

February 10, 2023

Mayor Shirley M. Washington
Office of the Mayor
200 East 8th Avenue
Pine Bluff, AR 71603

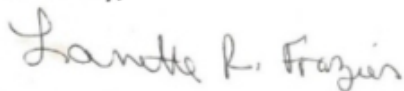
Dear Mayor Washington:

On Tuesday, February, 7 2023, after the Special Call City Council meeting, I was verbally attacked and aggressively approached by Council Member Glen Brown, Sr. He invaded my personal space and got into my face stating that "he knows that I am going to vote for anything Go Forward." I responded to Council Member Brown, Sr. that I did not want to hear it and to leave me alone. Council Member Brown, Sr. continued to follow me and stated, "be quiet, that everyone did not need to hear what he was saying to me." I stated to Council Member Brown, Sr. that, "I wanted everyone to hear what he was saying to me." Council Member Brown, Sr. continued to follow me to the point of physically bumping up against me ranting his point of view, again I reiterated for him to leave me alone. As I continued to walk to my car, Council Member Brown, Sr. stated that "he knew that I got paid by Go Forward because Quranner Cotledge told him that he received a check and that he was mad because you received a check too." City Council Member Brown, Sr. was referring to a campaign contribution I received before the election. I stated to City Council Member Brown, Sr. again that I did not want to hear it and to leave me alone, but he continued to follow me all the way to my car with his rantings until I had to close my car door in his face and even then, he persisted to rant before finally walking away.

I was totally distressed because nobody should be personally berated over their political positions. Although, I may not agree with some of my colleagues' views, I have never disrespected them in this manner nor invaded their space, especially to the point of touching them in a harassing manner. I do not appreciate nor condone this type of behavior from anyone, because it is totally unprofessional. At this point, I feel unsafe being around City Council Member Brown Sr, and would like my seating position to be changed so that I can perform the duties I was sworn in to do without felling any angst.

If incidents like this occurs again, I will seek legal action against all parties involved in the harassment.

Sincerely,



Lanette R. Frazier
City Council Member Ward 3

XC: Denise Richardson, Police Chief