

RE: CONSTITUENCY SERVICES HELD HOSTAGE BY MAYOR HOLDEN AND ADMINISTRATION

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EXACTLY...

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From: William Daniel

Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 1:45 PM

To: Chauna Banks-Daniel (DISTRICT 2); PIO Media List

Cc: A Gallo; rbroussard@businessreport.com; Susan Boudreaux; Anita L. Jones; Carey Chauvin; Bubba Cashio

Subject: RE: CONSTITUENCY SERVICES HELD HOSTAGE BY MAYOR HOLDEN AND ADMINISTRATION

Councilwoman Banks-Daniel,

It is unfortunate you are trying to turn this issue into a personal vendetta against you when nothing can be further from the truth. You were advised last week the City-Parish could not furnish the chairs you requested because it was not a City-Parish event.

I have your flyer for your meeting (attached) and is definitely not advertised as a District 2 Community Meeting. It is advertised as “**NBRNow Blue Ribbon Commission steps forward to bring healthcare providers to north Baton Rouge**”. You are having a private meeting proposed by a private company in a private building. While it may be an important community topic, it has nothing to do with City-Parish business. Therefore, I am unable to use taxpayer funds to facilitate the event. This is an event that should be facilitated by the sponsors of your event or even the resources available in your community center.

Please do not even attempt to blame our work on your parking lot as the reason for not using your community center. I have all your emails on the parking lot and your issues had nothing to do with timing. You held your previous meeting at Champion center when there was no construction in the parking lot. I know your desire to have the meeting at Champion’s is in no way due to the work on the community center.

William Daniel

From: Chauna Banks-Daniel (DISTRICT 2)
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 1:31 PM
To: PIO Media List
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Subject: CONSTIUENCY SERVICES HELD HOSTAGE BY MAYOR HOLDEN AND ADMINISTRATION

CONSTIUENCY SERVICES HELD HOSTAGE BY MAYOR HOLDEN AND ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Holden and William Daniel are refusing to provide a community service for District 2 residents. Over a week ago, my staff made arrangements and confirmed chairs to be delivered for an offsite community meeting.

Their refusal, is another example that the tax payers in District 2, where the Mayor resides and is located in the northern portion of the parish are neglected and punished.

The Mayor has allocated our tax dollars with \$365,000 to the Miss America pageant for two consecutive years, given \$3

million dollars to IBM, all in the name of economic development. But today, I can get chairs delivered for a community meeting to champion not only economic development, but healthcare services to the people that reside within a 10 mile radius of the Mayor's personal address.

I can't imagine for the life of me, why the Mayor and his administration are so determined to deter efforts to increase the quality of life for these people. As public servants, they are abusing their authority, both directly and indirectly, to impose on my duty as a public servant.

From: Chauna Banks-Daniel (DISTRICT 2)
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 11:42 AM
To: William Daniel
Cc: Carey Chauvin; Melvin 'Kip' Holden
Subject: REQUEST FOR CHAIRS TO BE DELIVERED!

William, Mayor Holden, and Carey:

Once again, I am appealing on behalf of my constituents that DPW deliver 200 chairs for my District 2 Community Meeting that will be held on today at 5:00 p.m. My request is no different from the two previous times I have been granted this request this year. Council members partner with businesses, churches, and other community partners all the time. I represent District 2 and my purpose is to advocate and collaborate with entities that share my desire to increase the quality of life for those residents I serve and others in the city-parish that may benefit from my service.

This request was granted over a week ago and we began advertising and getting people in place. As I stated before, this meeting was originally planned to be held at the Jewel J. Newman Community Center, but you went against my wishes to begin construction on the parking lot. I had to find a venue to hold this community meeting, Cambridge was gracious enough to allow the community to use its facility. Another indication of the class act

community business partner they are.

For the second time in 30 days, I am being retaliated against for speaking on behalf of my community. I was not elected to serve and support what the Mayor wants and I do not expect him to agree with all my decisions in my role as council member. However, his constant interference in providing services as a form of retaliation is unethical.

Therefore, please allow this courtesy so that the community can be seated comfortably as they strive to be well informed residents and I encourage their civic participation.

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