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Hi Tony,

Can you put my public comments for the meeting tomorrow regarding Alyssa Gutierrez's Facebook Comments:

Good evening,

I wish everyone a Happy New Year. I am writing because of my concerns regarding the comments made by Chair Alyssa Gutierrez's comments on Facebook in Nov 2022. Everyone has received the details of her comments accusing a resident of "being racist" because she did not support Rex Ricardson.

To me, that is so inappropriate and she was using her role to attack a resident. You cannot just label people because they don't agree with you on the candidate for mayor. To label someone "racist" in a public forum could destroy their reputation, & livelihood for life. Ms. Gutierrez knew better and she jumped into the conversation, she was not the recipient of any comments... there is no defense for what she did...She needs to formally apologize and be censored. This Commission needs to do important work and this is another example of members attacking the public... don't let this Commission become a joke because of certain members.

**Sincerely,
Michelle Baker**