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Subject: This is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their city

When the city council moved to replace Dave Kiff, we feared that he would be followed by a stooge who would carry out the Peotter/Duffield special interest agenda. It is worse than could have been imagined. County Supervisor Shawn Nelson is one of the three candidates for city manager. He has no experience as a city manager. If you believe our city should be led by a city manager that reflects the experience, community sensitivity and ethics of Dave Kiff, Now is the time to make your voice heard. Late yesterday, a special meeting was called for 9:00AM on Monday to avoid public scrutiny. Please come if you can or e mail citycouncil@newportbeachca.gov and make your voice heard.

Duffy has called a special meeting to move up the interviews for city manager to Monday at 9AM . I expect they will vote in closed session on their first choice at that time.

As noted Supervisor Shawn Nelson, a lawyer who does not meet the minimum qualifications listed in the job ad is a leading candidate. It is important that residents let the council know this week end what you think about having a political lawyer, rather than a professional city manager leading our city. Time is of the essence.

1. The residents survey demanded that the council select a nonpolitical, experienced city manager in the mold of Dave Kiff. This selection fails on all counts.
2. Mr. Nelson has no experience whatsoever as a city manager. He is a lawyer by profession who has expressed an interest in being a judge. He is failed political candidate who ran as an extreme conservative.
3. Mr. Nelson has a record that includes reducing third party oversight of government, abusing the county pension system, contentious labor relations, limiting public comment at the BOS, questionable campaign finance practices and difficult relations with his board colleagues.
4. Specific to Newport Beach, Mr. Nelson as a representative of Disneyland, supports more flights at JWA, he argued that Newport Harbor gets too much county parks funding and that Newport should pay more for the sheriff's harbor patrol. He was dismissive of Newport residents air quality concerns.
5. Our real outrage should be reserved for the city council who completely dismissed the residents survey and seem poised to select an unqualified political hack to carry out their agenda. This is an expression of contempt for the community by Peotter/Duffield.