

Subject: Public Input

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Dear Acting Mayor Walton,

I must strongly protest your heavy-handed treatment of Ms. Valerie Moller during the Public Input Period of Monday's Council meeting. Ms. Moller should never have been interrupted by you. There was nothing in her commentary that impugned the motives of anyone. Giving her opinion that the proposed development on the Larco Property is a "monstrosity" is perfectly fair and legitimate. Stating that specific information provided at the developer-sponsored meeting was factually inaccurate and misleading is also perfectly legitimate commentary. If a citizen cannot express such opinion and provide factual information to Council in an open forum, then the Public Input Period is completely pointless and otherwise a total waste of time. With all due respect, you owe Ms. Moller an apology.

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