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Jim Dear's Abuse of Power could cost The City of Carson \$20 million

In Random Lengths News April 16-29, 2015 edition may be a partial explanation of why the NFL is being forced through without public impute. Below are excerpts from that article: If nothing else read the attached lawsuit filed, there are stories of unethical and illegal actions, deception, setting up a fraudulent business and much more. This abuse of power could cost the City of Carson up to \$20 million dollars.

How a Big Deal was Kept Secret

By Terelle Jerricks, Managing Editor, and Lyn Jensen, Carson Reporter

This past February, Beverly Hills developer Richard Rand filed a breach of contract lawsuit against the city and Leonard Bloom of U.S. Capital LLC.

Rand claimed in the lawsuit that he began working through his companies Rand Resources LLC and Carson El Camino LLC to bring one or more NFL franchises to the city and play in a "state of the art" stadium within the city.

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This is not the first time the city and Rand have tangled in the courtroom. In 2003, in a suit against the city and its redevelopment agency, Rand accused then Mayor Darryl Sweeney of soliciting a bribe in exchange for various entitlements in connection with a "\$100 million mixed-use development" he had planned for the 91-acre property. Rand said he refused to pay the bribe and as a result, the city denied the entitlement, despite earlier assurances.

In 2006, a jury sided with Rand, finding that his civil rights had been violated. The city appealed the civil verdict and Rand filed a cross-appeal seeking \$20 million in damages.

In 2008, while the appeal was still ongoing, Rand and Carson's redevelopment agency entered into an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement. The agreement was contingent upon Rand halting his cross appeal and not enforcing the judgment.

The agreement was first extended for three years, then extended a second time in 2011 to end in 2012. Rand and the redevelopment agency entered a new two-year agreement similar to the first one.

Gov. Jerry Brown's dismantling of the state's redevelopment agencies caused Rand to question his rights. In September 2012, Rand proposed entering into an exclusive agency agreement with the city in exchange for staying his \$20 million cross-appeal of the 2003 lawsuit. This agreement allowed Rand to operate as the city's exclusive agent in talks with the NFL about bringing a team to Carson.

Under the agreement, no one other than Rand Resources was permitted to represent the city in negotiations with the NFL, and Rand was to shoulder all the cost of meeting with NFL executives and hiring architectural firms to draft proposed stadium designs, among other costs. The agreement was to end in 2014.

Rand accuses the city of double dealing while the contract was enforced-starting at least in the summer of 2013. He accuses the city specifically of meeting with Leonard Broom of U.S. Capital while his exclusive agreement with the city was in force.

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NO Drilling in Populated Areas

Petition to Regulate the Oil Industry

We the undersigned, call for immediate action by the Obama Administration, U.S. Congress, California State Legislature, and local government officials to put into effect the following regulations for the oil industry to protect communities and residents.

- All new activity must be developed and maintained in unpopulated areas.
- Existing wells in populated areas will cease all fracking, acidizing, and any well stimulation.
- In areas where this is unavoidable, all affected residents will be bought out or compensated anticipated loss in property value and industry related damages that may occur.
- The oil company must maintain a bond in the event of an emergency to correct ALL damages to the community and residents.

[Link to NO Drilling in Populated Areas PRINTABLE Petition](#)

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What You Can Do

Report Illegal or Unethical Behavior

If you have any information on the illegal or unethical behavior of any community organization, business interest, the oil industry, any Carson elected official(s) or employee(s) that contributed to this ill gotten vote please contact me Lori Noflin at lnoflin@carsoncaconnected.org. To keep your complaint completely confidential you can mail to Lori Noflin, P.O. Box 5503, Carson, CA 90746.

Or you can submit a complaint directly to the governing agencies listed below:

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428 J Street, Suite 620
Sacramento, CA 95814

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