Joseph Mank Statement – Public Comment Session 7/23/2024

"You don't need a title or hold an elected position to be a leader or represent a constituency".

I thanked the charter board and staff for their hard work and acknowledged that their hard work did not come with any additional compensation for which I was grateful for as a lifelong citizen of the county. I then pivoted into the charter document. While I feel it's a good document overall, I was concerned fiscally about the implementation of it. I mentioned that I have spoken with community members, and they are concerned with additional spending. I spoke I was concerned with a higher than usual staff turnover if charter was implemented and the costs associated with it. I also mentioned my concerns about the double-digit percentage increase to our debt service from last year.