

Hello City Council,

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I just want to voice a few things regarding the City Administrator and Finance Officer. I appreciate all that they are doing, I see individuals who are doing their best to support and benefit this entire community – not just a subset of the loudest voices. I do not see any hidden agenda or corruption; I believe that the individuals pushing such as narrative are only doing so with the purpose of being divisive. This community is a collective of a variety of individuals and I think that is often lost by some who just assume that if you are here you think the same way they do. An unfortunate side effect of a small community and social media algorithms, it is much easier to find yourself in an echo chamber.

There needs to be a reminder of showing grace towards these employees, occasionally somebody will misspeak and there are two sides to every story.

If the majority of the city council feels this way, I would appreciate a level of public support being shown by the council. I did not realize how ugly things were for these employees until recently, who at the end of the day are private citizens – they are not an elected member of our community. I once worked for the State of Alaska for several years, I empathize with the stress that can come from people pushing for the end of your job and questioning your every move. Further that with the ugly rhetoric, community members wanting to overstep into the private lives of the employees, and potential radicalization of community members, I feel we need to do more to show that these employees are supported and that the council is taking efforts to protect them. What does that say about Delta Junction if we can let a few members of the community insult, intimidate, attack and run off good everyday people? We cannot let community members devoid of morals have this level of impact on city employees.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'P' followed by a long, sweeping horizontal line that tapers off to the right.