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Please update the online packet and print this out for all the council members.

Best,

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**Subject:** **Comments pertaining to 3/12/19 Council Meeting**

Council Members,

I wanted to write you all regarding agenda item 9 on this upcoming meeting's agenda.

The residents have lost trust in Sandy City leadership as a result of the handling of the hyper-fluoridation issue by the Administration. City Council has been somewhat shielded from the brunt of the criticism because of the separation in responsibilities from that of the Administration. However, I can see that eroding depending upon how you all proceed as it pertains to the independent investigation you all promised to the residents of this city.

I was disappointed with how the Council voted to proceed with the RFP process due to the Administrative Order that was received in the 5 minutes before this item came up for conversation. It was clear that only one of you had familiarity with what was in the Order, and the fact that your decision on how to proceed was rushed and based largely on that one member's opinion felt a bit irresponsible.

It was also disappointing that the Administrative Order, while being a public document and the basis for last week's decision about the investigation, was not made public except through a GRAMA request.

After scouring the news I found a Deseret News article that outlined some of the violations and the action now required by the City. With the limited amount of information given in that news story (<https://www.deseretnews.com/article/900059274/sandy-hit-with-three-drinking-water-violations-fluoride.html?fbclid=IwAR3tA2dqOUg5pQsE73->

[OyT7Hcz8kfmDvWifUP9XpTfv3XqL7nROY6rneU6A](#)), I can see how you may initially believe you would be duplicating efforts. However, if the job of responding to the Order falls to the Mayor and not the Council, you would not be upholding your promise to seek an independent investigation on the matter. Does the Order require that someone from outside the City investigate and provide the required information? If not, then you're not upholding your promise. Also, the Order asks for an illness report. Would this also include information about the long-term health effects? Again, I assume that it only seeks the number of those with known illness and limited information about their illness relating to the water issue. Without having access to the Order I am only left to assume, but I think my point about objectively assessing whether or not fulfilling the requirements of this Order also fulfills your promises to the residents of this City is clear.

It is Council's responsibility to oversee situations such as this, and you have been elected to be objective in your duties. I don't feel last Tuesday's discussion and vote on the matter exemplified objectivity and a desire to do right by the residents in this time of such distrust. I sincerely hope to see that you move forward with the originally approved plan.

Furthermore, I would like to express my support for agenda item 8. I regularly attend concerts at Red Butte because I like the venue and the artists it attracts. I think Sandy could benefit in multiple ways by allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages during special events such as concerts. It may help to attract top performers who would bring in more revenue for the City (the City could potentially sell more tickets to each show, and charge more for tickets overall), as well as the revenue from the sale of alcohol itself. With tax revenue holding a more questionable position as of late, and with the extraordinary costs the water fiasco has, and will impose on our tax base, it is prudent of the Council to create other means of revenue.

Thank you for your time.

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