

Petition in Support of the Anderson Family Proposal for Quincy Farm

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From: schirmerha@aol.com
To: [Laura Gillespie](mailto:Laura_Gillespie)
Subject: Fwd: Quincy Farm Council Testimony
Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 9:50:43 AM

Laura.,

Please send this to all council members and to the City Managing Director. I can not find their email addresses.

Howard

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From: schirmerha@aol.com
To: rstewart@cherryhillsvillage.com <rstewart@cherryhillsvillage.com>
Sent: Tue, Sep 21, 2021 9:48 am
Subject: Quincy Farm Council Testimony

I planned to attend the tonight's Study Session and Council Meeting live via Zoom or phone as I have a commitment this afternoon in Salida. Laura told me just this morning that Zoom or phone participation is not possible. Hence, I can only write you on what I planned to say tonight.

Good Evening,

My name is Howard Schirmer. My wife and I live at 4100 E. Quincy Ave in close proximity to Quincy Farm. We have lived here for 29 years.

As a neighbor to Quincy Farm, I have followed the City's activities in managing the Farm and have written and testified before the Council several times in person. I am very distressed with what is happening and, in particular, the way the Council has acted on the Quincy Farm matter.

By way of background, which I think is relevant to Quincy Farm considerations,

- I am a Civil Engineer that has dealt with government procurements and RFP's around the world throughout my Professional career.
- I have worked in over 65 countries.
- I have seen lack of transparency, corruption and bad politics many, many times.
- In fact, I was the Executive Co Producer of an anti corruption professionally acted video and training kit for the global construction industry sponsored by the World and Asian Development Banks, among others. It was distributed free around the world to encourage better government procurement practices (see www.ethicana.org/).
- Recently, I have been a panelist on DU Law School's Anti Corruption Symposium that dealt with legal compliance and transparency.

Now on to Quincy Farm.....

This has been mishandled by the City for the last six years.

- It is utterly wrong to change the terms of the RFP process after the solicitation and, in particular, after proposals were received. **Unprofessional**.
- There have been no evaluation and estimate of costs until now, well after proposals were submitted. **Mismanagement**.
- The funding implications have not been presented to the community. **Lack of transparency**.
- There has not been any honest forum for City residents to understand the true facts and express opinions. **Poor communications**.
- Matters have been handled by Council behind closed doors with clear political maneuvering. **Bad politics and bad governance**.
- On the record is one Council member's statement that she does not need to read the proposals as she knows how she will vote. **Incompetence and bad governance**.

I ask, is this good governance? The answer is clearly no.

Based on my 50+ years of experience in the construction industry, our governance as it relates to Quincy Farm rates slightly above that in Djakarta and Manila.

- Behind closed doors.
- Political maneuvering.
- Lack of transparency.
- Lack of financial details upon which to make decisions.
- Decision making without open knowledge of what the Villagers actually want.
- And maybe, even a touch of corruption.

In my view, the community deserves much better governance and more transparency than has been exhibited at Quincy Farm.

I ask that you present all the facts to the citizens, involve the community after there is factual information presented and be transparent in your decision making.

Otherwise, move to Djakarta or Manila.

Sincerely,

Howard Schirmer