

Subject: Re: July 8th council meeting/Pledge discussion
Date: Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 3:02:02 PM Central Daylight Time
From: Anne Mavity
To: tharmening@stlouispark.org
CC: Jacque Smith

External Email – Be Suspicious of **Unexpected** Attachments, Links and Requests for Login Information

Councilmembers - I think the article Margaret sent out was spot on. It's in times of mistrust as we are experiencing today in our national politics - between opposing political groups, between citizens and their gov't, etc - that repeated oaths and pledges are raised to "prove" your loyalty to country. Please read the article. The over-reaction in the public, does not require an over-reaction by us. True patriotism is evident in actions, not pledges. Repetition of them doesn't make them more real or meaningful.

On Jun 27, 2019, at 2:52 PM, Jake Spano <mayorjakespano@stlouispark.org> wrote:

External Email – Be Suspicious of Unexpected Attachments, Links and Requests for Login Information

Colleagues-
Im sure the last 24 hours have been pretty eventful for all of you, as they have been for me.

I understand that I was not at the meeting where this was discussed/decided but I feel strongly that we need to revisit the decision on the pledge of allegiance at our next meeting on July 8th. I don't ask this lightly, in fact I've never asked my colleagues for something like this, but I think this decision deserves another look by all of us.

Please reply to Tom with if you agree that we should revisit this on July 8th.

Thank you,

Jake Spano
Mayor
St. Louis Park, Minnesota