

## **Retraction Request for Social Media Post**

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Mr. Mullor:

Thank you for your e-mail. In response to your request for a retraction, the City of Sammamish's Facebook page is a public forum. As a public forum, the City's authority to delete comments is quite limited. Doing so would in most cases violate the First Amendment. The City's policy accordingly includes only very limited circumstances under which comments can be deleted (e.g., obscenity and "fighting words"). While I understand your frustration, I do not find that the post violates the City's policy. Thank you again for writing.

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