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Libi Uremovic

Audit X - Urban Logic Consultants

Posted on February 21, 2013 at 8:52 am

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From July 08th, 2010 through February 1st, 2013 the City of Beaumont has transferred over \$14,000,000.00 through automatic debits in the General Fund Bank Account. These transactions are listed on the Check Warrants as 'Urban Logic Consultants'. The General Ledger also shows Government Health Benefits paid for 'Urban Logic Consultants'.

The expenses were charged to the General Fund and eight (8) other Special Funds. Although it is the duty of all elected and appointed officials to use exercise caution with the taxpayer dollars, the City has discretion to spend the General Fund as they choose. Special Funds are created for specific uses.

Gas Tax Fund (03) - This fund is an additional tax collected by the State to be used only for roads, alleys, & sidewalks. The General Ledgers shows that only two expenses are taken from this fund in the last two years - \$80,000 in 'Administrative Overhead' and \$370,000 paid to Urban Logic Consultants for 'Contract Overhead'. There is not one journal entry in the last two years that shows anything tangible was purchased with these funds.

Sewer Service (10) - There has been \$2,237,000.00 attached to this fund in the last two years for Urban Logic Consultants.

CFD Fund (14) – This fund was created to monitor expenses and revenue from the City's Community Facilities District. Urban Logic Consultants have \$1,665,000.00 attached to this fund in the last two years.

Mitigation Fees (35) – This fund was created to 'account for revenues levied on new development projects'. The 2012-2013 budget lists total expenses for the Mitigation Fees Department at \$501,000. There has been \$1,163,000 in fees paid to Urban Logic Consultants in the from 07/20/12 – 11/08/12 alone and a total of \$8.6 Million paid to Urban Logic in the last two years.

RDA Funds (36) (38) - \$383,000.00 was coded to these two funds from August, 2010 through November, 2011.

Urban Logic Consultants website shows a template with no listing of employees or references. <http://www.urbanlogicgroup.com>. The website lists their office location at 43517 Ridge Park Drive, Suite 200, Temecula, CA 92590. I went to the location, but the offices are empty. I called the phone number listed on the website – (951) 676-1944, but instead of a receptionist answering with the greeting: "Urban Logic Consultants", a man answered the phone with the greeting: "Public Works".

There is no evidence that this company exists independently of the City of Beaumont. This company is listed as a private sector cooperation, but it has no office staff, their employees are receiving Health Care Benefits through the City, and most importantly; this company could not possibly be supplying the amount of services to justify the expenses charged.

Urban Logic and the City of Beaumont are intertwined - which is a violation of California Code 87100 regulating conflict of interests in government entities.

City Officials are either using this money to pay off old debt, or they are putting the money in their pockets, but there are no consulting services provided by a private sector company called Urban Logic Consultants.

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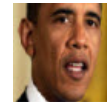
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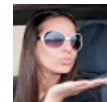
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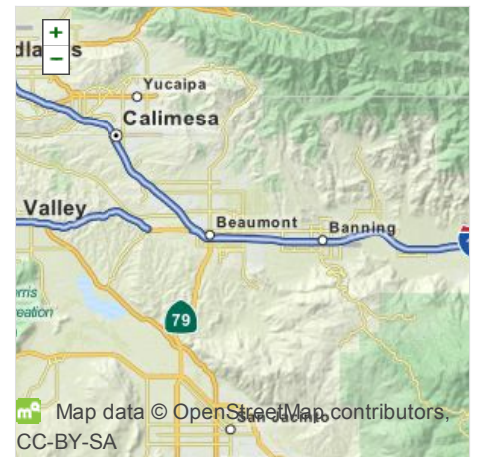
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2:07 pm on Thursday, February 21, 2013

And that's when the other shoe fell.

Thank you again Libi for your time invested in researching all this. Now it should just be a matter of the proper investigating agencies to do their job.

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Libi Uremovic

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3:06 pm on Thursday, February 21, 2013

Gas Tax Fund (03) - this is an additional state tax levied because the cities were not properly caring for their own roads ... in every budget i've looked at the gas taxes are wasted - the cities never use the funds for what they are intended....

the reason our fuel costs are the highest in the nation is because of the additional gas taxes...the state needs to end the gas taxes and give the money back to the people...

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Judy Bingham

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5:36 pm on Thursday, February 21, 2013

20 years of "self dealing" by Ernie Egger, Dave Dillon, and Deepak Moorjani : 1090. Members of the Legislature, state, county, district, judicial district, and city officers or employees shall not be financially interested in any contract made by them in their official capacity, or by any body or board of which they are members. Nor shall state, county, district, judicial district, and city officers or employees be purchasers at any sale or vendors at any purchase made by them in their official capacity.

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Ken

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7:16 pm on Thursday, February 21, 2013

ANY that still wonder if City business is directed to Personal business entities of City employees. READ THIS link!!

<http://www.ci.beaumont.ca.us/documentcenter/view/15006>

This should clear up any doubts you have about the City Manager's "private business" profiting by contracts SPECIFICALLY directed to an entity (Ggms, Inc... Principal listed as wife, he is listed as President) AFTER his hire date as a City employee.

(Scroll to page 2, Section 5. Designation of Consultants....)

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Libi Uremovic

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5:44 am on Friday, February 22, 2013

these checks are issued by the city manager and finance director ...verified by the city clerk...ratified by a 5 member council....

the city gets another \$20 million loan from the bank in June....\$3.4 million shifted to urban logic from July to February...

the city is not just stealing tax payer money....they're taking out bank loans in the name of the city to steal the money....

....the fire dept budget for the entire year is only \$2.2 million...this tells us that the city budget should be about \$10 million, not \$28 million...

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cjb

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7:23 am on Friday, February 22, 2013

I hope the Beaumont crooks get some time in jail for this.

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Judy Bingham

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10:39 am on Friday, February 22, 2013

Imagine, the City built the " Bridge to Nowhere" and initiated the fraudulent Potrero Overpass, just to keep ULC flush with cash. That was money that could have actually benefited the citizens of Beaumont. How many of you people actually drive over the \$11 million "Bridge to Nowhere" ?

Reply

margaret bragg

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5:05 pm on Friday, February 22, 2013

Are you sure that thing is a bridge? I thought it was some contemporary artist's monument to self-dealing. It looked like a piece of army surplus stuck out there for people to wonder about. You know. "Why do you think that is there?", a dicotomy.

margaret bragg

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5:09 pm on Friday, February 22, 2013

Gee Libi, you sure do a lot of work for a person who "doesn't exist". Too bad some of the people who do exist don't work as hard as you...OR aren't as smart.

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Libi Uremovic

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6:13 am on Sunday, February 24, 2013

there are weekly auto deposits for caryn tello, diana fuquay, & debra cartier...these are charged to fund 40 - transit, depart 7200 - not on budget, contract services...

does anyone know what these women are being paid for..?

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Sheri Davis

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5:39 pm on Wednesday, February 27, 2013

They are 3 of Beaumont's Transit Department drivers...and last I knew of, Diana also drive a bus for Beaumont USD. That's who those 3 are. And Caryn as of late really just comes across as that she has more power and authority in the Transit Department than she really does. As if she has more seniority within the department than what she really has. She runs 5 minutes ahead of a 'timed stop' and keeps on going without standing down like she's supposed to do, until the scheduled time to leave. Or constantly runs late. Can't depend on her, no matter what route she drives.



Libi Uremovic

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5:33 am on Friday, March 1, 2013

thanks sherrithey should be listed under dept 7000 employees, but their checks are issued like they're contract labor..

hopefully caryn or her supervisor will see your comment....i've got no problem proving for the line worker, but they also need to do their job ...



Washy

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7:41 am on Monday, February 25, 2013

Odd how Urban Logic has earned so much over the past two years when they themselves say that Beaumont will not begin growing again until the end of 2012

<http://www.ci.beaumont.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=346>

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margaret bragg

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7:55 am on Monday, February 25, 2013

Odd? Seems to me it shows that they (UL) simply protect their revenue stream no matter what is happening to the taxpayers and the economy. Why shouldn't they take the same hit every one else has? Seems to me, this is proof they must go. A tick will continue to suck blood no matter the condition of the dog hosting him.

Judy Bingham

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5:33 pm on Wednesday, February 27, 2013

THEY STOLE OUR MONEY AND NOW THEY WANT US TO PAY MORE !

Wed. Press Enterprise pg. D7

Notice of public hearing March 5, 2013 at 6 pm City Hall

Resolution of COB increasing WWT system fees and chgs. for connections, construction, and inspection, establishing salt mitigation and other regulatory, energy, and debt service charges, repealing parts of resolutions in conflict herewith and authorizing the expansion and upgrade of the WWT facilities.

AND

Resolution of the COB increasing rates, fees, and charges for refuse collection and recycling.

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Nancy Gall

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8:25 pm on Thursday, February 28, 2013

When Castaldo was new on the council, he asked for UL bills. They said they were paying prevailing wage. When the state website was checked, they were paying triple the prevailing wage. Then Nancy Hall checked rates in several surrounding cities. Beaumont was paying many times more for everything checked, Now I don't believe that line workers were getting that money. It was another way to cover massive theft.

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