayor Evans exerts considerable influence over staff at City Hall (and, indeed, the entire community). The reputation Mayor Evans has propagated against me has, evidently, trickled down to Code Enforcement officers, such as Mr. Cole Woods, whose perception of me, as documented in Code Enforcement Report # CE-23-1904 is that "[I] like to push the limits to upset someone else in the neighborhood". Mr. Woods's statement is judgemental, unprofessional, and inappropriate - particularly given that Mr. Woods is a complete stranger to me as there has NEVER been any interaction between us (aside from a subsequent email complaint to which I received no reply).

Mayor Evans's good friend, Ms. Daniels, has succeeded in making me a pariah in the eyes of many of the elderly individuals in my neighborhood with whom she cultivates relationships. As clearly illustrated in the complaining individual, Connie Kashkawol's, documented statements in Code Enforcement report #CE-23-1904, it appears that many of my neighbors (like CE Officer Cole Woods), with whom I have NEVER interacted, erroneously believe that I am a gratuitous troublemaker, unapproachable killer, husband-stealer, and even bipolar.

I respectfully request, yet again, of Mayor Evans and her Council that they specify the alleged "false" statements which I have made, so that I may have the opportunity to corroborate and/ or correct these, if necessary.

I also respectfully request that Mayor Evans, Councilmembers and City Staff cease to further publicly undermine me and those of us who dissent.

Claudia Snyder

attachment (CE Report No. CE-23-1904)

Code Enforcement Case: CE-23-1904

Entered on: 10/09/2023 00:00

Printed on: 01/29/2024

Topic: Zoning Status: Closed
 Due Date: 12/13/23 Assigned To: Cole Woods
 Initiated by: Anonymous Area #: 5 HIGHLAND PALMS
 Hearing Date: Hearing Time:

Permit

Permit #: Business name: License #:

Property Location

Occupant Name: Lic: DOB:
 Address: 46450 CAMEO PALMS DR , 92253
 Phone: Cell #:
 APN : 643-182-005

Owner Information

Owner Name: MATTHEW CHRISTOPHER SNYDER; CLAUDIA SNYDER
 Address: 46450 CAMEO PALMS DR
 LA QUINTA, CA 92253
 Phone: Cell #:

Actions

| Action | By | Date | Time | Hours | Note/Observation |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------|----------|-------|--|
| Complaint | Kevin Meredith | 10/09/2023 | 4:38 pm | 0.50 | Request 56241- Anonymous - This property has a large sign about sexual assault facing out to the street. My family was afraid to come into my neighborhood to see me. This neighbor regularly spray-paints graffiti on her garage door, and is now adding to it with another trashy looking sign. Based on the photo submitted by the anonymous r/p, the wolf is considered a holiday decoration related to Halloween per LQMC 9.160.020, and may remain until 21 days after the holiday, November 21, 2023. The sign hanging on the Halloween decoration is a considered a temporary sign per LQMC 9.160.060 and may remain for 45 days from the date observed, November 22, 2023. A Notice of Violation may be sent on or about November 10, 2023 providing a warning and time to remove the decorations and sign. |
| Complaint | Christina Gamez | 10/17/2023 | 2:19 pm | 0.25 | R/P [REDACTED] called and states that there is a billboard in her neighborhood and would like a call back. |
| Phone Call | Cole Woods | 10/18/2023 | 9:23 am | 0.25 | Made contact with [REDACTED] over the phone and informed her that the sign can remain for 45 days so the neighbor will need to remove them by Nov. 22. I explained the LQMC to her and that there was nothing we could do at the time. She said that the neighborhood was amazing until this neighbor moved in and they have created nothing but problems. [REDACTED] said that if the neighbor was normal she would just go and knock on her door but since she's not she's afraid that she'll be shot and killed for just knocking on their door. [REDACTED] said that the sign gives her anxiety every time she goes to her kitchen window, I informed her that we have been dealing with this neighbor for a long time and she likes to push the limits to upset someone else in the neighborhood. She thanked me for the call and said that shes contemplating moving as this neighbor is a terror to everyone. |
| Inspection | Cole Woods | 11/13/2023 | 11:31 am | 0.25 | Upon reinspection, I observed that the Halloween decoration and signs still remain at the property. Will send notice of violation to have the decoration removed by the 21st and the sign removed by the 22nd. |
| Notice of Violation | Cole Woods | 11/13/2023 | 3:01 pm | 0.25 | Incl CC:Yes, Send to (Owner) |
| Complaint | Jose Delgado | 11/17/2023 | 3:58 pm | 0.25 | RP [REDACTED] is reporting the property having a large sign about sexual assault facing the street. States she has company coming next week and that sign bothers her and is embarrassing living in La Quinta. Called RP to inform her that the decoration will need to be removed by the 21st and the signs on the 22nd. |
| Inspection | Cole Woods | 11/22/2023 | 10:35 am | 0.25 | Upon reinspection, I observed that the werewolf has been removed and the sign about sexual assault with it. Property owner has replaced the sign with a new sign stating. "Shame on you! Pasadena tournament of roses" unsure of what that means. Will speak with supervisors on Monday regarding this property. |

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| Note | Cole Woods | 11/27/2023 8:00 am | 0.25 | After discussing with the case with Sup. Meredith I was advised to allow the new sign 45 days from 11/22/2023 which would allow the sign to remain until 1/6/2024. Will recheck 3 weeks after first observance and send another NOV if needed. |
| Inspection | Cole Woods | 12/13/2023 11:26 am | 0.25 | Upon reinspection, I observed that the sign has been removed. No other signs at the property. Case closed. |
| Email | Cole Woods | 12/15/2023 8:23 am | 0.25 | Received notice from CM officer that PO was concerned about my visit and wanted contact. I emailed PO informing them I was only at the property to document the sign was removed so I could close out the call. |
| Other | Kevin Meredith | 01/29/2024 3:00 pm | 0.25 | Due to a PRA Request, the original GoRequest referenced on October 9, 2023 is being attached so it may be provided as part of the PRA. Information forwarded to Records. |

Violations

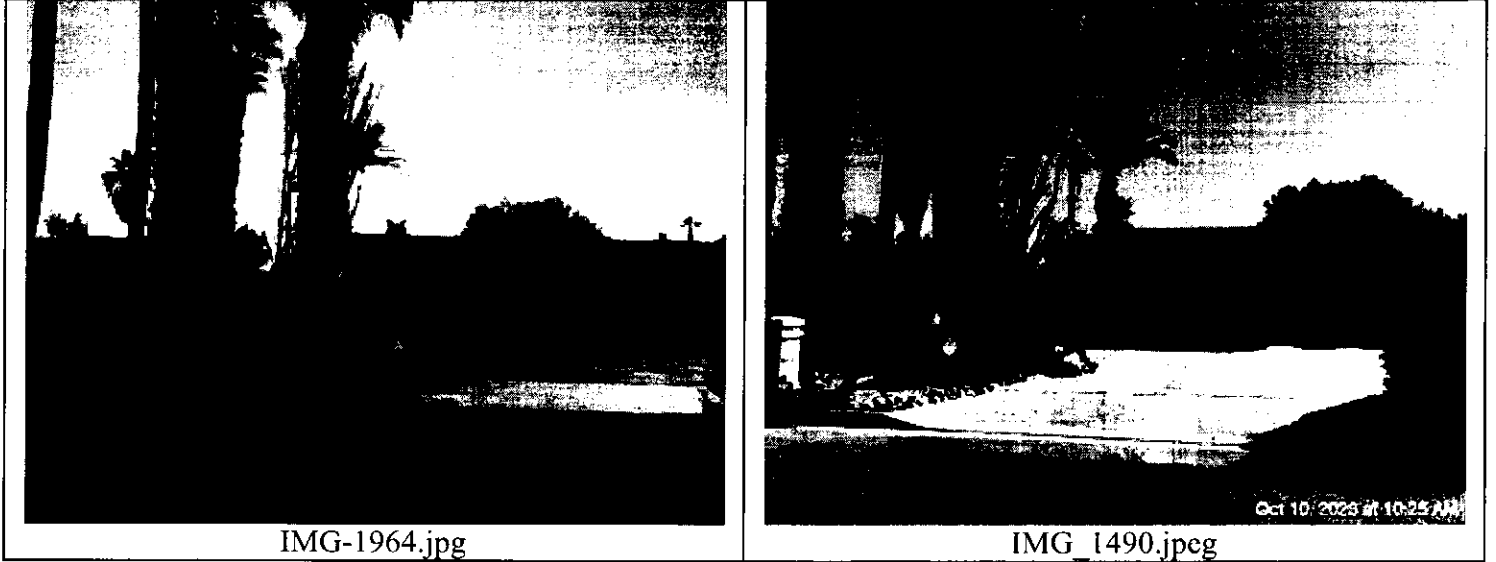
| # | Violation Type | Due Date | Status | Closed Date |
|---|---|------------|--------|-------------|
| 1 | 9.160.020 (A) 7 LQMC - TEMPORARY DECORATIONS Corrections Required:Remove the temporary decorations from public view. | 11/21/2023 | Closed | 11/22/2023 |
| 2 | 9.160.060 (B) LQMC - SIGNS/TEMP/TIME Corrections Required:Remove all signs that are referenced in this code as being in violation. | | Open | |

Inspection Notes

Date: _____ Time: _____

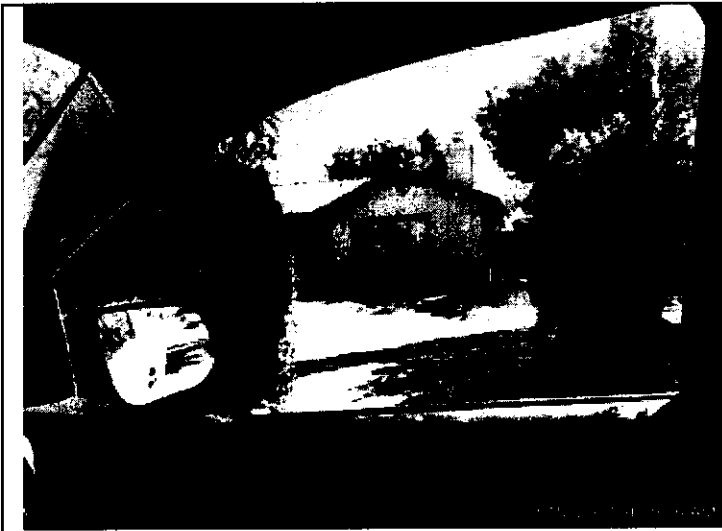
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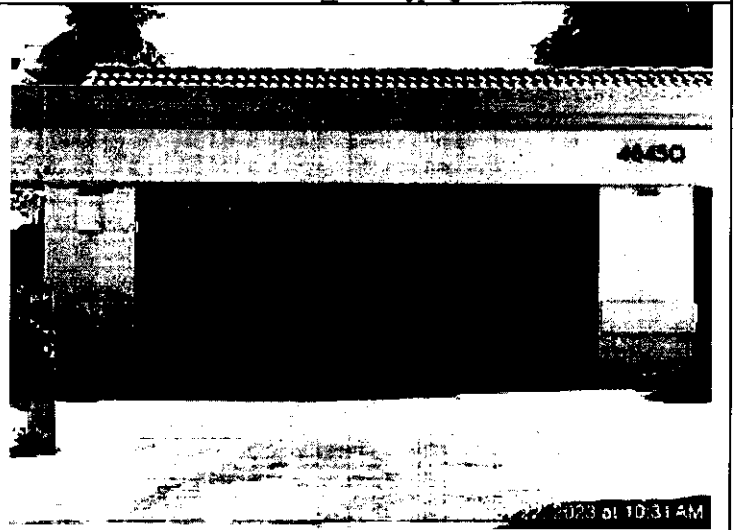
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