

Reasons to support the Recall of Mayor Lamar Thorpe

He has a blatant disregard for laws & policies

- He has violated the rights of residents that are guaranteed to them by the 1st Amendment of the Constitution and has restricted their right to free speech
- He has violated the Brown Act, under Government Code 54952.2(B) and has restricted residents from receiving important information pertaining to the city
- He has violated Antioch Code 2-1.106 by allowing an illegal “Motion to Adjourn”
- He said that a state law, the Fair Maps Act, is just parameters and not fixed rules
- He has been charged with violating VC 23152(a) and VC 23152(b) for allegedly driving under the influence with a BAC level over .08
- There is evidence he violated Government Code 54963 by releasing information discussed in closed-session of a council meeting.
- He has violated Councils 6-month rule for adding items to the agenda
- He pushed through the appointment of an interim City Manager who has no experience and has now opened the city up to a lawsuit

He does not support the small businesses in Antioch

- He threatened to invoke eminent domain on struggling businesses in the Sycamore Square during the height of COVID-19 restrictions
- He agendized and helped pass restrictions on the sale of flavored tobacco products, electronic smoking devices, e-cigarettes, and cigarillos, which harms many business owners and decreases tax revenue for the city
- He has failed to offer help or solutions to the businesses that have reached out in regards to alleviating crime and blight

He is not supportive of our police department

- On his first day in office, he called a special meeting to agendize revoking a grant from the Department of Justice for \$750k that would have helped pay for 6 School Resource Officers
- He was twice voted against new tasers. The requested tasers automatically start any body camera within the vicinity and have Trilogy Logs which make them safer
- He has failed to add to the agenda purchasing new police cars, even though they are needed and we have the funds available to pay from them
- Our department has lost 19 sworn officers since he took office. Morale is so low he now has proposed a hefty hiring bonus
- The city cannot accept any free military-grade equipment, even defensive items such as wearable kevlar and robotics technology, due to his vote