

Hello Riverside County supervisors and 5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez:

I'm Marshall Locke, a resident of the 5<sup>th</sup> District in the community of Nuevo since 1965.

Last year, Supervisor Gutierrez, I was appointed by you to the Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council.

But last May, I was compelled to notify you of my resignation from the Nuevo MAC.

I resigned because of agenda disharmony between you/your unelected staff and the Nuevo MAC/Nuevo community, amid signs that, in my decades-long experience in local government, was consistent with a pattern of disorganization and dysfunction in District 5's office.

Also last May, I kept an appointment to inspect public records at the office of Riverside County Counsel here in downtown Riverside.

I spent several hours inspecting hundreds of records, including numerous emails sent and received by District 5 staff and emails between the current District 5 chief of staff and the former District 5 principal planner who recently separated from employment from Riverside County.

Most notable and important of all, **my inspection of public records revealed the existence of District 5 development project tracking records heretofore unknown**—including development project tracking records with the name of the current District 5 chief of staff's name on them—that contained numerous references of developments in Nuevo.

The public records I inspected made it clear that unelected District 5 and Riverside County employees were working at cross-purposes with Nuevo MAC members—Nuevo MAC members and the Nuevo community are justified to be deeply concerned about this.

At the Nuevo MAC meeting of July 18<sup>th</sup>, your chief of staff handed a Nuevo resident a short list of developments that was notable for what information it excluded rather than provided.

Citizens of Nuevo have a statutory and constitutional right to know how you, Supervisor Gutierrez, are conducting Nuevo's business—particularly as it relates to development in the Nuevo community.

At the May 16<sup>th</sup> 2024 Nuevo MAC meeting which you attended, Supervisor Gutierrez, you agreed to provide regularly updated project development information to the Nuevo community at all Nuevo MAC meetings going forward.

Supervisor Gutierrez; my inspection of public records confirmed ***you already have District 5 development project tracking records at your disposal.***

As such, the Nuevo community rejects talk of 'Options', 'Research', 'Software', 'Process', 'Map My County', etc. from unelected bureaucrats unaccountable to Nuevo—Respectfully, it is time for you, Supervisor Gutierrez, to honor the pledge you made to the Nuevo community, without further delay.

Thank you.

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