

Beko, Michele

From: Beko, Michele <Michele_Beko@cityoflorain.org>
Sent: Monday, February 17, 2025 1:39 PM
To: Garon Petty
Cc: Bradley, Jack
Subject: RE: Item C of the Board of Control
Attachments: DOC.pdf

Mr. Petty,

In response to your request for records as outlined below, please find the list of payments made to Wickens Herzer Panza regarding Case No. 20CV200713, Lorain County Court of Common Pleas from 03.01.2020 – 02.28.2025 (highlighted in yellow). Should you have any questions, please advise.

Thank you –

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Cc: Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>; Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; Brad Dicken <BDicken@chroniclet.com>; Darryl Tucker <dtucker@morningjournal.com>; Dan Gilles <Dgillescle@gmail.com>; Jackie Conrad <botanist62@hotmail.com>; Dennis Flores <dennisforlorain@gmail.com>; Tom Niewulis <tniewulis@ncdcs.com>; Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>; Brian Ames <bmames00@gmail.com>; William Bobel <bobelectric@gmail.com>; mark campolo <vicchrismic4486@gmail.com>; lcp@lcpProsecutor.org; Lindsay Carr <Lindsay.Carr@OhioAGO.gov>; rebecca kempton <REK5767@aol.com>
Subject: Item C of the Board of Control

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To whoever has the Public Records in Lorain government,

Please send me by 149.43 ORC the Total amount of money paid to Wickens, Herzer and Panza

Law firm for services in case # 20cv200713 Lorain Common Pleas, from March of 2020 until the present by the city of Lorain.

Agenda
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Thank you ,
Garon Petty

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 12:02 AM
To: Jon Morrow; Kirsten Hill; Garon Petty; Aaron Knapp; Jeanne Petty; Michael Scherach; Mark Campolo; Brian Sarvas; Timothy Joseph Gargasz; Mike Gargasz; andrewgargasz; Elizabeth Sauer; Anne Olsen; Pauline Sherry; Maggie Kent; Kate Zvara; M. Elissa Cachon; Wanda Gargasz; Joseph Gargasz; Robby Zsigray; Barb DeFelice; Edward Chavez; Janice Gargasz; Dan Plow; Kathy Cucco; Mike Campolo; James Ohliger; William. Bill Poplar; Don Killinger; Wendy Ohliger; Terry and Marie Hall; Jim Dowdell; Chuck Butterfield; Tom Niewulis; Thomas Hach; KRAUS STEVEN W; Aaron Knapp; Brian Massie; Mike Witte; Deb Chavez; Jim Kramer; David Yost AG; Helmuth Chamale; Kyriecce Brooks; Kathryn Kennedy; Peter Tower; Jennifer Scott-Wasilk; Jessie Tower; kirsten@totallyengagedamericans.org Hill; Tony Cillo; Jack Bradley; Joel Arredondo; David david@yesce.com Moore; jfr_74@hotmail.com Jeff Riddel; Patrick Riley; Rey Carrion; Don Zaleski; Teresa Upton; Joe K Auditor; Jack M. Hall; Jacob Morris
Cc: Jacob Morris; Chief McCann; Thomas Hach; Tom Zawistowski; Brian Massie
Subject: Fwd: Cuyahoga Falls Residents Need Your Help

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From: Ohio Stands Up! <info@ohiostandsup.org>
Date: February 17, 2025 at 9:53:01 PM EST
To: Robert Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Subject: Cuyahoga Falls Residents Need Your Help
Reply-To: info@ohiostandsup.org

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Ohio Stands Up!



Cuyahoga Falls Residents File Lawsuit Over Forced Smart Meter Installation Need Your Help!

Attention Ohio Stands Up! supporters. We hope this email finds you well. Mendenhall Law has several litigation efforts in process thanks to your previous donations! Although it has been a very long process, we have seen some positive rulings. In fact, his firm just had a huge win against Option Care Enterprises for firing an employee that refused testing and shot mandates. This is a great victory with positive precedent!

“We believe it is our duty and privilege to protect our fundamental liberties while demanding our elected leaders be held accountable and be shown they cannot act with impunity for their tyrannical and corrupt behavior. We are united in our common goal to stand against continued violations of our Constitutional freedoms, while working to restore those freedoms from which we have been deprived.” Many of our local elected officials are in violation of this, so we believe this next lawsuit is worth filing. Although not COVID related, it is still relevant to our mission. The residents of Cuyahoga Falls would like to launch a legal challenge with the city over the FORCED installation of smart water and electric meters without informed consent or opt-out provisions. If you are unfamiliar with the potential risks of these devices, please view the recently recorded video hosted by attorneys Warner Mendenhall and Jensen Silvis, and Ohio Stands Up! The citizens in Streetsboro, who filed a similar lawsuit, have seen success in their case so far, and were able to obtain a TRO (temporary restraining order) granted to immediately stop the installation of smart water meters. Their case is still ongoing. The residents of Cuyahoga Falls will be retaining the same law firm and need your help! Unfortunately, these

municipalities are not granting any opt out options and instead will be shutting off residents' utilities who refuse to comply.

Starting today, for the next four weeks, all donations made to Ohio Stands Up! will be applied to this lawsuit. In turn, Ohio Stands Up! will match the amount of funds that are donated by you. Ohio Stands Up! is hoping to set a good precedent in this matter, as the agenda for forced smart meters will reach all corners of Ohio. We understand many of you have already had these devices installed and would like them removed. We are hoping to stop forced installation, provide opt-outs and assist those who would like to reverse forced installation. We hope you will support this effort on behalf of all Ohioans who share this concern.

Donations can be made at the following link:

<https://www.ohiostandsup.org/get-involved>

[Play Zoom Meeting with Mendenhall and Others >>>](#)



**2926 State Rd #142 Cuyahoga
Falls, OH 44223
419-455-1585**

Ohio Stands Up!



Ohio Stands Up! Website 

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From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 10:35 AM
To: Jacob Morris; City Group; Robert Gargas; Garon Petty; Brad Dicken; David O'Brien; Jack Bradley; Garon Petty; Patrick Riley; Rey Carrion; Jackie Conrad; Joseph LaVeck; Tony Cillo; Sheriff Jack Hall
Subject: Crime

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Last night, on video, Tia Hilton disrupted a public meeting. When asked to leave she refused multiple times.

If you charged Garon you must charge her. She made me fearful with what she said, she told someone their "days were numbered" it's on video. Will you prosecute her as you are Garon Party?

Aaron Christopher Knapp, LSW, CDCA(p), BSSW

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Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 10:13 AM
To: City Group; Patrick Riley; Joseph LaVeck; Robert J. Gargas; David O'Brien; Garon Petty; Brad Dicken
Subject: Records request

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Please provide me the investigation that you stated in the paper you were doing into my complaint on Mr. Baez. I assume you completed it. As it was reported I'd like a copy.

Aaron Christopher Knapp, LSW, CDCA(p), BSSW

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2025 8:21 AM
To: andrewgargasz; Joseph Gargasz; Timothy Joseph Gargasz; Mike Gargasz; Mark Campolo; Michael Scherach; Brian Sarvas; Pauline Sherry; Elizabeth Sauer; Anne Olsen; Maggie Kent; Kate Zvara; Barb DeFelice; Wanda Gargasz; M. Elissa Cachon; Janice Gargasz; Robby Zsigray; Edward Chavez; Kathy Cucco; Dan Plow; Jeanne Petty; Garon Petty; Aaron Knapp; Terry and Marie Hall; James Ohliger; Don Killinger; Kirsten Hill; Mike Campolo; Jon Morrow; Wendy Ohliger; William. Bill Poplar; Jim Dowdell; Tony Cillo; Patrick Riley; Jack Bradley; City Group; Joel Arredondo; Joe K Auditor; Jacob Morris; Don Zaleski; Rey Carrion; Teresa Upton; Rocky Radeff; jfr_74@hotmail.com Jeff Riddel; Jack Hall; Dave Moore; Chief McCann; Major Jack Hall; David Yost AG; Terry and Marie Hall; Capt Robert Vansant; Bowles, Scott; Major Steven Scharschmidt; Maggie Partin; Lindsay Carr; Aaron Knapp; Patrick Ward
Subject: FBI issues warning to all Gmail, Outlook email users - al.com

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 30, 2025 3:23 PM
To: Patrick Ward; City Council Mail Group; Jack Bradley; Patrick Riley; Joel Arredondo; Maggie Partin; Joseph LaVeck; Chief McCann; Kenneth Resar; Joseph Pritchard; michele_beko@cityoflorain.org; mallory_holmes@cityoflorain.org; Scott Bowles; Rey Carrio; Don Zaleski; Joe K Auditor; Jacob Morris; Rocky Radeff
Cc: Office Robert J Gargasz Co LPA
Subject: Fwd: Did McCann receive orders from Riley to proceed with charges against me?

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Has Lorain City Council or Chief McCann received any response from Law Director Riley, Any Member of his staff or a prosecutor to his communication?

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From: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>
Date: Sun, Mar 30, 2025 at 2:53 PM
Subject: Did McCann receive orders from Riley to proceed with charges against me?
To: Robert J Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>, Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>, jeanne Petty <jeanne_810@yahoo.com>, Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>

----- Original message -----
From: "McCann, James - Chief" <Jim.McCann@cityoflorain.org>
Date: 7/5/24 8:10 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: "Thornberry, Joshua" <Joshua.Thornberry@cityoflorain.org>
Cc: "Carrión, Rey" <Rey.Carrión@cityoflorain.org>, "Bradley, Jack"
<Jack.Bradley@cityoflorain.org>, "Sprinowski, Mary" <Mary.Sprinowski@cityoflorain.org>,
"Dimacchia, Tony" <tony.dimacchia@cityoflorain.org>, City Council Mail Group
<CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org>, "Arredondo, Joel" <joel.arredondo@cityoflorain.org>,
"Riley, Patrick" <Patrick.Riley@cityoflorain.org>
Subject: Re: Public behavior this evening

I would need Director Riley to weigh in on the enforcement side of this for law enforcement because here is what happens every time.

Some council meeting at you pick the city USA, the person presiding over the meeting gets offended and tells someone to leave. That someone refuses. The presiding officer calls the police. Police tell the someone to leave. Then someone tells them to F-Off and the fight is now on and it's the police who make the national news for a presiding council person's judgement call to kick someone out.

The police don't enforce council rules, we enforce criminal law. If we are removing someone, they are most likely getting arrested or getting a summons. So, what ever you all choose to do, I would require something in writing from Director Riley on how and at what point the Lorain Police Department would engage when council declares someone is to be removed.

This is a very touchy topic and case law is all over the place in this.

Food for thought.....

Chief Jim McCann
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From: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 8, 2025 4:40 PM
To: Dull, Breanna; Joel Arredondo; Patrick Riley; Partin, Maggie; City Council Mail Group; Bradley, Jack; Soto, Rick; Carrion, Rey
Cc: Robert J Gargas; Michael Scherach; Aaron Knapp; Andrew Geronimo, JD; Tony Cillo; Mike Mason; David Yost AG; Lindsay Carr; Linda Rivera; Anthony Nici; Brad Dicken; Carissa Woytach; Carolyn White; Kathryn Kennedy; Elsebeth Baumgartner; Institute for Justice; ethics@ethics.ohio.gov; Denise Wilms; dennis Flores; rebecca kempton
Subject: This meeting is not Listed for June 6, 2023,

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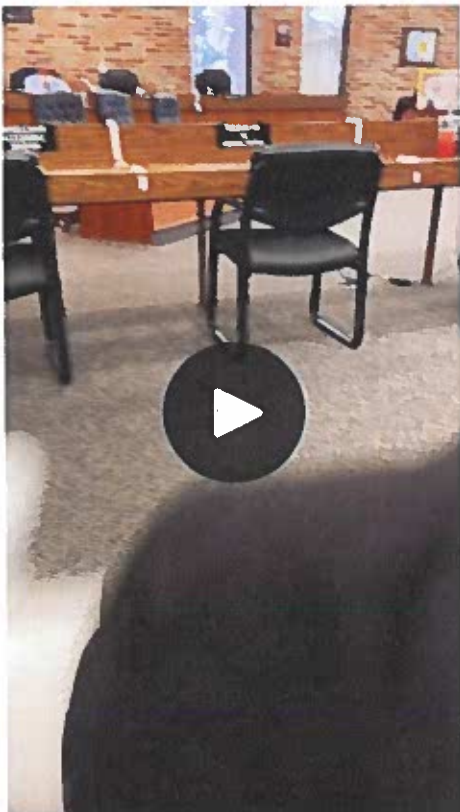
Why isn't this meeting posted for public access on the City website for June 6, 2023?

Please explain.

Also why is Springowski allowed to attack me during a public meeting from the council floor about activity on facebook?

Council Rule 3 and the ORC121.22 is at stake.

Please respond ASAP
Garon Petty



Garon Petty was live. | By Garon |
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From: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 15, 2025 11:50 AM
To: Dull, Breanna; Partin, Maggie
Cc: City Council Mail Group; Patrick Riley; Comer, David; Brad Dicken; Tony Cillo; Mike Massie; Robert J Gargas; Harper, Anita; Ted Kalo; Aaron Knapp; Mike Mason; Bradley, Jack; Michael Scherach; Mike.Brosky@fflorain.bank; Dennis Flores; Kathryn Kennedy; Elsebeth Baumgartner; Jackie Conrad; Jonathan.Schuppe@nbcuni.com; Darryl Tucker; Brian Ames; Soto, Rick; Kokoski, Lori; Lindsay Carr; David Yost AG; ethics@ethics.ohio.gov; Mike Doran; Craig Snodgrass; Tom Niewulis; Jack Hall; Carissa Woytach; Noelle Williams; Tori Middlebrooks; Tremaine, Pam; Jeanne Petty; Nathan Manning
Subject: 2022 meetings

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Hello, please send me all of the 2022 city council meetings on demand and minutes. I dont see them in the emails. January 10, 2022 is important about council rules. Also the names of the Lorain City Records Commission members (ORC 149.39) and why the records of the years prior to 2024 have been removed from the city government website.

Thank you,
Garon Petty

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 17, 2025 7:51 AM
To: Office Robert J Gargasz Co LPA
Cc: Aaron Knapp; Garon Petty; Tony Cillo; Sheriff Jack Hall; Riley, Patrick; Partin, Maggie; Teresa Upton; Carrion, Rey; Bradley, Jack; Marty Gallagher; jfr_74@hotmail.com Jeff Riddel; david@yesce.com Moore, David
Subject: DOJ Civil Division Issues Enforcement Priorities Memorandum - Lexology

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DOJ Civil Division Issues Enforcement Priorities Memorandum



USA June 13 2025

What You Need to Know:

- On June 11, 2025, the head of the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Division issued a memorandum directing Civil Division lawyers to prioritize investigations and enforcement actions advancing certain specified objectives.
- The memorandum identifies five priorities: (1) combatting discriminatory practices and policies, (2) ending antisemitism, (3) protecting women and children, (4) ending "sanctuary" jurisdictions, and (5) prioritizing denaturalization of naturalized U.S. citizens.
- As explained in our Client Alert, the memorandum is notable and unusual in multiple respects.

On June 11, 2025, the recently confirmed Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Division, Brett Shumate, issued a [memorandum](#) directing Civil Division lawyers to prioritize investigations and enforcement actions advancing certain specified objectives. The "Civil Division Enforcement Priorities" memorandum identifies five priorities: (1) combatting discriminatory practices and policies, (2) ending antisemitism, (3) protecting women and children, (4) ending "sanctuary" jurisdictions, and (5) prioritizing denaturalization of naturalized U.S. citizens. The memorandum is notable and unusual in multiple respects.

The first priority—combating discrimination—is noteworthy because the Department of Justice's regulations assign to the Civil Rights Division, not the Civil Division, primary authority for "[e]nforcement of

all Federal statutes affecting civil rights.” 28 C.F.R. 0.50(a). It is unusual for the Civil Division to rank civil rights enforcement as its top priority. The memorandum suggests, however, that the contemplated enforcement by the Civil Division will be targeted at what the Administration considers to be “illegal private-sector DEI preferences, mandates, policies, programs, and activities.”¹

Consistent with this focus, the memo commits the Division to “aggressively” furthering the objectives of the Department’s recently announced “Civil Rights Fraud Initiative,” which seeks to use the False Claims Act (FCA) against government contractors and grant recipients who engaged in so-called “illegal DEI.” The memo states that the Division “will aggressively investigate and, as appropriate, pursue False Claims Act violations against recipients of federal funds that knowingly violate civil rights laws.”² The description of the Division’s intended use of the FCA is brief, but the memo does not appear to limit the envisioned enforcement actions to defendants who have made a “certification” of compliance with civil rights laws in situations where that compliance was “material,” as would be required to establish FCA liability.

The second priority—ending antisemitism—is also notable both because of its focus on federal civil rights laws and because it highlights another area of risk for colleges and universities, which the Administration has criticized for their responses to pro-Palestinian protests, among other things. This section of the memo also references use of the FCA to police civil rights compliance: “To assist these enforcement efforts, the Civil Division will prioritize investigations and enforcement actions against entities that make claims for federal funds but knowingly violate federal civil rights laws by participating in or allowing antisemitism.”³

The third priority confirms that the Civil Division intends to try to advance another Administration objective—investigating the provision of gender-affirming care to transgender individuals. The memorandum indicates that the Division will use the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) to investigate “(1) pharmaceutical companies that manufacture drugs used in connection with so-called gender transition and (2) dealers such as online pharmacies suspected of illegally selling such drugs.”⁴ In addition, the Division “will aggressively pursue claims under the False Claims Act against health care providers that bill the federal government for impermissible services.”⁵ The proposed uses of the FDCA and the FCA in this area will raise numerous significant issues.

The fourth priority—bringing affirmative preemption lawsuits against jurisdictions that the Administration believes are hindering enforcement of federal immigration law—confirms that the Division intends to continue to pursue these types of suits. This priority is consistent with recent activity, including a lawsuit the Department filed this week against the State of New York and one filed last month against several New Jersey cities.⁶

The final priority—efforts to strip naturalized U.S. citizens of their citizenship—marks a departure from the Division’s recent approach to this issue, which focused on individuals who posed national security threats, had committed war crimes or other human rights abuses, or had committed very serious felonies that were not disclosed during the naturalization process.⁷ The memorandum announces that “[t]he Civil Division shall prioritize and maximally pursue denaturalization proceedings in all cases permitted by law and supported by the evidence.”⁸ It then sets out ten different priority categories for denaturalization, including some (such as “individuals who engaged in fraud”) that could be very broad and conceivably could include individuals with mere misdemeanor convictions. Notably, the memorandum does not indicate that the criminal conduct at issue must have predated naturalization and been undisclosed. The Division therefore might target individuals who committed minor crimes after becoming citizens, where the Division can find some other basis to contend that citizenship was procured unlawfully. The memo does not signal, however, that the previously disbanded section dedicated exclusively to denaturalization (established in the final year of the First Trump Administration) will be re-constituted.

WilmerHale - Brian Boynton, David W. Ogden, Debo P. Adegbile, Christopher E. Babbitt, Lisa Brown, Tania Faransso and Kevin Lamb

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