

On May 21st I sent an email to the City Mayor and entire Council regarding my thoughts and support for the memorial portion of the Veterans Park upgrades. I'm disappointed but not shocked that not one of you reached out to acknowledge that email. In fact. I would have been more shocked if the representative of my ward HAD reached out.

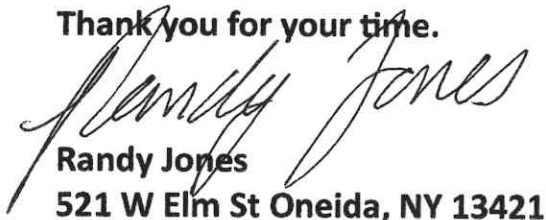
By not reaching out to your constituents, which includes our citizens, tax payers and Veterans you as a group continue to display a lack of transparency and progress. It appears the costs and designs since 2021 are all over the board and not any closer to a practical, commonsense solution today than it was 5 years ago.

I am not here to be combative. Your lack of response forced me to be here and speak publicly. I get the sense the memorial portion is fueled more by project indecisiveness than PASSION!!!! And that's a shame. Other projects like an F-15 fighter jet that would over shadow the original memorial is one that says, "Hey. Look what I did for the city!" Not "Hey. Look what we've done for our Veterans and this great nation!"

I believe any administration is legally bound to provide complete, factual and up to date information before any vote or final decision is made for the Veterans Park upgrade. Including the Veterans Memorial. This includes projects with public funding or privately sponsored projects to be displayed on public and taxpayer owned property.

Please enter into your minutes. That I am respectfully requesting all documents project records and any discussions leading to a final decision on the Veterans Park project and the possible acquisition of a Jet Fighter be provided to the public for their consideration and approval before being brought to the council for a potential vote.

Thank you for your time.


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