

September 21, 2018

To: PAWS Committee

Re: CF 18-1200-S23 -Appointment of Jose Sandoval as Commissioner,
Board of Animal Services

I am a member of the Board of the Panorama City Neighborhood Council, and its liaison to the Dept. of Animal Services. I am writing as an individual in opposition to this appointment.

Frankly, after the amount of information previously brought to the attention of the Committee on this matter, I am flabbergasted that Mr. Sandoval's appointment is even still under consideration. The entire process smells to high heaven of some political game-playing and behind the scenes manipulation, and you should all be ashamed. It is difficult enough these days to have any trust in the City's leadership, with this kind of scheming taking place..

In seeking this appointment, Mr. Sandoval has failed to disclose the truth about his background, including working as Pacoima District Director for Council District 7 under Richard Alarcon, not on animal issues as he claims. He has failed to disclose the truth about his position, financial interests, and contractual conflict of interest issues with respect to his roles and connections with the Latino Alliance and Heaven on Earth organizations. In my opinion, he has dodged, fudged, and simply failed to exhibit the character that should be required of anyone selected for such an appointment. Please find someone more qualified.

Sincerely,
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