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Sent:

Monday, July 22, 2024 10:36 PM

To:

Keith Blackburn; Priya Bhat-Patel; Teresa Acosta; Melanie Burkholder; Carolyn Luna; City

Clerk; Scott Chadwick; City Attorney

Subject:

Public Comment - #7: Mayoral appointment to Library Board of Trustees - Opposition

to appointment

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Dear Mayor, Council, and City Staff,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed appointment of Paul Hannosh to the Library Board of Trustees.

It has come to my attention that Paul Hannosh has made numerous public posts that would incite and divide the community of Carlsbad, and undermine the mission of the Carlsbad Libraries. Specifically, he has publicly shared content that targets "woke" libraries, discredits libraries as "liebraries," celebrates the violence of January 6th, 2021, and utilizes Anti-Semitic terms like "globalists" and "America First." These posts raise significant concerns about his suitability for a position on the Library Board of Trustees.

The Library Board of Trustees requires members who are not only passionate about libraries, but also committed to supporting and enhancing their vital role in our community while respecting the diverse views and beliefs of the people they serve. Paul Hannosh's public stance against libraries, coupled with his apparent support for actions that sought to undermine democratic principles, is deeply troubling and incompatible with the mission of our libraries. Most worrisome are his posts that incorporate Anti-Semitic terms and phrases that date back to World War II and are condoned by the ADL (see here). The appointment of Paul Hannosh would surely divide the community and put undue attention on our city libraries.

Appointing an individual who does not support the fundamental principles of our libraries and democracy would be detrimental to their development and the services they provide to our community. I urge you to reconsider this appointment and seek a candidate who will unite the community in cherishing the democratic values that our libraries represent.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely, Stephanie Wells Carlsbad D1 Resident, Citizen's Academy Graduate

Sources: Referring to Library's as "woke" and calling Librarians, "Liebrarians" <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/765473395189646/permalink/887319863004998/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/765473395189646/permalink/887319863004998/</a>



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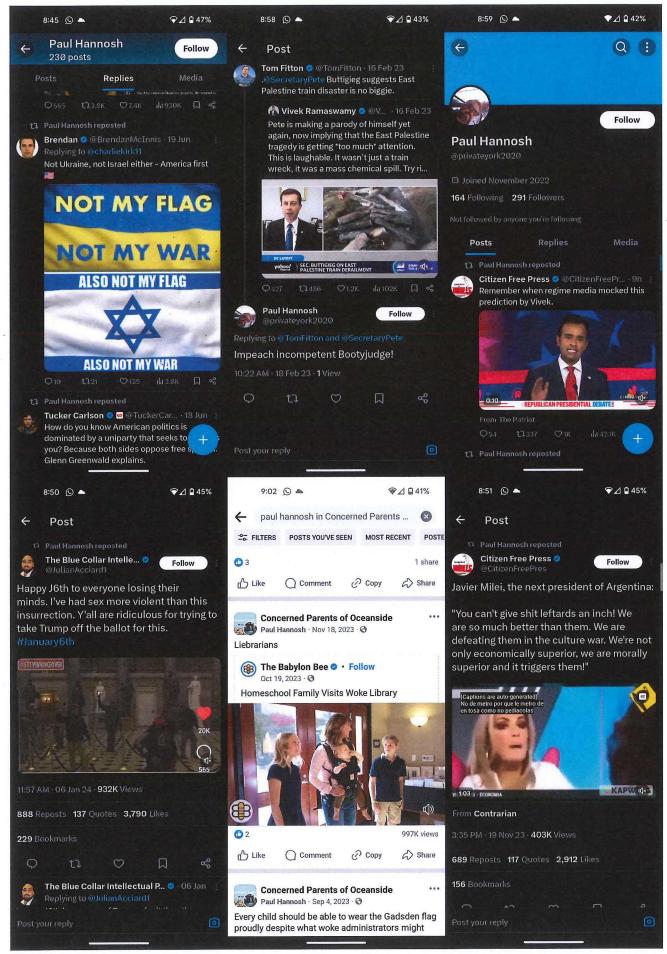


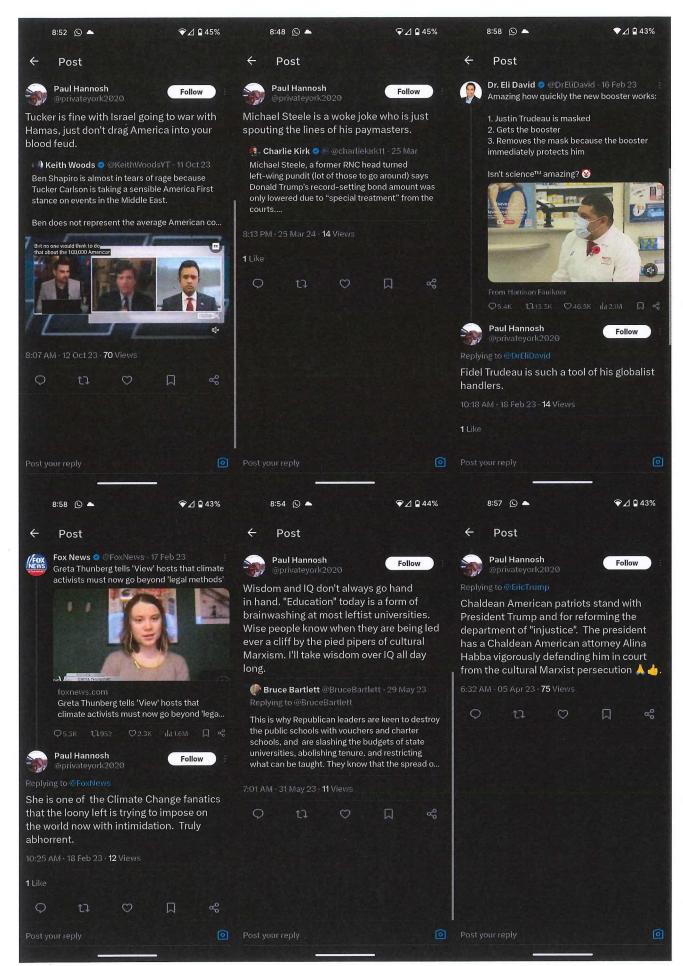
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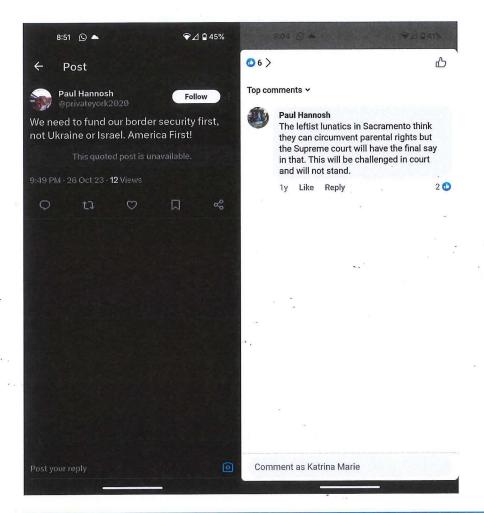
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From:

Sharon Bodon <sharonbodonca@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 22, 2024 11:37 PM

To:

Keith Blackburn; Priya Bhat-Patel; Teresa Acosta; Melanie Burkholder; Carolyn Luna; City

Clerk; Scott Chadwick; City Attorney

Subject:

Disturbing appointment needs scrutiny

Dear Mayor and Staff,

I strongly oppose the appointment of Mr. Hannosh to the Library Board of Trustees. This individual clearly does not uphold the values of anyone who should be considered to represent our beloved public institution. The overused, yet very apropos metaphor, "don't let the fox guard the hen house," quickly comes to mind. He is, without a doubt, interested in occupying this post simply to undermine the public library system by sowing distrust in what the libraries even stand for.

Others who share my concern, may send you extensive proof of what this man has publicly stated, some of which is so appalling I find it hard to read, let alone relay here.

We are seeing the type of individual Mr. Hannosh appears to be, also run for school boards as well, in an attempt to sow mistrust, paranoia and eventually rejection of the idea that these places are for ALL, and not just for the fraction of people who prefer not to read or learn about certain materials.

The VAST majority of the public do not accept that any one religion or political view should take precedence in our schools or other public institutions. Nor do we believe conspiracy theories, like Mr. Hannosh has claimed to believe: that the employees of libraries are doing anything other than sharing their extensive well-rounded, unbiased, truthful knowledge and running these programs with extreme efficiency.

By calling our wonderful librarians "liebrarians" among other unforgivable insults, it is clear, this individual has zero respect for their tireless work, the education it took for them to achieve their positions, and literally for their basic decency.

I will be making ongoing comments and ensuring the public are aware of this appointment should it actually move forward.

We, Carslabd Citizens, deserve much, much better.

Thank you for your concern and action in this matter.

Sharon Bodon

Carlsbad Resident and frequent library user

From:

Chih-Wu Chang <chihwu.chang@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:34 AM

To:

City Clerk; Keith Blackburn; Teresa Acosta; Priya Bhat-Patel; Carolyn Luna; Melanie

Burkholder

Subject:

Public Comment - #7: Mayoral appointment to Library Board of Trustees - Opposition

to appointment

# Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

As a Carlsbad resident for 20 years, I love the City. It is the best City in San Diego County, where everyone is united under your leadership to strive for growth, prosperity, harmony, and happiness.

I am appalled to learn the City intends to appoint Paul Hannosh to the Library Board of Trustees. Mr. Paul, who openly called the library "libraries," has no respect for the library, the library staff, and the services provided by our libraries. And he has made numerous racist statements. How can a person with highly biased views towards libraries and librarians serve on a Library Board of Trustees? Mr. Paul would create a mockery of our fine City and libraries. Please do not appoint Paul Hannosh as a Library Board of Trustee member.

Best regards,

Chih-Wu Chang 6488 Paseo Vuelo, Carlsbad A Graduate of Citizen Academy and Citizens Police Academy Be Kind

From:

KC Krause < kckrause@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:45 AM

To:

Keith Blackburn

Cc:

Priya Bhat-Patel; Teresa Acosta; Melanie Burkholder; Carolyn Luna; City Clerk; Scott

Chadwick; City Attorney

Subject:

Comment - #7: Library Board of Trustees - Opposition

Dear Mayor, Council, and City Staff,

We are opposed to the appointment of Paul Hannosh to the Library Board of Trustees.

Over the years, Paul Hannosh has made numerous divisive public posts that would incite and divide the community of Carlsbad, and undermine the mission of the Carlsbad Libraries. Specifically, he has publicly shared content that targets and discredits libraries as "liebraries," celebrates the violence of January 6th, 2021, and uses Anti-Semitic terms. These posts raise significant concerns about his suitability for a position on the Carlsbad Library Board of Trustees.

The Library Board of Trustees requires members who are not only passionate about libraries, but also committed to supporting and enhancing their vital role in our community, while respecting the variety of views and beliefs of the 100,000+ Carlsbadians they serve. Paul Hannosh's public stance against libraries, along with his support for actions that undermines our democratic principles, is troubling and incompatible with the mission of our libraries. Most worrisome are his posts that incorporate Anti-Semitic terms and phrases that date back to WW II and are condoned by the ADL. The appointment of Paul Hannosh would surely divide the community and put undue attention on our Carlsbad city libraries.

Appointing an individual who does not support the fundamental principles of our libraries and democracy would be detrimental to their development and the services they provide to our community. I urge you to reconsider this appointment and seek a candidate who will unite the community in cherishing the democratic values that our libraries represent.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Regards, Segovia Krause Family Citizen's Academy Graduate Olde Carlsbad D1 Residents since 1996

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From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:47 AM

To:

Keith Blackburn; Priya Bhat-Patel; Teresa Acosta; Melanie Burkholder; Carolyn Luna; City

Clerk; Scott Chadwick; City Attorney

Subject:

Library

Dear Mayor Blackburn and City Council Members,

I have been made aware that you are considering the appointment of Paul Hannosh to Library Board of Trustees. I am writing to express my strong opposition.

I respect the right to have diverse religious, political, and personal views, even views that some find offensive, However, I believe that prejudicial views, such as antisemitism, and public appointment are not a match.

A library is a site of knowledge, a place of calm refuge, a location where people can safely seek answers to their questions. I am interested in the news circulating stating that Mr, Hannosh has called libraries "liebraries". If this is the case, his is not a mindset that aligns with the best interest of a library; a place where citizens can find answers and truths to any lie they suspect has been stated.

I am sure that you have been made aware of some public positions made by Mr Hannosh? It is my hope that you will take a stand that no racial, religious, or any other kind of prejudicial remarks will be accepted by someone representing Carlsbad. Carlsbad is a wonderful community. Please keep it kind, thoughtful, respectful of diversity, and keep the library a safe place where minds grow.

Thank you, Debbie Mendels

From:

Diana A <dra805@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:54 AM

To:

Keith Blackburn; Carolyn Luna; Priya Bhat-Patel; Teresa Acosta; Melanie Burkholder; City

Clerk; Scott Chadwick

Subject:

SUBJECT LINE: #7: MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES -

OPPOSITION TO APPOINTMENT

Dear Mayor Blackburn,

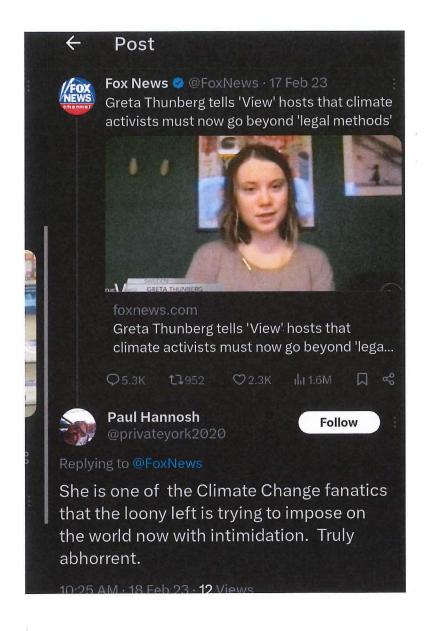
I am writing because I am concerned about the consideration to nominate Paul Hannosh to the City of Carlsbad library board of trustees. I deeply believe in our public libraries and greatly appreciate all the wonderful activities they offer. Our libraries are one of the few places where everyone in our community can feel safe, regardless of political or social beliefs.

My concern with Paul Hannosh stems from his social media posts, which have been shared with me and, I am certain, with you as well. Social media posts often reflect a person's stance and are commonly reviewed by employers. Based on his posts, I believe Paul Hannosh is unfit for this position. For example, his post about Greta Thunberg—who is a hero to many young people advocating for the environment—suggests he does not value a broad spectrum of thinking. Our library proudly offers many books on Greta Thunberg, showcasing our commitment to diverse perspectives.

Our library board needs to reflect our community and remain dedicated to ensuring our libraries are spaces where everyone can explore any topic and engage in community activities. Paul Hannosh's views, as expressed on social media, do not seem to support growth and community connection, which is concerning if he is appointed to the library board of trustees.

I kindly ask you to reconsider and not appoint Paul Hannosh to the library board of trustees.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.



Diana Aguirre, City of Carlsbad Resident & Homeowner District 3