Connie Cochran

From: Michael Fitzgerald <michelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2023 1:42 PM
To: Connie Cochran
Subject: Re: Records request

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Connie:

My bad. Of course I mean Jason Lee. I mis-heard his name as "David." My fault.

MF

On Tue, Apr 11, 2023 at 4:21 PM Connie Cochran <Connie.Cochran@stocktonca.gov> wrote:

Mike,

To clarify, you are asking for records related to “Jason Lee,” is that correct? I searched Council Agendas but do not find a “David Lee” associated with “I Am Ready” or “Hollywood Cares.”

Please advise if an amendment is needed.

Thank you,

Connie Cochran

Connie Cochran, Community Relations Officer
City of Stockton – City Manager’s Office
City Hall, 425 N. El Dorado St., Stockton, CA 95202
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Thanks, Connie. Much appreciated. Have a safe and relaxing weekend!

On Fri, Jan 13, 2023 at 12:57 PM Connie Cochran <Connie.Cochran@stocktonca.gov> wrote:

Jay Michael,

The Mayor has his own PIO Dana Sovenic. She can be reached by cell at (209) 639-3558. The Mayor’s Office number is (209) 937-8499.

As discussed, City Offices are closed today, as we are closed every other Friday and open extended hours Monday – Thursday. We will also be closed on Monday, January 16, in observation of the MLK, Jr., Birthday Holiday.

Thank you,

Connie
Good morning, Connie,

Thank you for your assistance with my previous story on power outages in Stockton. I greatly appreciate the clarification.

I’m presently working on a story on the process for selecting a vice mayor. I would like to speak with the mayor about it and get his perspective. If you could assist me with that, I would greatly appreciate it.

Thanks so much,

Jay Michael Rivera

Reporter

Stocktonia.org

209-373-7156
HI, Connie,
Thanks again for directing me to the city's storm webpage. I'm looking for a quick quote that would be helpful for the approximately 2,100 Stockton residents still without power. Any advice for them would be greatly appreciated. No need to call back. A simple email will suffice.

Thanks,

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On Mon, Jan 9, 2023 at 2:51 PM Connie Cochran <Connie.Cochran@stocktonca.gov> wrote:

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From: Michael Fitzgerald <michelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2022 4:28 PM
To: Connie Cochran
Subject: Re: Public Records Request - Ten Space/Open Window

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Connie:

Thank you for the response to my PRA request. Unfortunately, almost all of the links are dead. I can't download or open them. I will try to find a workaround over the weekend.

Mike Fitzgerald
Columnist, Stocktonia

On Wed, Sep 21, 2022 at 11:38 AM Connie Cochran <Connie.Cochran@stocktonca.gov> wrote:

Please see attached.

Thank you,

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On Mon, Aug 15, 2022 at 2:20 PM Connie Cochran <Connie.Cochran@stocktonca.gov> wrote:

I am following up with Stockton Police Department on the balance of your request. In the partial response that I had sent you, we asked for clarification; we need to know what you are referencing when you ask about “seven majors.” No one was familiar with that terminology or what it is you are seeking.

You left me a message while you were in Oregon and stated that you would address this upon your return. Please clarify, so that I can ask PD to identify any responsive documents.

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From: Connie Cochran
Sent: Monday, August 1, 2022 4:05 PM
To: Michael Fitzgerald <michaelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Cc: Joseph Silva < Joseph.Silva@stocktonca.gov>
Subject: RE: Request for information

Mike,

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From: Michael Fitzgerald <michelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 22, 2022 9:37 PM
To: Connie Cochran <Connie.Cochran@stocktonca.gov>; Joseph Silva <Joseph.Silva@stocktonca.gov>
Subject: Request for information

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To Connie Cochran, Joseph Silva:

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- The crime rates for the “seven majors” over the last five years, by calendar or fiscal year, whichever is easier.

Thank you—in this case very much—in advance,

Mike Fitzgerald

Columnist, Stocktonia

(209) 403-8270.
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Fair enough. Thanks.

On Fri, Jun 24, 2022 at 4:44 PM Connie Cochran <Connie.Cochran@stocktonca.gov> wrote:

I did not say that the figure in The Record is not to be trusted. What I said was that I would not do my research from The Record; the source of the information should be the City.

Confirming that the total is $74.5 million ($13.6 original purchase price and $60.9 for all other costs).
Connie:

I want to make sure I have the figures right for the new City Hall. In 2017 you told me--or pointed me to documents and video saying--that the purchase price for the Waterfront Towers at 501 and 509 W. Weber Ave was $13.6 million.


Is that figure still correct as the base purchase price?

Also, you said the new figure printed in The Record -- $74.5 million -- is not to be trusted. Would you care to provide an accurate figure?

I'll add up the costs stated on the docs, of course.

Thanks for setting up the interview with Ms. McCarthy.

Mike Fitzgerald

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Connie Cochran, Community Relations Officer
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- All records pertaining to the costs/allowance/stipends allotted for the communication, electronic devices and/or transportation of city of Stockton staff and elected officials — including but not limited to city-owned vehicles, cellphones and computers, etc. — since Jan. 1, 2010, through present.

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From: Michael Fitzgerald <michaeleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 7:42 AM
To: Connie Cochran
Subject: city workforce

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Connie:

How many employees are on the city workforce?

Mike Fitzgerald
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From: Michael Fitzgerald <michelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 1:25 PM
To: Connie Cochran
Subject: Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA)

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Did City Manager Black create the Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA)?

Michael Fitzgerald
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Good Morning, Connie:

I looked for the PowerPoint about the recruitment firm the city hired to staff up the police department in the May 7 agenda but I don't see it. Did I get the date right?

I have a couple other questions when you have a minute. (209) 403-8270

Michael Fitzgerald
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9/12/22

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This letter is to request access to records in the possession of the City of Stockton for the purpose of inspection and copying pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.) and Article I, Section 3 of the California Constitution.

The information that I ask to inspect is as follows:

1. The original purchase agreement between the City of Stockton and Ralph Lee White concerning the property at Airport and Eight Street that became the subject of White’s litigation.

If you are unable comply with this request because you believe it is not clear, California Government Code Section 6253.1(a) requires you to (1) Assist me in identifying the records and information that are responsive to my request; (2) Describe the information technology and physical location in which the records exist; and (3) Provide me with suggestions for overcoming any practical basis for denying access to the records or information I am seeking.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 6253(b), I ask that you make the record(s) “promptly available,” for inspection and copying, based on my payment of “fees covering direct costs of duplication, or statutory fee, if applicable.” I believe that no express provisions of law exist that exempt the record(s) from disclosure.

If a portion of the information I have requested is exempt from disclosure by express provisions of law, Government Code Section 6253(a) additionally requires segregation and deletion of that material in order that the remainder of the information may be released. Government Code Section 6253(c) requires notification to me of the reasons for the exemption not later than 10 days from your receipt of this request.

If you do not need to use the full 10 days, please comply at your earliest convenience. Government Code Section 6253(d) prohibits the use of the 10-day period “to delay access ...”
Thank you in advance. Should you need to discuss any aspect of this request, feel free to call or e-mail me.

Sincerely,

Michael Fitzgerald
Columnist, Stocktonia
(209) 687-9585
mfitzgeraldstockton@gmail.com
Good morning, Connie,

Thank you for your assistance with my previous story on power outages in Stockton. I greatly appreciate the clarification.
I’m presently working on a story on the process for selecting a vice mayor. I would like to speak with the mayor about it and get his perspective. If you could assist me with that, I would greatly appreciate it.
Thanks so much,

Jay Michael Rivera
Reporter
Stocktonia.org
209-373-7156
Good afternoon,
My name is Jay Michael Rivera, and I'm a reporter for stocktonia.org. I'm seeking information on power outages and storm damage for an article I am working on, and my deadline. If you could get back to me at your earliest convenience, that would be great.
Thanks so much,

Jay Michael Rivera
Reporter
stocktonia.org
209-373-7156
Connie Cochran

From: Michael Fitzgerald <michelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 4:10 PM
To: Connie Cochran
Subject: Records request

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Connie:

Below please find a California Public Records Act Request. Feel free to suggest ways to make it less cumbersome. Essentially I would like to understand whether the city suffered financial losses in its dealings with TenSpace. If there's another way to get at that without rounding up all these docs, I'm open to it.

Thanks in advance,

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1. The City of Stockton’s contract(s) with the TenSpace development company for the Open Window Project. Including, but not limited to, Ten Space, The Open Window Project LLC, and subsidiaries such as Huddle Cowork, the Sycamore Building, and the Medico-Dental/Sutter Office Center.

2. Any reports or memoranda analyzing public money expenditures to TenSpace (advanced, loaned, channeled through state or federal sources such as CDBG money, etc.).

3. Any documents such as memoranda or emails discussing whether TenSpace delivered the projects, refunded the money, or kept it.

4. Any e-mails or other correspondence between the city and 10-Space principals with Zak Cort or David Garcia concerning public money, buildings, project progress, or lack thereof.
5. Any memoranda, emails, letters or other records discussing the city’s decision to end the TenSpace agreement.

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Sincerely,

Michael Fitzgerald
Columnist, Stocktonia
(209) 403-8270
mfitzgeraldstockton@gmail.com
7/22/22

To Connie Cochran, Joseph Silva:

I have a request for information. As it is substantial, I’m writing it out. Please let me know if this is doable. And thank you for anything you provide.

May I get:

- The Stockton Police Department’s current staff level of sworn officers.
- The year out of the last five in which the Stockton Police Department reached its highest staffing of sworn officers; the number of sworn officers.
- The San Joaquin cities used in the comparison that reportedly found the SPD is paid 20% below these cities. If this comparison was part of a bigger report, a copy of the report.
- The current solve rate for Stockton homicide cases. The solve rates for the last five years.
- The name of the recently replaced president of the SPOA, his title and job description in the SPD, and, if he is a homicide detective, the solve rate for his team.
- The crime rates for the “seven majors” over the last five years, by calendar or fiscal year, whichever is easier.

Thank you—in this case very much—in advance,

Mike Fitzgerald

Columnist, Stocktonia

(209) 403-8270.
Good morning Connie,

Just wanted to let you know that we’re holding the story on the Stockton Police Department contract negotiations until Monday, just to give everyone a chance to settle back in following the holiday weekend/week. I’m sure everyone has been busy!

So, I’m emailing for two reasons:

First, I just wanted to check back in to see if the city wanted to comment. I know you said that the city doesn’t generally comment on contract negotiations, but you’d ask City Manager Black if he did want to put out a statement. So, again, just checking back in on that.

Second, I had a couple of logistical questions about how contract negotiations with departments generally work with the city. (Just the process, in general.) So if you could give me a call, any help would much appreciated.

If I don’t hear from you, I hope you have a lovely weekend!

Best,
Cassie
Connie Cochran

From: Michael Fitzgerald <michaelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 8, 2022 8:20 AM
To: Connie Cochran
Subject: Stanislaus Inn/city archives

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Connie:

Good morning. In addition to the Historical Resources File on old buildings at the Chavez library, does the city have any sort of historical file on the Stanislaus Inn (which was just demolished)? I seem to recall the city did some sort of historical buildings census years ago.

Thanks,

Michael Fitzgerald
Columnist, Stocktonia
Connie Cochran

From: Michael Fitzgerald <michelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 24, 2022 7:08 PM
To: Connie Cochran
Subject: Re: Waterfront Towers

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Connie:

Not nice of me to e-mail you a question on a Friday after hours, but well, do you know the exact size of the city property west of the Waterfront Towers? It's 9. something acres.

No harm, no foul if you prefer to drink margaritas,

Mike

On Fri, Jun 24, 2022 at 3:32 PM Michael Fitzgerald <michelleofitzgerald209@gmail.com> wrote:

Connie:

I want to make sure I have the figures right for the new City Hall. In 2017 you told me--or pointed me to documents and video saying--that the purchase price for the Waterfront Towers at 501 and 509 W. Weber Ave. was $13.6 million.


Is that figure still correct as the base purchase price?

Also, you said the new figure printed in The Record -- $74.5 million -- is not to be trusted. Would you care to provide an accurate figure?

I'll add up the costs stated on the docs, of course.

Thanks for setting up the interview with Ms. McCarthy.

Mike Fitzgerald
Columnist, Stocktonia
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Columnist, Stocktonia
Connie Cochran

From: Scott Linesburgh <slinesburgh62@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2022 1:16 PM
To: Connie Cochran
Subject: Police Chief Swearing-In Ceremony

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Connie,

This is Scott Linesburgh. I would like to request that myself and Stocktonia members Cassie Dickman (writer) and Duane Sanders (Photographer) receive media clearance to cover the swearing-in ceremony of the new police chief on Thursday.

Thank you,
Scott
(209) 639-6117
Mayor Lincoln:

I am writing a column about Stockton police staffing, which continues to fall despite the 18% raise recently given the SPOA. Staffing as of today (Monday, Feb. 6) is 367--meaning of 120 police officers promised by Measure A, the city has staffed two.

I'd like to briefly talk to you to hear your thoughts and solutions.

I'm writing today and tomorrow for Wednesday's Stocktonia. If you could give me a call, I'd be most grateful.

Thanks in advance,

Michael Fitzgerald
Columnist, Stocktonia.org
(209) 403-8270
All:

My name is Michael Fitzgerald. I'm the former longtime metro columnist for the Stockton Record newspaper. I'm coming out of retirement to write a column for a new online news site start-up, Stocktonia.

I'd like to ask when a transcript of the mayor's State of the City Address will be available to media and to request a copy.

Thanks in advance,

Michael Fitzgerald
(209) 403-8270
Councilmember Padilla:

Stocktonia News Service is working on a story regarding Brando Villapudua being granted a temporary restraining order against Moctezuma Patrick Sanchez. In his court filing, Mr. Villapudua mentions a closed session of the City Council and mentions some fellow council members, including yourself. We have attached a copy of his court filing.

Here are the questions:

1. Were you aware of the restraining order request filed by Brando Villapudua?
2. What is your reaction to Mr. Villapudua stating in his filing that he believes that you, Lincoln and Councilmember Warmsley violated the Brown Act in the closed meeting? Is that your recollection?
3. Are you in favor of ousting City Manager Harry Black? Do you expect his job situation to be on the agenda at some point?

We will be posting the story in the early afternoon, but will add your responses if they arrive after publication.

Thank you,
Scott Linesburgh
CH-100 Request for Civil Harassment Restraining Orders

Read Can a Civil Harassment Restraining Order Help Me? (form CH-100-INFO) before completing this form. Also fill out Confidential CLETS Information (form CLETS-001) with as much information as you know.

1 Person Seeking Protection

a. Your Full Name:
   Brandon Villapudua
   Age: __________
   Your Lawyer (if you have one for this case)
   Name: ___________________ State Bar No.: __________
   Firm Name: ___________________

b. Your Address (If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's information. If you do not have a lawyer and want to keep your home address private, you may give a different mailing address instead. You do not have to give telephone, fax, or e-mail.)
   Address: 1909 Custom Cap Drive
   City: Stockton
   State: CA
   Zip: 95206
   Telephone: 209-933-1943 Fax: __________
   E-Mail Address: Brandon.villapudua@yahoo.com

2 Person From Whom Protection Is Sought

   Full Name: Motezuma, Patrick Sanchez
   Age: 47
   Address (if known): 2508 Jasmine Ave
   City: Stockton
   State: CA
   Zip: 95207

3 Additional Protected Persons

a. Are you asking for protection for any other family or household members? □ Yes □ No If yes, list them:
   Full Name Sex Age Lives with you? How are they related to you?
   Gavriel Bogorac M 25 □ Yes □ No Planning Commission

b. Why do these people need protection? (Explain below):
   □ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write "Attachment 3b—Why Others Need Protection" for a title.

This is not a Court Order.
4 Relationship of Parties
How do you know the person in ②? (Explain below):

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 4—Relationship of Parties” for a title.

5 Venue
Why are you filing in this county? (Check all that apply):

☐ The person in ② lives in this county.
☐ I was harassed by the person in ② in this county.
☐ Other (specify):

6 Other Court Cases
a. Have you or any of the persons named in ③ been involved in another court case with the person in ②?

☐ Yes ☐ No  (If yes, check each kind of case and indicate where and when each was filed.)

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b. Are there now any protective or restraining orders in effect relating to you or any of the persons in ③ and the person in ②? ☐ No ☐ Yes  (If yes, attach a copy if you have one.)

7 Description of Harassment
Harassment means violence or threats of violence against you, or a course of conduct that seriously alarmed, annoyed, or harassed you and caused you substantial emotional distress. A course of conduct is more than one act.

a. Tell the court about the last time the person in ② harassed you.

(1) When did it happen? (provide date or estimated date): 3-7-23 Approx: 4:37 PM
(2) Who else was there?

This is not a Court Order.
(3) How did the person in (2) harass you? (Explain below):

☑ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 7a(3)—Describe Harassment” for a title.

(4) Did the person in (2) use or threaten to use a gun or any other weapon?
☐ Yes ☑ No (If yes, explain below):
☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 7a(4)—Use of Weapons” for a title.

(5) Were you harmed or injured because of the harassment?

☑ Yes ☐ No (If yes, explain below):
☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 7a(5)—Harm or Injury” for a title.

Through Marker's extreme actions & threats, he has posted false & negative information on 20 times. He then threatens to post more negative & false information if I do not vote for City Manager. Today 20 times disclosure (access)

(6) Did the police come? ☐ Yes ☑ No

☐ If yes, did they give you or the person in (2) an Emergency Protective Order? ☐ Yes ☑ No

If yes, the order protects (check all that apply):
☐ Me ☐ The person in (2) ☐ The persons in (3).

(Attach a copy of the order if you have one.)

b. Has the person in (2) harassed you at other times?

☑ Yes ☐ No (If yes, describe prior incidents and provide dates of harassment below):

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 7b—Previous Harassment” for a title.

Not in person, just virtually
Check the orders you want. ☑

8 Personal Conduct Orders
I ask the court to order the person in ② not to do any of the following things to me or to any person to be protected listed in ③:

a. ☑ Harass, intimidate, molest, attack, strike, stalk, threaten, assault (sexually or otherwise), hit, abuse, destroy personal property of, or disturb the peace of the person.

b. ☑ Contact the person, either directly or indirectly, in any way, including, but not limited to, in person, by telephone, in writing, by public or private mail, by interoffice mail, by e-mail, by text message, by fax, or by other electronic means.

c. ☑ Other (specify):

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 8c—Other Personal Conduct Orders,” for a title.

Post via 209times or any other platforms my
NAME, my position, or actions or photos.

The person in ② will be ordered not to take any action to get the addresses or locations of any protected person unless the court finds good cause not to make the order.

9 Stay-Away Orders
a. I ask the court to order the person in ② to stay at least 100 yards away from (check all that apply):

(1) ☑ Me.
(2) ☑ The other persons listed in ③.
(3) ☑ My home.
(4) ☑ My job or workplace.
(5) ☐ My school.
(6) ☑ My children’s school.
(7) ☐ My children’s place of child care.

(8) ☑ My vehicle.
(9) ☑ Other (specify):

City Hall
Council Chambers
City events
City Council meetings

b. If the court orders the person in ② to stay away from all the places listed above, will he or she still be able to get to his or her home, school, or job? ☑ Yes ☐ No (If no, explain below):

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 9b—Stay-Away Orders,” for a title.

10 Guns or Other Firearms and Ammunition
Does the person in ② own or possess any guns or other firearms? ☑ Yes ☐ No ☐ I don’t know

If the judge grants a protective order, the person in ② will be prohibited from owning, possessing, purchasing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive a gun, other firearm, and ammunition while the protective order is in effect. The person in ② will also be ordered to turn in to law enforcement, or sell to or store with a licensed gun dealer, any guns or firearms within his or her immediate possession or control.

This is not a Court Order.


Temporary Restraining Order

I request that a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) be issued against the person in (2) to last until the hearing. I am presenting form CH-110, Temporary Restraining Order, for the court’s signature together with this Request.

Has the person in (2) been told that you were going to go to court to seek a TRO against him/her?

☐ Yes ☐ No (If you answered no, explain why below):

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 11—Temporary Restraining Order” for a title.

I believe that I am being followed and that M. Sanchez is harassing me in a threatening manner to force me to support the removal of the City Manager and others.

Request to Give Less Than Five Days’ Notice of Hearing

You must have your papers personally served on the person in (2) at least five days before the hearing, unless the court orders a shorter time for service. (Form CH-200-INFO explains What Is “Proof of Personal Service”? Form CH-200, Proof of Personal Service, may be used to show the court that the papers have been served.)

If you want there to be fewer than five days between service and the hearing, explain why below:

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 12—Request to Give Less Than Five Days’ Notice” for a title.

Given the severity of circumstances I believe the environment will become increasingly volatile now that he has been dismissed from his job. Yesterday I was being pressured to endorse an individual and I declined to do so and as a result I am again being harassed.

No Fee for Filing or Service

a. ☐ There should be no filing fee because the person in (2) has used or threatened to use violence against me, has stalked me, or has acted or spoken in some other way that makes me reasonably fear violence.

b. ☐ The sheriff or marshal should serve (notify) the person in (2) about the orders for free because my request for orders is based on unlawful violence, a credible threat of violence, or stalking.

c. ☐ There should be no filing fee and the sheriff or marshal should serve the person in (2) for free because I am entitled to a fee waiver. (You must complete and file form FW-001, Application for Waiver of Court Fees and Costs.)

Lawyer’s Fees and Costs

I ask the court to order payment of my ☐ lawyer’s fees ☐ Court costs.

The amounts requested are:

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☐ Check here if there are more items. Put the items and amounts on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write “Attachment 14—Lawyer’s Fees and Costs” for a title.

This is not a Court Order.
Possession and Protection of Animals

I ask the court to order the following:

a.☐ That I be given the sole possession, care, and control of the animals listed below, which I own, possess, lease, keep, or hold, or which reside in my household.
(Identify animals by, e.g., type, breed, name, color, sex.)

I request sole possession of the animals because (specify good cause for granting order):
☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write "Attachment 15a—Possession of Animals" for a title.

b.☐ That the person in(②) must stay at least _____ yards away from, and not take, sell, transfer, encumber, conceal, molest, attack, strike, threaten, harm, or otherwise dispose of, the animals listed above.

Additional Orders Requested

I ask the court to make the following additional orders (specify):

☐ Check here if there is not enough space for your answer. Put your complete answer on the attached sheet of paper or form MC-025 and write "Attachment 16—Additional Orders Requested," for a title.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above and on all attachments is true and correct.

Date: 3/15/23

Type or print your name

This is not a Court Order.

Request for Civil Harassment Restraining Orders
(Civil Harassment Prevention)
Attachment 7a(3) – Describe Harassment
BRANDO VILLAPUDUAA VERSUS MOTEUCUZOMA SANCHEZ RESTRAINING ORDER REQUEST

On March 1, 2023 the Stockton City Council was in a closed session meeting to address Executive Management. Through the duration of the meeting it could be seen that Council Member Kim Warmsley, Michele Padilla and Mayor Kevin Lincoln were engaged in the cell phones receiving messages.

Prior to the meeting I received a message from Motecuzoma Sanchez stating:

Wed, Mar 1 at 2:21 PM

Good afternoon. I'm hoping you do the right thing and help move our city forward.

I did not respond to the text message or engage. My concern with this message was due to an engagement that took place with Sam Fant addressing the upcoming closed session meeting that resulted in Sam holding an envelope of funds that I declined to accept and refused to further the conversation on.

During this closed meeting I felt there were clear violations to the Brown Act because Motecuzoma Sanchez was aware of what was taking place during the meeting and sent the following two text messages:

Wed, Mar 1 at 4:28 PM

Good to go

Ya estuvo homie

Upon the commencement of the closed meeting, a ‘NON- Council Member’ already knew the conclusion of the meeting.

When I exited the chambers I texted Gurneel Boparai who advised me that he was on his way to Valley Brew. At this time, no one knew where I was going, but when I arrived at Valley Brew approximately 4:40 PM to meet with Gurneel, Motecuzoma rushed in right behind me.

Motecuzoma approached aggressively with his phone up and on record yelling out about the closed session items. Motecuzoma knew too much information about exactly what was said and how the meeting took place for there not to have been a clear violation of the Brown Act. With the amount of information Motecuzoma had been provided by either Mayor Lincoln, Councilmember Warmsley or Padilla, Motecuzoma began verbally attacking and became physically aggressive in such a quick manner that Frank Gayaldo had to physically restrain him by putting his body between the two of us when I said, “Man, I don’t feel safe here man”.

The dialog started as: (M = Motecuzoma / B = Brando / A = Action)

M: “Councilmember Villapuduaa, tell us why you are keeping Harry Black”

M: “Why did you keep the City Manager around? You were the fourth vote!”

B: “Man I don’t feel safe with you right now, this ain’t right.”

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Attachment 7a(3) – Describe Harassment
BRANDO VILLAPUDUA VERSUS MOTECUZOMA SANCHEZ RESTRAINING ORDER REQUEST

A: Frank Gayaldo proceeds to pull Motecuzoma out of Council Members face and Motecuzoma responds

M: “I will wait until 5 to ask you those questions....

M: I am coming after you, watch.

M: You fucked up man, you fucked up man. You are done. I am coming after you....

B: Are you making a threat now.

M: You know it... just see... watch..

A: As time passed, SPM approached Motecuzoma started with the comments again.

M: You kept that Bitch Ass Harry Black, you were the fourth vote.

M: I am going after you and Xochitl...

M: Watch

B: You are not supposed to know what happened in closed session.

B: Let’s go I don’t feel safe here.

Since this incident there have been a series of events that have occurred that concern me as a Councilmember and as a citizen. I am concerned that Motecuzoma harassing and threatening actions will become increasingly volatile because he has lost his primary source of employment and had intended to remove the City Manager for his and Sam Fant’s personal financial gain, so I believe.

As of yesterday again I was harassed and threatened to support the removal of City Manager and others and should I not do so, that misleading information will be pushed to the media. With my refusal to default to Motecuzoma’a threats, the following post appeared supporting the concerns of the Brown Act violations:
Stockton - Harry Black has come under fire yet again after multiple sources have linked to 209 Times that Black was once again nearly dismissed from his duties as City Manager in a recent closed-door meeting amongst the city council. While the reason remains unconfirmed, sources believe it may have been related to possible problematic conduct. Questions were raised after Black allegedly made inappropriate and vulgar comments about an unnamed female executive official from CAL Water. The incident occurred at a conference earlier this year in Sacramento, in the presence of two City Council members.

According to one of our sources, a council member confronted and scolded Black for his derogatory and misogynist comments, prompting an investigation into the incident.

The City Council did in fact hold a closed session meeting on March 1, 2022, to discuss Black. Sources say that Black narrowly avoided being fired, with a 4-3 vote in his favor. This is not the first time that Black’s behavior has come under scrutiny. He was forced out from City Hall for taking city staff, and asking the city’s female executive Paula Boggs Muthong, to go with him to a “gentleman’s club.” She declined.

In November 2023, Black was investigated for creating a hostile work environment, and alleged harassment, primarily towards female employees. Sources tell us his job was spared by a 4-3 vote.

Black’s alleged repeated misconduct raises questions about the City Council’s decision to keep him in his position. This newest incident has sparked outrage among members of the community members who are calling for Black’s resignation, citing his track record of inappropriate behavior.

The City Council has not yet made a public statement on the matter, but the incident highlights the need for more accountability and transparency when it comes to the behavior of public officials. We have reached out to the Councilmember believed to have confronted him, but he has so far refused to respond. This is a developing story in Stockton.
In addition to these threats, I am being followed. I rarely encountered Motecuzoma in the community or throughout the day, or any of his partners like Sam Fant. Now it seems like I am running into them everywhere and in the most unlikely locations.

Monday 3/13/2023 I picked up my son from Brookside School located at 2962 Brookside Road, Stockton, CA 95219 and Motecuzoma was there. Of all the times that I have picked up my son, not once have I ever seen Motecuzoma at the school, but now I see him on the same day I am being pressured to endorse a candidate and the removal of Executive Management from the City of Stockton. Motecuzoma and his partner Sam Fant are now showing up at various locations that I am located that they have never engaged me at.

With the actions of Motecuzoma Sanchez and his lack of respect, I fear that Motecuzoma Sanchez will continue to harass and ultimately harm me should he actions of harassment, threat, and political extortion not be addressed.
Kimberly:

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