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Sent: 10/23/2019 9:19:42 AM
To: 'Jonathan Wainscott'
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Subject: RE: Thank you Vijay

Jonathan,

Thank you for your note and again for all the research and time you put into this issue.Â As I said last night, Asheville can sometimes be a place that cares more about who says something than the truth of what they said.Â That often causes people to be afraid to speak out which, in a democracy, hurts us all.Â You were willing to endure that criticism, which I cannot imagine was an easy thing to do.Â I admire people who have that fortitude, as it is rare these days, and I donâ€™t mind recognizing it when I see it.Â As to my vote, Iâ€™m completely comfortable with my decision and slept well last night.Â

As I also intimated last night, I donâ€™t think supporters of the change realize what they just did.Â The primary and general election next year will have turnout orders of magnitude bigger than prior Council elections.Â Most voters next year will likely have never cast a vote in a Council election.Â A well-organized, moderate slate of candidates with a solid message that appeals to the average voter could easily sweep the three seats.Â Â Should be interesting.

Best,
Vijay Â Â

From: Jonathan Wainscott <jonwainscott@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2019 8:18 PM
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Subject: Thank you Vijay

Vijay,

I've been meaning to get in touch with you, in fact I have a half-finished email draft saved and I'll send it along at some point. The most important piece of that note was to thank you for the tremendous compliment that you shared with me after the heated September 24 meeting.. The credit you gave me for changing your mind meaningful beyond words. What you said, what you DID tonight was humbling and truly profound.

I understand that you cashed in huge amount of political capital on this issue and you cashed in even more by willingly associating your name within my toxic (and enormously mythological) reputation. I've been tarred and feathered and you gave me a hug. Ya know?
Anyway, that was a very classy thing to do. You (we) are not only right on the math, but we are on the right side of history. Late, but still right. Hopefully the masses will be thrilled enough with a 6-1 victory, you won't receive too much of a backlash, and I do think that once this is heard outside the echo chamber of Asheville, the truth will be unveiled quickly.

Anyway, thanks again-
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