

Dear City Council,

A councilperson should always shine a light on quality of life issues that are raised by residents. That's one of the most important reasons we elect them. Thank you Councilmember Armato, for consistently listening and responding to Hermosans with problems that require resolution through City processes. Your commitment to serve in the best interest of our community in a respectful, supportive, thoughtful, and collaborative manner is a shining example of leadership and a hallmark of good governance.

In contrast, it is beyond rational belief that Councilman Fangary's intentions are in the best interest of the City, or its residents. His letters to the Editor, and subsequent letter attached as public comment to the agenda, are clearly self-serving. Fangary's malicious endeavor to tarnish other Councilmembers, the City Manager, and the City Attorney as a result of being justifiably passed over for Mayor Pro Tem is a pathetic attempt to strengthen his frivolous lawsuit against the City (for which the Judge has already disqualified him). Fangary should not be nominated to Mayor Pro Tem nor Mayor, as his actions over the past year serve as continued evidence that he does not work in the best interest of residents, but rather to support his own selfish agenda.

A regular City Council meeting, that is open to the public, is neither the time nor place to discuss legal strategies for ongoing litigation. Fangary's letter(s) and Future Agenda Item requests are adversarial towards the City's interests and should be discarded entirely. I support any measures Council may decide to take, including censure of Fangary for his attempt to impede Council's ability to successfully engage in pending litigation.

Sincerely,

Jason Rice
Resident