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Messrs. Lowell & Touhey,

I have received your letter expressing "great concern" about the processes of the Ad Hoc Committee in the Matter of Councilmember Jack Evans. Your concern is misplaced.

The essence of your letter is that Mr. Evans is being denied due process. Let me remind you, due process requires notice—reasonably designed to apprise a person of the allegations against him—and an opportunity to be heard, in either oral or written form. Mr. Evans has already had considerable due process and will be receiving more. He was given a draft copy of the report before anyone else had seen it and an opportunity over days to craft a response. In fact, he has now submitted a 67-page document, which has been made available to the committee and the public. In addition, as already announced, Mr. Evans is invited to speak to the entire committee and bring to us, either then or at any time, supplemental materials as he deems appropriate. Moreover, should the Council take up recommendations for sanctions, he will have a full opportunity to address all Councilmembers.

Let me reiterate, your concern is misplaced. Cloaking your public relations campaign in legal jargon does nothing to advance your defense.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mary M. Cheh".

Mary M. Cheh
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee in the Matter of Councilmember Jack Evans

