From: Stephen Bingham Sent: Friday, February 2, 2024 3:25:01 PM To: Cristine Alilovich <<u>cristine.alilovich@cityofsanrafael.org</u>> Cc: Rob Epstein <<u>Rob.Epstein@cityofsanrafael.org</u>> Subject: gender-neutral language

Hi Cristine,

the gender neutral list is missing the yellow-highlighted items:

Changing the term "he" to "they;" Changing the term "she" to "they;" Changing the term "his" to "their;" Changing the term "him" to "them;" Changing the term "her" (adj.) to "their;" Changing the term "her" (indirect object) to "them;"

One can't possibly change "I gave it to her" to "I gave it to their." The masculine has two different words for the adjective and indirect object (his, him); the feminine has the same word (her). I also put the two masculine items together.

Nit-picky but you might as well get it right the first time.

Best, steve

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