

Is Patterson Being Misled by its Own City Attorney?

On December 2nd, Mayor Clauzel read a prepared statement in which he claimed that Keystone Ranch chose to exclude itself from important Development Agreement (DA) discussions with the city.

But here's the documented truth: Keystone repeatedly **ASKED** to participate, and was repeatedly **BLOCKED** from participating.

July 11, 2025 – Keystone sent a written request to be included in DA negotiations → Rejected by the City Attorney.

October 24, 2025 – Keystone sent a second request to be included → Rejected again.

October 31, 2025 – The City Attorney admitted in writing: “Keystone has not been part of ongoing discussions.” Then tried to blame other stakeholders.

November 3, 2025 – Keystone requested public records of the DA AND again asked to participate → Denied.

November 21, 2025 – Keystone repeated request to be included → City still refused to allow participation.

THE SIMPLE TRUTH:

Every single request by Keystone to participate in DA negotiations was rejected by the city.

**How did the Mayor end up telling the public something that is outright false?
Who advised him to say this?**

If the Mayor and City Council are making decisions based on inaccurate information, it exposes Patterson to needless lawsuits, wasted tax dollars, and legal violations that could cost the City millions.

The Mayor said the City has an “ethical obligation” to protect Patterson’s future. We agree. And that obligation starts with honesty, transparency, and the full truth.

Was he misinformed? Was he kept in the dark? Or was something else going on inside city?

Whatever the answer is—Patterson residents deserve to know.

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