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The amount of freedom the United States has enjoyed is unique in the world. It is the result of the masterful compartmentalization of power set forth in the Constitution. That distribution and separation of powers has restrained much abuse by government for decades.

The division of power is both horizontal and vertical. Power is separated *horizontally* by the numerous states and is further divided into counties and cities. All of these entities ... are cut *vertically* into three branches of government. Legislative (lawmakers); Executive (those who carry out the legislation); and Judicial (those who prevent overstepping the Constitution).

These *checks and balances* were purposely put in place. This "due process" is designed to prevent arbitrary, unfair, and unreasonable interference in our lives.

The very purpose of the United States as written in The Declaration of Independence is ... "to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men". But while, we watch our wars and sports overseas ... our treasured freedom is snatched from under our very noses by despots expanding their un-Constitutional power.

The **Department of Deception**, otherwise known as the Santa Cruz Planning Department has systematically dismantled due process resulting in financial loss to the people of Santa Cruz County. Over the decade accumulated damages are estimated in 9 figures (\$100,000,000).

The vertical separation of powers in the County ... go something like this: The State Legislature and County Supervisors provide the legislation and adopt various codes (**legislative**), The County Administrative Office and Departments enact the law (**executive**), and an *independent* Appeals Board is supposed to provide the (**judicial** element). Since the Supervisors appoint the "independent" board and County counsel and County Departments advises the Supervisors ... the separation of powers are not as distinct as the state legislature could have made it.

Disappearing Act

The problem is the judicial branch ... the Santa Cruz **Building Board Appeals Commission** has been AWOL (Absent With Out Leave). It is a Ghost Board with Phantom members. They haven't met for about 7 years. And all of their terms have expired.

Recently a few alert residents of Santa Cruz finally caught on to this ... "disappearing act". So the planning department scrambled to "cover-up" the travesty of lost justice.

That meeting occurred July 23, at 4:30 2008 at the County Building. This meeting was conducted by the Planning Department with the confused phantom board members who's terms had all expired. And they did this without posting notice ... in violation of open meeting laws and the Brown Act.

Something detrimental has taken place during these *years of hiding*. While justice slept or should we say "put to sleep" ... government went on a rampage. During that gap there were imposed planning policies taken from pages of an *alien template* called **Agenda 21**. **Agenda 21** is designed to facilitate regional and world government and in particular the semi secret **North American Union** helmed by Robert A. Pastor (CFR).

These laws adopted countywide are continuing to be slipped in piecemeal so as not to cause concern by the "governed". This process destroys the local character and immediate needs of *we the people* in Santa Cruz.

The Supervisors are ... basically adopting mail order laws. The stealth policies are euphemistically referred to as "harmonizing the laws". The supervisors would pass the Sunday Blue laws and Prohibition had the promotion of those laws been *greased* with words like *sustainability* and *smart growth*.

The Agenda 21 policies are propagated by **AMBAG** (Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments), the **California League of Cities**, **UN Associations** and the **International City/County Managers Association**. The tax exempt foundations for the International Community fund and direct the *originating propaganda*.

The abolition of the **Building Board of Appeals Commission** by the **Department of Deception** (planning) is not an accident. The Board of Supervisors have also gone to great lengths to keep the people in the dark.

Planning Commission

The five supervisors have appointed a County Planning Commission. They provide a "Planning Commission Agenda" with a portion titled APPEAL INFORMATION. These dedicated "public servants" made sure that nowhere on their printed *planning commission agenda* is there written that there is a state mandated independent **Building Board of Appeals Commission**. These appointees are supposed to be familiar with the building code and appeals process.

Lying by Omission

In what appears to be a *conspiracy* to deny civil rights ... the planning commission ... like the planning department ...like the supervisors ... kept the ghost committee and the phantom members of the appeals board ... their personal secret ... causing havoc, injustice and the loss of tens of millions of dollars for the people in Santa Cruz.

But on that same *commission agenda* ... they have printed that the final recourse is before the supervisors and requires an "appeals fee." There should be no fee. An appeal is part of the permit process.

Does the word **Kangaroo** come to mind?

So the Santa Cruz Department of Deception (Planning) and Santa Cruz Supervisors have chosen to end "Due Process". The County of Santa Cruz has violated our civil and property rights under the color of law ... has it not?

Countless family's dreams and savings have been destroyed. Hundreds of trained engineers, geologists, architects, electricians, plumbers and carpenters are treated as ***potential criminals***. It seems the supervisors play words games while knowingly destroy due process? And they appointed the phantom members who never once met.

Alien Agenda

Again this is done with a purpose. The driving policy ... is that of an alien agenda. **Agenda 21** was originated by the *International Community* filtered through the **California League of Cities, AMBAG** and the **International City/County Managers Associations**.

The supervisors have it up side down ... they are doing the work of the multi-nationals rather than telling them ... to get lost. We elect them and they sell us out.

Call for Investigation

The reassembling reform group ... AREA (Association of Real Estate Advisors) is calling for investigations and prosecution of wrong doing regarding these matters. We ask that the **Grand Jury** immediately have a judge order ... prevent both physical and electronic records from being destroyed in the planning department since ***the supervisors have refused to do so***. The Grand Jury must use a DA from outside the county.

The **State Attorney General** and the **Justice Department** (FBI) must investigate what clearly appears to be broad and sustained violations of civil and property rights taken away under the *color of law*.

Redress Going Back for Years

Please make your own requests for investigations concerning possible illegalities and notify any people you know abused by the denial of the independent board of appeals. There is possible redress. This is because the violations were recently discovered so the clock is turned back for those who suffered damages over past years.

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