For the record - David Madore’s reasons for voting against reinstating the Prosecuting Attorneys prior to the conclusion of an independent investigation – 19 April 2016

Let the record show what an affront to transparency and good-government it would be to allow Deputy Prosecutors Horne and Cook to return prior to the findings of an independent investigation.

The citizens of Clark County, the people we work for, are entitled to have a government that functions and takes ethical matters seriously.

The legal advice our Board receives needs to be accurate and not agenda-driven. This is the only way we can make good decisions for the people of Clark County.

It troubles me to no end that that this Board may receive legal advice from attorneys that have clearly demonstrated a political agenda.

That is not their job – and we as a Board cannot effectively perform our job for the citizens of Clark County when this self-serving conflict is allowed to continue.

I am sure that the same Councilors that have made their viewpoint so well known and closed their minds to Alternative 4 are the same ones who are inclined to allow Horne and Cook to return.

Allowing Prosecutors Horne and Cook, who’s advice has consistently been that Alternative 4 is not viable, to come back now without the benefit of an outside review, is especially
inappropriate given the recent allegations leveled against me by Mr. Oliver Orjiako.

Mr. Orjiako, and councilors Boldt, Olson, and Stewart are the same individuals inclined to excuse and dismiss the allegations of impropriety.

This is nothing more than politics without process. We need an outside assessment by a disinterested third party who can objectively determine if the Deputies can return free of conflict.

So I cannot in good conscience support the premature return of attorneys Cook and Horne, as I believe it puts politics above process. Citizens would be better served by investigating the truth and respecting that outcome first in this matter of trust.