

From: BECKMAN, PAUL
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2015 12:33 PM
To: CRAGER, CHELSEA
Subject: RE: 1872 Newport, PA-08-27A1

Chelsea,

In regards to our telephone conversation from July 22, 2015 and your below mentioned request, I am providing a synopsis of my telephone conversation with Dan Stansell.

On July 21, 2015, I telephoned Dan Stansell at his request. Mr. Stansell had sent me emails and left a telephone message requesting to speak with me in regards to a conditional use permit for a jewelry and loan business.

I provided Mr. Stansell with an opportunity to express his position as it related to changing the restrictions of the conditional use permit regarding the ability to offer lower loan amounts for certain personal property.

Mr. Stansell felt that allowing more opportunity for people to get lower loans for a greater variety of property would benefit the police department because it would help us identify more stolen property that would otherwise be sold by other means.

I disagreed with his assessment as it suggests that the current reporting of pawns and loans is an efficient means of identifying stolen property. Some property may get identified, however, the majority of reported stolen property lacks serial numbers or other definitively unique characteristics as to ever be re-united with the rightful owner.

After he made his statements, I advised him that I was not in agreement with his position and that based on my professional experience I would not be in support of changing any of the conditions of the existing CUP.

My position in regards to this matter is based on my own professional experiences dealing with pawn shops and secondhand dealers and investigating all types of thefts. I had been a detective assigned to oversee Costa Mesa Pawn and Secondhand dealer licenses, I had supervised investigators assigned to handle the pawn licensing and am currently managing the Investigative Service Bureau that is responsible for the pawn and secondhand dealers.

Respectfully,

Paul Beckman, Lieutenant
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From: CRAGER, CHELSEA
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2015 10:46 AM
To: BECKMAN, PAUL
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Lieutenant Beckman:

Thanks for speaking on the phone with me yesterday. Is there any way you could provide me a brief summary of your conversation with the applicant, Dan Stansell, and your position? An email would be fine, and you don't need to get into details, it would just be helpful to have something from you instead of relayed through me. Let me know! Thanks

Thank you,
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