# PUBLIC COMMENTS TO PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 14, 2018

My name is Cevero Gonzalez and I will be speaking this morning in follow-up to email correspondence I previously sent to the City of Portland regarding sexual and workplace harassment. Correspondence, I must note, that was "leaked" to the media without my knowledge or permission.

With respect to this leak: Representatives from the City of Portland have offered that any material in their possession is a public record and therefore subject to release. Not untrue.

However, the City of Portland utilizes a very stringent public records request process in order to ensure that publicly held information is adequately reviewed prior to its release.

In the case of my correspondence, no such review occurred. Nor was a request submitted prior to its release.

Complaints of harassment are considered confidential by City Code. The release of my correspondence, without review or redaction, violates the City's administrative rules.

Separately, and in response to the City's assertion that; (1) my complaints would have been investigated if they had been reported, and (2) that Mr. Adams is no longer a City of Portland employee, limiting the scope of any investigation, I would note the following:

I reported my concerns to at least two supervisors; Tom Miller and Jennifer Yocom. That neither felt compelled to investigate my concerns does not absolve the City of their responsibility to determine what actually occurred.

Additionally, an investigation should never be limited to the actions of the perpetrator, in this case, Mr. Adams, but should also include an investigation of those supervisors who have a responsibility to ensure a safe work environment.

For example, Ms. Yocom previously served as my direct supervisor and, unlike Mr. Adams, she remains a City of Portland employee. Given her involvement in this matter, I believe Ms. Yocom should be required to account for her inaction with respect to the concerns I previously raised.

In conclusion, I would like to share the following four points:

**First:** The City's decision to approve of the leak of my confidential correspondence has impacted how others, in the future, will seek to report their personal concerns or feelings of harassment.

**Second:** The City of Portland must stop denying there is nothing more to be done. I urge the publicly elected City Council to support an external investigation of this matter.

**Third:** I witnessed firsthand how the City's practices stifle complaints of sexual harassment. In 2007, a temporary PBOT employee complained to me about inappropriate behavior by a permanent PBOT employee. When the matter was brought to the attention of our then-supervisor, I was ordered to speak with the temporary employee in an effort to discourage him from pursuing other remedies. The temporary employee eventually resigned. However, the permanent employee remains working for PBOT.

**Finally:** I was able to find a few documents to support my allegation that I used my personal funds to pay for goods and services that benefited Mr. Adams. I will leave these copies with the Council Clerk.



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# PORTLAND, OREGON

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### **VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

September 4, 2008

Kristina c/o Jianguo Hotel 5 Jianguo Men Wai Da Jei Beijing 100020 CHINA

#### **RE: CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION - TRANSPORTATION**

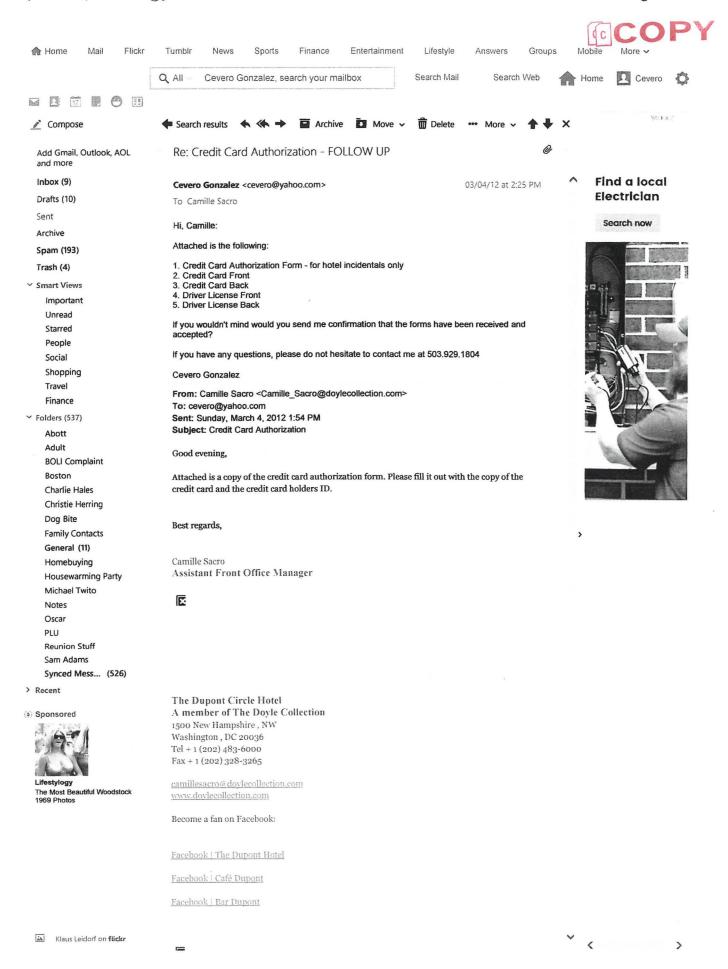
This is a follow up to previously submitted documentation authorizing the use of my credit card, number 5404 8200 1870 1723 (exp. 08/11), for transportation charges incurred while transporting Mr. Samuel F. Adams from the airport to the hotel.

Sincerely,

Cevero Gonzalez Assistant to Commissioner Sam Adams 1221 SW 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Room 220 Portland, Oregon 97204 00 1 503 823 1121 voice 00 1 503 823 3017 fax cevero.gonzalez@ci.portland.or.us

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03/14	Purchase POS 02464509 LEVINES DRYCLEANINGLEVINES DRYCLEANI PORTLAND OR 03/14 REF# 89704 Card# ****7932	-8.25
03/11	Purchase POS 32113001 OREGON WINES ON BROADWAYOREGON WINES ON BR PORTLAND OR 03/10 REF# 576250 Card# ****7932	-32.50
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**Credit Card Authorization Form** 

Dear Sir/Madam,

This form has been created in order to allow you to have third party expenses charged to your credit/ debit card. Please provide all the information requested below to ensure prompt processing of your application. We ask you to please sign and date the form before submission. **Please provide a legible copy of the front and back of the credit/ debit card.** Please fax the completed form to the Front Desk at 202-328-3265.

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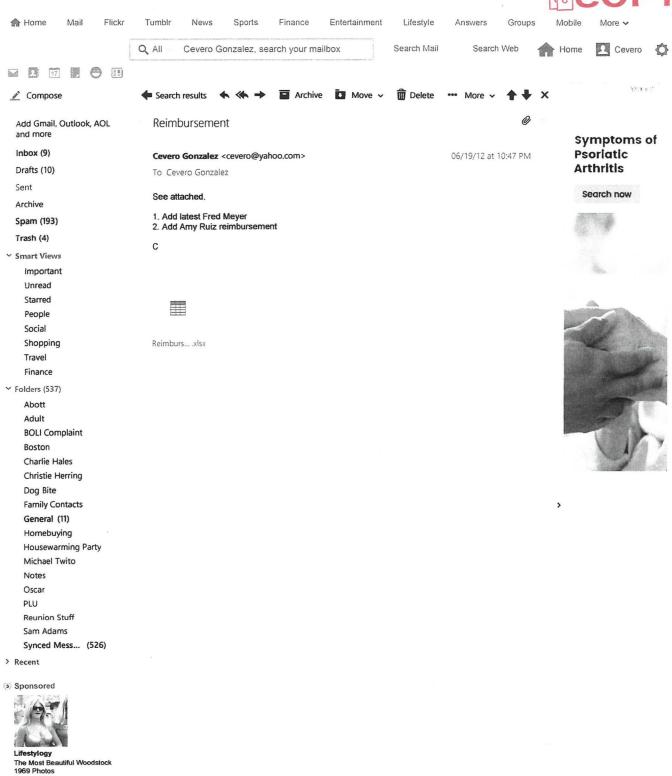


# Expenses incurred on behalf of Mayor Sam Adams (Sample) – 2012

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Trans. Date	Posted Date	Transaction Description	Amount
		Beginning Balance	
07/02		Transfer To 660319-7 9 ~Sam still owes me~	-200.00





Klaus Leidorf on flickr



Date	To:	Vendor	Amount
2-May-12	Cevero	Qdoba	6.39
3-May-12	Cevero	Qdoba	7.48
4-May-12	Cevero	Fred Meyer - Think Thin Bars	13.14
21-May-12	Cevero	Qdoba	6.99
24-May-12	Cevero	Qdoba	7.48
29-May-12	Cevero	Qdoba	6.39
30-May-12	Cevero	Fred Meyer - Think Thin Bars	43.78
30-May-12	Cevero	Qdoba	4.08
31-May-12	Cevero	Qdoba	6.39
13-Jun-12 (	Cevero	Thai Kitchen	6.75
18-Jun-12 (	Cevero	Thai Kitchen	6.75

Need to add the latest Fred Meyer Purchase

Amy

## Moore-Love, Karla

Feb. 14

From:

Cevero Gonzalez <cevero@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, December 05, 2017 12:38 AM

To: Cc: Moore-Love, Karla; Parsons, Susan City Auditor, Mary Hull Caballero

Subject:

Speaking at a future council meeting

## Greetings:

I am requesting an opportunity to speak at an upcoming Portland City Council meeting. The required information is provided below.

## DATE REQUESTED:

Wednesday, January 3, 2018 9:30 am

# REQUESTERS INFORMATION:

Cevero Gonzalez 14128 SE Insley Street Portland, Oregon 97236 503.929.1804 cevero@yahoo.com

### **ISSUE TO ADDRESS:**

I recently sent email correspondence to the City of Portland regarding sexual harassment I endured while working for former Mayor Sam Adams.

This private correspondence was leaked to the media, without my knowledge, circumventing the city's own public records request process. I would like to address City Council to request an investigation of said leak.

Additionally, I would also like to enter a true and accurate statement of my concerns regarding the sexual harassment I endured and the subsequent leak of my correspondence.

Lastly, I am aware that the time allotted to speak is three-minutes and no opportunity for discussion or dialogue is possible.

Thank you for your assistance and direction.

#### Cevero

Sent from my iPhone

Request of Cevero Gonzalez to address Council regarding an investigation into private correspondence leaked to the media and sexual harassment endured while working at the City (Communication)

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