July 2, 2024, City Council Special Meeting

- -I wish to begin by saying that I took an oath to accept the duties of this elected position, and I take that quite seriously.
- -I believe it to be true that Mr. Donaldson intentionally created a chaotic scene last Tuesday. I will gladly have discussions with all my colleagues on ways we can be more transparent and always be keenly aware of any potential conflict of interest.
- -To assume that I have any intention other than to make decisions for the greater good of our community is a fallacy.
- -My unwavering assumption is that my fellow council members, Mr. Donaldson included wake up every morning intending to serve our constituents, and the broader community for the benefit of bringing our city forward. I do not believe for a second that any one of us takes this job lightly.
- -I bring integrity, courage, respect, listening skills to every vote and always have the interests of our community at the forefront. Further every vote, every issue, I weigh individually and with great reverence and respect.
- It is simply imperative that we seek solutions through collaboration and compromise. We do this by holding ourselves individually and as a body to a high standard.
- -It is our duty and obligation

to always keep a level of professional respect and decorum as elected officials.

- -We stand to do more for the city when we work together than apart.
- Personal attacks of any kind should never be tolerated.
- -Our citizens deserve a city council that is in lock step with our code of ethics, and we should all hold each other accountable.
- -I would like to ask if Mr. Donaldson is willing to apologize not individually but to us as a body and even more importantly to our citizens.
- -Mr. Donaldson, when you falsely accused several on council of not being able to make sound judgment based on non-biased decisions, you crossed a line.
- -I wish to get back to the particularly important work and responsibilities of my position. We must be able to make informed decisions and stop this infighting.
- -Misinformation is certainly rampant in our society at large today, I do not believe that it has a place in our local government.
- -I will continue to model bravery, courage, honesty and integrity to current and future residents

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