

Dear Mayor Brewer,

A small group of the Veterans Community and a small group of the Vietnamese Community have been working to come to a compromise, as you had desired and as instructed by a vote of the City Council at last Tuesdays Council Meeting.

We were set to have a meeting this morning at 11:00am

When Councilmember Janet Miller heard of the proposed meeting, it is my understanding, she instructed the Vietnamese Community not to meet with us, and only work through the Park Board. The meeting was cancelled.

I find that Janet Miller's actions are undermining this process.

It is indicative of her past performance as Chair of the Park Board. As I have previously stated, when Phil Blake and I would attend a Park Board Meeting in regards to Operation Ensign and the proposed and planned work on other memorials, Janet would defer discussion to Mr. Doug Kupper and he would speak on behalf of the Park Board.

It was he who told us that "The park board would no longer allow memorials because their policy was to keep all of the current GREEN SPACE GREEN, and not add additional stone monuments." This statement was in response to my desire to raise funds and put a memorial to the first Veterans, the Revolutionary Patriots, in Veterans Memorial Park.

Respectfully,

Douglas Brady,
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President, Washington Chapter KSSAR