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From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, July 11, 2025 10:20 AM
To: Joseph LaVeck
Subject: Re: Final Demand for Relief – Whistleblower Retaliation, Civil-Rights Abuses & Tortious Interference Final One-Time Settlement Offer

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Dear Mr. LaVeck, Mayor Bradley, and All Concerned Parties,

This message serves as a final follow-up regarding my pending claim and the City of Lorain's corresponding legal obligations. As previously stated, tomorrow marks the deadline for a substantive response.

To date, I have received only confirmation that the matter was forwarded to the City's insurer. While I acknowledge that step, it does not satisfy the City's independent obligations under Ohio law and federal civil rights statutes—including the duty to engage in meaningful evaluation and timely response.

Should this deadline pass without further action or engagement, I will proceed accordingly and escalate the matter through all appropriate legal, administrative, and public channels.

This notice is provided in good faith to offer the City a final opportunity to respond prior to that next phase. Again, this is not a request for a favor, but a formal request for remedy under clearly established legal protections.

Respectfully,
Aaron C. Knapp, BSSW, LSW, CDCA
Disabled Veteran | Social Worker | Whistleblower
a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com | (216) 659-9899

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On Jul 7, 2025, at 15:38, LaVeck, Joseph <Joseph_LaVeck@cityoflorain.org> wrote:

Mr. Knapp:

Your demand has been forwarded to the City's insurer and a claim has been made. Someone will be in contact with you once reviewed.

Thank you.

Best Regards,

Joseph T. LaVeck, Esq

Chief Asst. Law Director & Police Legal Advisor

200 W. Erie Avenue, 3rd Floor

Lorain, Ohio 44052

joseph_laveck@cityoflorain.org

Mayor Bradley and ALL Concerned Parties,

This will serve as a formal reminder of the City of Lorain's continuing legal obligations in matters involving insurance claims, civil rights violations, and retaliation allegations.

While I acknowledge that the City may be coordinating with legal counsel or insurers, such coordination does not negate the City's independent obligations under state and federal law. These include, but are not limited to:

- **Timely Reporting & Good-Faith Review:** As you are aware, most municipal insurance policies require prompt notification of claims and good-faith consideration of settlement offers—especially those within policy limits—to protect the insured from excess judgments. Undue delay or categorical denials may constitute bad-faith conduct.
- **Cooperation Obligations:** The City, as the insured, has an ongoing duty to cooperate with its insurance carrier and to evaluate reasonable offers, rather than summarily reject them or disregard documented evidence.

- **Constitutional & Statutory Duties:** My right to petition public officials on matters of public concern—including civil rights violations, whistleblower retaliation, and disability discrimination—is firmly protected under the First Amendment and federal whistleblower statutes. Attempting to insulate public officials from direct accountability through blanket denials or silence does not comport with constitutional norms or public service ethics.
- **Ohio-Specific Statutes:** Under Ohio law, designated officials—such as a Director of Law—may hold settlement authority within certain thresholds. However, refusal to engage or document a legitimate settlement negotiation may raise serious concerns under both public accountability laws and prohibited insurance practices outlined by the Ohio Department of Insurance.

To be clear: I am not asking for a favor. I am documenting an official request for remedy that remains viable but is time-sensitive. If the City believes this matter should be handled exclusively through counsel, I am fully prepared to proceed accordingly, but I will not accept silence, evasion, or procedural deflection as a substitute for substantive response.

Govern yourselves accordingly.

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Sent: Saturday, July 12, 2025 3:24 PM
To: Jennifer Woods; City Council Mail Group; Robert J. Gargas; Garon Petty; Jack Bradley; Rey Carrion; Mike Mason; Noelle Williams; Lorain daily; Clevescene; David Yost AG; Sheriff Jack Hall; Major Steven Scharschmidt; Fox; Mike Massie; Joseph LaVeck; Brian Ames; Jacob Morris; Robert J. Gargas; Sherry Glass; Clevescene; newsdesk@wews.com; Brian.Ring@ethics.ohio.gov; Andrew Geronimo JD
Subject: In regards to McCann and Claim.

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To Mayor Bradley, Mr. Carrion, Mr. LaVeck, Members of City Council, and all involved,

I am writing to acknowledge that the City of Lorain has finally taken the correct step by submitting the \$450,000 settlement claim to its insurance carrier. While this should never have taken over two years—and could have been resolved with a simple handshake and an apology when first offered—I do appreciate that the matter is at last being addressed.

Let me be absolutely clear: this entire situation was completely avoidable. After I initially offered to settle for \$50,000, the City chose instead a path of delay, denial, and deflection. Despite my numerous emails and repeated attempts to engage with Mayor Bradley, Joseph LaVeck, Rey Carrion, and others, my concerns were repeatedly ignored or dismissed without proper consideration. These officials systematically blew me off, refusing to address the issue in good faith.

I repeatedly raised concerns that Mayor Bradley, Joseph LaVeck, Rey Carrion, and others were actively colluding to suppress this issue. The sham investigation led by Mr. Carrion confirmed this, revealing a clear intent to shield misconduct rather than expose it.

Despite numerous warnings that such actions violated ethical obligations and likely breached your oaths of office, those involved persisted in this course. Now, only after incontrovertible evidence of Chief McCann's criminal conduct has surfaced, is the City forced to submit a claim at nine times my original offer—an outcome that could have been avoided altogether.

I will be contacting the insurance carrier directly to ensure they are fully apprised not only of the facts of this case but also of the obstructive and unethical behavior demonstrated by certain officials throughout this process.

Furthermore, I want to highlight that the only Council member who appears exempt from these allegations is Angel Arroyo, who replaced Antonio Baez—an individual who, based on available evidence, was unlawfully occupying office at the time. However, Mr. Arroyo has yet to complete the mandatory Sunshine Law training required by Rule 41 and Ohio state law. This compliance failure is a serious issue that demands immediate rectification.

Given the full scope of these facts, I strongly urge any officials involved in these actions to self-report to the Ohio Ethics Commission. Your conduct constitutes a clear violation of the public trust and your sworn duty to uphold the law. Should you fail to do so promptly, I will proceed with filing the appropriate complaints myself.

Sincerely,

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

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 12:49 AM
To: City Council Mail Group; Jack Bradley; Rey Carrion; Patrick Riley; Joel Arredondo; Joe K Auditor; Don Zaleski; Rocky Radeff; Maggie Partin; Aaron Knapp; Garon Petty; Michael Scherach; jeanne Petty; Teresa Upton; Tony Cillo; Sheriff Jack Hall; David david@yesce.com Moore; jfr_74@hotmail.com Jeff Riddel; Major Steven Scharschmidt; Mark Campolo; Billie Jo Belcher; David Yost AG; Jacob Morris; Lindsay Carr; Darryl Tucker; Mike Massie; Chad Kohler; Leigh Prugh; Patrick Ward; Scott Bowles; Brad Dicken; Julie Wallace; Brad Dicken; David O'Brien; Carissa Woytach
Cc: Rebecca Kempton; Kathryn Kennedy; ladalang@gmail.com Joyce Early; Ohio Up!; Congressman Jim Jordan; boblatta@mail.house.gov; Bob Meilander; William. Bill Poplar; kirsten@totallyengagedamericans.org Hill
Subject: Trump's DOJ Says EPA Will Appeal Landmark Fluoride Ruling • Children's Health Defense

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<https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/trump-doj-epa-will-appeal-landmark-fluoride-ruling/>

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From: Partin, Maggie <Maggie_Partin@cityoflorain.org>
Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2025 1:42 PM
To: Garon Petty; Dull, Breanna; City Council Mail Group; Riley, Patrick; Carrion, Rey; Arredondo, Joel; Bradley, Jack; Kalo, Ted; Harper, Anita; Soto, Rick
Cc: Mike Massie; lcp@lcprosecutor.org; Sheriff Jack Hall; Robert J Gargas; Aaron Knapp; Dennis Flores; Michael Scherach; Carissa Woytach; Darryl Tucker; David Yost AG; Brad Dicken; Mike Mason; Beko, Michele; Jeanne Petty; Jackie Conrad; Kathryn Kennedy
Subject: RE: Correspondence from the public

Good afternoon Mr. Petty,

In response to your request below:

Per our Law Department, the request is not a proper council agenda item. Council President Joel Arredondo concurs with their decision in this matter.

Thank you,

Maggie Partin

Deputy Clerk of Lorain City Council
200 West Erie Avenue
Lorain, Ohio 44052

440.204.2050

440.204.2521 fax

From: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2025 12:58 PM
To: Partin, Maggie <Maggie_Partin@cityoflorain.org>; Dull, Breanna <Breanna_Dull@cityoflorain.org>; City Council Mail Group <CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org>; Riley, Patrick <Patrick_Riley@cityoflorain.org>; Carrion, Rey <Rey_Carrion@cityoflorain.org>; Arredondo, Joel <joel_arredondo@cityoflorain.org>; Bradley, Jack <Jack_Bradley@cityoflorain.org>; Kalo, Ted <Ted_Kalo@cityoflorain.org>; Harper, Anita <Anita_Harper@cityoflorain.org>; Soto, Rick <Rick_Soto@cityoflorain.org>
Cc: Mike Massie <MMASSIE@LCDTF.COM>; lcp@lcprosecutor.org; Sheriff Jack Hall <jhall@loraincountysheriff.com>; Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>; Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Dennis Flores <dennisforlorain@gmail.com>; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; Carissa Woytach <cwoytach@chroniclet.com>; Darryl Tucker <dtucker@morningjournal.com>; David Yost AG <AGOCARES@ohioago.gov>; Brad Dicken <BDicken@chroniclet.com>; Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>; Beko, Michele <Michele_Beko@cityoflorain.org>; Jeanne Petty <jeanne_810@yahoo.com>; Jackie Conrad <botanist62@hotmail.com>; Kathryn Kennedy <kathrynkennedy627@gmail.com>
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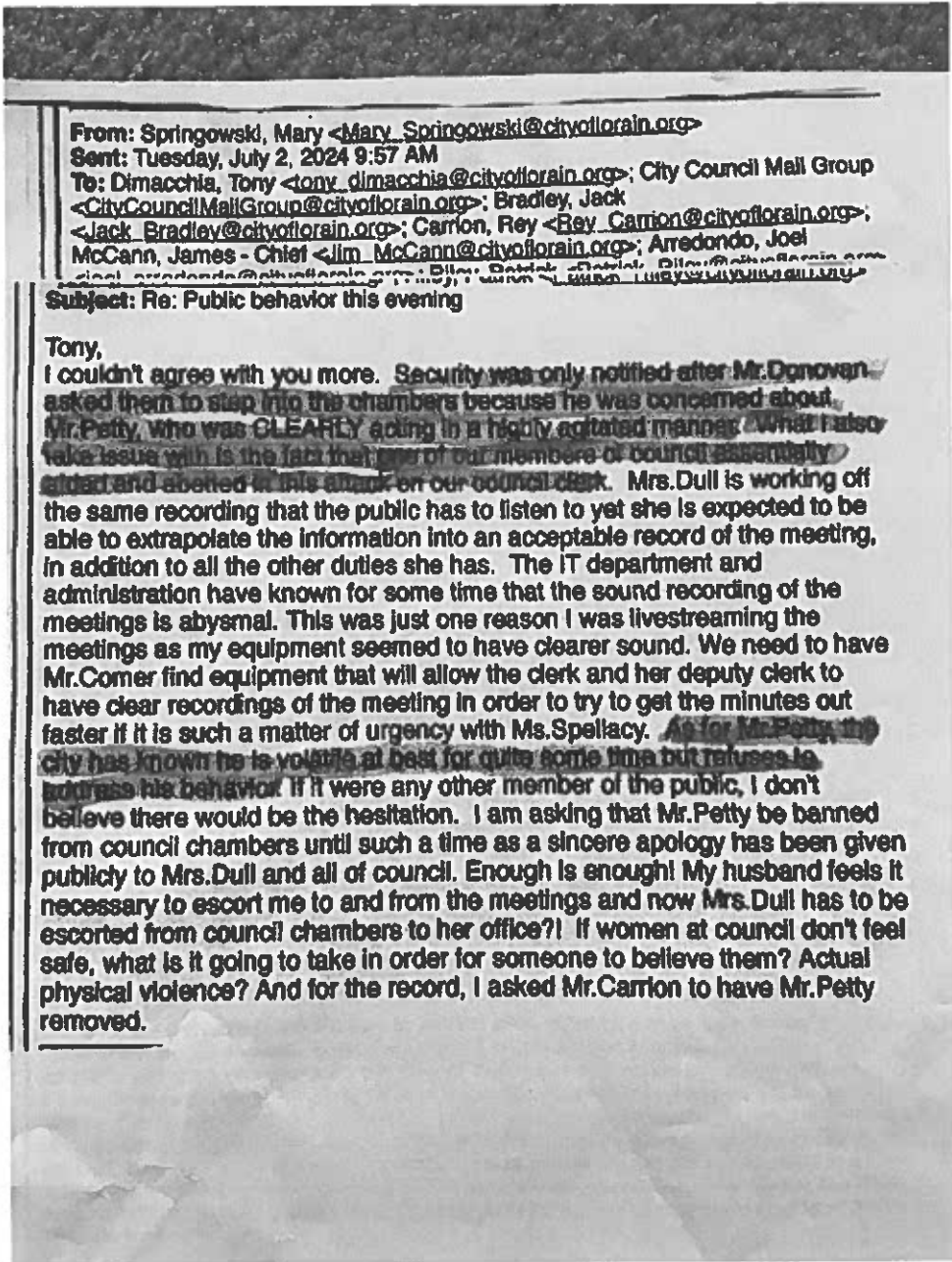
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Hello city of Lorain clerk of council and all officials of Lorain, Ohio.
Please read the below email by councilwoman Springowski at the July 21, 2025 council meeting.

Councilwoman Mary Springowski states using a city of Lorain Email address,
“ What I also take issue with is the fact that one of our members of council essentially aided and abetted in this attack on our council clerk.”

Springowski needs to declare the name of said council member in her July 2, 2024 electronic communication below. Please have her name the council member attacker at the July 21, 2025 City Council meeting.

Thank you,
Garon Petty



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From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, July 21, 2025 6:23 PM
To: City Council Mail Group; Jack Bradley; Patrick Riley; Rey Carrion; Robert J Gargas; Garon Petty; Mike Mason; Noelle Williams; Lorain daily; Clevescene; Fox 8; Brian Ames
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From: Arroyo, Angel <Angel_Arroyo@cityoflorain.org>
Sent: Monday, July 21, 2025 7:29 PM
To: Aaron Knapp; City Council Mail Group; Bradley, Jack; Riley, Patrick; Carrion, Rey; Robert J Gargas; Garon Petty; Mike Mason; Noelle Williams; Lorain daily; Clevescene; Fox; Brian Ames
Subject: Re: Texts

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Thanks
Angel Arroyo

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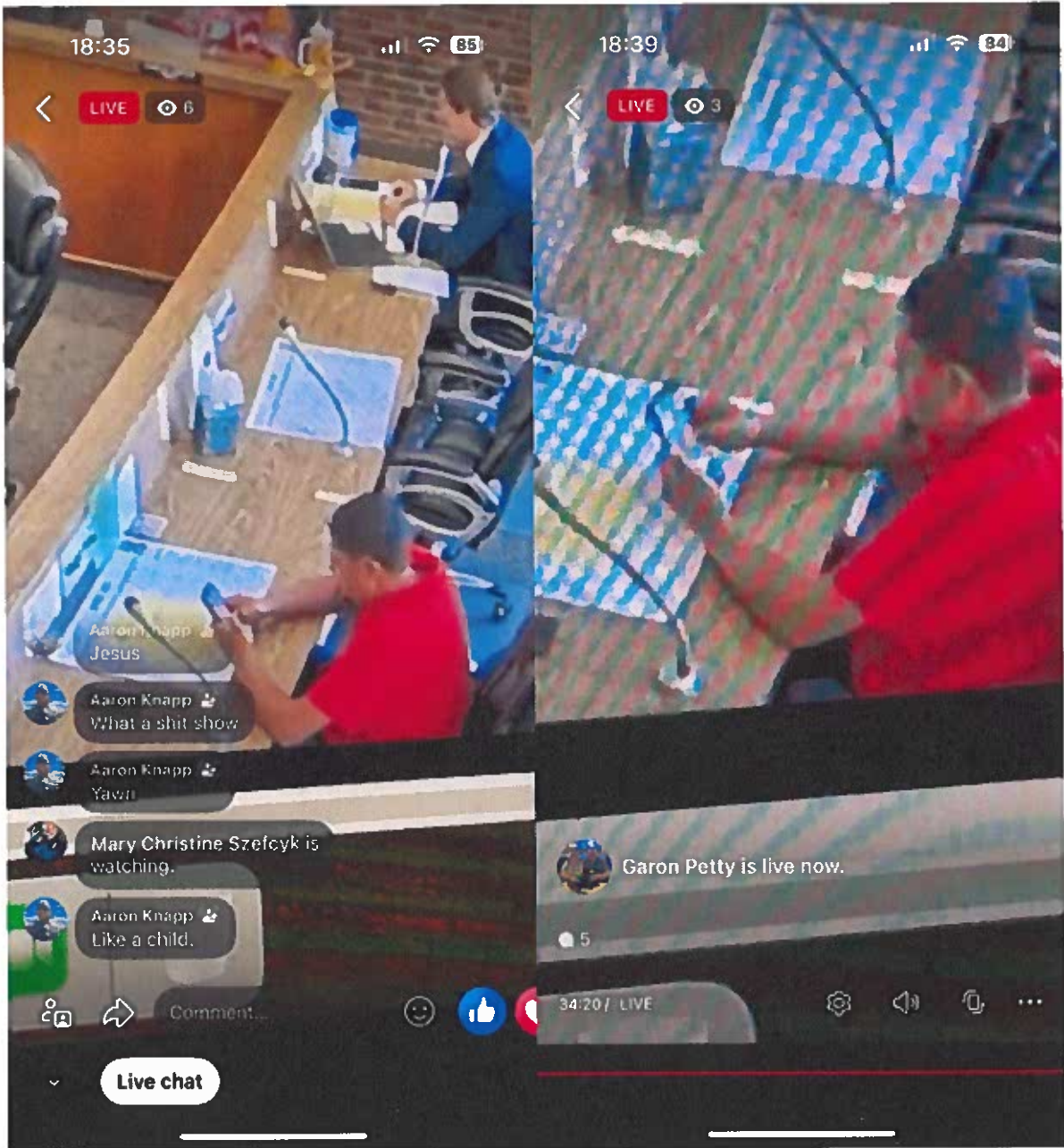
Instead of offering platitudes, why not follow the council rules? Please provide all electronic communications you sent tonight and during any previous meetings, as required by the Sunshine Laws. You would be aware of this obligation if you had completed the training mandated by Rule 41.

As my ward councilman, I expect you to respect the rules of council—texting during meetings is prohibited and reflects a serious lack of transparency. Of all people, you seem unable to stay off your phone, and at times you even have two of them out. This behavior is unacceptable and sets a poor example for the public you were elected to serve.

If you fail to provide the texts as required by law, I will file another case with the Court of Claims.

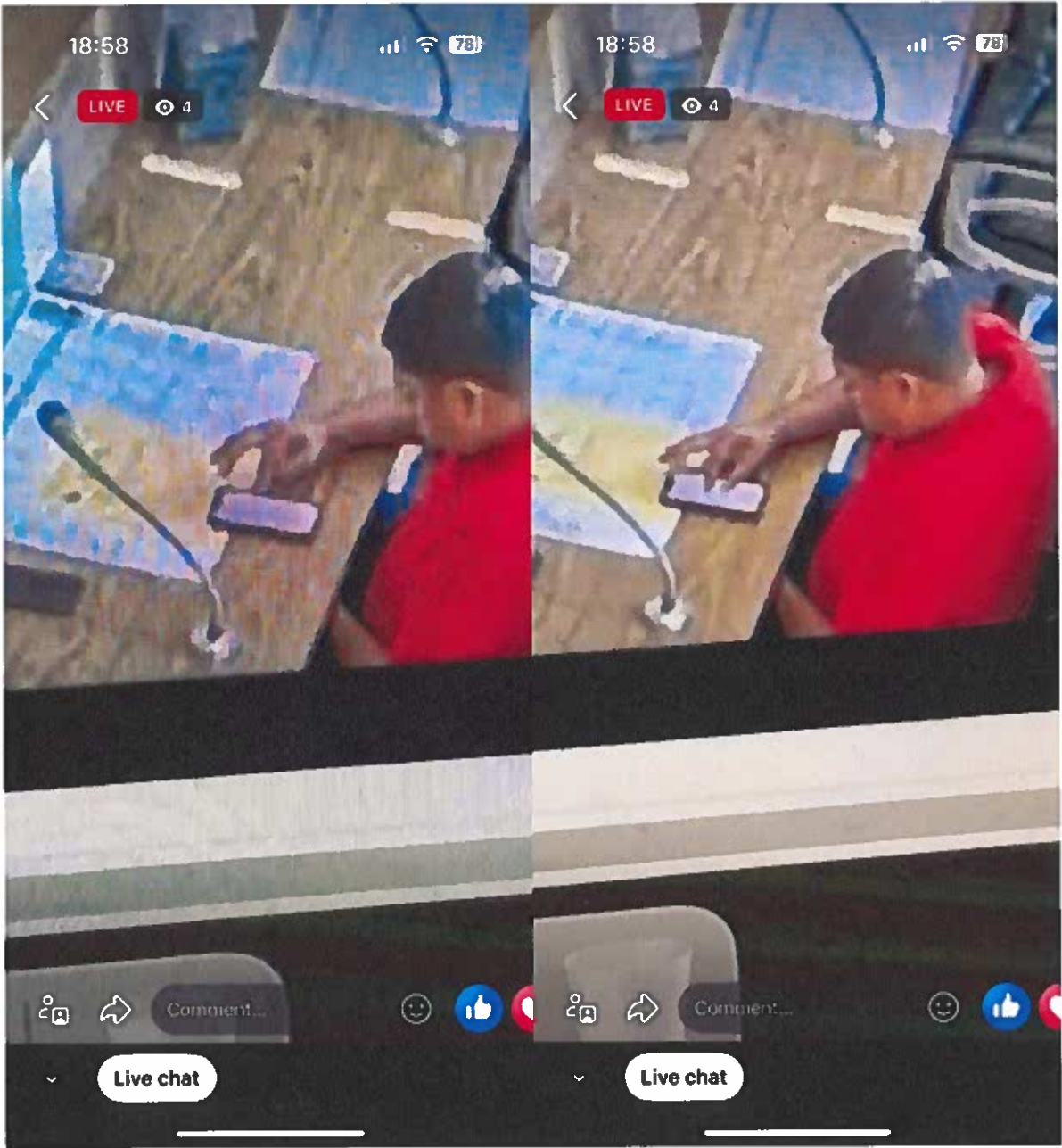
Do your job. Follow the law. Honor your oath of office. Baez couldn't, and frankly, you don't appear to be doing much better. We don't allow students to text in school—so when you're on the taxpayers' dime, we expect your full attention on the meeting, not your phone.

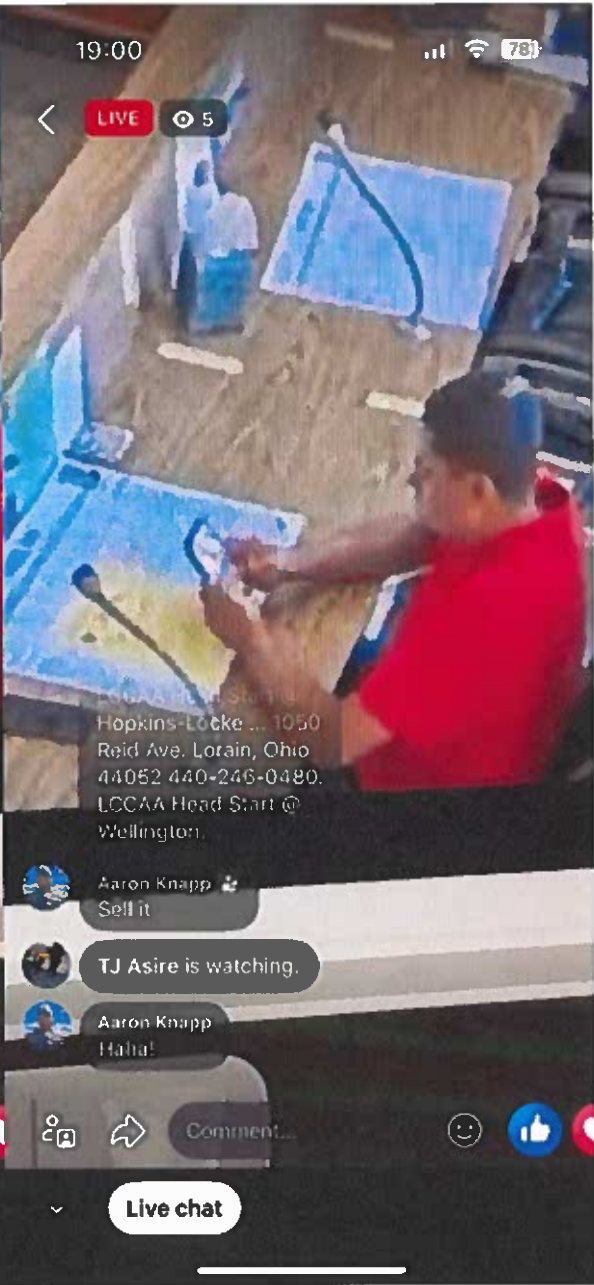
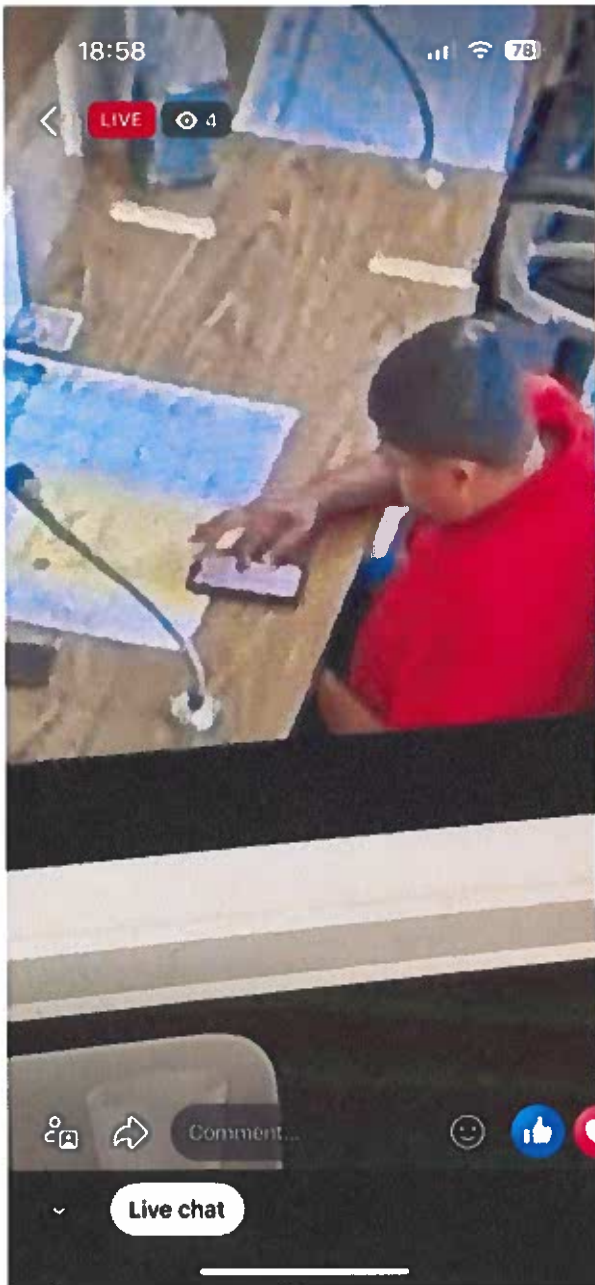
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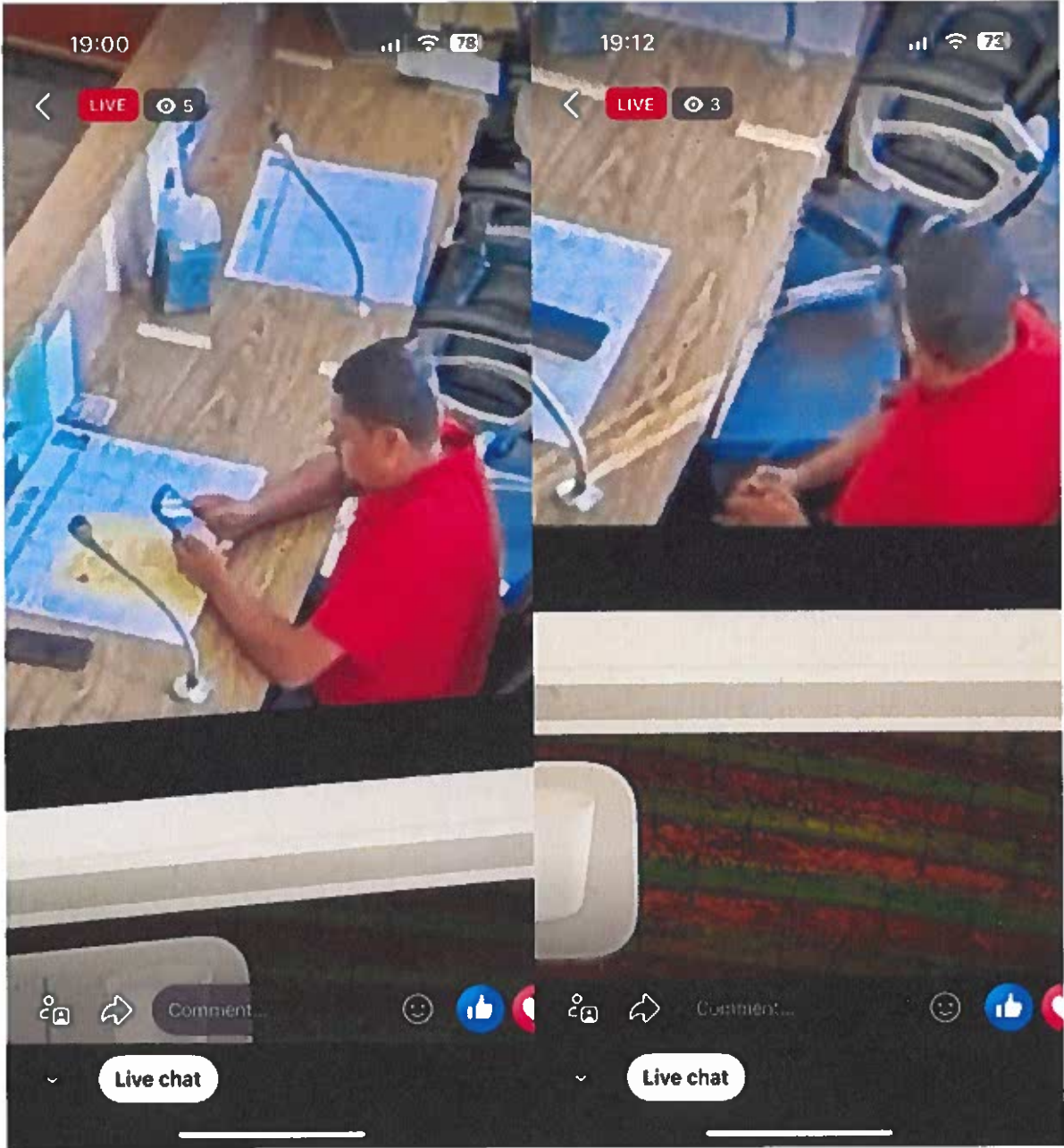














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Apologies to all — I misspoke when I said Mr. Arroyo was “elected.” That was incorrect. Mr. Arroyo was appointed, not elected. This was entirely my mistake, and I take full responsibility for the error.

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
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To: Rey Carrion; Jacob Morris; Jack Bradley; Patrick Riley; City Council Mail Group; Joel Arredondo; Koziura, Joseph; Don Zaleski; Radeff, Rocky; Maggie Partin; Michael Scherach; Jeanne Petty; Tony Cillo; Sheriff Jack Hall; Aaron Knapp; Garon Petty; Patrick Ward
Cc: Office Robert J Gargasz Co LPA
Subject: 'What can I charge him with?' Cop faces serious consequences for manufacturing arrest reason * WorldNetDaily * by Bob Unruh

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I think we have a similar issue in Mr. Petty's current ongoing civil rights violation and illegal prosecution for trespassing at the conclusion (subsequent to adjournment of the City Council meeting (7/1/24)

Consider the consequences of these matters. Dismissal with prejudice is required. Use your influence to terminate this blatant injustice to a citizen of Lorain / Lorain County.

You could be the next victim of such tyranny.

The demanded dismissal will minimize the injustice, damages and injury to the citizens and the public treasury. For what reason do you persist in prosecuting Mr. Petty? NO EVIDENCE Exists of Trespassing nor of Disorderly Conduct!!! If there is, then embarrass me. None of your witnesses have any probative evidence of what was said. Like Sergeant Schultz (of Hogan's Heroes fame) they heard nothing! Judge Elwell heard this big nothing as testified to by LEO Morris. He was not told the truth about the timing of Petty's entry subsequent to the meeting's adjournment. One should ask why wasn't the Judge told the truth? The police report of LEO Morris confirms at the very moment of adjournment, Mr. Petty was outside the gate!!! (Can't be even argued to be a trespass).

Yet our wizbang crackerjack prosecutors have an agenda. What is that agenda? Lastly and most importantly the Constitution (Federal and Ohio) gives citizens rights under the First Amendment.

You all swore an oath to uphold the Constitutions of the U.S.A. and Ohio, so why are deaf, mute, and dumb? Use your influence and demand dismissal of these malicious false and fabricated criminal charges! Robert J. Gargasz, Esq.
Attorney for Garon F. Petty

<https://www.wnd.com/2025/07/what-can-i-charge-him-cop-faces-serious/>

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Ohio's Public Records Act requires that requests for public records be satisfied within a reasonable time. If a request is deemed "non-routine" (e.g., involves a large number of copies or extensive research), the agency must acknowledge the request within three business days and provide an estimated timeframe for completion

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

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 24, 2025 2:01 PM
To: Aaron Knapp; Garon Petty; jeanne Petty; Michael Scherach; Mark Campolo; andrewgargasz; Joseph Gargasz; Timothy Joseph Gargasz; Brian Sarvas; Mike Gargasz; Kate Zvara; Pauline Sherry; Maggie Kent; Elizabeth Sauer; Anne Olsen; Barb DeFelice; Wanda Gargasz; M. Elissa Cachon; Terry and Marie Hall; Robby Zsigray; Janice Gargasz; Edward Chavez; Dan Plow; Kathy Cucco; Mike Campolo; Wyers; Molly Antill; Robert Zvara; Tom Niewulis; Jim Dowdell; Thomas Hach; Brian Massie; William. Bill Poplar; Tom rodeoh2 Beres; James Ohliger; Wendy Ohliger; Fran Smith; Major Steven Scharschmidt; Major Jack Hall; Tony Cillo; Rey Carrion; Jack Bradley; City Council Mail Group; Joel Arredondo; Joe K Auditor; Don Zaleski; Rocky Radeff; Maggie Partin; Jacob Morris; Teresa Upton; Patrick Ward; Patrick Riley; jfr_74@hotmail.com Jeff Riddel; david@yesce.com Moore, David; Marty Gallagher; Darryl Tucker; Carissa Woytach; Brad Dicken; Brad Dicken; Julie Wallace; David O'Brien; David Yost AG; Lindsay Carr; GAYLE MANNING; Ohio Up!; KRAUS STEVEN W; Aaron Knapp; Charlene Scherach; Scott Bowles; Breanna Dull; Garon Petty; Ted Kalo; Anita Harper; Rick Soto; Dennis Flores; Mike Brosky; Leigh Prugh; Robert J. Gargasz; Carrie Mason; Patrick Tavenner; Christine Mendoza; Chad Kohler; Joseph Carbonaro; Joseph LaVeck; kirsten@totallyengagedamericans.org Hill; Craig Snodgrass; Rick Gronsky; Keely Hall; Kirsten Hill; Mike Witte; Don Killinger; Tomie Patton; Jim Kramer; jacobmar2001@yahoo.com; Roseanne Johnson; Jean Anderson; Chuck Butterfield
Cc: Office Robert J Gargasz Co LPA
Subject: Fwd: Breaking: Ohio police officer shot in ambush dies

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Murder of Lorain Police officer made Columbus Paper.

Governor and Lt. Governor extend condolences to deceased Officers family and all those who are impacted. Lord God Protect our Officers and their Families. Give them Rest and Peace in dealing with this heinous act of murder of a police officer.

Sent from my iPhone

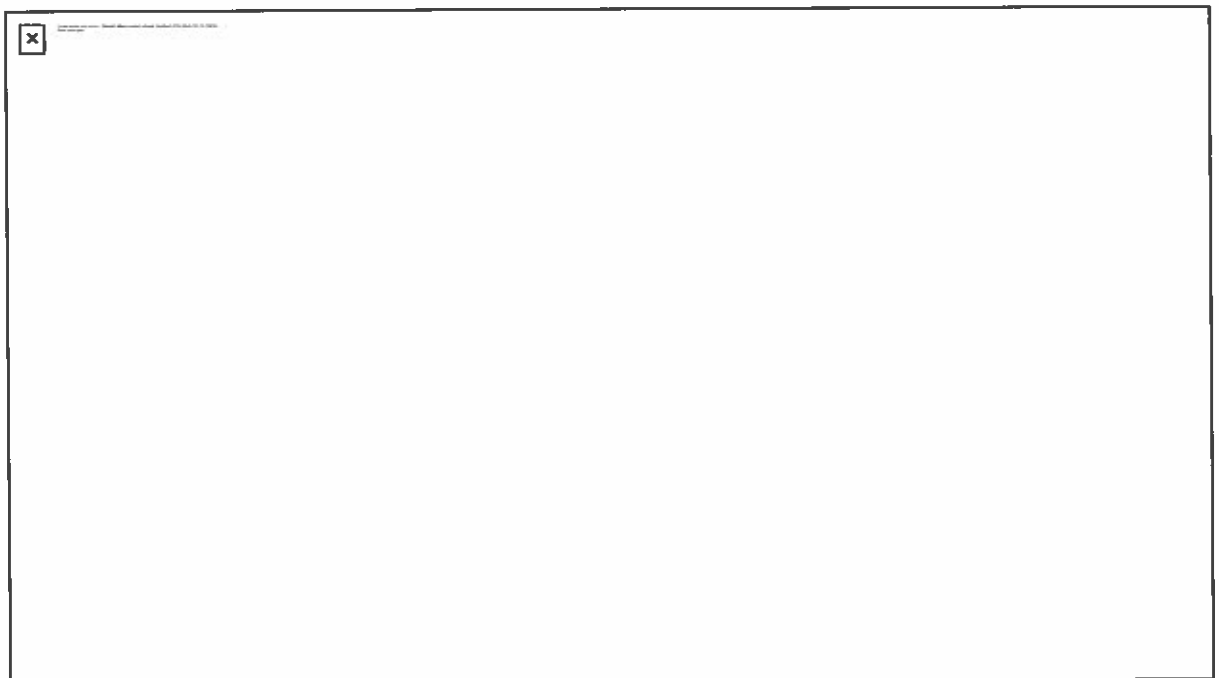
Begin forwarded message:

From: The Columbus Dispatch <noreply@reply.dispatch.com>
Date: July 24, 2025 at 1:23:28 PM EDT
To: rjgargasz@gmail.com
Subject: **Breaking: Ohio police officer shot in ambush dies**



News Alert

Lorain officer who was 1 of 3 ambushed on July 23 has died







Two sources who work for the city of Lorain confirmed that officer Phillip Wagner died on July 24.

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From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, July 25, 2025 9:44 AM
To: City Council Mail Group; Clevescene; Robert J. Gargas; Garon Petty; Mike Mason; Noelle Williams; Lorain daily; Jack Bradley; Rey Carrion; Fox; Brian Ames; David Yost AG; Joseph LaVeck
Cc: Breanna Dull; watchdog@oig.ohio.gov; Wannah.Clay@civ.ohio.gov; David Yost AG; Alonna Lopez; aos_siu Ohio Auditor; gofbci@governor.ohio.gov; newstips@kmtv.com; newsdesk@wews.com
Subject: Re: Records requests

External sender <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
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Dear Councilman Angel Arroyo and Lorain Records Custodian,

This letter serves as my final demand for the immediate production of all public records responsive to my multiple requests for text messages and communications concerning Councilman Angel Arroyo's public business.

You have had a reasonable amount of time to fulfill these requests, but to date, I have received neither the requested records nor any lawful exemption justification as required by Ohio Revised Code § 149.43.

Failure to comply within 3 business days from the date of this letter will leave me no choice but to pursue all available legal remedies, including but not limited to filing a lawsuit in the Ohio Court of Claims and seeking sanctions for your unlawful refusal.

This letter constitutes your final opportunity to cure this violation before immediate legal action.

Sincerely,

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

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On Jul 22, 2025, at 09:53, Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com> wrote:

Ohio's Public Records Act requires that requests for public records be satisfied within a reasonable time. If a request is deemed "non-routine" (e.g., involves a large number of copies or extensive research), the agency must acknowledge the request within three business days and provide an estimated timeframe for completion

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From: Robert J. Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 26, 2025 9:04 AM
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Cc: Mike Massie; Brian Massie; Mike Brosky; Darryl Tucker; 19tips@woio.com; Mike Mason; Carissa Woytach; Major Steven Scharschmidt; Gelenius, Kyle; Zaleski, Don; Tom Zawistowski; brian zadorozny; Derek Zadorozny; Don Zadorozny; William Bill Bobel; Elizabeth Sauer
Subject: We don't need to miss this opportunity! Fwd: Thank You for Your Efforts — A Missed Opportunity for Lorain

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Let's consider the merits of this approach to energy and rehabilitation of land. We can repurpose the land and redevelop and secure lower cost energy for our future citizens and community in Lorain County.

Be a thinker, have a forward mind.

I challenge you to discuss, debate, and see the benefits to be achieved. Energy available on demand for businesses and industries is like water. You must have it to survive.

Bob Gargas
A Lorain Citizen

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: eGeneration Foundation <jonpaulmorrow@egeneration.org>
Date: July 26, 2025 at 8:31:26 AM EDT
To: "Robert J. Gargas" <rjgargas@gmail.com>
Cc: Jack Bradley <jack_bradley@cityoflorain.org>, Rey Carrion <rey_carrion@cityoflorain.org>
Subject: Thank You for Your Efforts — A Missed Opportunity for Lorain

Dear Bob,

Thank you for your outreach and for the effort you've made in attempting to bridge communication between the eGeneration Foundation and City of Lorain officials. I genuinely appreciate your time and energy.

Unfortunately, despite our sincere attempts to engage, it appears that the City of Lorain's leadership is either unwilling or unable to meet with representatives from the Foundation — even as we continue to hold productive conversations with federal officials, U.S. Senators, our Governor, the Vice President of the United States, and members of the Trump family, including Eric Trump. It's disheartening that while national and state leaders see the value in what we're building, local leadership here in Lorain seems gripped by either misunderstanding about advanced nuclear energy or, perhaps more regrettably, partisan reluctance to engage with a Republican-led initiative.

That hesitancy carries a cost. Lorain is potentially walking away from a multi-billion-dollar (non-nuclear) opportunity to revitalize a dormant brownfield site and generate thousands of skilled, union-backed jobs — both direct and indirect. While the Republic Steel site is ideally suited for Turning Point reactor operations due to its unique physical and logistical advantages, we've also been clear that non-nuclear advanced manufacturing remains a viable and job-rich alternative for the region.

Sadly, after repeated attempts to establish a good-faith dialogue, we must acknowledge that Lorain's City Council has chosen silence over progress. In contrast, other communities like Sandusky, Huron, and Milan are already in active discussions and are expressing genuine enthusiasm. We intend to pursue these more responsive and forward-thinking partnerships in the weeks ahead.

Should the situation in Lorain change, our door remains open — but time, momentum, and opportunity do not wait.

With respect,



Jon Paul Morrow

eGeneration Foundation Economic Advisor

Cell: (419) 602-4425

Email: JonPaulMorrow@egeneration.org

eGeneration.org

On Jul 12, 2025, at 3:08 AM, Robert J. Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com> wrote:

Gentlemen

The long term future of The City of Lorain will include challenges over a continued supply of low cost electrical generation.

Thorium reactors are scalable and safe that lack the dangers of fission reactors that lead to meltdown hazards as occurred at Three Mile Island and Chernobyl.

Jon Morrow has industry contacts for the development of new these regional reactors that can play a significant role in meeting these future energy needs. I am going to include him in this email.

I ask you to consider a partnership between the city and a power generation company whereby the municipal entity may with the other commercial entity create and develop a power generation concern that will meet these needs of the future.

This project and affiliation is constitutional as an economic development activity. The future stream of revenue as can be structured will provide cash flow to cover its operating and financing expenses and should be capable of producing additional revenue for the city's general fund.

Your efforts at bringing this concept and project into reality may well enshrine you to and be recognized as one of the greatest artists in the leadership of municipal government in America.

Please consider these issues and the future of Lorain, Ohio.

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From: NewsWithViews Global <paul@newswithviews.ccsend.com>
Date: July 12, 2025 at 12:59:14 AM EDT
To: rigargasz@gmail.com
Subject: The Economic Imperative for Nuclear Power
Reply-To: info@newswithviews.com

News Alert for Saturday, July 12, 2025



Europe to Begin Stockpil

The 1913 Coup Was the Beginning of the End of Our Fr

The PSRRC started digging our grave with four consecutive tools in the Coup of voting for Senators. The newly-formed IRS then authorized Tax-Free Foundatio Bank as the last nail in the coffin.

By Andrew Wallace

<https://newswithviews.com/the-1913-coup-was-the-beginning-of-the>

The Economic Imperative for Nuclear Power

All countries need to pursue reliable, efficient, environmentally friendly electric generated electricity is undeniably the most reliable, cleanest and most sustain:

By Ronald Stein, PE

<https://newswithviews.com/the-economic-imperative-for-nuclear-p>

Blessed Are the Peacemakers Who Prepare for War

Peace is breaking out all over, except in Europe, where Vladimir Putin is contin Nobel Peace Prize is being dashed by Putin's desire to make the American presi

By Cliff Kincaid

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2025 11:09 AM
To: City Council Mail Group; Ohio Up!; Garon Petty; Aaron Knapp; Jeanne Petty; Michael Scherach; Mark Campolo; Patrick Riley; Rey Carrion; Jack Bradley; Joel Arredondo; Joe K Auditor; Don Zaleski; Rocky Radeff; Maggie Partin; Tony Cillo; Teresa Upton; jfr_74@hotmail.com Jeff Riddel; David david@yesce.com Moore; Major Steven Scharschmidt; Patrick Ward; Marty Gallagher; Darryl Tucker; Carissa Woytach; Julie Wallace; Mike Massie; David Yost AG; Billie Jo Belcher; Garon Petty; Brad Dicken; Leigh Prugh; Joseph Carbonaro; Lindsay Carr; Joseph LaVeck; Dennis Flores; Ted Kalo; Anita Harper; Rick Soto; Brian Ames; Lindsay Carr; Mike Mason; andrewgargasz; Joseph Gargasz; Timothy Joseph Gargasz; Brian Sarvas; Mike Gargasz; Pauline Sherry; Kate Zvara; Maggie Kent; Elizabeth Sauer; Anne Olsen; Barb DeFelice; Wanda Gargasz; Janice Gargasz; M. Elissa Cachon; Terry and Marie Hall; Robby Zsigray; Edward Chavez; Dan Plow; Kathy Cucco; Mike Campolo; Wyers; Molly Antill; Charlene Scherach; Robert Zvara; Aaron Knapp; Tom Niewulis; Jim Dowdell; Robert Gargasz; Thomas Hach; Brian Massie; William. Bill Poplar; Tom rodeoh2 Beres; James Ohliger; Wendy Ohliger; Robert J. Gargasz; Paul Young; Clevescene; Lorain daily; Fox; Noelle Williams; Jack Bradley; Joseph LaVeck; Patrick Tavenner; Christine Mendoza; GAYLE MANNING; Jackie Conrad; Fran Smith; Scott Bowles; Chad Kohler; Chris Mead; Kenneth Resar; Kathryn Kennedy; Mike Failing; Sheriff Jack Hall
Cc: Paul Young; Pauline Sherry; Terry and Marie Hall; Keely Hall; Molly Antill
Subject: Going to See A Lot of Death & Democide – Dr. Betsy Eads | Greg Hunter's USAWatchdog

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Hear this! Pass it on to anyone who has taken the shots!

Covid 19 mRNA shots are a bio-weapon, alters your DNA, is Poison to humans, shedding is real and this weapon has been criminally used to kill humans !

Ohioans have been inflicted with this attack by globalists like DeWine and Acton.

The lies and deception were real and masked genocide/democide against American citizens.

This should be a call to arms against the killers and those who have injured our community and loved ones. The Gargasz family has suffered from this assault upon our health. THIS IS REAL and lifespans are being reduced and chronic illnesses are becoming disability to many.

IF YOU WERE INJECTED WITH THIS POSION, then You need to get Ivermectin and other drugs into your system to reduce the spiked protein poisoning of your body! Vaccine Injuries are real!

The shots also sterilize humans and impair reproductive capabilities.

The blood supply has been contaminated, transfusions are now poisonous!

Protect yourself and tell others of this circumstance of death and injury that has been promoted and encouraged by government. End this madness! Protect yourself and your friends and family!! BEWARE!

Gargasz, Robert J.

<https://usawatchdog.com/going-to-see-a-lot-of-death-democide-dr-betsy-eads/>

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From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2025 10:18 AM
To: Garon Petty; Riley, Patrick; Mike Mason
Cc: Arroyo, Angel; City Council Mail Group; Fox; Mike Mason; Noelle Williams; Lorain daily; Clevescene; Robert J. Gargas; Bradley, Jack; Carrion, Rey; Brian Ames; David Yost AG; Dull, Breanna; Comer, David
Subject: Re: Outstanding Public Records Requests

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I've spoken with legal and hopefully will be gaining access to this information soon. Thank you for your help Angel! Not.

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

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On Jul 29, 2025, at 10:03, Garon Petty <onelung2014@gmail.com> wrote:

Learn the Sunshine Laws of Ohio.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jma_FdEvTZo

On Tue, Jul 29, 2025 at 6:55 AM Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com> wrote:
Guess I'll file a second one.

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On Jul 27, 2025, at 11:46, Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com> wrote:

Councilman Arroyo,

Let me be absolutely clear: your continued evasive and condescending responses—this latest one included—are noted, and they reflect poorly on you as an elected official. If you think you can blow off lawful records requests with smug one-liners and passive-aggressive emails, you're mistaken.

This is no longer about you “reading the agenda.” This is about your legal obligation to comply with Ohio's Sunshine Laws and fulfill outstanding public records requests—including the text messages I've asked for multiple times. If you're only using your city-issued phone for agendas, as you keep claiming, then turning over the device's logs and data should be easy—unless there's something you're hiding.

I'm now including the Clerk of Council and the City's IT Department in this request. I want the following:

- A complete record of all searches, calls, and text messages from your city-issued phone.
- A log of all searches and files accessed on your city-issued laptop.
- Copies of all emails sent to or from you since your appointment.
- Call logs from your city-issued phone.
- And I am formally requesting that your personal phone be submitted to IT for inspection to verify that you are not using it for city business or during council meetings to avoid public disclosure.

Let's take a look at those “agendas” you keep saying you can't print out. Just because you didn't take the required Sunshine Law training doesn't mean you get to ignore the law—or act stupid about what it requires.

If I don't receive a substantive response and action by the end of the weekend, we will be filing another case with the Ohio Court of Claims on Monday. If you insist on being a douche about this, we'll meet you in court—again.

Your conduct is being documented. You're not above the law. And if you had taken the sunshine law classes you would know that you have to provide ORC, are you seriously this ignorant of laws you have to follow?

Wow you're really that ignorant? This is going to be fun in court on August 1st when I win the first suit you sue over records and texts and explain how you just don't know the law and cost the city money because you are responding to emails to constituents like a douche bag. Just like James McCann, you truly a moron, at least the other council are smart enough to ignore till I take them to court. You charge right in and respond without a thought in that head of yours, don't you?

Make it a wonderful day go dab up some people and continue to fail your constituents,

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

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On Jul 27, 2025, at 09:06, Arroyo, Angel
<Angel.Arroyo@cityoflorain.org> wrote:

As always it's great to read your emails Mr. Knapp but as I emailed you the last time you made this request. I use the city phone for the purpose to ready the council agenda during council meetings.

Thank you
Angel Arroyo

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From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 26, 2025 12:33:37 PM
To: City Council Mail Group <CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org>; Arroyo, Angel <Angel_Arroyo@cityoflorain.org>; Fox <tips@fox8.com>; Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>; Noelle Williams <Noelle.Williams@woio.com>; Lorain daily <erik@loraindaily.com>; Clevescene <news@clevescene.com>; Robert J. Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>; Garon Petty <onelung2014@gmail.com>; Bradley, Jack <Jack_Bradley@cityoflorain.org>; Carrion, Rey <Rey_Carrion@cityoflorain.org>; Brian Ames <bmames00@gmail.com>; David Yost AG <AGOCARES@ohioago.gov>; newstips@kmtv.com <newstips@kmtv.com>; Clevescene <news@clevescene.com>
Subject: Angel Arroyo

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To Mr. Arroyo and the duly elected members of Lorain City Council,

I have several outstanding public records requests that remain unanswered. Is it really too much to ask that you fulfill your responsibilities—starting with completing public records and open meetings training, and refraining from using electronic devices during public meetings?

I'm still waiting on those texts. Please comply with Ohio's Sunshine Laws and start engaging with your constituents in a serious and responsive manner. We're asking for transparency and accountability—not theatrics. (It hasn't gone unnoticed that you're out there dabbling for cameras while legitimate records requests go ignored.)

Beko, Michele

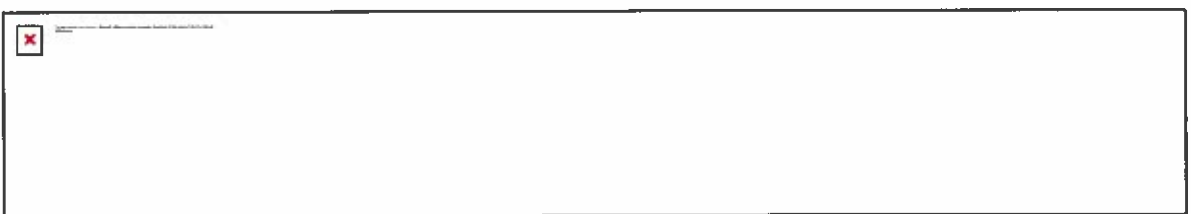
From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2025 4:51 PM
To: Pete; Chris Niehart; Jack Bradley; Rey Carrion; Joel Arredondo; City Council Mail Group; Joe K Auditor; Patrick Riley; Garon Petty; Aaron Knapp; Michael Scherach; jeanne Petty; Maggie Partin; Don Zaleski; Tony Cillo; Teresa Upton; jfr_74@hotmail.com Jeff Riddel; David david@yesce.com Moore; Jacob Morris; Patrick Ward; Major Steven Scharschmidt; Rocky Radeff; Marty Gallagher; Darryl Tucker; Julie Wallace; Carissa Woytach; Brad Dicken
Cc: Sheriff Jack Hall
Subject: Fwd: Recognizing Our Heroes: Nominations Now Open for 2026 Ohio Fire Service Hall of Fame and Fire Awards

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From: The Ohio Department of Commerce <Commerce@info.com.ohio.gov>
Date: July 30, 2025 at 2:48:16 PM EDT
To: rjgargasz@gmail.com
Subject: **Recognizing Our Heroes: Nominations Now Open for 2026 Ohio Fire Service Hall of Fame and Fire Awards**



For Immediate Release: July 30, 2025
Contact: Jarrod Clay, Public Information Officer, jarrod_clay@com.ohio.gov

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COLUMBUS, Ohio — The [Ohio Department of Commerce's Division of State Fire Marshal](#) and [Ohio Department of Public Safety's Division of EMS](#) are now accepting nominations for the 2026 Ohio Fire Service Hall of Fame and Fire Awards. This annual event honors the extraordinary bravery, commitment, and service of Ohio's fire service professionals, departments and educators, as well as citizens who have demonstrated outstanding achievements or heroism.

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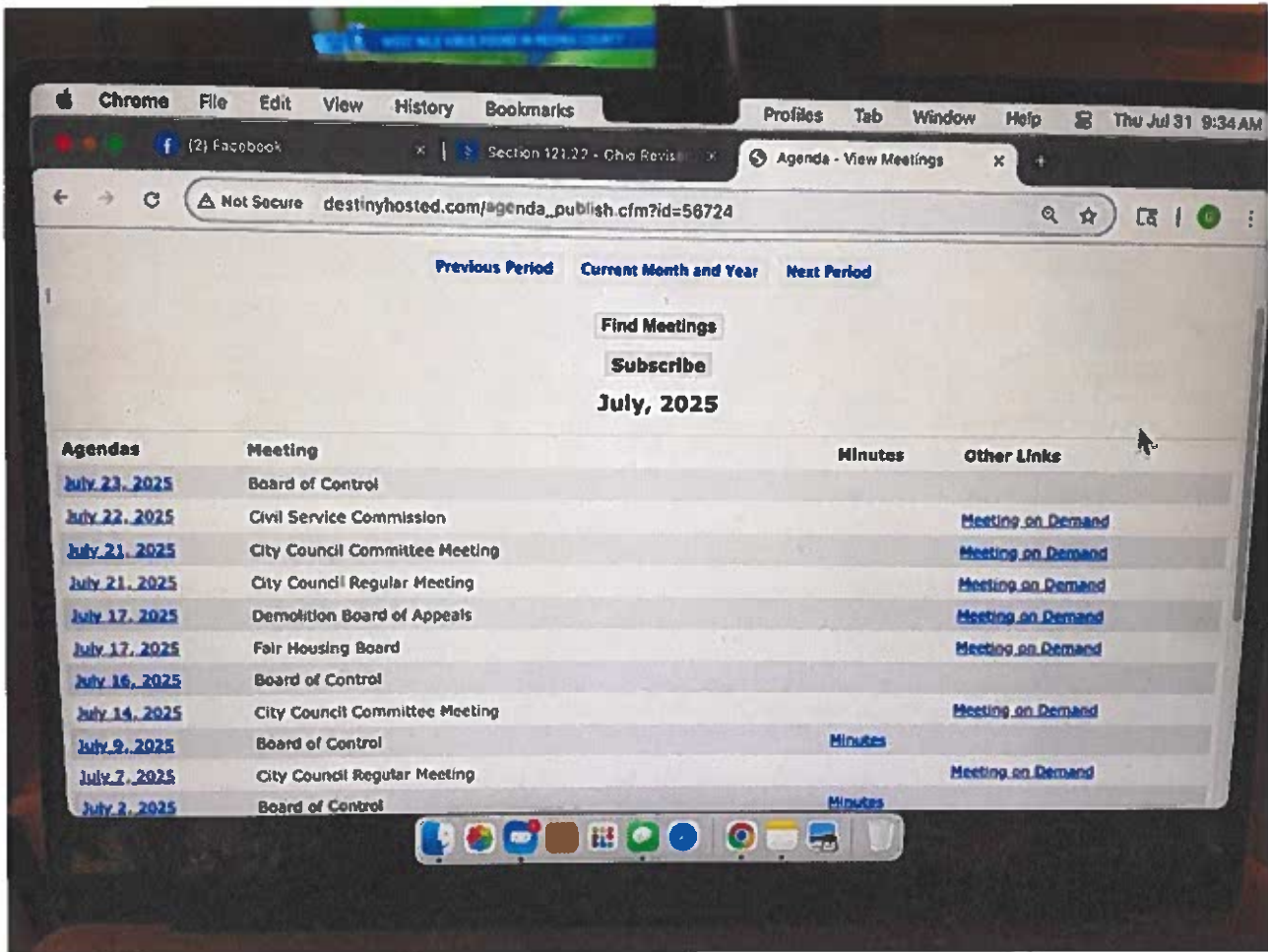
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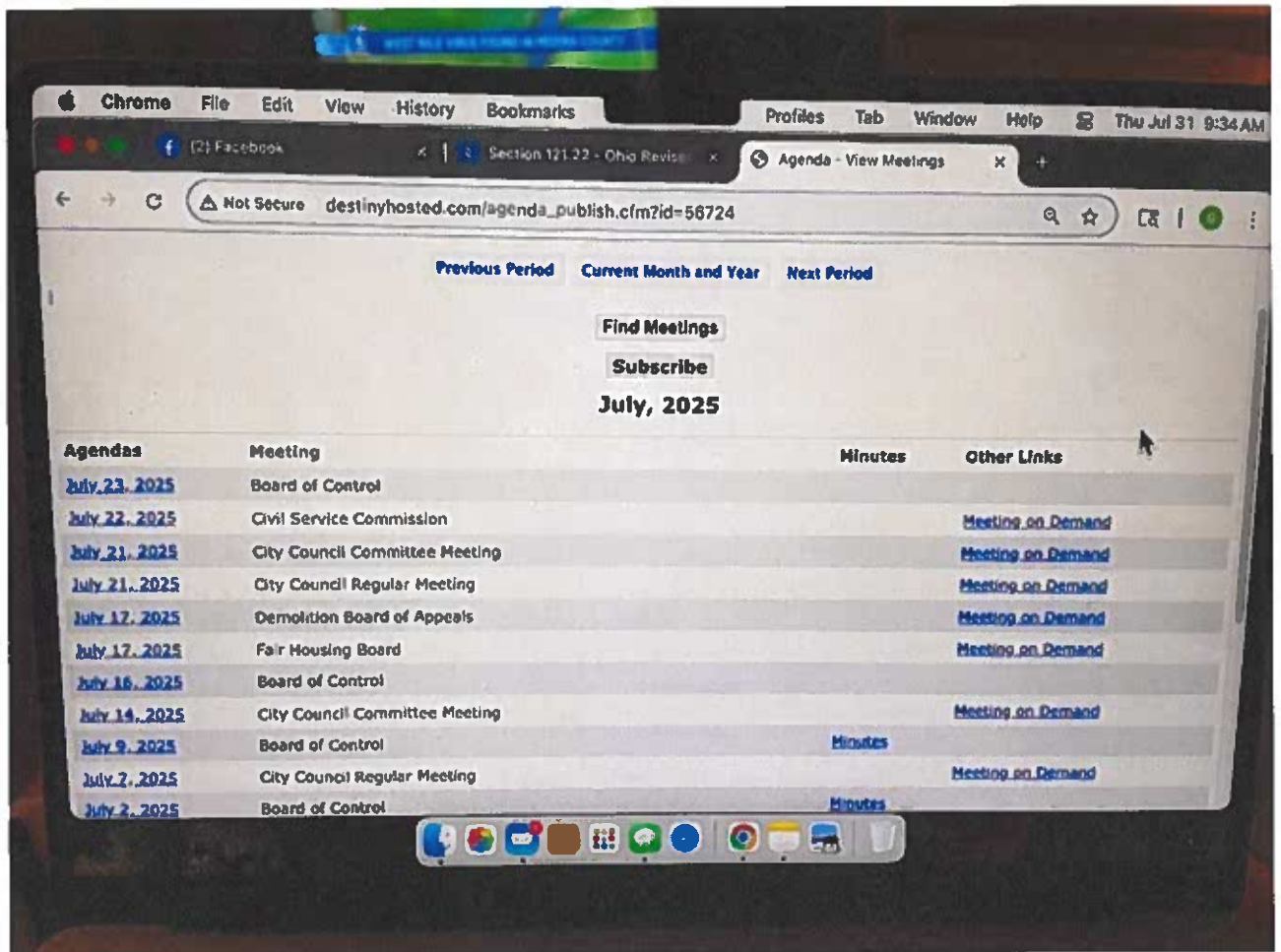
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Dear Ms. Lopez,

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Best regards,

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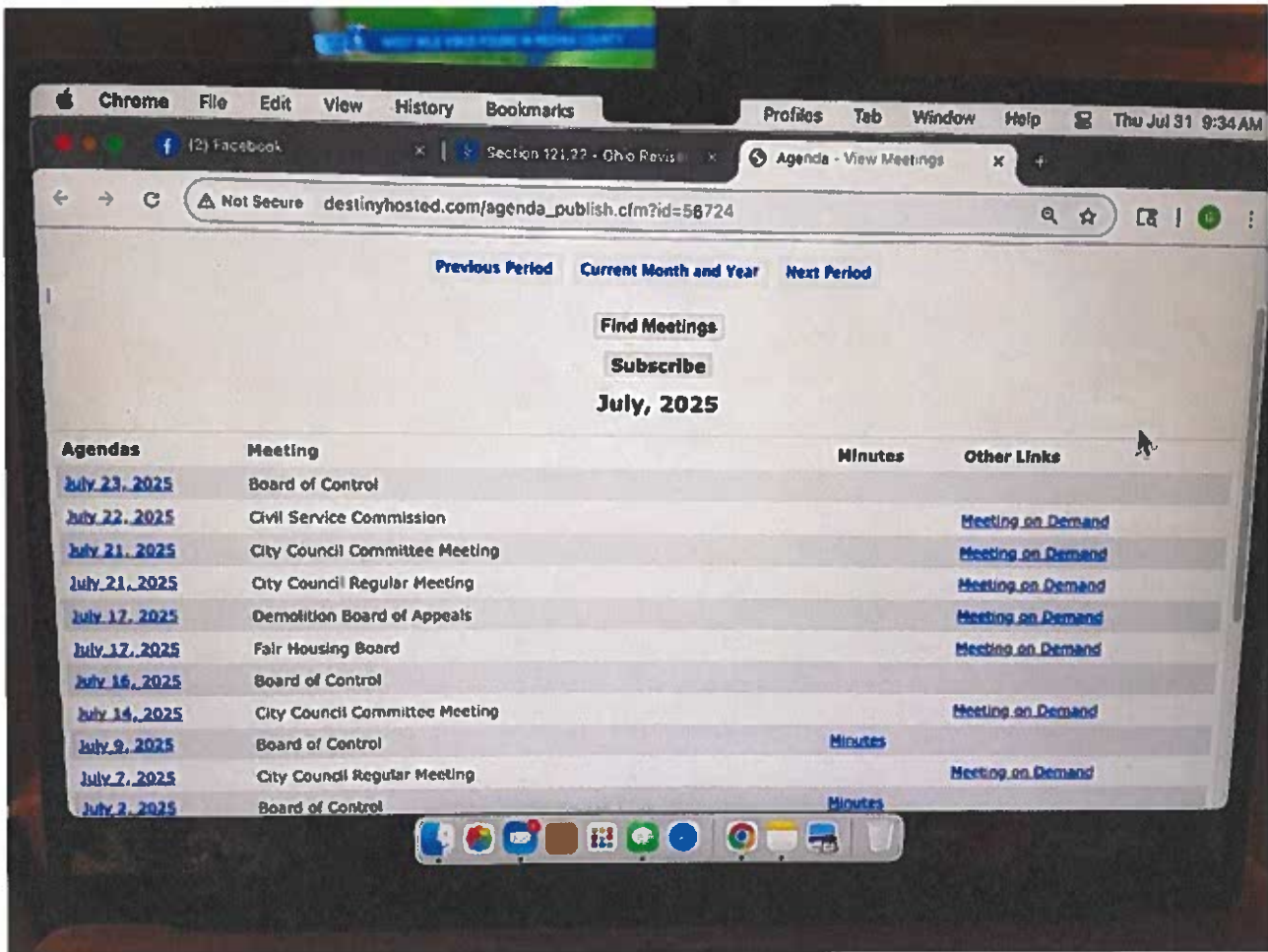
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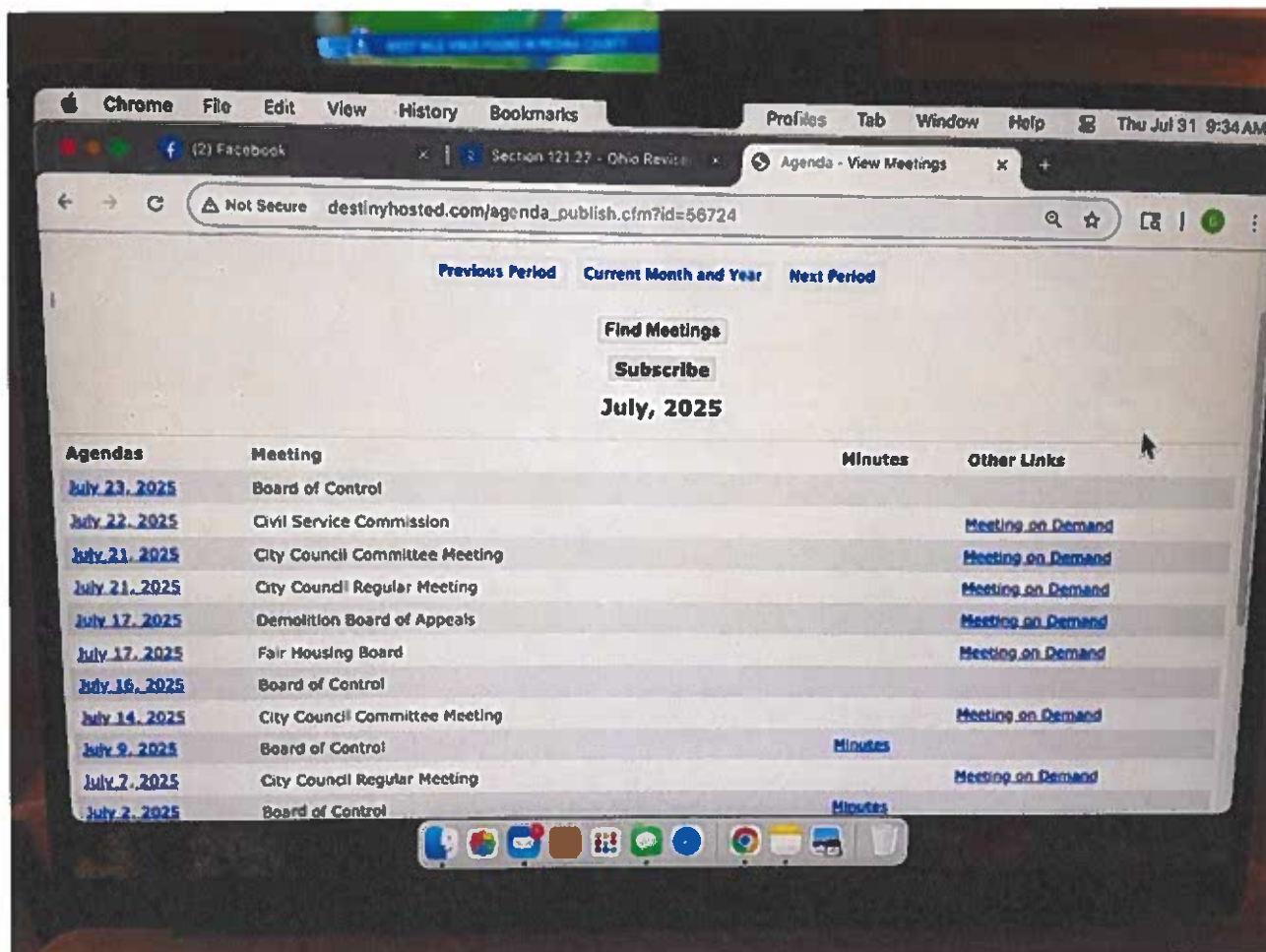
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Subject: RE: Records request

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Donald M. Zaleski
Asst. Law Director

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