

Nov. 4, 2014

To: City of Key West: City Clerk, Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney  
From: James Gilleran, Planning Board Member  
Re: Chairman Klitnick Appointment

The agenda item relating to Planning Board Chairman Klitnick's continued participation on the City of Key West Planning Board has brought much concern to residents of our fair city.

Mr. Klitnick, in my humble opinion, has served the city on this voluntary board with professionalism and selfless devotion.

The position of Chairman of the Planning Board requires a person of exemplary parliamentary rule knowledge, coupled with the ability to manage differing opinions in a professional manner. Chairman Klitnick has in 13 years of service guided the planning board in an honorable manner.

Indeed, city charter allows for elected officials to appoint board members per their direction. The degree of urgency and seeming lack of communication on this requested change of appointment does, in my opinion, not reflect well on the City Commission.

Volunteer boards within the City of Key West dedicate countless hours and their members make personal sacrifice to participate in the betterment of the community, which we all call home.

Respectfully committed,

James Gilleran  
Planning Board Member