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Subject: Re: Clarification re: Assistant City Attorney Maddux's role in noise complaints

Thanks Polly, I appreciate the information. A few follow-up questions:

- 1) Is this a role the City Attorney's office or anyone within it has taken up before?
- 2) Did Maddux recommend or lay out options (i.e. relative chances of their complaints succeeding, what might happen if it did) or was the information just legal background?
- 3) Did Maddux offer similar advice to those they were complaining against (i.e. notifying them of the appeals process and board's authority, etc)?
- 4) Did Maddux ever use this role in the process to advocate to the complainants that they should support his proposed changes to the noise ordinance if they wanted future complaints to have the result they desired?

Best,

David

On 2:48pm, Fri, Feb 15, 2019 Polly McDaniel <pmcdaniel@ashevillenc.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon David,

When someone would contact the administrative assistant at Asheville Police Department, who acts as the Noise Ordinance Appeals Board's secretary, Assistant City Attorney John Maddux asked that they be directed to him so that he could explain the noise ordinance appeals board process and the scope of the board's authority prior to their filing a complaint with the board.Â Â Â

Best,
PollyÂ

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On Thu, Feb 14, 2019 at 2:12 PM Asheville Blade <ashevilleblade@gmail.com> wrote:

Good afternoon. I'm seeking some clarification on remarks made by Assistant City Attorney John Maddux at the Jan. 22 Asheville City Council meeting. At that meeting, Maddux stated that all noise complaints went directly to him. Did he mean that he was receiving notice of noise complaints while they were going through the regular process with APD, Noise Appeals, etc. or did he mean that he was overseeing the city's response and enforcement directly?

Thank you for your assistance in clarifying this matter.

Best,

David Forbes

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