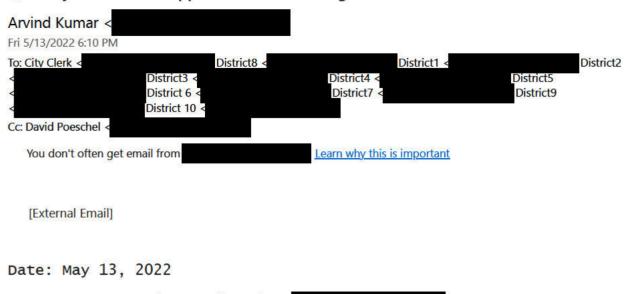
5/17 City Council 3.5 Support for Lake Cunningham



Subject: 5/17 City Council 3.5 Support for Lake Cunningham

To: San Jose Mayor & City Council Members,

My name is Arvind Kumar and I live about 1 mile south of Lake Cunningham Park. I have visited the park regularly over the last 34 years. The park has inspired me and others to volunteer at the 2-acre Native Plant Garden there with the California Native Plant Society. Most recently we have planted and continue to maintain 100 native trees along Inner Lake Path to provide summer shade and create habitat. We also control invasive plants throughout the park and log almost 1,000 volunteer-hours each year.

Regarding Item 3.5 on the Council Agenda on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, I urge you to retain and approve the funding for Lake Cunningham improvements. It is a matter of environmental equity and justice for this part of the city.

This park is in need of essential improvements. Water quality is a top concern – the lake has been closed to boating and fishing for 5 years. Inner Lake Path is eroding into the lake. Pier planks have rotted away. Picnic area shade structures are falling apart. Restrooms need an upgrade. There is dog poop everywhere, but no provision or signage for doggie bags. The park needs more native vegetation, more trees, more shade, more trails.

This large 200-acre regional park is the best resource we have for nature-based recreation in this corner of San Jose -- for walkers, joggers, birders, photographers, and others – that is unmatched by smaller parks. Lake Cunningham Park and the East Side/Evergreen community need your full engagement and support.

Thank you.

Arvind Kumar, Board Member California Native Plant Society

Lake Cunningham



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Good morning,

As a resident of East San Jose, Lake Cunningham is vital to our communities. This is the only place our families can go to for a day of outside enjoyment.

No one thinks about closing any part of Vasona Lake, Almaden Park, or any of the other City parks on the West Side of town. However, when it comes to a take away - the easiest target is always on the East Side of San Jose.

The neglect and lack of funding for any and all improvements needed for Lake Cunningham is another equity issue. It is this unfair equity that continues to make the East Side a continual ghetto.

We pay our taxes and have every right to be able to have our families enjoy the peace and tranquillity needed for a healthy mind. Neglect of this park is unfair, discriminatory and unjust.

California has a Covid surplus of money. Why can't some of this money be used for Lake Cunningham?

It is you job as elected officials to do what is in the best interest of our families. We need this park. Please take whatever means necessary to do the right thing.

In the Spirit of Community and Growth, Maria

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May 16, 2022

San Jose City Council 200 E. Santa Clara St. San Jose, CA

Re: Measure T Status Report

Dear Mayor Liccardo and Councilmembers,

The undersigned organizations request the Council to accept the recommendations contained in the memo from Councilmembers Arenas, Carrasco and Cohen with regard to actions related to the Measure T Status Report.

The ballot language for Measure T, which was approved by the Council and resulted from extensive poll testing, reads as follows:

Disaster Preparedness, Public Safety, and Infrastructure Bond

To:

- Upgrade 911 communications, police, fire and paramedics facilities to improve emergency and disaster response;
- Repair deteriorating bridges vulnerable to earthquakes;
- Repave streets and potholes in the worst condition;
- Prevent flooding and water quality contamination;
- Repair critical infrastructure;

Shall San José issue \$650,000,000 in general obligation bonds with an average levy of 11 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value, averaging \$34,208,000 annually until repaid, requiring community oversight and annual audits?

The status report from staff indicates that \$3.2M of this funding remains in the Environmental and Flood Protection category. According to the direction from Council in June 2021, that remaining funding should be directed towards improvement of water quality in Lake Cunningham. As stated in the status report, "The \$3.2 million allocation could fund several different projects to start the process of enhancing water quality and user experience, such as vegetated bioswales along shoreline path to intercept sediments and nutrients before they enter the lake or shoreline pathway repairs."

There is no reason to withhold this \$3.2M from these projects. Lake Cunningham is a significant environmental and recreational resource for the East Side that could be providing much-needed opportunities for local residents to get outside and experience nature.

Use of these funds to improve water quality in Lake Cunningham is entirely consistent with the intent of Measure T funding and with the ballot measure language provided to voters. Although the bulk of the \$50M intended for prevention of flooding and water quality contamination was utilized to acquire conservation land in Coyote Valley, nothing in the ballot measure language or in the resolution approved by Council placing Measure T on the ballot prevents the remainder of these funds from being used to improve water quality in Lake Cunningham. "Water quality contamination" is precisely the problem that the June 2021 direction from the Council was intended to solve. The water quality contamination in question need not be related to a drinking water aquifer in order to fit the purpose of Measure T. By contrast, construction and improvements of police and fire station facilities, though necessary, are not an appropriate use of the "Environmental Protection Projects" category of Measure T funds.

The area surrounding Lake Cunningham was once a freshwater marsh known as Laguna Socayre. Streams coming down from the hills spread out in the several thousand acres of bottomlands that lay at the foot of the alluvial fans, and formed wetland complexes where discontinuous streams interspersed with willow thickets. Lake Cunningham is not only a recreational resource; it is a significant remnant of San Jose's historical wetlands, and as such could be providing valuable ecosystem benefits to the region, including flood protection, habitat, and climate resilience.

We urge the Council not to walk back the commitment made in June 2021 for the use of the \$3.2M in funding for water quality improvement in Lake Cunningham. Please reaffirm the Council commitment to the voters to use this funding for prevention of water quality contamination.

Sincerely,

Alice Kaufman, Policy and Advocacy Director Green Foothills

Shani Kleinhaus, Environmental Advocate Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society

James Eggers, Executive Director Loma Prieta Chapter Sierra Club

Zoe Siegel, Director of Climate Resilience Greenbelt Alliance













May 15, 2022

Dear Mayor Liccardo and members of the San José City Council:

Re: Item 3.5, Actions Related to the Measure T Status Report on the Workplan and Implementation Updates.

We are reaching out in support of the memo issued by Councilmembers Sylvia Arenas, David Cohen, and Magdalena Carrasco related to Item 3.5. Last June, you reaffirmed your commitment to designate \$3.2 million to fund environmental justice and water quality improvements at Lake Cunningham. Next Tuesday, you will face the proposal to reallocate funding from Lake Cunningham revitalization efforts and instead keep it in a reserve for other projects, going against the original commitments made to the public.

As you know, Lake Cunningham provides over 50-acres of open space, and after years of deteriorating water quality at this lake and major fish die-offs, the lake was closed down -- taking away open space and unmatched recreational activities for families in East San José and residents of all ages.

This is an environmental equity issue. Our East San José communities deserve more. You have the opportunity to start rehabilitating this critical neighborhood lake that can transform our most underserved communities in East San José. We cannot delay this type of investment any longer.

- Underserved communities in East San Jose have been linked to experiencing more respiratory issues & hotter temperatures investment in Lake Cunningham would provide environmental benefits, as well as community benefits, to counter the effects of climate change in our East San Jose communities
- Investment in public parks is particularly critical for residents who are negatively impacted by economic disadvantage, systemic racism, trauma, opportunity gaps, and other challenges.
- East San Jose families deserve more access to open space -- investing in water quality improvements at Lake Cunningham would allow families to finally be able to enjoy recreational activities with their loved ones.

We sign this letter as community leaders working to confront and address issues of environmental equity in San José and throughout the Bay Area region. We believe that the health of people and our communities is inextricably tied to investing in and caring for our public parks and open spaces.

Sincerely,

Maritza Maldonado

Executive Director, Amigos de Guadalupe

Veronica Goei

Executive Director, Grail Family Services

Jessica Paz-Cedillos

Co-Executive Director, School of Arts & Culture

Vanessa Shieh

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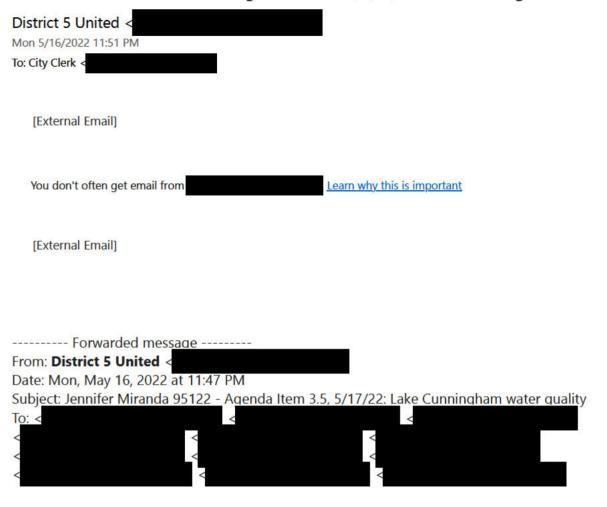
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Fwd: Jennifer Miranda 95122 - Agenda Item 3.5, 5/17/22: Lake Cunningham water quality



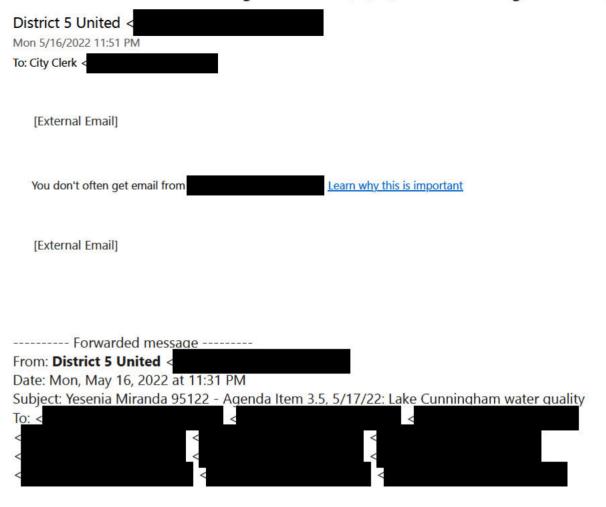
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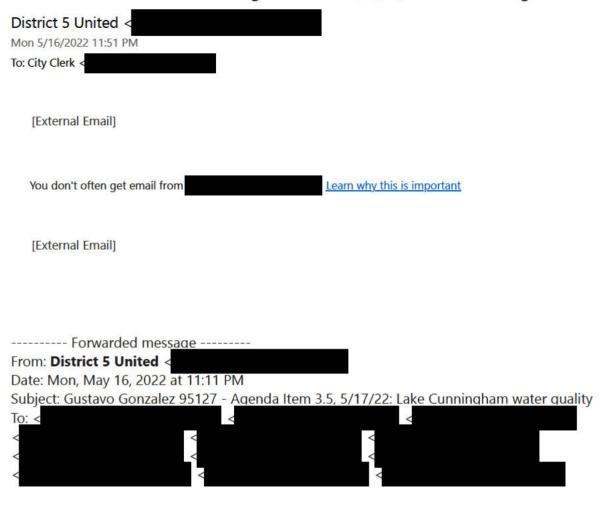
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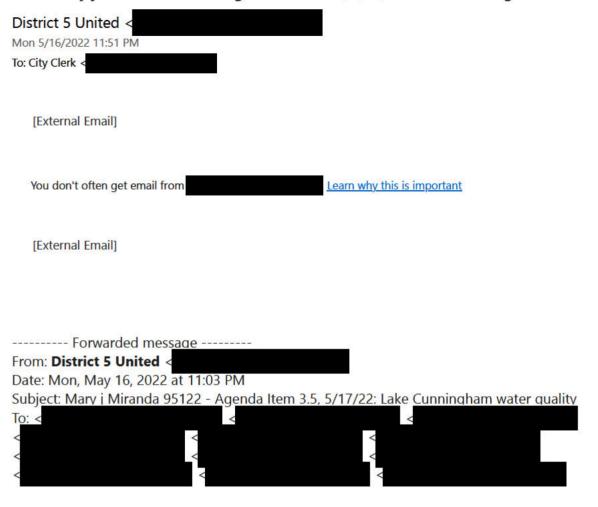
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Fwd: Mary j Miranda 95122 - Agenda Item 3.5, 5/17/22: Lake Cunningham water quality



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I have been walking this park with my children for over 25 years. They are now adults with children of there own. I take my grandkids to lake Cunningham almost everyday for my 2.5 mil walk please leave this park alone and it's open space for families with low income we're will we go.. thank you.

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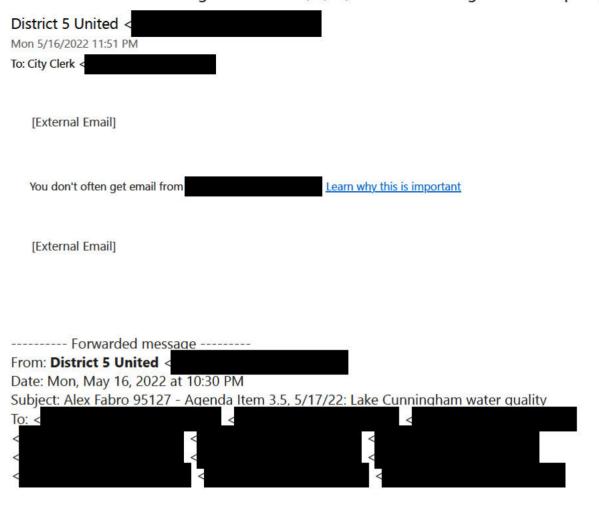
Mary j Miranda 95122

You may not use my contact information for any purpose other than to respond to my concern regarding the topic listed above, nor may you share my address with any other organization(s) or individual(s).

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This mail was sent on behalf of a San Jose resident via District 5 United

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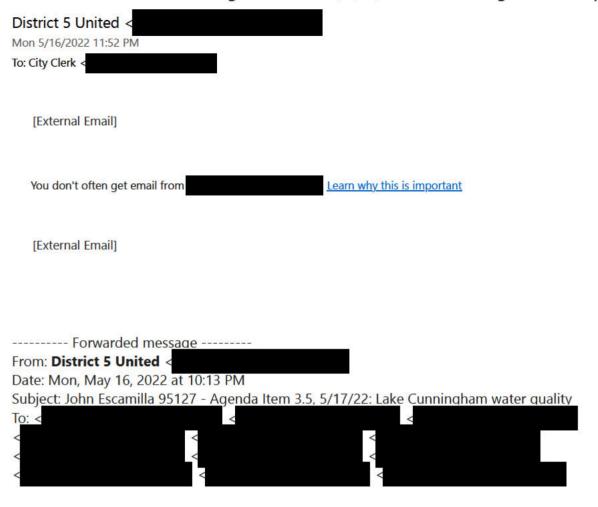
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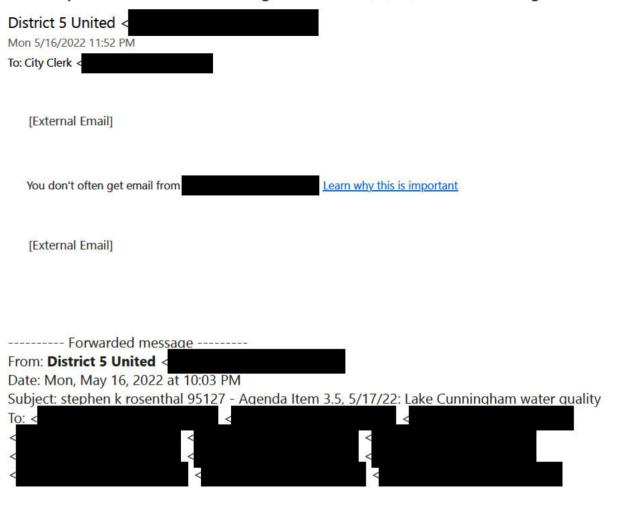
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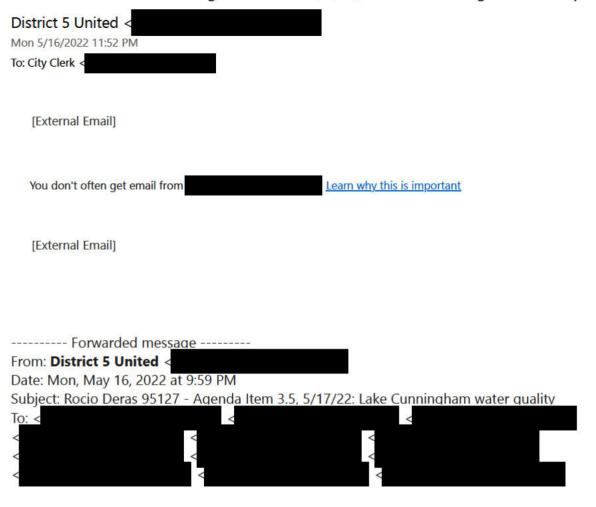
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Lake Cunningham is a valuable resource for the residents of the east side.. I have sailed on the lake, Please do what you can to solve water quality issues tere.

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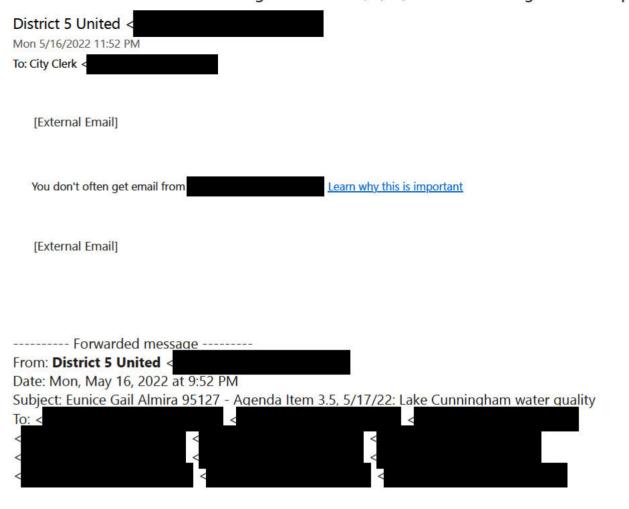
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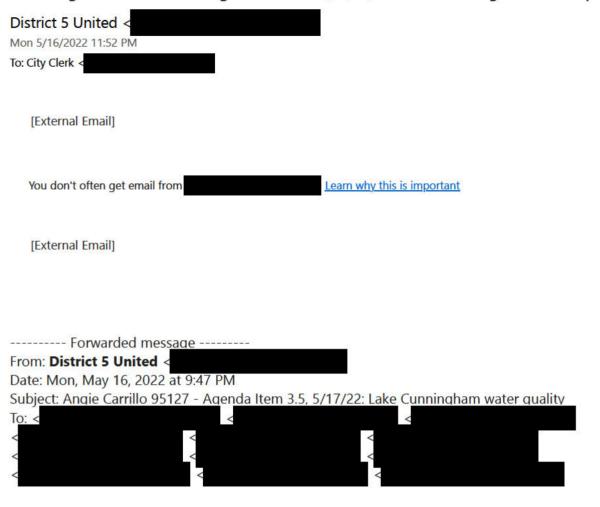
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The people that live by Lake Cunningham have had to endure planes that emmit toxic fumes for years. We can't allow the same thing to happen with their parks.

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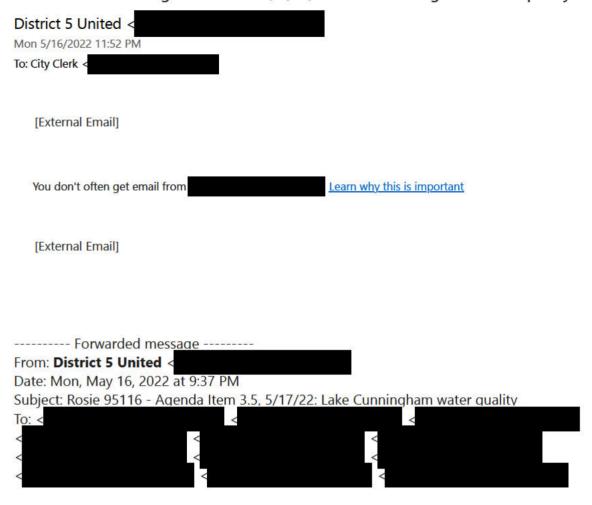
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Eastside deserves to have family friendly resources in their neighborhood, not only for the families, but for people that fill the jobs the facility needs to run the park.

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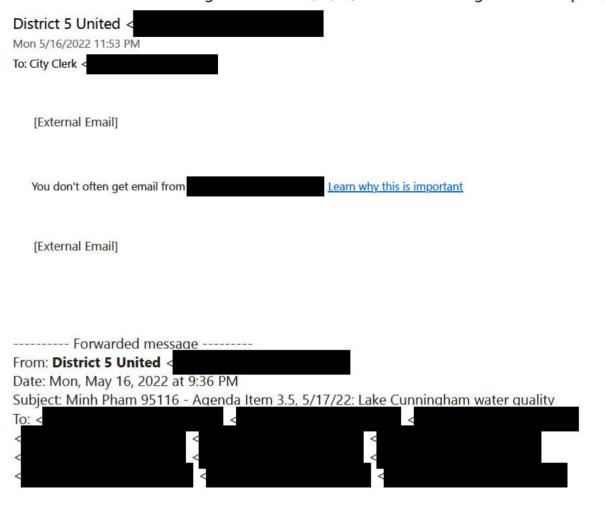
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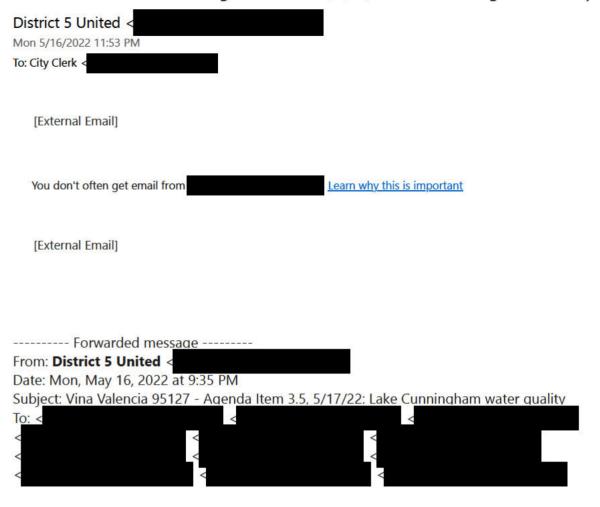
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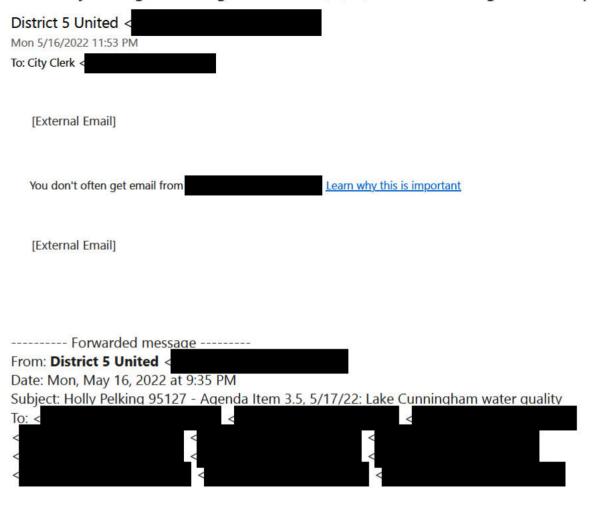
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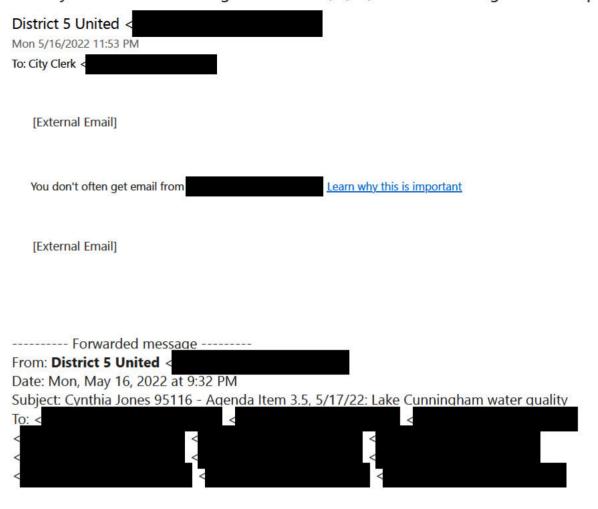
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One East side is losing values resources. Please do not ruin beautiful Lake Cunningham!

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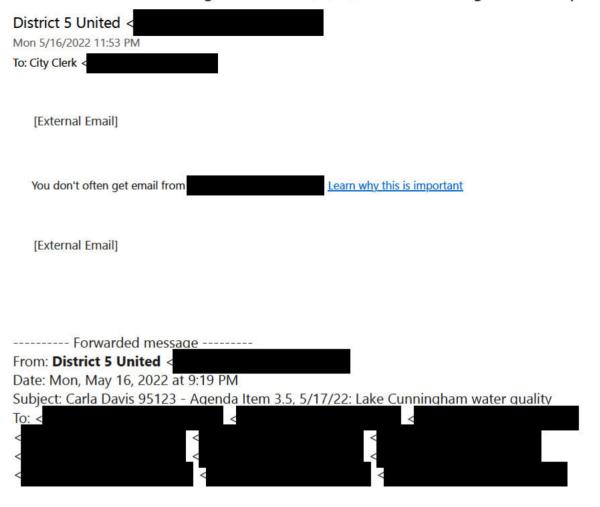
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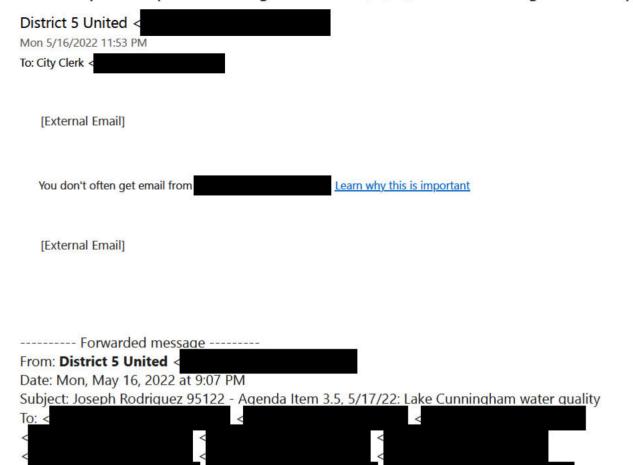
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Carla Davis 95123



Fwd: Joseph Rodriquez 95122 - Agenda Item 3.5, 5/17/22: Lake Cunningham water quality



Dear San Jose City Council

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City council you're supposed to help our community not destroy it.

You guys are destroying this city and surrounding cities by forcing people to move away. Creating A PANDEMIC OF HOMELESS

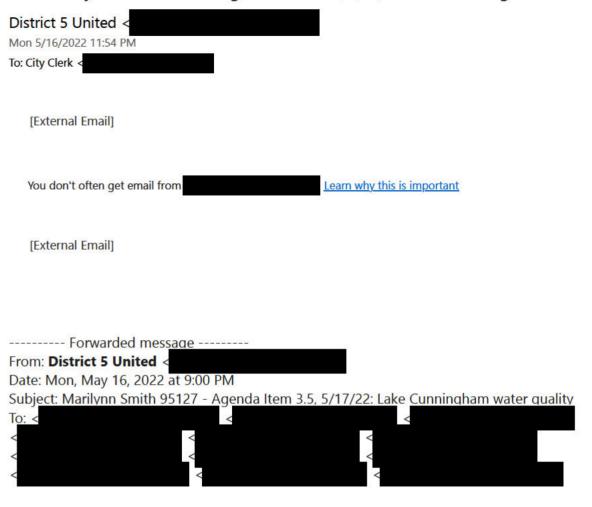
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Fwd: Marilynn Smith 95127 - Agenda Item 3.5, 5/17/22: Lake Cunningham water quality



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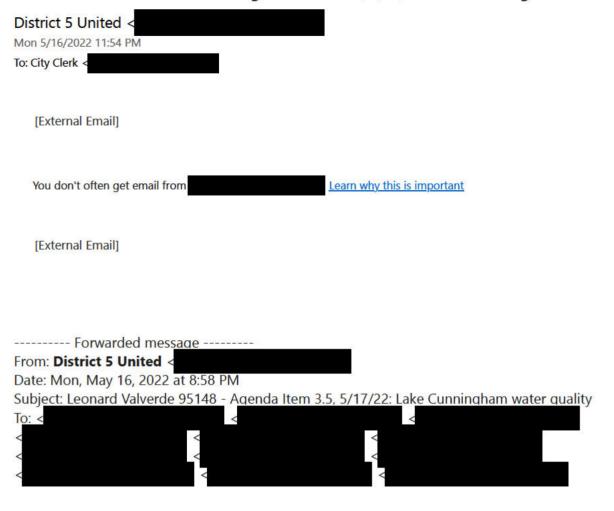
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Fwd: Leonard Valverde 95148 - Agenda Item 3.5, 5/17/22: Lake Cunningham water quality



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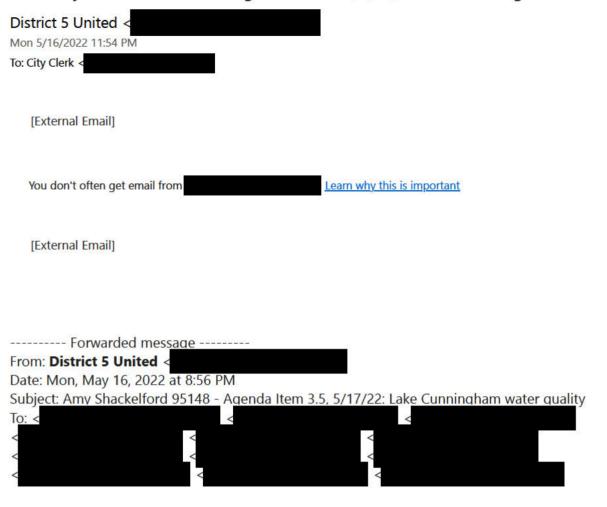
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Fwd: Amy Shackelford 95148 - Agenda Item 3.5, 5/17/22: Lake Cunningham water quality



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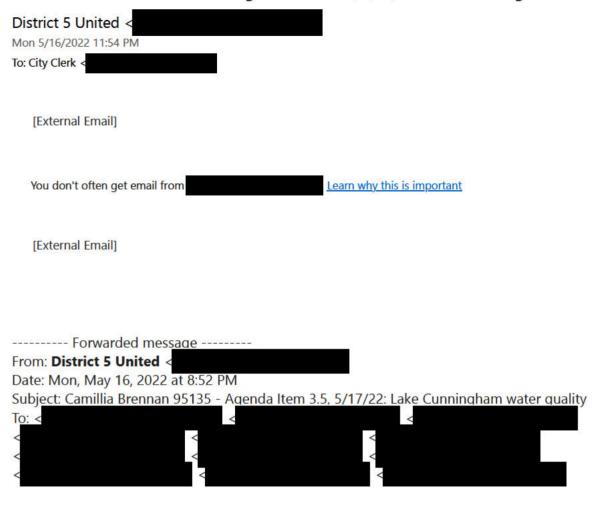
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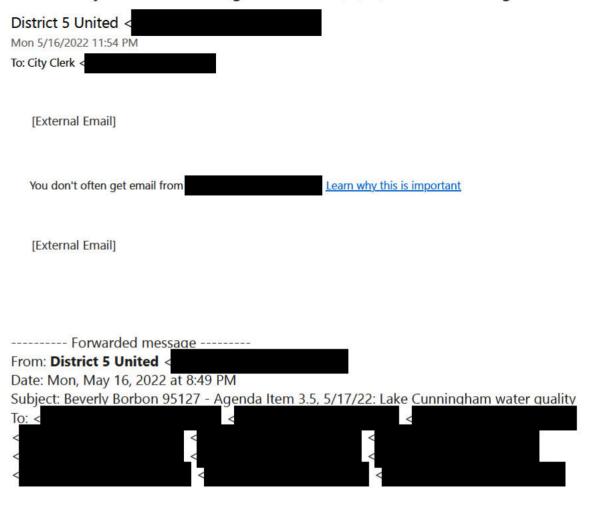
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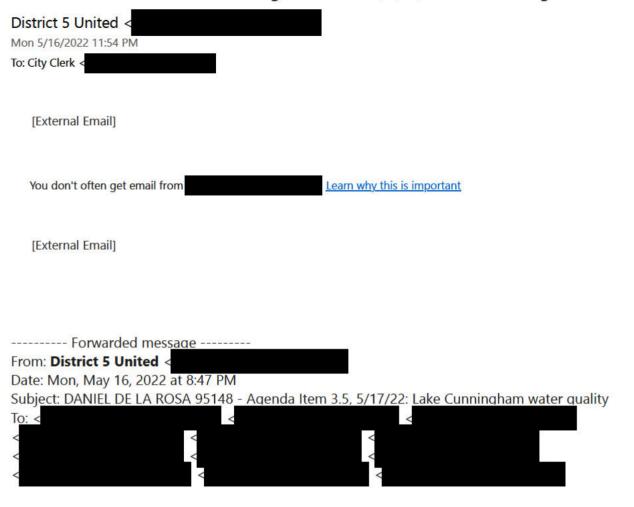
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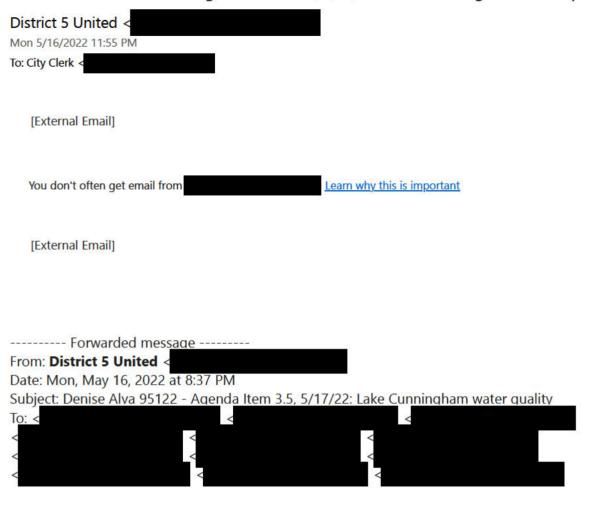
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Fwd: Denise Alva 95122 - Agenda Item 3.5, 5/17/22: Lake Cunningham water quality



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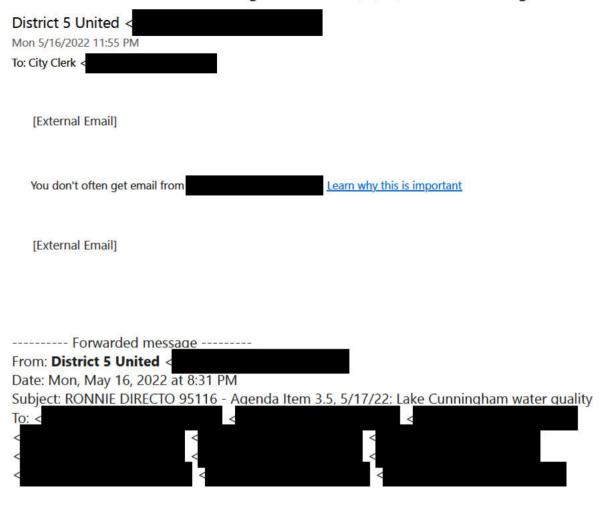
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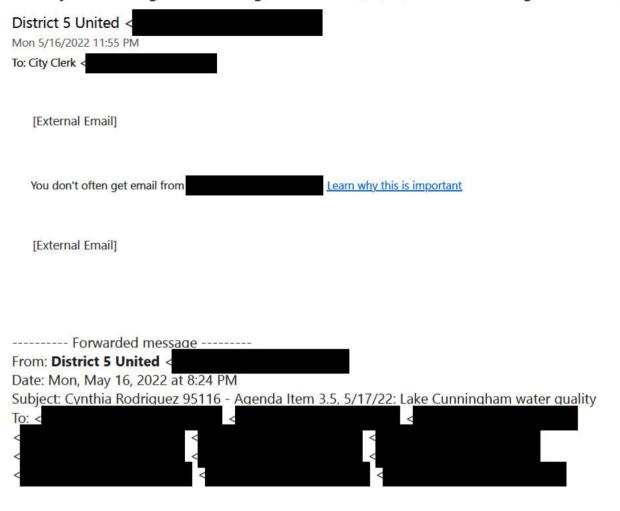
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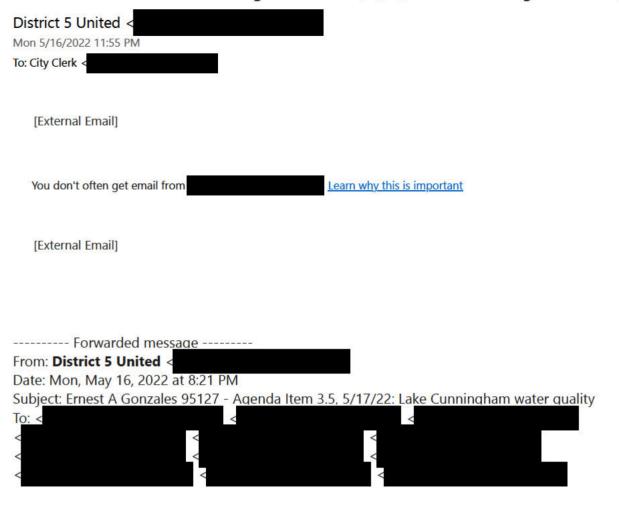
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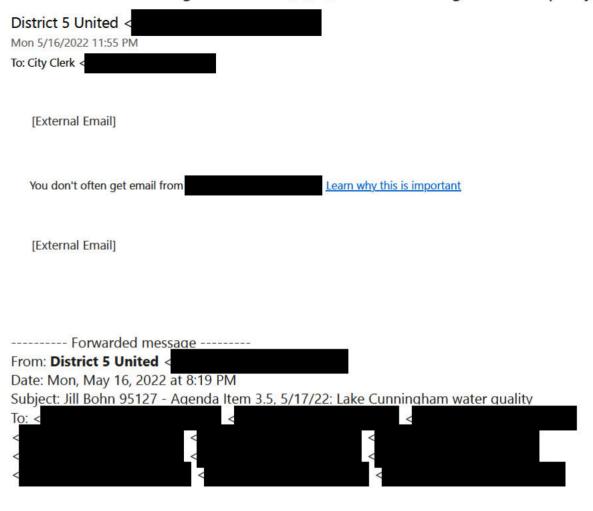
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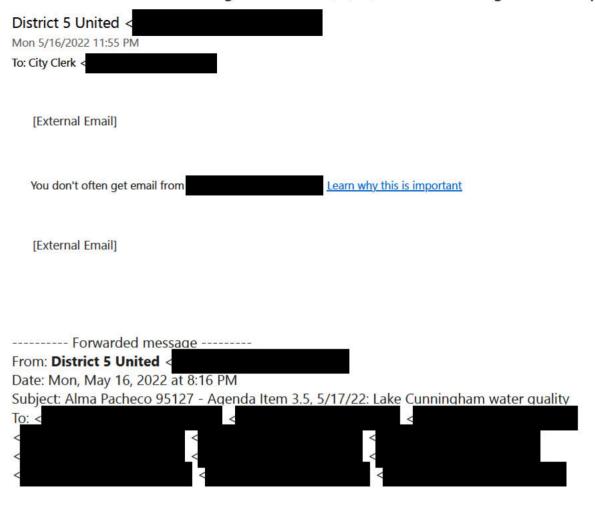
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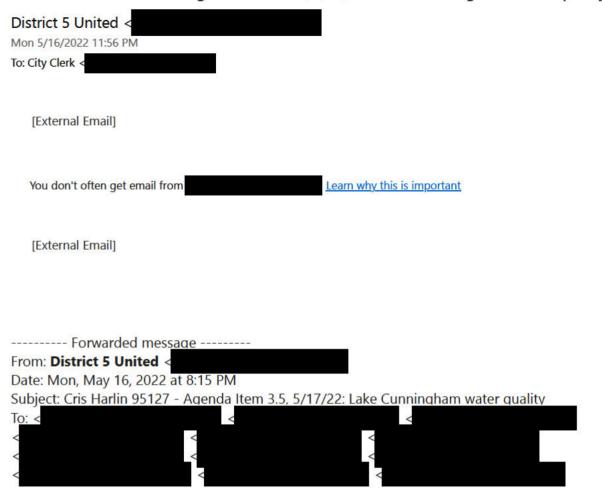
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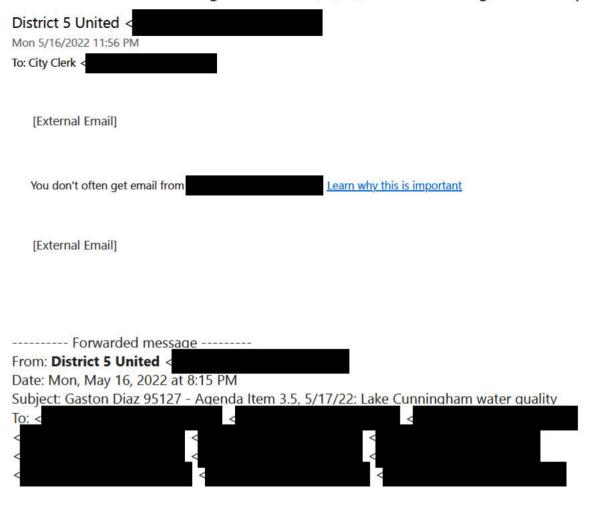
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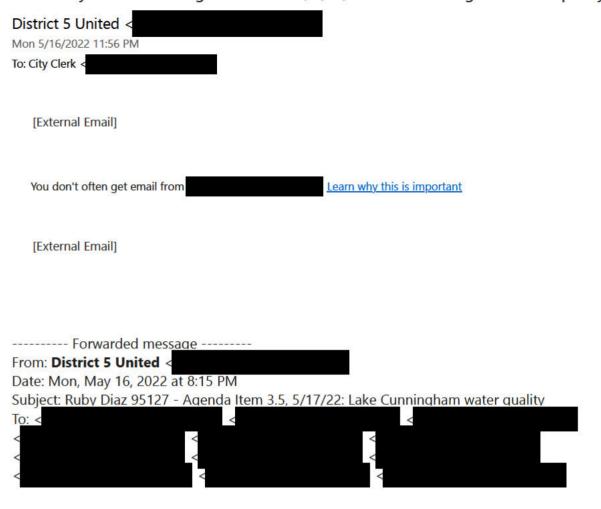
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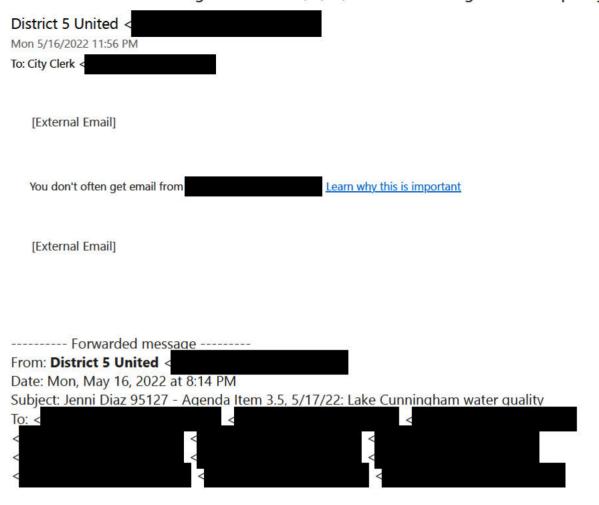
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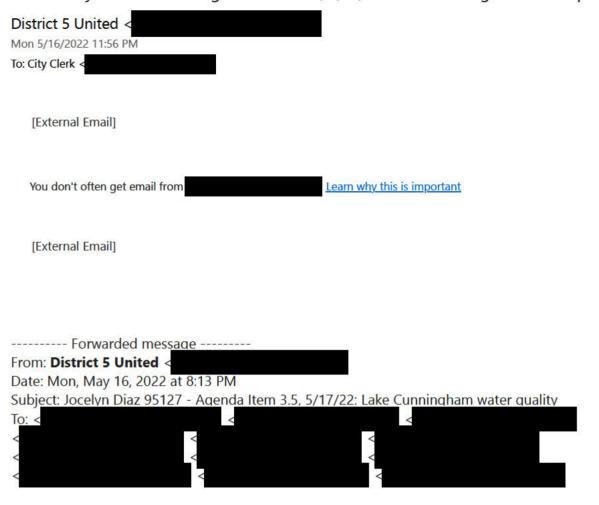
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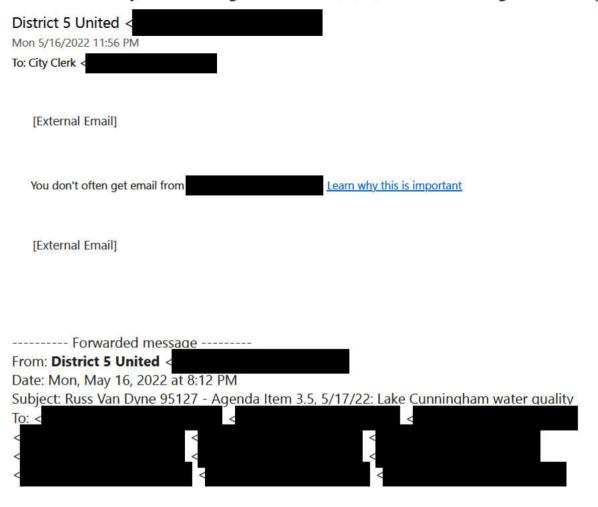
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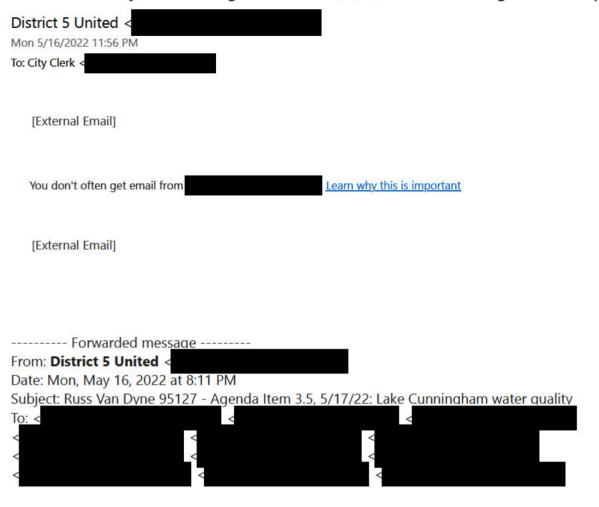
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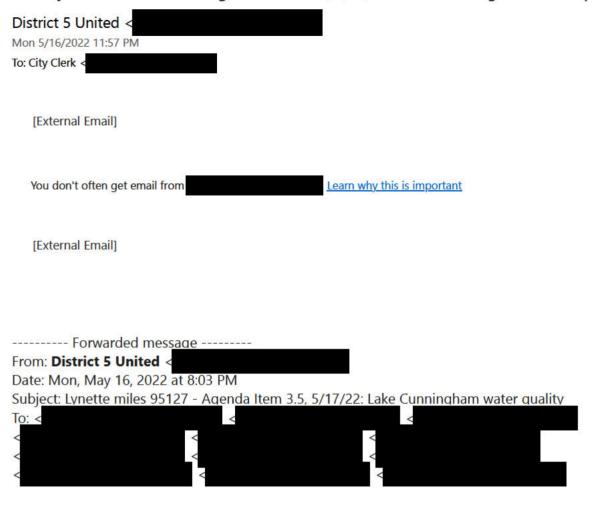
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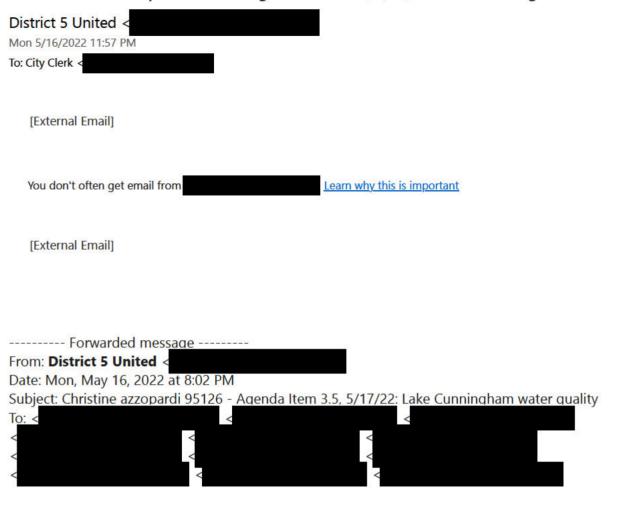
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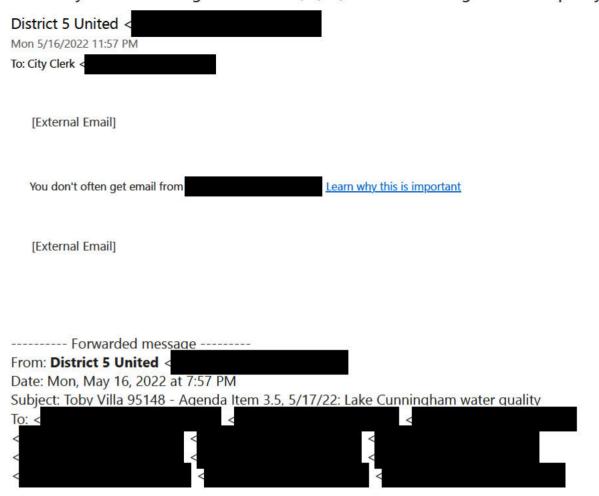
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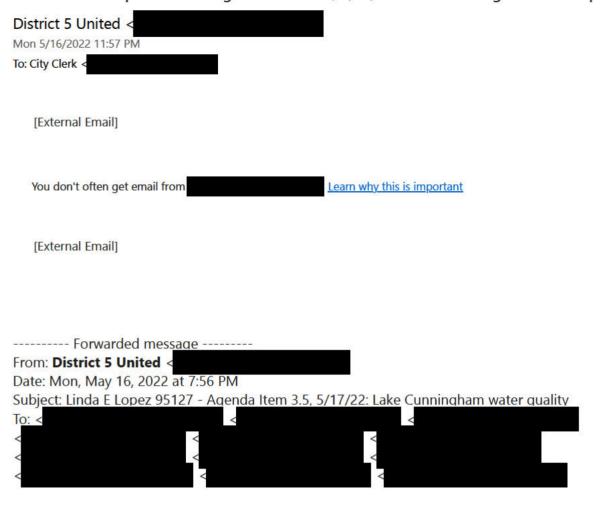
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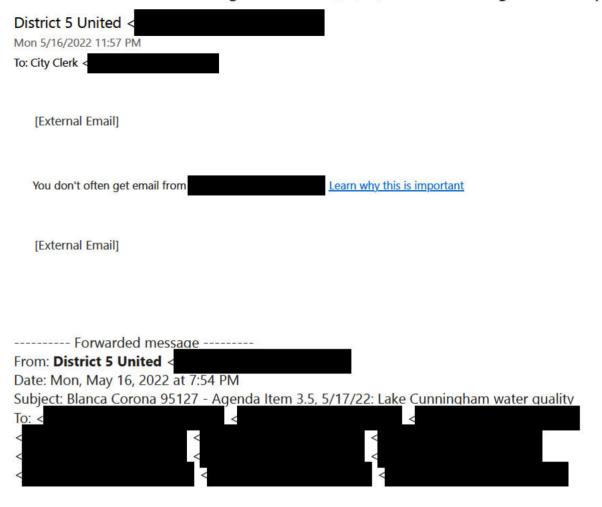
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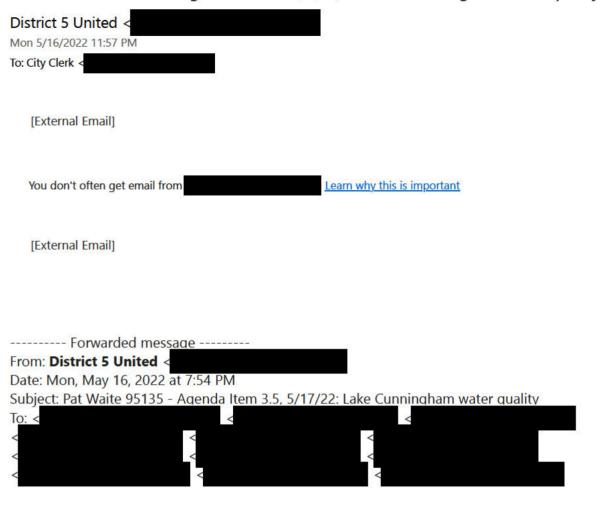
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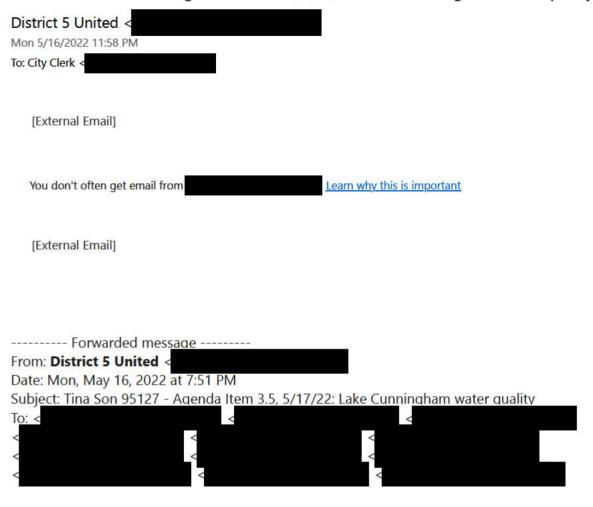
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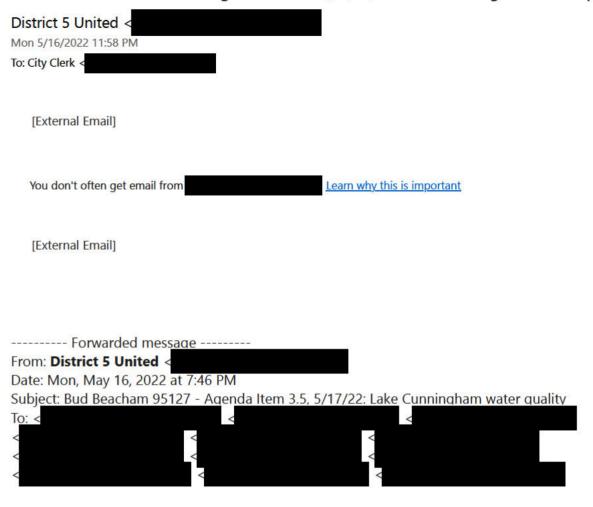
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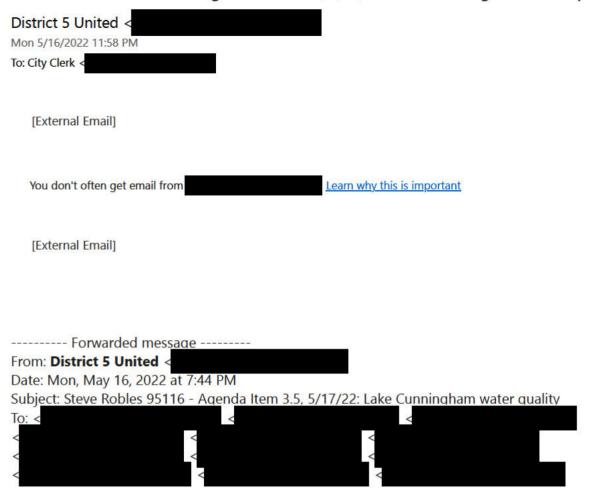
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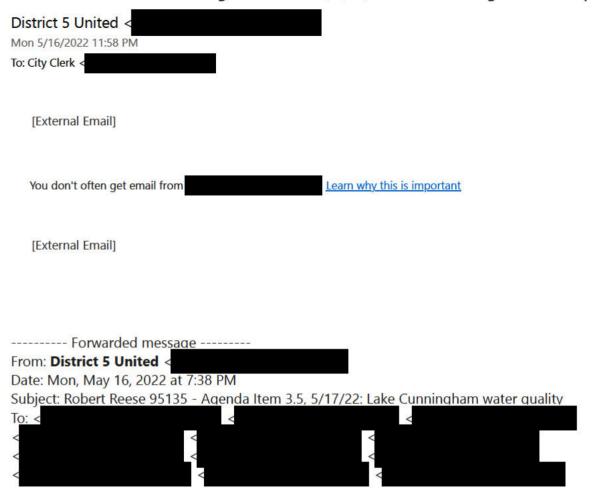
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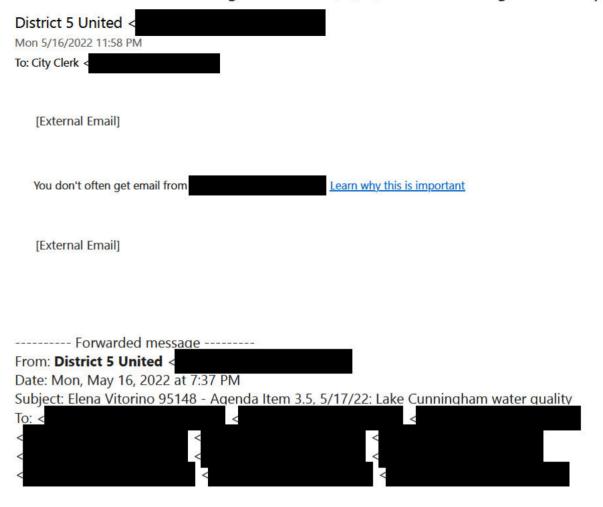
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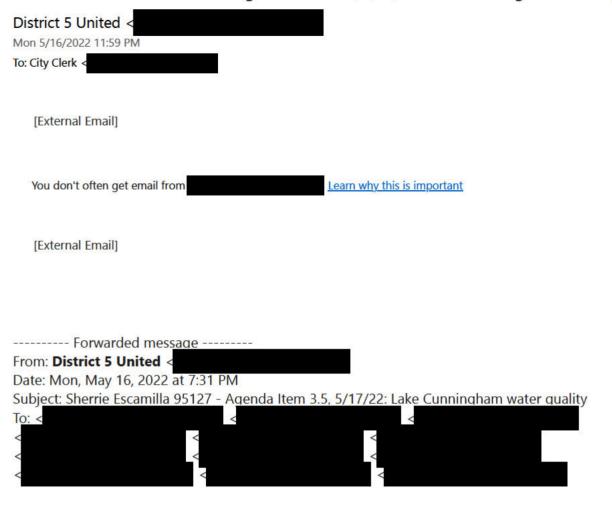
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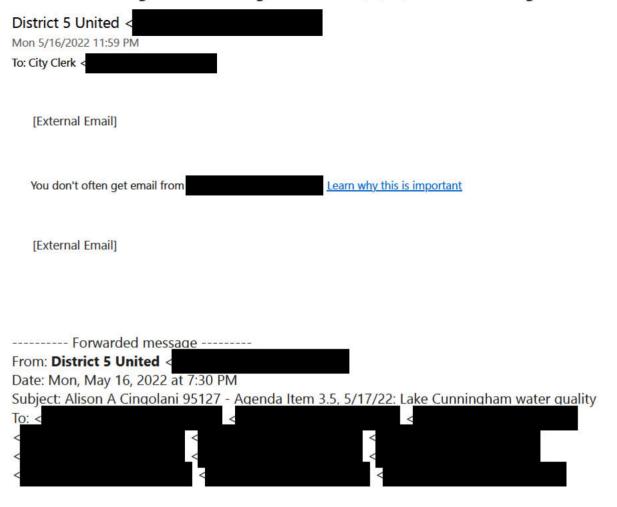
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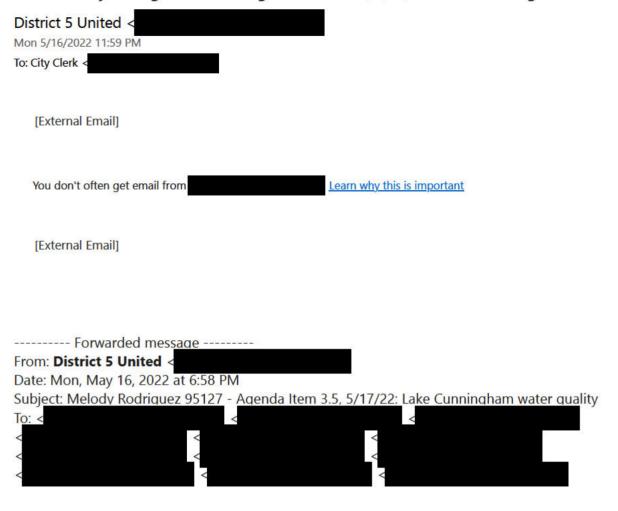
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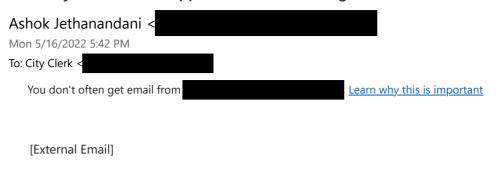
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5/17 City Council 3.5 Support for Lake Cunningham



Date: May 16, 2022

To: San Jose Mayor & City Council Members

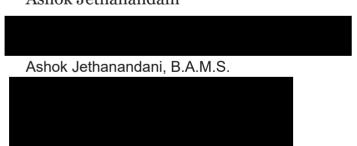
I am a longtime resident of East San Jose, and value Lake Cunnigham as a valuable community resource for experiencing nature and the outdoors. Many residents of San Jose use the park for walking, jogging, exercise, skateboarding, nature photography, and other recreation.

The lake and the view of the east hills make it a beautiful setting. However, for the last several years, facilities at the park have been in a state of disrepair. The lakeside path has sunk in places, and is closed in parts. Many piers which would be excellent vantage points to observe water birds are closed off indefinitely. Why this neglect of an important local resource? Is it because the city council does not value its eastern residents?

I urge all councilmembers and the mayor to address this matter with equity in mind when it is discussed on Tuesday, May 17, 2022. Please approve the funding for Lake Cunningham maintenance and improvements. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Ashok Jethanandani



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Fw: Lake Cunningham

City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Wed 5/18/2022 8:30 AM

To: Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

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From: Becky Parker <

Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 2:24 PM **To:** City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject: Lake Cunningham

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I live very close to Lake Cunningham. I walk around it once of twice a week and I pick up trashumancia on my walk. The park is in very bad shape. The water is disgusting. It is so sad to see what little care is taken of it. We need to spend money on getting the Lake in better condition so we can do activities on it again. Please help our park!

Becky Parker

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