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To: City Clerk
From: John Anderson

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CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

Subject:
Flag/Sculpture-attached letter

I can't attend/speak on this subject at 3/21 meeting. (Judge at OC Science/Engineering Fair till 5pm).
Hopefully my letter will speak for me.

Please distribute letter to :
City Council
Arts Commission
City Attorney

Thanks!

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To: City of Newport Beach

From: John H. Anderson, US Citizen, Army veteran, Newport Beach resident

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Display of American Flag - Compliance with United States Code Title 4, Chapter 1

It has come to my attention that new sculptures will soon be sited in the area adjacent to City Hall.

Please see my previous letter (attached) regards current sculpture placed next to the US flag.

Before any further placement of sculptures, you may wish to have the City Attorney advise you as regards applicable US Codes which address proper respect for the display of the US flag.

Attachments:

Letter - 8/9/2018

Photo - sculpture/US flag

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The Flag of the United States of America deserves proper respect. Accordingly the US Congress has set forth Flag Laws and Regulations. Excerpts attached.

The City should review the intent and spirit of these laws and regulations - especially as regards the placement of objects, such as a sculpture placed in close proximity to and rising above the Civic Center flag pole. Exhibit attached.

This proximity is very pronounced as seen from the adjacent street. Moreover, while sculpture is lit at night, the night-flying US flag apparently is not - perhaps in noncompliance with US code?

While likely too late to correct any current noncompliance; such questionable appearances should be scrupulously avoided in the future. Thank you for your service.

Attachments:

US Congressional Flag Laws and Regulation excerpts

Photo - dimensional relations of flag pole to sculpture

