



CITY COUNCIL AGONY.

September 20, 2017

I am scheduled to talk to the 5 shifts on 9/20/1917 following Mimi, this is what I will say or something close, sometimes I will go off script. ha

For the record, my name is Joe Walsh and I represent Individuals For Justice. Sometimes I run into people who ask me why I get so angry at these meetings, here are just a few of my reasons:

1. All five of you think you know more than the people of Portland and vote against us often.
2. The last mayor and you ted wheeler react to confrontation by using your gang of cops and G4S thugs against the very people who are on the streets trying to bring some comfort to the most vulnerable among us.
3. All of you campaigned using sugar words, but after being elected you care only for the next election, betrayal is very high here.
4. Often when we want to talk about a current event we can't because you have shut any important discussion down by pre-signing up for communications and it may take 6 weeks to get to speak. The county lets you sign up the same day you wish to testify.
5. We have asked, suggested and finally demanded that you spend one week per month on the road. Hold a city council meeting in different parts of the city, say maybe about 7 PM. This would allow participation by working people.
6. You have 258 million dollars by a bond measure and were doing nothing until the media did a story on your lack of even attending meetings. Shame when we have thousands on our streets.

The other day a person I like paid me an interesting complement, she said something like this, "Joe I used to think you were a little crazy, then I started to pay attention to city hall and now know why you get so outraged."

You can pass me off, but remember what comes after me is a lot worse than a 75-year-old veteran who believes in non-violence. The young are much more aggressive than we are and it would be wise for you to listen to what we say. We ask for nothing from you except to do your jobs.

I have two more requests for your consideration.

A. When a person offers their opinion we would like them to say for the record if they take any monies from the city, state or federal government. We should know who is being paid and by whom.

B. Non-Profits should acknowledge that they come before you to make themselves unemployed. They work to solve or resolve the problem and not perpetuate it.

I had to invent a word that would explain very smart people doing stupid or evil things, the word is "Watudamus" and this council is full of watudami.

The last point is simple, do not preach to us but stand tall with us when the feds come and want to rip away our sanctuary requestors, I do not want to look around and find you have abandoned us as you usually do.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized 'JL' or similar initials, followed by a long horizontal flourish.

**PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION REQUEST**
Wednesday Council Meeting 9:30 AM

Council Meeting Date: 9/20/2017

Today's Date 7/20/2017

Name Joe Walker

Address 7548 SE Division St

Telephone 503-944-8425 Email _____

Reason for the request: Communications

(signed)

- Give your request in writing to the Council Clerk's office to schedule a date for your Communication. Use this form or email the information to the Council Clerk at the email address below.
- You will be placed on the Wednesday official Council Agenda as a "Communication." Communications are the first item on the Agenda and are taken at 9:30 a.m. A total of five Communications may be scheduled. Individuals must schedule their own Communication.
- You will have 3 minutes to speak and may also submit written testimony before or at the meeting. Communications allow the Council to hear issues that interest our citizens, but do not allow an opportunity for dialogue.

Thank you for being an active participant in your City government.

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Request of Joe Walsh to address Council regarding communications
(Communication)

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Auditor of the City of Portland

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Deputy

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1. Fritz		
2. Fish		
3. Saltzman		
4. Eudaly		
Wheeler		