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Astoria Mayor Bruce Jones, left, speaks with City Manager Brett Estes prior to a City Council meeting Monday.

Hotel: 'We don't owe Hollander Hospitality anything'

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about her application when he scheduled a meeting with her last week. As mayor, Jones makes appointments to city boards.

Instead, she said Jones told her she could not be both an advocate and a Design Review Committee member. City councilors and other city board members had called for her removal, he said, because they did not believe she could be impartial.

"I was scolded for attending, speaking and clapping after public testimony at the Marriott hotel City Council appeal hearing, all of which I believe I have the right to do," Barty said during a public comment period during a City Council meeting on Monday night.

She said her comments were no more disrespectful than the City Council overturning the decision of two city boards that had denied the hotel project three different times.

Split vote

In October, the Design Review Committee vetted a redesign of the Fairfield project, ending with a split 2-2 vote. Barty, who voted against the project, said the large hotel was out of scale for the waterfront. Hollander Hospitality, the developer,

appealed the decision to the City Council.

Jones, former Mayor Arline LaMear and City Councilor Tom Brownson voted in December to uphold the appeal, citing lack of clarity in the city's development code. Jones later used the debate as an example of why the City Council should re-examine and perhaps change the code in the future.

Bardy had given public testimony against the project at the same hearing. She said she was there to remind city councilors that the Design Review Committee "denied (the project) for a reason."

"We don't owe Hollander Hospitality anything," she said. "We don't work for them. They're going to get a hotel here and that's fine, but they don't get to call all the shots."

Afterward, when Hollander Hospitality won the appeal, Barty proposed they place a park bench bearing the names of the city councilors who voted for the project in front of the hotel "so that we never forget who voted in favor of it and started this slippery slope."

Jones said Monday that "I had every right to remove you from the council after your disrespectful behavior as I was urged to by many people. I chose not to. I made a decision: I am going to

meet with this young woman of whom I've got about 35 more years of leadership and management experience and personnel management experience than you."

A mayor can remove someone from a city board without cause, but Jones, a former Coast Guard commander, said, "You know, that's chickenshit, I don't behave that way."

"I would never, unless it was something that was criminal ... just remove someone without explanation," he added. "I think that is unprofessional and rude."

It was not disrespectful for the City Council to uphold the hotel appeal even though the Design Review Committee had denied the project, Jones said. Each board was doing its part, he added.

Jones told Barty, who was sitting almost directly in front of him in the audience at City Hall on Monday, that he did not regret meeting with her. She was respectful during their meeting, he said.

"All the people who told me it's going to blow up in your face, it's going to be taken out of context, well they were right," he said. "You've decided to come up here and make this pitch, but the truth of the matter is the mayor appoints and the mayor unappoints to com-

mittees without any responsibility to explain why."

He had opted to keep Barty on the Design Review Committee. She was not appointed to the Planning Commission.

"So if you think you've got a 'gotcha' moment on me, that you're going to tell everybody that I chewed you out, yeah, I did chew you out," he said. "I chewed you out because I thought what you did was unprofessional and immature as many other people do, too."

"I thought that meeting was unprofessional," Barty rejoined from the audience.

Unusual move

It is unusual for a city board member to testify on an open development application the way Barty did at the appeal hearing in December, City Manager Brett Estes said afterward, but it is not explicitly against any rules.

Bardy, the owner of Eleventh Street Barber downtown, says she received messages, emails and support from people in Astoria after her comments at the appeal hearing. At the time, her comments were greeted with applause from the audience.

"The (Design Review Committee) does important work," Barty said outside the City Council meeting. "I would like to stay on it."

Sturgell: 'I know what kind of person I am'

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The woman reminded Sturgell that she would return home to her husband and newborn baby, while he will spend years in prison.

"I just want to say that I have found my peace, and I will be OK," she said. "I will pray for you, but some things only God can forgive."

Sturgell was also convicted of two counts of bribing a witness and one count of tampering with a witness. Following his 2017 arrest, Sturgell met with the victim's father, offered \$5,000 and threatened to hire attorneys to "dig up dirt" on witnesses.

Daniel Wendel, an attorney with the Oregon Department of Justice, asked Judge Paula Brownhill to consider the fact that those crimes were committed after he was arrested, paid bail and signed a release agreement.

"It is important that the defendant went on to commit a completely, entirely separate class of crime in order to avoid responsibility for what he had done," Wendel said.

Several of Sturgell's family members and a friend presented character witness statements during the hearing.

"Given the right circumstance, I know every single person in this courtroom would love him as much as I do," said JoLee Liepman, Sturgell's daughter. "Although my dad's side of the story was not really told, I would like you to know that I believe his side of the story, and I believe he should not be here."

Sturgell, speaking for the first time in the case, focused much of his statement on his love for his family. He also said his previous attorney, Jason Thompson, strongly advised him not to testify during the trial, adding that many of the things that have been said made him want to "throw up."

"I look in the mirror and I know what kind of person

I am," Sturgell said. "Just because it comes out of people's mouths doesn't mean that's the truth."

Sturgell, a crab fisherman, purchased his first of several boats as a teenager and has employed hundreds of fishermen. He became one of the most well-known fishermen on the West Coast, while also accruing several violations.

"He's always been the most talked-about person when fishing, and both good and bad," said Daniel Sturgell, his son. "I really feel like, if he wasn't so talked about, we might not be here today dealing with what we are."

Several of Sturgell's convictions carried a minimum of more than eight years in prison for each count. Brownhill had the option, however, to rule that some of the sentences run concurrently.

Wendel had asked Brownhill for a sentence of closer to 30 years, saying that it was necessary for public safety.

Brownhill recognized that the sex crimes caused the victim to have issues such as anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder and suicidal thoughts.

"That's what the jurors found. That's what we're dealing with here — many, many counts of sodomy, unlawful penetration and then bribery and tampering after that," Brownhill said. "We're dealing with the jurors' verdict, not with (Sturgell's) version."

The sentence, however, was closer to the minimum of more than eight years requested by Frank Stoller, Sturgell's new, Dundee-based attorney. Stoller noted that Sturgell suffers from heart issues, cancer and severe shaking.

"Whatever sentence I impose could be a death sentence for Mr. Sturgell because of his age," Brownhill said. "But I am willing to give him some hope that he can survive the sentence and get back to the community."

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A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
2 KATU	2	KATU News at 6 (N)		Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel Fortune (N)	The Connors (N)	Kids-Alright (N)	Black-ish (N)	Splitting Up (N)	The Rookie "Standoff" (N)		News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
3 KOMO	4	KOMO 4 News (N)		Wheel Fortune (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	The Connors (N)	Kids-Alright (N)	Black-ish (N)	Splitting Up (N)	The Rookie "Standoff" (N)		KOMO 4 News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
5 KING	5	NBC News (N)	KING 5 News (N)	KING 5 News (N)	Evening	Ellen's Game of Games (N)		Ellen's Game of Games (N)		New Amsterdam		KING 5 News (N)	(35) Tonight Show
6 KOIN	7	KOIN Local 6 (N)	Evening News (N)	Extra	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Toil and Trouble" (N)		FBI (N)		NCIS: New Orleans "Vindicta" (N)		News (N)	(35) Colbert
7 KIRO	7	KIRO 7 News (N)	Evening News (N)	KIRO 7 News (N)	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Toil and Trouble" (N)		FBI (N)		NCIS: New Orleans "Vindicta" (N)		KIRO News (N)	(35) Colbert
8 KGW	8	KGW News at 6:00 p.m. (N)		Tonight Cassidy	inside Edition	Ellen's Game of Games (N)		Ellen's Game of Games (N)		New Amsterdam		News (N)	(35) Tonight Show
9 KRCV	3	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	Supergirl "Elseworlds, Part Three" 3/3		EA Madden NFL 19 Classic (N)		News (N)	Friends	Two and a Half	Two and a Half
10 KOPB	10	Ask-Old House	Nightly Business	PBS NewsHour (N)		Finding Your Roots (N)		We'll Meet Again (N)		USS Indianapolis: The Final Chapter (N)		Two and a Half	Lifeline
12 KPTV	12	6 O'Clock News (N)		Family Feud	Winter Preview	Lethal Weapon		The Gifted		10 O'Clock News (N)		News (N)	Page Six TV
18 KPDX	18	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Prime News (N)		Prime News (N)		Big Bang Theory	FamilyGuy 1/3	American Dad!	The Game
19 KCPQ	13	Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Lethal Weapon		The Gifted		Q13 NEWS AT 10 (N)		News (N)	The Simpsons
20 TBS	20	Family Guy	Family Guy	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan "Conan Without Borders: Berlin"	
21 KZJO	22	Black-ish	Black-ish	Mom	Modern Family	Mom	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9 (N)		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Two and a Half	Two and a Half
29 ESPN	29	NCAA Basketball (L)				SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
30 ESPN2	30	NCAA Basketball (L)				NCAA Basketball UNLV vs. New Mexico (L)				UFC Archival		UFC Archival	
31 NICK	31	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	Double Dare	Double Dare	To Be Announced				Friends	(35) Friends
32 DISN	32	Bizaardvark	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Raven's Home	Raven's Home	Coop & Cami	Coop & Cami	Good Luck Charlie	Good Luck Charlie	Raven's Home	Raven's Home
34 FAM	34	(5:30) *** Sweet Home Alabama '02	Candice Bergen, Reese Witherspoon.			Good Trouble "DTLA" (P) (N)		*** Beauty and the Beast '91	Voices of Richard White, Paige O'Hara.			The 700 Club	
35 FMC	35	(4:20) Signs '02	*** Signs (2002, Thriller) Joaquin Phoenix, Rory Culkin, Mel Gibson.			(40) Hitman: Agent 47 '15	(Action) Hannah Ware, Zachary Quinto, Rupert Friend.	(35) Ouija (2014, Horror) Shelley Hennig, Olivia Cooke.					
36 LIFE	36	Grey's Anatomy "No Man's Land"		Married at First Sight		Love Unlocked	Married at (N)	Married at First Sight	Married at Second Sight" (N)			(05) Married "Married at Second Sight"	
38 ROOT	38	NCAA Basketball	Air Force at Colorado State (L)			PBA Bowling Hall of Fame Classic				NCAA Basketball St. John's vs. Villanova			
39 FS1	39	Boxing Classics	PBC Countdown	Inside PBC Boxing (N)		Speak for Yourself		TMZ Sports (N)	Fair Game			Skip and Shannon: Undisputed Opinions on the biggest sports topics of the day.	
43 COM	43	Mom	Mom	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	*** Bad Boys (1995, Action) Martin Lawrence, Téa Leoni, Will Smith.					
44 COM	44	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Jim Jefferies Show	The Daily Show	The Office
45 HIST	45	The Curse of Oak Island				Curse of Oak Island		The Curse of Oak Island		Project Blue Book (P) (N)		(05) The Curse of Oak Island	
46 A&E	46	The First 48 "Bad Lick/ Red Dawn"		Remini: Scientology "Spies Like Us"		Remini: Scientology "Ideal Orgs"		Remini: Scientology (N)		60 Days In "New Sheriff in Town"		(05) The First 48 "End of the Road"	
47 TLC	47	My Big Fat Fabulous Life "Single, Fat and Crazy"				My Big Fat Fabulous Life "If Heather Finds Out..." (N)				I Am Jazz (N)		I Am Jazz	
48 DISC	48	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
49 NGE0	49	Life Below Zero		Life Below Zero		Life Below Zero		Life Below Zero		Life Below Zero		Life Below Zero	
50 TNT	50	(5:30) *** Shooter (2007, Action) Michael Peña, Danny Glover, Mark Wahlberg.				*** Law Abiding Citizen '09	(Cri) Gerard Butler, Colm Meaney, Jamie Foxx.			*** Sully (2016, Drama) Aaron Eckhart, Laura Linney, Tom Hanks.			
51 AMC	51	(5:40) *** Uncle Buck '89	(Comedy) Amy Madigan, Jean Louisa Kelly, John Candy.			*** The Breakfast Club '85	(Dra) Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald, Judd Nelson.			(15) *** Sister Act (1992, Comedy) Maggie Smith, Kathy Najimy, Whoopi Goldberg.			
52 USA	52	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	WWE Super Smackdown				London Has Fallen (2016, Action) Morgan Freeman, Aaron Eckhart, Gerard Butler.			
53 FOOD	53	Chopped "Cook Your Butt Off!"		Chopped "Light Makes Right"		Chopped "Healthy Rivalry"		Chopped "Nourish And Flourish" (N)		Chopped "Clean Eatin'"		Chopped "The Light Stuff"	
54 HGTV	54	Fixer "Rustic Italian Dream Home"		Fixer Upper		Fixer "Big Budget for a Big House"		Windy City Rehab (N)		House Hunters (N) House Hunters (N)		House Hunters	House Hunters
56 FX	56	(5:30) *** The Heat '13	Melissa McCarthy, Michael McDonald, Sandra Bullock.			*** Ride Along 2 (2016, Action/Comedy) Kevin Hart, Tika Sumpter, Ice Cube.				*** Ride Along 2 (2016, Action/Comedy) Kevin Hart, Tika Sumpter, Ice Cube.			
57 CNN	57	Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		Anderson Cooper 360		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	
58 FNC	58	Hannity		The Ingraham Angle		Fox News @ Night		Tucker Carlson Tonight		Hannity		The Ingraham Angle	
61 CNBC	61	Shark Tank		The Profit		The Profit		The Profit		The Profit		Paid Program	Paid Program
63 BRAV	63	Below Deck "Man Overboard"		Below Deck "Let Them Eat Chicken!"		Below Deck "Check Yourself!"		Below Deck "I Said 'I Got It!'" (N)		Buying It Blind "Jennifer and Eric"		Watch What (N)	Below Deck
64 TCM	64	(5:00) Andy Hardy's Private Secretary		*** Rio Rita (1942, Comedy) Lou Costello, Bud Abbott.		(45) *** Seven Sweethearts '42	Van Heflin, Marsha Hunt, Kathryn Grayson.			*** The Vanishing Virginian '41	Kathryn Grayson.		
65 SYFY	65	(5:05) *** Need for Speed '14	(Action) Imogen Poots, Dominic Cooper, Aaron Paul.			*** 47 Ronin (2013, Action) Hiroyuki Sanada, Tadanobu Asano, Keanu Reeves.				*** Freddy vs. Jason '03	Ken Kirzinger, Robert Englund.		
162 RFD	162	(5:30) Cattlemen	LandLeader TV	Downunder Horseman.		Chris Cox		To Be Announced	Ag PHD	Cattlemen to Cattlemen		LandLeader TV	Product Showcase

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