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Dear community of san jose, and local govt.,

To speak to, Orders of the Day, and item 3.4, that will be deferred today - about policies & questions, for a perspective, new police chief.

First, a thank you, to allow public comment, in Orders of the Day, to speak to this subject matter. As I have, questions of procedure, to ask.

With, a new city attorney, and a new city council, coming in - I have been asking yourselves often, this past fall -

That a city govt. review of policy, is needed to understand, more exactly, how the Brown act - does, and does not, allow for - public comment, for items being deferred.

As I have tried to describe, many times now - it is my understanding, of the Brown Act - that if an item, has not had, previous council or committee public dialogue, as a public agenda item - it has to be allowed, open, public comment.

As with, this item 3.4, today.

I think these questions, are described, fairly simply, in the Brown Act.

And can be, a good beginning review subject, for the new City attorney, city council, the Mayor, and the everyday community, at this time.

And that you can return, sometime soon, with a few, simple, well-defined procedures - we can all understand & follow.

And in the questions, of when public comment, is allowed, with a public agenda item deferment.

A thank you, and an acknowledgment, to the mayor, and previous City attorney Richard Doyle.

I can now have, public comment, at this time, to ask how to work out, these sorts of procedural questions.

Overall, I think, this is something, of how, Orders of the Day, is actually supposed to work. Thank you.

From this, I think, it can be procedurally correct, at this time, that I can return to, and publicly speak to, today's deferment item - since it has not been before, a public body, yet.

As we are all beginning, to better address ideas, of equity and reimagine.

And with feelings, you probably already know, from myself,

I think the efforts & work, of deputy chief Anthony Mata - can very much help, with what exactly can be, good procedures & questions, for a new sj police chief.

Sincerely,
Blair Beekman

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