Reporter's Notebook

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Diversity - cites first under [him]

"Our dept looks like our community."

(In bkgrd assorted media hounds – Bakewell, Allred, etc.

Sys was corrupt from the beginning.

Comish refused open hearing – review of any negative material they won't use –.

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Eight criteria they cited. Comish did not even reference these criteria.

They had city attorney. I not allowed attorney.

Process was flawed from the beginning.

i.e. January 15 Caruso, [Ochi, Yang & Terry Booker attended a senior staff meeting.

Caruso asked about his duties as Comish.

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He replied quoting older Comish regarding [illegible] out mayor; since then he's claimed independence.

1/30 told Hahn I would ask second appointment. Told we had three Comish votes

me and majority of City Council.

Asked me to retire – take pension – walk away honorably.

Told him I'd not

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be complicit with a conspiracy.

Mayor's office facil (July 2001-Jan 2002) \$3.5 mill in city funds to PPL bank accts. To protect officers @ hearings. Instead, Ig gift did nothing.

Was gift to pay for campaign vs. me (cites TV ads vs. him "not a mere coincidence"

PPL [illegible] raise \$1.5 mill for [illegible]

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"There is only 1 standard I do not meet & that is the political standard"

Thanx Zine, Weiss, Reyes, etc. names everyone on CC!

Standing ovation – "four more years"

[Q/A inside a circle] Holden sez you don't need job-why is it so important to you?

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We now have rels with people who may not have liked us in the past.

([illegible] in past for only [hav'g rels w folks who like us)

An [illegible] debate on whether I shld spk! Shld not take an hour!

Public comments

quite a few speakers Bakewell, [Kalid Shaw, etc.