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Construction Industry Force Account Council

Huntington Park Officials Served Search Warrants!



Huntington Park City Hall shut down due to corruption investigation!

Yesterday afternoon, the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office issued multiple search warrants to several past and current City Council members.

Allegations of corruption, misuse of public funds, favoritism, fraud and a slew of other concerns have plagued this city for years.

CIFAC previously found that the city entered into a \$24 million no-bid contract unlawfully, with a contractor that had no prior experience building aquatic centers. In addition, they were not registered to perform public works projects, a big no-no that could carry fines and penalties administered by the Department of Industrial Relations.

Back in 2020, we were contacted by an anonymous party that accused the city of issuing no-bid contracts regularly. They

expressed their concern about the hard-working community, whose median income was around \$56,000 and said that it was not fair to take advantage of these citizens, who cannot afford to pay back the bond used to fund this project.

After investigating the circumstances surrounding the award of the Aquatic Center contract, CIFAC determined that Public Contract Code requirements were not followed, and the city was in violation.

Discussions with the city and their legal counsel took us nowhere, so we eventually filed a writ of mandate to stop the project.

We were successful in getting the project halted and the contract rescinded but did I mention that the city had already paid the contractor upwards of \$14 million dollars for work that was never completed?

Due to legal delays, exorbitant costs and a myriad of other issues, CIFAC opted to cease the legal drama and instead forward all of our information to the Los Angeles District Attorney's

Office, who we have been working with since 2022 on this case.

So, where are we now? The city has a big, empty lot where the aquatic center should have been constructed, and they paid millions for it!

And the District Attorney's office raided the city and residences of those involved. Are we looking at another City of Bell? We will wait and see!

Read the press release here:

<https://da.lacounty.gov/media/news/district-attorney-s-office-executes-search-warrants-corruption-probe-huntington-park>

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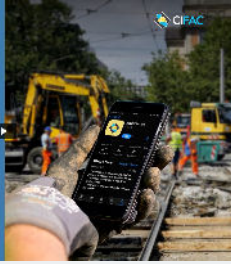
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