

# Zoning Hearing Board appointment withdrawn, Council discussion ensues

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*(The latest in a series of posts on City government)*

In a [post yesterday](#), Gadfly took a strong stand against one of the Mayor's nominations to the Zoning Hearing Board.

The Mayor withdrew the nominations (there were two) before the meeting, so a vote was not taken.

Gadfly spoke briefly during public comment — in rather uncharacteristically strong terms, he now says as he listens to himself — about the wisdom of one of the Mayor's nominations.

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Councilman Callahan raised the subject under New Business as the last agenda item of the meeting, and one hour of “discussion” followed, dominated by Councilman Callahan.

Gadfly urges followers to listen before he makes any comment about the discussion. In Gadville, we always go to the primary source and form our own opinions.

Gadfly has video and will post it here (see below) after processing. The video will also be posted on [the City web site](#) later today (go to the last hour).

After hearing the discussion, Gadfly has one regret about his strong negative stand against one of the nominees.

He should have made clearer that he was implying nothing evil, shady, dishonest about the person's character. She has an enviable record of public service. On many a City ABC she would be a welcome addition. But in Gadfly's opinion she was an obvious mismatch in appearance and optics for this position, and the Mayor was tone-deaf in nominating her.

Video now available:

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