

## Keri O'Brien

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Dear mayor and commissioners

As elected officials yourselves, I'm sure you understand the power and the vote of the people that you represent.

I believe very strongly that any council hired by the city of Key West should be non-biased and should be vetted by The mayor and commissioners. I did not elect the city attorney. The people of Key West elected you to represent us. The great majority of voters in Key West voted to limit the size and review the safety records and the number of people disembarking from cruise ships in the last election.

It's unfortunate that our governor does not believe in our right to govern ourselves.

That being said, it is time for you as our mayor and our elected commissioners to take a stand and Do what is right for the city. I urge you to please be involved in the process of selecting a law firm to represent us to draft a proper ordinance. Do not give that right to a city employee.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Miano

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