

BEFORE THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

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COMMENTARY  
Public Speaking Rules And Fraudulence

No matter the reasoning, the city's desire to have more forceful control over individual public participation in open public meetings they/the city changed public speaking rules, doing so without a public hearing.

The matter of controlling individual public speech was enacted through the use of a city mandated "Speaker Card" policy. This city council and city' manager had been advised by the city attorney that the speaker card policy is a lawful reasonable regulation. Also, that his "view" has support from other California attorneys.

Its already been established, that those city speaker card rules, will not be able to pass the test of legality, or even the Ralph M. Brown Act provisions. Truly, California has attorneys who also are not in agreement with the City of San Leandro's legal argument!

The issue here is not the use of so-called speaker cards -- the issue is their clear unlawful use when any individual speaker is mandatorily required to fill out and turn in a speaker card before the public meeting even starts, any such required act in itself is (card-shuffling speaker control) and is manipulation in its worst form, not only controls but, its use can suppress any (individual public speakers certain viewpoint!)

What has been taking place here -- is factual misuse of the Council Members Handbook, the City Charter, and the Brown Act's provisions for a speaker's rights: That is the individual right to 'speak' before, during and after on any item on the public open meeting agenda!

Respectfully submitted,

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