



CITY OF PALM BAY
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

October 3, 2025

The Honorable Governor of the State of Florida
Executive Office of the Governor
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399
Email: GovernorRon.Desantis@eog.myflorida.com

Re: Request for Suspension of Councilmember Chandler Langevin under § 112.51, Florida Statutes

Dear Honorable Governor DeSantis:

I serve as the City Attorney, a Charter Officer of the City of Palm Bay, Florida. The City Council of the City of Palm Bay respectfully requests, pursuant to section 112.51, Florida Statutes, that you suspend Councilmember Chandler Langevin on the grounds of misfeasance and incompetence. Under section 112.51 Florida Statutes the Governor is empowered to suspend elected municipal officials for "malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, habitual drunkenness, incompetence, or permanent inability to perform official duties." Although Councilmember Chandler Langevin has a First Amendment right to speech, the manner in which he exercised his rights by singling out a group based upon their national origin or immigration status constitutes misfeasance and incompetence. As a result, City Council has directed me to write this letter requesting that you suspend Councilmember Chandler Langevin.

Misfeasance is the performance of a legal act in an improper or illegal manner.

Incompetence may arise from gross ignorance of official duties or gross carelessness in the discharge of them" or from lack of judgment and discretion.



Suspension of an elected official is a serious matter and not to be undertaken lightly. The Palm Bay City Council recognizes and supports the First Amendment right to freedom of speech and welcomes diversity of thought. However, each elected official takes an oath to uphold the Constitution, the laws of Florida and the City of Palm Bay and is bound by the City's Code of Conduct.

Councilman Langevin has made a series of social media posts (Exhibit A) regarding Indians including:

There's not a single Indian that cares about the United States.

They are here to exploit us financially and enrich India and Indians.

America for Americans

Indians don't assimilate.

They're here to drain our pockets and get back to India rich...or worse.. to stay.

Today is my birthday and I want id for @realDonaldTrump to revoke every Indian visa and deport them immediately.

America for Americans.

As provided in s. 2(b), Art. VIII of the State Constitution, municipalities shall have the governmental, corporate, and proprietary powers to enable them to conduct municipal government, perform municipal functions, and render municipal services. § 166.021, Fla. Stat. Municipalities exercise these functions through their elected officials. Both federal and state law contain prohibitions on discrimination based upon national origin or alienage. Specifically, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Florida Civil Rights Act prohibit discrimination based upon national origin; and Section 1981 prohibits discrimination in the making and enforcement of public contracts based upon alienage. These statements, viewed in the context of his office and the City's standards, project animus toward a protected class and undermine confidence in impartial governance.

The Palm Bay Code of Conduct sets standards for officials to ensure compliance with applicable laws and to prevent the appearance that officials will not discharge their responsibilities

in a fair and non-discriminatory manner. The social media posts of Councilmember Chandler Langevin reflect a repudiation of the Code of Conduct all Palm Bay elected officials take an oath to uphold.

The legislature has recognized a need for municipalities “to enhance and expand economic activity.” See § 166.021, Fla. Stat. The actions by Councilman Langevin have adversely affected the City’s ability to enhance economic activity by discouraging businesses from locating or expanding in Palm Bay because they fear the statements have created an unwelcoming and discriminatory environment that is unsuitable for their workforce. Such behavior also violates City codes of conduct prohibiting harassment.

8.2-P – Harassment: of any kind is strictly prohibited.

8.2-Q – Positive Workplace Environment: Officials shall support a constructive and safe workplace for City employees, citizens and businesses

An elected official adopting positions that single out a group by nationality or alienage demonstrates incompetence and a lack in understanding of the official’s responsibilities:

- to act above reproach and refrain from abusive conduct, personal attacks, or verbal assaults against council members, staff, or the public (8.2-C – Professional and Personal Conduct);
- remain loyal to the political objectives expressed by the electorate and their programs. (8.2-D – *Performance of Duties*);
- avoid actions that impede efficiency, compromise impartiality, or reduce public confidence in the city. (8.2-H (2) – Avoidance of Improper Action).

In addition, the City council has regulations regarding the use of City letterhead and logos. Councilman Chandler Langevin violated those policies by submitting a letter to Congressman Haridopolos on official letterhead, without the consent or knowledge of City Council, advocating for the pardoning of Mr. Robert Rundo, a person who pled guilty to one count of conspiracy to violate the federal Anti-Riot Act. (Exh. B). Mr. Rundo was alleged to be a founding member of the Rise Above Movement (RAM), “a

combat-ready, militant group of a new nationalist white supremacy and identity movement." *United States v. Rundo*, 108 F.4th 792, 795 (9th Cir. 2024). This further reflects a lack of judgment and discretion when discharging his duties as an official for the City of Palm Bay.

8.2-K – Use of Public Resources Use City resources may only be used for official city business with proper authorization; letterhead and logos require council consent.:

8.2-M – Advocacy accurately represent City Council only when authorized; personal opinions must not imply official representation.

Taken together, these facts constitute:

- **Misfeasance:** improper performance of official responsibilities by using the office's stature/indicia in a manner inconsistent with law and City standards.
- **Incompetence:** a sustained lack of judgment and discretion incompatible with the duties of office, eroding public trust and impairing the City's governance and economic objectives.

Accordingly, the City Council respectfully requests issuance of an Executive Order suspending Councilmember Chandler Langevin under § 112.51, Florida Statutes, on the grounds of misfeasance and incompetence, pending further proceedings as provided by law. Please let me know if there is any additional information you require in making your decision.

Sincerely,



Patricia D. Smith
City Attorney

CC: Jason Weida, Chief of Staff to Governor Ron DeSantis
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Exhibit A



Chandler Langevin  @ChandlerForPB · 1d

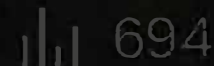
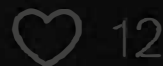
There's not a single Indian that cares about the United States.

They are here to exploit us financially and enrich India and Indians.

America for Americans.

 **Rich**   @heywilddrich · 1d

Once Indians are in a position to hire, they tend to only hire other Indians. Not because they are the best option, but due to their nepotism and ego....





Chandler Langevin @ChandlerForPB · Sep 17

Indians don't assimilate.

They're here to drain our pockets and get back to India rich... or worse... to stay.

Bobbi Piazza @BobbiPiazza · Sep 17

Welcome to Northlake TX, DFW suburb
@ChiefNiftyswell @VBierschwale



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Chandler Langevin  @ChandlerForPB · Sep 10



The Federal government is currently incapable of doing what must be done.

The Civil War has begun.

Either the Feds suspend habeas corpus and start doing some wild stuff or they stand out of our way when we do it for them.

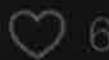
There is no longer a peaceful solution.





Immediate actions for a near ambush

- **Marines in the kill zone** are trained to immediately return fire, seek the nearest available cover, and throw hand grenades at the enemy's position. After the grenades explode, they will then assault through the ambush position to neutralize the threat.
- **Marines not in the kill zone** establish a support-by-fire position. They provide sustained, suppressive fire on the enemy to aid their comrades' assault and prevent enemy reinforcement. @



Chandler Langevin  @ChandlerForPB · 1h



How I woke up today knowing I get to defend the West from foreign invasion.





Chandler Langevin  @ChandlerForPB · 3h

Today is my birthday and all I want is for @realDonaldTrump to revoke every Indian visa and deport them immediately.

America for Americans 

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Exhibit B



Congressman Haridopolos,

I am writing this letter to you on behalf of a constituent of Florida's 8th Congressional District by the name of Robert Rundo. It is my personal and professional opinion that Mr. Rundo has experienced unconstitutional and politically motivated lawfare that should be corrected immediately. Let facts be submitted to a candid world.

In 2017 Mr. Rundo attended two "Free Speech" rallies in support of America's President Donald J. Trump. Mr. Rundo and the other Patriots in attendance were holding a "Save America" banner and had both of their hands on the banner and had no weapons. Members of ANTIFA, the communist agitators that are burning down Los Angeles and attacking Law Enforcement as I type this letter, showed up to this "Free Speech" rally with a stated attempt to shut it down and start fights if necessary. ANTIFA is seen on video reaching over the banner multiple times to slap the Patriots in the face. Probably because these communists lack any testosterone in their bodies, the Patriots that were hit brushed it off and attempted to inform Law Enforcement.

Once it became clear to ANTIFA that they were too weak to start a fight with fists they began employing pepper spray. At that point an elderly lady from the local Republican Party was pepper sprayed and Mr. Rundo advanced on the ANTIFA member. Mr. Rundo himself was pepper sprayed and blinded but still managed to take the assailant to the ground and prevent others from being attacked. Mr. Rundo was quickly pulled off and the event ended.

Mr. Rundo was later asked to attend the next "Free Speech" rally specifically to protect the older members of the local Republican Party in attendance. ANTIFA showed up again with nefarious intent. Mr. Rundo once again was forced to put himself between the vulnerable attendants supporting our President, and militant communists intent on committing acts of violence against American Patriots. Mr. Rundo quickly deescalated the ANTIFA militants, and Law Enforcement on the scene took some of the ANTIFA into custody for their actions. During Law Enforcement's search of the ANTIFA member they found pepper spray, knives, and an Improvised Explosive Device!

No ANTIFA members were charged with any crimes.

One year after the events described above, Federal Law Enforcement executed a raid on Mr. Rundo's residence. Mr. Rundo was flashbanged and had his residence torn to pieces before being charged with a felony violation of the Anti-Riot Act.

Mr. Rundo spent a full year of his life in a Federal Prison while he awaited his first hearing. He lost his career, his home, and his fiancée during this time.

In 2019 Judge Cormac J. Carney of the US District Court for the Central District of California dismissed Mr. Rundo's case on the basis that the Anti-Riot Act was unconstitutional. The Federal Prosecutor filed an emergency appeal to the 9th Circuit Court which was immediately accepted with an order to not release Mr. Rundo from Federal Prison.

Mr. Rundo would spend a total of 24 months in Federal Prison.

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In 2024 Mr. Rundo had his case dismissed a second time by Judge Carney on the basis that Federal Prosecutors engaged in "selective prosecution" based on Mr. Rundo's political beliefs and made the point that no ANTIFA members had been charged despite them being the agitators and being the only party that was armed at the encounter.

"The government's conduct in this case has been quite troubling. The government selectively prosecuted Mr. Rundo for his political speech, ideology, and associations in violation of the First and Fifth Amendments." – Judge Carney

24 hours after his case was dismissed again, Mr. Rundo was re-arrested by the Federal Government.

"The government then rearrested Mr. Rundo without any pending charges supported by probable cause in violation of the Fourth Amendment... The government just does not seem to care about the Constitution." – Judge Carney

"This Court is not in a position to review the Government's actions and determine whether its conduct was merely negligent or an intentional overstep, but the court is disappointed that the government's zeal to detain Mr. Rundo and its apparent frustration with the court's ruling led it to proceed in a manner less than befitting the United States Attorney's Office." – Judge Magistrate Kim

Unfortunately, due to eight long years of being beaten down by a system determined to make an example out of him, Mr. Rundo plead guilty and received a felony conviction. Mr. Rundo cannot vote, has had his 2nd Amendment Rights stripped, and is on a strict parole making it difficult to move on and start his life anew.

I have known Mr. Rundo now for approximately six months. Despite having the best years of his life ruined he has not allowed it to break him. Mr. Rundo remains a God fearing Christian, has refrained from any substance abuse, and works however he is able to provide for himself despite these jobs typically being labor intensive due to his felony conviction. Mr. Rundo works diligently to stay within his parole.

It is also well known that the Biden administration and corrupt Federal bureaucrats partook in unprecedented levels of lawfare over the last four years to include President Trump himself.

Therefore, in my official capacity as a duly elected City Councilman of the City of Palm Bay in the Great State of Florida,

I hereby respectfully request,

That a Presidential Pardon be issued for Robert Rundo immediately.

That the Government issue a formal letter of apology to Robert Rundo.

That all Federal Agents in a supervisory role involved in Robert Rundo's investigation and arrest are reprimanded.

That all Prosecutors and staff at the United States Attorney's office involved in this gross abuse of the justice system are relieved from Federal Service immediately for obvious disdain for the United States Constitution and for sympathizing with communist agents.

Chandler Langevin

Palm Bay City Council Seat 3



Signed in the year of our Lord,

June 8, 2025

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