

Scott Singer,

Please accept this as an informal request for you to cancel your kick-off event Friday January 18th for the following reasons:

1. There currently is no special election for Mayor scheduled as of yet. I have stated publicly that I will hold no events until after the March elections.
2. Such an event **is disrespectful to the March candidates** and many have said so off the record. Some may say it on the record.....if the media does its job.
3. This type of event **confuses voters as to who is actually involved in an actual scheduled election in March** because many news stories blend this yet to be scheduled election into scenario.
4. Since the primary purpose of campaign events is to raise money this has the indirect effect of siphoning money that might go to say Monica Mayotte or Jeremy Rogers (or their opponents) who are actually in an election that is scheduled. Many candidates rely on small donations and grass roots support and this type of thing dilutes small contributors from ACTUAL elections. There will be plenty of time for you to get large donations from developers, individuals and businesses after March. Assuming the special election for Mayor does not happen are you going to return the money from this event to donors who might have used it to support other candidates?
5. I suggest you read the latest article in BocaWatch on campaign funding from which information on your City Council fundraising is conspicuously absent but will surely be spoken to. You already have plenty of money left-over from Council and out of respect for the March Candidates can afford to wait until March.
6. Such an event is also in bad form since the proposed special election scenario is something you specifically created for yourself to run. You proposed the Ordinance and promoted it (knowing that under the old regimen you would never be appointed Mayor in the face of a vacancy caused by a “resign to run” situation). That looks a little off.
7. This event is further in bad form because it seeks to use the SAME VENUE (Ouzo Bay) that Robert Weinroth used for his kick-off in anticipation of an eventual run against him that was not to happen--for Mayor. I would suggest the lack of a unique venue was no accident but it just adds to the confusion of who is running in the March election.

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