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Meeting of April 13, 2022

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Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2022 4:55 PM
To: Britni Quintana <bquintana@cityofventura.ca.gov>; City Attorney <cityattorney@cityofventura.ca.gov>
Subject: -EXT- Recent Jewish graves desecrated

BQUINTANA@CITYOFVENTURA.CA.GOV, please forward this letter to the members of the P&R Commission for their Wed. 13, 2022, 4 PM meeting.
Thank you.

Dear P&R Commission and City Attorney:

Requesting that action be taken on all three items below please;

1. There have been several Jewish graves desecrated at the Jewish section of the Ventura Cemetery (CMP), 1347 E. Main St., Ventura, CA. Nov. 8, 2021, I first noticed several, and again March 30, 2022, there were more. Photos are attached to this email.
I checked with the Engineering Depart., they have not surveyed any of these locations, where the trees have been, randomly planted. To appropriate City property is against the law. If roots grow into graves, and families request exhumation, the City could be made liable. The cemetery has qualified for State Historical Landmark status. It has State CEQA statue protections. Simply disturbing the soil, is a violation of State CEQA Statues. No EIR (Enviromental Impact Report) was filed with the County Records. CEQA has been grossly violated here.

2. City Staff has stopped the flush marker program in 2012, that was started by Mayor Fulton in 2005. Living descendants and myself have pleaded with Staff, City Manager and P&R Manager to continue the program. Staff has been incredibly rude, they have lied and stalled, to this very day. We are owed no less than 100 installed flush markers on the graves of family members.

3. We have 79 known USA veterans interred in this 3,000 grave cemetery. Staff again has refused to mark their graves with free Federal headstones. This inaction by City Staff, is simply disgraceful.

There is a group of people inside the City employ, that have proven themselves to be disrespectful to the living descendants, not to mention the Dead. Please address these issues as soon as possible.

Best regards,
Steve Schleder

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<td>I am a Ventura resident with 2 dogs. The current dog park offerings in Ventura are poor and few. El Camino Park is a dusty dirty mess. Delphinium Dog Park on the East end has wood chips instead of grass. Dogs don't like it there. City schools don't want dogs. We need proper fenced dog parks so dogs can run. Ventura Community Park would be a good location, in addition to spucing up the dog parks we already have.</td>
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