

January 15, 2009

To the Sands Point West Board Members (in alphabetical order):

John Atar
Kermit James
James Nguyen
Sam Shirazi
Casey Van Vugt

On behalf of Mercedes Morales, homeowner, and myself, thank you for all the effort, talent and expertise you have given to making Sands Point West a better place to live. It is a much better place than how you found it when you were elected in January 2006. Thank you for the time you have given of yourselves. We know that you do not get paid for the time you spend working as a Board Member. We are sure others appreciate what you do – they may not say it, but if they are asked, we are sure they will agree with us in saying that what you have accomplished in three years is remarkable.

Before you got elected, just between 1997 to 2000, \$615,733 was spent on “major repairs and replacements” at SPW. (That was only for 4 years – imagine what you, the present Board, could have done with that much money); in 2005 your maintenance fees went up, the rehab of Building R cost \$80,941 – this was the only building renovated in 2005; then a handicap ramp project cost you \$22,000, a Board member was compensated \$11,000, and that Board was actively working on getting a major loan on your behalf to finish the renovations all at one time. The loan was said to be in the range of 700K to 2M. Thank God you got elected in 2006.

You put a stop to the financial mismanagement. Your platform was Homeowners for Change and a review of your platform show you are on target. You have exceeded our expectations. We thank you for that and especially for lowering the maintenance fees – especially in this time of financial hardship.

You have a difficult job and you must get tired. We just want you to know that what you do is appreciated – though you may not hear it often enough. My grandmother used to say, “Que Dios te lo pague” - may God repay (reward) you. Thank you and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year to you and yours.

Mercedes Morales
Tonie Maheshwari