Dear Stan:

I am forwarding to you excerpts from the FB page of Simeon Den, posted on August 23, 2018. This was forwarded to me as I do not 'follow' Simeon. As you must know, he is a recipient of both city sponsorships and city money for his personal art projects and events to 'enhance the community'. His comments in this post against a female resident are unacceptable. And this is not the first time for Simeon to make such horrid remarks against women. He had to give up his privilege working with children within Coachella valley school districts due to past transgressions, I believe. Josie Diaz commiserates with him on this same page. She is also a recipient of city monies/sponsorship for her Tejano Music Fest. Other people commented but I eliminated their comments as they are not important here. You can read the entire post and all comments on Simeon Den's FB page, if you so desire.

Stan I would like to ask that the Council withdraw any city sponsorships and any money that both or either of these people have asked for to put on their events. I believe that Simeon's Block Party is on the August 29th Study Session Agenda. This simply does not look good for our city and would be an extreme shame and embarrassment were it to be known valley-wide that our city sponsors such attitudes against women and any residents. I also believe that Simeon's Art Parties for Children and Seniors should not be advertised in the City Newsletter.

Thank you for reading this and may I hear from you, please?

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