



TOWN OF
WOODSIDE
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Press Release

On Tuesday morning, February 17, 2026, the Council received a purported “whistleblower” report, which Mr. Ledbetter has now released publicly. At the same time that Mr. Ledbetter submitted this report to the Council, he contacted the Town Attorney by phone and demanded that the Town pay him over \$400,000 no later than midnight Sunday, February 22, or he would release the report to the public. On Wednesday, February 18, he again demanded that the money be paid in a lump sum no later than Friday, February 20. The Council rejected his payment demand and Mr. Ledbetter then, as threatened, publicly released the report. Although the Town does not believe that Mr. Ledbetter drafted and released this report in good faith, the Town is now determining the proper steps to take to ensure that an impartial investigation of its allegations, as well as Mr. Ledbetter’s demands, is completed. In the interim, the Town Manager has been placed on paid administrative leave.

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