

# Ex-council candidate Eloise Garcia-Mohsin takes plea deal on misdemeanors

Garcia-Mohsin was charged with lying on election forms

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 Eloise Garcia-Mohsin

Eloise Garcia-Mohsin / The Desert Sun File Photo

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A two-time Palm Springs City Council candidate has pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor violation of the state's election code.

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Eloise Garcia-Mohsin, a former concierge at the Viceroy Palm Springs, was charged with nine felonies after authorities said she lied about her home address on election paperwork during her 2009 campaign.

As part of the plea agreement finalized Monday, Garcia-Mohsin was sentenced to 180 hours of community service. She can't seek or hold a public office during a three-year probation.

Garcia-Mohsin, who now lives in the Bay Area, told The Desert Sun she took a deal to end the 18-month-long criminal case, "turn a page and take control of my own fate."

"I totally stay with what I've been saying all along: These are baseless charges that are politically motivated," she said.

"I'm more determined than ever to persevere and expose political corruption in Riverside County."

Garcia-Mohsin ran for City Council in 2007 and 2009. She received fewer than 300 votes in both elections.

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