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At the last Council meeting it was revealed that Monrovia's man in Sacramento, Tony Rice, is an unregistered revoked lobbyist who has not been reporting his activity to the Secretary of State like he's supposed to. Our crusader for law and order has been flaunting the law. The company he represents, Rice/Englander and Associates LLC is not registered either.

Regardless, the Council approved a new contract with Rice, provided that he gets the name "Rice/Englander and Associates" registered as an LLC. It was admitted that for the past 2 years it was not. He has been breaching the contract and defrauding Monrovia, yet he was found worthy.

If my number crunchin' is accurate, Monrovia has funneled One hundred twenty-two thousand seven hundred fifty dollars to Rice since 2018. That is equivalent to paying a full-time worker Thirty dollars an hour for those two years. But wait, he may not be working full-time for us. I have uncovered a 3 year lobbying contract between Rice and another L.A. County town, October 2018 to September 2021 for Forty-two thousand dollars a year. I am trying to get a confirmation or denial that it is still in effect from that city's manager. If it is, I've got news for him.

I respect the Council's position that additional tens of millions of dollars of State funds for cops, courts, and cages is good public policy, though I disagree. But I don't respect the tactics of flagrant statistical misinterpretation, fear-mongering, curses, and appropriation to shady political operatives.

After the election, I reckon to embark on a retrospective postmortem of this monstrous matter. Have a Happy Halloween.

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Public Comment for City Council Meeting of 20 October 2020
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Thank you Members of City Council, City Manager Dylan Feik, City Attorney Craig Steele for following-up on a possible gubernatorial pardon for Steven Kiyoshi Kuromiya (City Council Directive of 5 August 2020).

It may be both a blessing and a curse that Los Angeles' juvenile criminal records before 1970 have now been wiped out. Kuromiya's arrest at 13 years of age in Monrovia on 14 August 1956 for Calif Penal Code 836.3, 288(a) and his subsequent time in detention were indelibly imprinted on his experience as a Monrovia, and that of his family.

The criminalization of homosexual activities is an unfortunate part of our shared history that simply cannot be wiped away by the deletion of records. For this reason, I encourage our City to find some way to celebrate Kiyoshi Kuromiya's life as a civil rights activist and as a gay rights activist. We should find a way to now claim him as one of our own in Monrovia.

I certainly will be very willing to collaborate in any way.

Respectfully,
Susie Ling