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JIM: THEN THERE WAS ANOTHER PASSING COMMENT ... THERE WERE SO MANY PEOPLE COMING AFTER ME WITH DIFFERENT QUESTIONS THAT THIS TENANT PROJECT ... THE ADVISORY COUNCIL DOESN'T REALLY REPRESENT ... THEY SAY THAT MORE OF THE SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR WAS RIGHT ... THAT THEY DONT REPRESENT HUNTERS POINT AND IF THAT IS THE CASE AND IF DUKES AND DUKES IS CORRECT ON THE 87% ON GUNS WHICH HE HAD HEARD MY OPINION ... WE SURE DO HAVE PEOPLE TALKING THINGS FAST. SOMEBODY HAD ALREADY TALKED TO THEM ABOUT MY SENTIMENTS IN THAT ROOM. OF COURSE, I DID MENTION/SOMETHING ABOUT HARDWARE - I DID MENTION IT PUBLICLY BUT DIDN'T MENTION IT IN DEPTH THAT THEY ASKED ME QUESTIONS ABOUT IT ... THEY SAID THAT, "I UNDERSTAND THAT UBALDE HOLDS ONE POSITION AND YOU ANOTHER." I SAID, "NO DISAGREEMENT - I TOTALLY AGREE THAT THE FORTRESS CONCEPT IS A BAD ONE; I AM A PACIFIST AT HEART; I AM JUST A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED ABOUT PEOPLE BEING PUT UP THERE WITH THE KIND OF TENSIONS AND THREATS THAT WE HAVE. THAT WAS MY PROTEST - WAS THAT PEOPLE BEING PUT UP THERE WITHOUT BEING PROPERLY TRAINED AS POLICE PEOPLE AND PROPERLY EQUIPPED.

UBALDE: ALL YOU NEED TO SAY JIM, WHICH IS FAIRLY ACCURATE, THAT YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE LIVES OF THOSE PEOPLE AND I THINK THAT IS THE ONLY THING THAT YOU NEED TO SAY.

JIM: I DID SAY THAT. I SAID THAT WAS MY WHOLE CONCERN IN A NUTSHELL ... THAT I THINK UNDER THE PRESENT PRESSURE, THAT SOMEBODY IS LIABLE TO OFF THEM TO TRY TO MOVE IN THAT HILL FOR SPECIAL DESIGNS. THEY SAID, WELL DO YOU HAVE ANY SPECIFIC SECURITY GROUP IN MIND. I SAID I DONT KNOW A THING ABOUT THESE SECURITY GROUPS BUT I WASN'T GOING TO GET IN THAT BAG BECAUSE I DONT KNOW THESE DIFFERENT SECURITY AGENCIES THAT WE ARE DEALING WITH BUT I KNOW WE ARE DEALING WITH SOME PRETTY SAVORY ELEMENTS UP THERE AND I CAN SEE THAT THEY WILL BUMP/SOME OF THESE CATS FOR AT \$4.76 AN HOUR JUST TO TRY TO SHOW US THAT THAT HOUSING THING WOULDN'T WORK AND I HAVE HEARD A NUMBER OF THINGS ABOUT COMMANDER WITHERSPOON -- THAT'S WHY I TOOK THE LIBERTY, AND I THOUGHT I HAD TO IN GOOD CONSCIOUS TO ASK POINT BLANK DID HE HAVE ANY DESIGNS AFTER HE RETIRED TO BE ENTERING INTO THE SECURITY FIELD BECAUSE INDEED IF HE WERE GOING TO DO SO, HE WOULD HAVE THE IDEAL SITUATION PLACING HIS/^{OWN}MEN; THEY WOULD PROBABLY AUTOMATICALLY QUIT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY AND GO TO WORK WITH HIM BUT HE SAID IT SOUNDED TO ME, IF YOU CAN BELIEVE WHAT ANYONE SAYS, IT SOUNDED LIKE HE HAD NO DESIGNS AFTER HE RETIRES BUT SOMETIMES THOSE STREET PEOPLE UP THERE DO HAVE AN ELEMENT OF FACT THAT YOU CAN GET AT AND I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO DO MORE SEARCHING ... IF YOU CAN XXXX DO ANY SEARCHING

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ON YOUR OWN BECAUSE ONE CAN NEVER BE TOO SURE OF YOUR OWN SOURCES. FEELING IF INDEED THIS ADVISORY COUNCIL SPEAKS VERY EXTENSIVELY ... I GET THE / SOMETIMES IT DOESN'T SPEAK VERY EXTENSIVELY. I GET FAR MORE THAN ONE SAYING THAT TO ME ... MAYBE EVEN A DOZEN, 10-12 PEOPLE ... THAT CLEO HAS GOT HER LITTLE GROUP BUT THEY DONT REALLY REPRESENT ANYBODY. I THINK CLEO DOES SOME IMMENSE THINGS AND ^{DOES IMMENSE} THINGS FOR PEOPLE.

UBALDE:

WELL, I HAVE HEARD OF THAT RUMOR BUT NO ONE HAS GIVEN ME SPECIFIC FACTS AND I HAVE ASKED FOR SOME FACTS BUT I HAVEN'T GOTTEN ANY. I THINK THAT WHAT WE CAN DO AT THIS POINT IS SIMPLY INSTRUCT ... AND WE DEFINITELY HAVE A RIGHT TO DO THIS BECAUSE THE ACCUSATION WAS MADE THAT WE HAVE A RIGHT TO PROTECT THE COMMISSION IS THAT WE HAVE TO INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR TO COME UP WITH THE LIST, ESPECIALLY IF YOU ARE GOING TO SWEAR THOSE PEOPLE IN ON THURSDAY, ^{THAT YOU} IN GOOD CONSCIOUS, NEED TO KNOW ABOUT BEFORE THAT SWEARING IN TAKES PLACE.

JIM:

I'M NOT SWEARING THEM IN, AM I ?

UBALDE:

WELL, IT SAID THE COMMISSION IS SWEARING THOSE PEOPLE IN.

JIM:

SOME INFORMATION AND

WHAT WOULD YOU SUGGEST THAT WE FURTHER DO TO GET ~~THEM~~ TO PIN SOME OF THESE PEOPLE DOWN?

UBALDE: INSTRUCTION FOR LETTER TO SCOTT:

WE NEED TO GET THE STAFF TO DO THEIR WORK FOR US -- WRITE A LETTER -- A MEMO ON YOUR LETTERHEAD TO SCOTT SAYING THAT THE ACCUSATION MADE BY BEASLEY WAS SUCH AND SUCH; PLEASE FURNISH THE COMMISSION PROOF OF THEIR RESIDENCY ^{AND} REPRESENTATION. NO. 1 -- REPRESENTATION IN THE SENSE WERE THEY DULY ELECTED BY THEIR SPECIFIC TARGET AREAS. THERE ARE 2 THINGS JIM, NO. 1 - WHERE ARE THEY RESIDING. NO. 2 - WERE THEY DULY ELECTED BY THE TARGET AREAS. SEE, THERE WERE SUPPOSED TO BE 2 FROM EACH TARGET AREA, LIKE HUNTERS VIEW, ALICE GRIFFITH, ETC. IF THEIR ANSWER TO THOSE QUESTIONS ARE AFFIRMATIVE, THEN IT PROTECTS YOU, IT PROTECTS THE COMMISSION.

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JIM: NOW WE NEED TO ALSO KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ATTEND THESE MEETINGS.

UBALDE: YES, THAT'S RIGHT. GET AN IDEA HOW MANY PEOPLE ATTEND THE MEETINGS; WHERE ARE THEY HELD; AND WHAT FORM OF NOTICES ARE SENT.

JIM: THAT'S IMPORTANT.

UBALDE: O.K. THAT'S THE STAFF NOW.] NOW, THE OTHER THING, YOU KNOW, ONE REPORT FROM THE STAFF -- THAT'S ONE MATTER. THEN YOU HAVE OTHER WAYS OF FINDING OUT. DO NOT HESITATE TO CHECK THAT OUT.

JIM: YOU TOO.

UBALDE: I WILL BE HAPPY TO.

JIM: THERE WAS A DEAL THIS LADY DOESN'T USUALLY SPEAK WITHOUT KNOWING THE FACTS. SHE SAID IT WAS A DEAL MADE IN THERE TO DROP SOME OF THE QUESTIONS THAT THE ADVISORY COUNCIL HAD SUCH AS THAT I MENTIONED ON PAGE 29 AND ALL OF THESE THINGS WERE JUST SWEEPED UNDER THE CARPET AFTER THE DEAL WAS MADE ABOUT ^{SOME OF} THE MONEY BEING DIVERTED INTO TRAVEL FOR ... DIVERSION OF SOME OF THE MONEY INTO TRAVEL.

UBALDE: POESAN ANTONIO AS ONE AREA.

JIM: THAT WAS ONE OTHER THING .. DIVERTED INTO TRAVEL FOR A NUMBER OF PEOPLE ... THEN THEY GOT SOME DIFFERENT EQUIPMENT THAT THEY WANTED, FURNITURE THAT THEY WANTED, ETC. WHICH I DONT FIND ANY PARTICULARLY SUSPECT OF THAT. WHAT THIS YOUNG WOMAN THOUGHT WAS SUSPICIOUS IS THAT THEY WERE MAKING A LOT OF PROTEST ABOUT

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THE WHOLE GENERAL PROGRAM ... THEN THEY WERE NOT PLACATING ... SHE SAID THAT I WAS DISAPPOINTED WITH THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND I WAS DISAPPOINTED WITH THE ATTORNEY HERSELF.

UBALDE: LET US ~~SAY~~ ^{SAY} THIS AT THIS POINT.... THOSE ACCUSATIONS MAY BE INACCURATE. BE MINDFUL OF THE FACT THAT WHEN WE VOTED FOR THAT WAS WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT ~~THE~~ ^{THE MONIES} THAT NEED TO BE APPORTIONED TO THAT AREA. COUNCILS CAN COME AND GO BUT THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT RENOVATION ... THAT MODERNIZATION TAKES ^{PLACE} THAT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT THING AND WE CERTAINLY ARE NOT GOING TO BE SWAYED BY ANY ACCUSATION TO STOP THEIR PROJECT BECAUSE THAT PROJECT IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANY OF THOSE COUNCIL MEMBERS OR SECURITY GUARDS.

JIM: I AGREE WHOLEHEARTEDLY. ^{HOME}

UBALDE: NOW WE CAN DO THE KIND OF ^{HOME} WORK THAT WE NEED.

JIM: YOU DO ANY RESEARCH WORK THAT YOU CAN DO IN THAT AREA AND ASK ME IN THE MEETING WHAT SCUTTLE BUTT I HAVE PICKED UP. YOU CAN WEIGH THAT SCUTTLE BUTT ALONG WITH ME AND FIND OUT ... BECAUSE I REALLY, AT TIMES, ^{GET THE} FEELING LIKE IT'S TOO MUCH TO STAY ON TOP OF...IN THAT THERE IS A MARRIAGE THAT GOES ON HERE BETWEEN CLEO AND SCOTT ... THIS IS A FEELING OF SEVERAL PEOPLE OF THE HOUSING STAFF ON LOWER LEVELS ... THAT DEALS ARE MADE WHICH WE KNOW NOT OF AND IT MAY NOT BE A THING TO IT BECAUSE INNUENDO RUNS RAPPANT IN THIS TOWN AND I DO KNOW THAT CLEO --- IN TERMS OF EMBELLISHMENT, I FIND HER ^{????} THAT CAME IN ABOUT THE THREATS. I THINK EACH ONE SAID THEY HAD HAD ONE ... SHE SAID SHE HAD HAD 5 AND I SAID, "5 - WHO WERE THEY ... HOW WERE THEY" ... I COULD TELL THAT CLEO WAS EXAGGERATING HER ^{REALLY} THREATS BECAUSE SHE COULDN'T GIVE ME ANY DETAILS AND I AM ^{REALLY} CONCERNED ABOUT THIS AND BY THE WAY, IF ANYBODY GIVES YOU ANY TROUBLE, I BROUGHT PLENTY OF SECURITY THERE TODAY AND IF THEY GIVE YOU ANY TROUBLE AROUND YOUR HOME ... BECAUSE POLICE WILL GIVE YOU THIS LINE THAT NOTHING CAN BE DONE UNTIL AFTER THE FACT...WELL THAT'S A LITTLE LATE .. SO IF ANYONE STARTS HAZZLING .. DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL ... I KNOW YOUR COMMITMENT TO PEOPLE .. AND SO YOU CALL THIS CHURCH AND WE WILL BE THERE QUICK. .. BUT IT MAY BLOW OVER .. IT MAY BE A _____ IN A TEAPOT, ALTHOUGH WHEN PEOPLE START THREATENING LIKE THIS, YOU HAVE TO CONTINUE WITH A CERTAIN ELEMENT OF SERIOUSNESS.

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UBALDE: DID YOU NOTICE THAT WHEN WALTER WENT OVER TO BEASLEY AND KIND OF SOFTENED HIM UP WHILE WE WERE TALKING ... I RESENTED THAT.

JIM: WHICH BEASLEY WAS IT?

UBALDE: SHORTER GUY.

JIM: HE'S A BROTHER AS I GATHER, TO THE ONE THAT IS ON THE SECURITY¹

UBALDE: THE YOUNG GUY, THE HUSKY ONE, WAS THE ONE IMPLICATED WITH RE-DEVELOPMENT AND I AM SURPRISED HE IS OUT.

JIM: I DONT WHY HE GAVE ME ALL OF THOSE SORT OF CORDIAL RESPONSES. I GUESS PERHAPS BECAUSE OF ALL MY SECURITRY AROUND THERE. THIS IS A TERRIBLE DAY WE ARE LIVING IN. THERE IS ONLY ONE THING THAT PEOPLE SEEM TO UNDERSTAND IN THE ASPHALT JUNGLE IS FORCE MET WITH MORE FORCE .. IT IS A HORRIBLE WAY TO LIVE .. BECAUSE I DONT EVEN KNOW THIS MAN ... HE TALKED IN SOME SORT OF TERM LIKE, "JIM" ... "BROTHER JIM". THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT HE AND BROTHER JIM EVER MET. ...

I DO CARE ABOUT A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT I DONT HAVE RIGHT BEFORE ME RIGHT NOW ... I WOULD LIKE TO GO OVER WITH YOU BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING^(THE WHOLE TARGET BUSINESS) ABOUT MONIES AND ... BUT TODAY, AGAIN, THIS GUY BROUGHT UP THE QUESTION OF THE 15 MILLION ... I LIKE THE ONE GUY ... I DONT TRUST KILDORPH ANY FURTHER THAN YOU CAN THROW HIM BECAUSE I'VE GOT TOO MANY INSIGHTS ON HIM FROM COLLEAGUES .. ONE OF THEM BUTLER ... OFF THE RECORD ... DONT SAY SHE CALLED HIM A REACTIONARY, ANOTHER HOUSE (?) WHO WORKS IN THE SAME CHRONICLE ... THAT HE IS A DEVIOUS PERSON SO THAT'S ENOUGH FOR ME PLUS WHEN I WOULDNT GO ALONG WITH HIM IN THE LYNCHING OF CLEO, HE HAS BEEN TRYING TO CAUSE AS MUCH DIVISION FROM ME AS HE COULD SINCE THEN BUT CANTER I THINK IS THE MAN WHO IS OF REASONABLE INTEGRITY ... HE SAID NOW THERE IS A LOT OF MONEY REV. ... THAT'S BEEN GONE BY THE LAST BUDGET AND IT IS GOING TO COST FAR MORE THAN WHAT THEY HAVE ON RECORD AND IT IS ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE DEALS ... YOU ARE GOING TO GET FAR MORE EXPENSE THAN THEY ARE PROJECTING SO IT ALMOST JIVED WITH CORROLATING WITH SOME RUMORS THAT^{I HAVE} IF TRUE, WE HAVE GET TO THE BOTTOM OF SOME OF THIS ... I WOULD APPRECIATE IF ~~HE~~ YOU WOULD LET THIS MAYOR'S OFFICE KNOW (I LET THEM KNOW WITH MY GREATEST DISPLEASURE) OF THE WAY THEY HANDLED THAT AFFAIR ... I CAN SEE NO OTHER REASON FOR THE MAYOR DOING WHAT HE DID TO US THAN TO AVOID GETTING INTO A RACIAL SITUATION.

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I WOULD APPRECIATE IF YOU LET HIM KNOW BECAUSE I LET HIM KNOW HOW DISPLEASED I WAS THAT THERE WAS NO MENTION TO COLBERT WHOM I AM SURE WOULD HAVE GONE WITH YOU AT A LOT LESS TROUBLE EVEN IF CLEO HAD BEEN TALKED TO ... I THINK WE WOULD HAVE HAD A LOT LESS TROUBLE ... SHE WAS AMBITIOUS AND TOLD ME THAT SHE WAS GOING TO FIGHT ABOUT IT AND I KNEW WE'D HAVE LOTS OF TROUBLE...

UBALDE: SOMETHING BOTHERED ME ABOUT THAT ... IT REALLY PUT YOU IN A SPOT AND PUT ME IN A SPOT. THAT WAS REALLY A SHAME.

JIM: YOU HANDLED IT WITH MAGNAMITY WHICH SAVED THE DAY.

UBALDE: I NEEDED TO DO THAT. YOU KNOW, AFTER WHAT I SAW WHAT WAS GOING ON. NO. 1. 2 OR 3 THINGS I SAW. ONE WAS CLEO .. SHE WOULD DO EVERYTHING TO DO WHAT SHE DID.

JIM: WELL, SHE TOLD ME COMING DOWN THE STAIRS. THAT'S WHAT I WAS TRYING ... BUT I TOLD YOU I WOULD GO ALONG WITH YOU IF YOU WANTED TO TAKE THE FIGHT.

UBALDE: I REALIZE THAT BUT THE FIGHT ISN'T WORTH IT... IF WE ARE GOING TO FIGHT, LETS FIGHT, YOU KNOW ...

JIM: SHE TOLD ME ... "I WILL NOT GO ALONG WITH THIS ... I WILL FIGHT. I AM GOING TO TAKE THIS TO THE FLOOR SO I DO KNOW WE ARE IN FOR TROUBLE.

UBALDE: YES. AND THE OTHER THING IS ... I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO BE SEEN PUBLICLY WHERE YOU SUPPORTED NONBLACK.

JIM: IT WOULD HAVE CREATED DIFFICULTIES FOR ME BECAUSE I KNEW WHAT GOODLETT WAS COMING UP WITH AND I GUESS YOU FOLLOWED GOODLETT'S ...

UBALDE: YES. ..I KNEW HE WOULD.. AND I WAS SENSITIVE TO THAT. I SAW WHAT WAS GOING ON AND SAID, "HELL, I AM NOT GOING TO PUT ALL THE EGGS IN ONE BASKET AT THIS POINT; WE STILL HAVE MANY DAYS AHEAD OF US AND WE DONT KNOW IF THE MAYOR IS GOING TO REAPPOINT CLEO ANYWAY ... AND EVEN IF HE DID...SHE HAS HAD TO SAY;

JIM: WELL, I HOPE THAT HE WOULD TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION/SHE IS ONE OF THE PERSONS THAT GREATLY AFFECTED GOODLETT. SHE TOLD GOODLETT ALL ABOUT THAT BUSINESS AND HAD HIM SO HYSTERICAL -- I THOUGHT GOODLETT WAS GOING TO PRINT IT. SHE TOLD HIM HOW THE MAYOR USED I WOULD FEEL MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE WITH YOU AT MY RIGHT ARM

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BECAUSE I KNOW YOUR SENSE OF JUSTICE. CLEO LEAVES ME WITH SOME QUESTION ... AND THEN YOUR KNOWLEDGE ... YOUR COMPREHENSION; YOU KNOW THE FREE ENTERPRIZE IS FAILING ... I WOULDN'T EVEN BE ON THIS THING I DONT THINK I COULD STAND IT IF THERE WASN'T SOMEBODY ELSE RECOGNIZING THAT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE NEW SOLUTIONS BUT I DONT THINK CLEO NOR ANYONE ELSE ON OUR COMMISSION HAS THAT GRASP; PERHAPS COLBERT ... I DONT KNOW. I HAVE NEVER HEARD HIM TALK ABOUT THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC RAMIFICATIONS. IT PUT ME IN A MISERABLE POSITION. WHEN YOU TALK TO CLEO IN TERMS OF PHILOSOPHY, I FEEL LIKE I AM TALKING TO A STONE WALL. SHE KNOWS A LOT OF THINGS ON THE LOCAL LEVEL AND WHAT TO DO FOR PEOPLE ... GUTZY REACTIONS .. I RATHER ADMIRE BUT PHILOSOPHICALLY ... ONE TIME SHE IS TALKING LIKE A PRO-SYSTEM PERSON; THE NEXT TIME SHE IS CRITICIZING. GENERALLY WITH THE CONTEXT THAT MISS/^{HARRIS} IS A GOOD WOMAN AND PRESIDENT CARTER IS A GOOD MAN ... GOING TO DO GOOD THINGS FOR PEOPLE ... WELL I THINK WE ARE ALL DAM FOOLS ... EVEN THE EPISCOPALIAN MAGAZINE ... I HAVE FORGOTTEN WHAT THE NAME OF IT IS ... I READ IT ... A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE, BISHOP MOORE, PROGRESSIVE BISHOP, YOU MAY KNOW OF HIM FROM THE EAST, SAYING THAT CARTER IS COMMITTED TO THE TRI-LATERAL COMMISSION; THAT THE TRI-Lateral COMMISSION HAS GONE ON RECORD AS SAYING THAT THERE IS TOO MUCH DEMOCRACY IN THIS COUNTRY; THAT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO REDUCE FREEDOM AND THAT IS A MATTER OF A PUBLIC STATEMENT.

UBALDE: THE TRI-LATERAL COMMISSION SAID THAT.

JIM: YES. CARTER IS A MEMBER.

UBALDE: CARTER IS A MEMBER OF THAT?

JIM: OH YES, HE IS A MEMBER AND THE EPISCALIANS WENT AFTER HIM, HEAVY. IT WAS NOT AN ALTERNATIVE OF THIRD WORLD PRESS BUT RESPECTABLE ... ONE OF THE MAIN ORGANS PORTRAYED TRI-LATERAL COMMISSION DEMOGOGUING AND REACTIONARY AND ALSO CARTER SAID

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