

April 17, 2012

City of Tracy City Council
333 Civic Center Plaza
Tracy, CA 95376

On January 16 I filed a complaint with the City against Police Chief Gary Hampton alleging deceit, violation of his oath of office, and obstruction of justice.

I have received no notification of the disposition of this complaint, and the response to a Public Records Act request which I received yesterday revealed that in three months there has been no activity with respect to initiating an investigation of this complaint, only an acknowledgement and a request to fill out the official complaint form. Recall that the City has a legal obligation to investigate this complaint.

I understand that some of you are strong supporters of Mr. Hampton. I hope you also understand that these are serious allegations, and they bear directly on Mr. Hampton's fitness for office. Problems with the integrity of the leadership in the Police Department need to be dealt with responsibly – the integrity of the justice system in Tracy is at stake.

The people of Tracy have a right to expect their leaders to comply promptly with the law, and we cannot afford to wait while Mr. Churchill stalls. I have previously addressed the Council regarding how Mr. Churchill's past actions have created a situation in which he cannot perform the supervisory duties of his office. I think we are seeing that incapacity manifested here.

You have all sworn oaths to support the Constitution of the State of California, which guarantees inalienable rights that are afforded by a rule-of-law. This is a direct request to the Council to abide by your oaths.



Paul Miles

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