

1 The following is a transcript of a
2 conversation between DONALD W. HILL and D'ANGELO LEE
3 on May 2, 2005.
4 (Phone ringing)
5 (Music in background)
6 D'ANGELO LEE (LEE): Councilman?
7 DONALD W. HILL (HILL): Hey, man.
8 LEE: Councilman?
9 HILL: Man, it's just good to hear your voice,
10 brother. Are, are you, are you in Dallas?
11 LEE: I am not back yet. I'm leaving.
12 HILL: Aww, man, that makes it even harder, aww, man.
13 I, I, I, just felt a, I just felt a gnawing in my
14 stomach, man. When you gonna get back?
15 LEE: I'll be back uh, at nine this evening.
16 HILL: Okay, very good, very good, very good, very
17 good.
18 LEE: In fact, my flight leaves here at three o'clock
19 so I'm...
20 HILL: Very good.
21 LEE: ...(UI) now and going to have lunch with my
22 parents and then I...
23 HILL: That's nice. That's nice, man. That's nice.
24 Did you have a good weekend? Have a good time?
25 LEE: Man, my daughter. We had a really nice

1 birthday party for her. She is really maturing into a
2 nice, young woman and...

3 HILL: That's nice.

4 LEE: She has a nice group of friends and so I was
5 really pleased to know that, you know, she has a
6 healthy group of young women that she hang out with
7 and they are, they're ambitious and you know, they're
8 mannerable, they, thought they handled themselves, you
9 know, you know like teenage girls.

10 HILL: That's good, man. Isn't that wonderful? I
11 know you're proud. I know you're proud.

12 LEE: It was the best. I told her mom, I said, you
13 know, I, you've, you've done a good job. I said, you
14 know...

15 HILL: There you go. There you go.

16 LEE: I've been away.

17 HILL: Now, maybe when the mama calls, you won't grit
18 your teeth so much, man?

19 LEE: (Laughs) You know, I don't know if, we had an
20 opportunity to sit down and talk and you know, she kinda
21 share some things that going on in her life now, and you
22 know, the new relationship she, you know, has and
23 although her daughter had mentioned it to me and I
24 already known but it was good to know that she feels
25 comfortable enough to discuss, you know, her

1 relationships with me, so that was good. You know, we
2 made...

3 HILL: That's good, man. Very good. Very good.
4 Very good.

5 LEE: Hey, listen and then I was sitting here, you
6 know, uh talk about my city. They like D'ANGELO, can
7 the city go on without you? I said, I don't.

8 HILL: (Laughs)

9 LEE: They said, you tell your (UI)...

10 HILL: You should just tell her the truth, no the
11 city can't go on without you. There's a void.
12 There's something missing, man, you know. Shoot.

13 LEE: I bet you they've been telling everybody what
14 was going on. And it's like man, you, you really
15 kinda take that city to heart. I said, yeah, (UI)...

16 HILL: That's right, man. That's right. That's
17 right. That's why we need our heart back in town.
18 You know. Shoot.

19 LEE: Hey man, I'm coming back. I told ANDREA today,
20 I said send me all of the uh, the headlines today. I
21 said, go in the newspaper and e-mail me all the
22 headlines. (UI)

23 HILL: That's right, what, whatever, that's right,
24 whatever they are. But give, give, give, give, give,
25 give me the headlines. Give me the headlines.

1 LEE: How, how, how did the, how did the debate go?
2 HILL: You know, the debate was uh, uh the, the big
3 issue on that one was LAURA just didn't even show up.
4 I lost that bet, man.
5 LEE: Yeah, yeah, I totally have to get that dollar
6 to him.
7 HILL: Yeah, man. I lost that bet. NEIL knew
8 though, he, he knew.
9 LEE: So how did...
10 HILL: But she did not, she did not show up but uh,
11 again it just energizes people, man. It just
12 energizes people. And, and so that, that makes people
13 make a decision to, to vote no and, and uh, the turn
14 out's going pretty good so far. So, hey we just
15 trying to work it, man. Just trying to work it.
16 It's, it's still just a tough deal, you know. But
17 we're working it.
18 LEE: Is it still, is it still pretty much even?
19 HILL: Well, I mean, nobody is saying anything which,
20 which suggests to me that uh, it is. Papers aren't
21 saying anything. Nobody's saying anything. The
22 papers are, pushing even harder to try to uh, talk
23 about, in fact, one of the little columnists was
24 talking about, hey, here is another way to look at an
25 alternative. Why don't we just approve it and then in

1 two-thousand-seven, we can come in and tweak it. So,
2 that sounds like they're trying, trying to address our
3 alternative which means we may be putting some
4 pressure on 'em for what we put together. So, I'm
5 just trying to look at it, obviously, as optimistic as
6 I can but I, man, I just feel pretty good about it.
7 I feel pretty good about it. Feel pretty good about
8 it. Feel pretty good. I mean, we're just, we just
9 going to keep working til then. I'm, I'm, I'm gonna try
10 to do a little law work with, basically. I'm trying to
11 look for as many opportunities as I can to move
12 something forward every day.

13 LEE: Cool. That's good. Did um, on last week, uh,
14 the uh, the WALKER DECREE?

15 HILL: Yeah.

16 LEE: How did, how did, how did that go?

17 HILL: It, it, it, it, we put the policy in place but
18 it only applies to deals that go from this point
19 forward.

20 LEE: Okay, cuz uh...

21 HILL: It doesn't apply to anything in the past.

22 LEE: Cuz I talked to BRIAN. I talked to BRIAN this
23 morning and he said that his dad said that, that it
24 didn't, that it was approved the way it was presented.

25 And I said, no, that's not the case. I said, it

1 HILL: Well, I mean, well, well, but the way, the way
2 it is presented, the, the way it is presented, and,
3 and I had JERRY to come up and make clear, that it
4 applies only to deals going forward. It has no
5 retroactive application at all. Now, I don't know how
6 they were reading it to think that it did, but it only
7 deals with deals going forward from this point
8 forward. It has no retroactive application.

9 LEE: Okay, okay. Cuz I talked to uh, I talked to
10 BRIAN and well, he said that uh, it was a big hit. I
11 think they wanted it re, retroactive.

12 HILL: Why would they want it retroactive? That,
13 that wasn't clear. Why they want it retroactive?

14 LEE: Yeah, cuz, ah, I don't know. I think the
15 retroactive says that they, I don't know, I told him, I
16 said, well, you know, I need to get some clarity on it so
17 I'll talk to you when I get back to the city.

18 HILL: Yeah, because that was not the way, I mean,
19 that wasn't the way they talked about it and presented
20 it.

21 LEE: Right, right. And, and then another thing is,
22 is you know, this past weekend, which I, I said,
23 wasn't even gonna sweat, sweat over it, is, the uh,
24 you know, some of those, those deals that we did for
25 him, his guys went and awarded it some where else.

1 HILL: Which one of the deals?

2 LEE: The uh, SCYENE and the LAURELAND.

3 HILL: Well, but uh, I mean, I don't know whether he
4 could give y'all that deal D'ANGELO, I mean, because,
5 because you were voting on that. I don't think, you
6 probably couldn't get that deal.

7 LEE: Well, I mean the thing about it is that it
8 would not, it would not come to me. I mean, it would
9 not be ran through the, the LKC. It's not ran through
10 there.

11 HILL: Okay, well I mean, I mean, you...

12 LEE: None, none of them are. None of them are, are
13 ran through the LKC or, or any of them.

14 HILL: Yeah, but ultimately, he's not, if, if, if he
15 thinks you gonna get a dime out of it, he's not gonna
16 take a chance on doing that, cuz that, that gets his
17 butt in a sling.

18 LEE: Well, I don't think that was the case. I think
19 that it, what he does, I mean what he, what he does is
20 that he allows his guys to go ahead and make their
21 decisions and then he makes the final decision on it
22 and, you know, so he said that's, you know, the
23 process, he would handle it. That's what he said.
24 You know, don't worry about it. So, I'm not worried
25 about it at all. I just wanted to kinda put it on the

1 table cuz that what his guys, but that's what they did
2 last time. Because they just, they just don't
3 communicate. You know, BRIAN, he's doing something
4 totally different, and they doing what they do.
5 HILL: Yeah, but even, but even, but even, even if,
6 even if you, even if somebody was doing it and it
7 wasn't coming through with the money that you, you,
8 you, you, you can't, cuz all you, I mean, you, you
9 can't do it. I mean, if this is a deal, and you, on
10 both of those deals you went in and had a uh (UI).
11 I'm trying to think. Did, did you have to vote on the
12 zoning on any one of those deals?
13 LEE: Uh, yeah, both of them were (UI).
14 HILL: Yeah, so, I mean, if you vote on the zoning on
15 the deals, you, you, you, you can't get nothing out of it.
16 LEE: But (UI)...
17 HILL: But if you had recused yourself...
18 LEE: Okay.
19 HILL: If you had a recused yourself.
20 LEE: Okay, the thing about it is, is none of them, I
21 mean, nothing is ran through the LKC. We've done, the
22 only thing that we, we haven't ran anything through
23 that. I mean it has gone through the, the LJ, the LGC
24 which is ANDREA'S company.
25 HILL: Yeah, but like say for instance, that deal you

1 all did on ARBOR (phonetic) or whatever?

2 LEE: Mmm hmm. That went through. That went through
3 ANDREA'S company.

4 HILL: I know but, but you had no zoning impact on
5 that one at all.

6 LEE: Yeah, I mean, it was, it was a zoning deal.
7 But I mean it was done way before, before anything.
8 And that was an old deal.

9 HILL: Okay, okay, okay, okay.

10 LEE: (UI) I just, I mean, I didn't, we, we had no
11 relationship at that point.

12 HILL: And, and, and that's, and, and that's why then
13 when you come back and you do have an ongoing
14 relationship, you, you...

15 LEE: But I'm not a part of LGC.

16 HILL: Yeah, but it...

17 LEE: That's not my company.

18 HILL: No, you're right. But if, but if you're gonna
19 get anything out of it, by way of referral, help, uh,
20 consult, and, and the fact that you would have a, any
21 kind of ongoing financial interest or relationship
22 with uh, ANDREA. If you had an ongoing financial
23 relationship with ANDREA at the time that you voted on
24 that deal, then you couldn't come back in and participate
25 in that.

1 LEE: Well, I have to receive that. (Laugh)

2 HILL: I know it's hard, man. Well, but, but again
3 it's, it's, it's the, the, the deal is that if you're
4 recusing yourself, you got more latitude. If you're not
5 recusing yourself, I mean, and, and, and, and the, and
6 the problem with these two deals was they had some,
7 they had a degree of controversy to them so you
8 couldn't, you, you had to be a part of the process to
9 get it done.

10 LEE: Right, right, right, right, right.

11 HILL: Uh, and so, I mean, if you got deals that are
12 really, really lay down deals, there's no problem,
13 then you can quietly recuse yourself, nobody says
14 anything, and you move on and you got it done. But on
15 a deal where you got some barking going on and you
16 knew, you know, you know what's his name, uh, uh,
17 what's his name was looking at a, a deal and all that,
18 he was looking at everything anybody was doing. So, uh.

19 LEE: Right, right, right. Well, the thing about it
20 is, the thing about it is if, I mean, and, and I, I
21 agree with you. I agree with you a hundred percent,
22 I'm not uh, uh, but if there was, I mean I guess you
23 could if they wanted to pull up LGC and find out who
24 that is, and, and then...

25 HILL: Yeah, you have to, you, you have to, it ain't

1 uh, it ain't uh, a matter whether they do, you have
2 always assume that they will. You always have to
3 assume that.
4 LEE: Right, okay.
5 HILL: I imagine that's just, you just kinda have to
6 assume that.
7 LEE: Right, right, well.
8 HILL: I know it's, and, and, and it is painful isn't it?
9 UNKNOWN FEMALE (UF): Can I help you?
10 LEE: Well, it's...
11 HILL: (UI) I want to get, I'm going to get some
12 super unleaded and I want to get your carwash, your,
13 your uh works plus.
14 UF: (UI)
15 HILL: Yes, ma'am.
16 UF: And which (UI).
17 HILL: Twenty-three, pump number, pump number four,
18 super unleaded.
19 UF: All right. Let me just get your (UI).
20 HILL: Okay. The uh, so, no, no, I mean you just,
21 you just, I mean, that's just, and, and, and, and uh,
22 we probably, we got to come back in and revisit this
23 uh, this BILL deal over there on uh, over in PLEASANT
24 GROVE because...Thank you.
25 UF: Thank you (UI).

1 HILL: Because uh, what I'm, what I'm, what I'm,
2 getting told, I mean, he was working with a group of
3 guys trying to work something, get something worked on
4 that deal and, and they think they're getting close to
5 working something out so it's (UI)...

6 LEE: You know he called me. He called me Friday.
7 Just before I left. He called me. You remember, I
8 told you that right?

9 HILL: Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

10 LEE: You know, I mean the thing, I think that, that
11 the thing about it is, is, is and, and you know, my
12 thing is (UI) and my, my, my trust is totally in GOD,
13 purely, you know. I just know that, you know, that
14 if, if, if the deals, the two deals that has come down
15 (UI), if it doesn't happen, it's really, really going
16 to put us in a bind, I mean, a serious, serious, serious
17 ind. But I mean, they didn't just go through that so.
18 And uh, really, really, you know, make us have to make
19 some major decisions, you know, cuz it's been, it's been,
20 it's been a financial deal, you know. So. We'll have to
21 come up with another move.

22 HILL: Yeah, yeah, well, you know. We, we, we, we
23 got, we, get back down here. We got a couple of
24 things we need to talk about. So, let's just talk
25 about, and maybe those will be the moves we need to

1 make so.

2 LEE: Amen. So, I look for, I look forward to it and
3 tell uh, I know SHEILA left a message on my phone, that I
4 was out of line cuz I didn't call back and tell her that I
5 made it safely. Cuz I had missed the flight.

6 HILL: (Laughs)

7 LEE: Man, I missed the flight, man. And, and I was
8 trying to get there on time. And I missed it. I did.
9 You're becoming just like your Councilman. I said,
10 hey man, give the guy (UI) bottom line. I made it to
11 my destination.

12 HILL: You made it man and that's all that matters,
13 isn't it. That's right, that's right.

14 LEE: Thanks be to God. You know, there's another
15 plane and I wasn't sure, cuz you know. (UI)...

16 HILL: Amen. Amen. You just trying to get there.

17 LEE: That's right. Well cool, well, I know uh,
18 I'm, I'm sure that uh, that uh, uh, I told BRIAN I
19 just talk to him when I get back about the uh, the
20 WALKER stuff. I told him see, you know. I, I, I, I, I
21 don't...

22 END OF CALL.

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