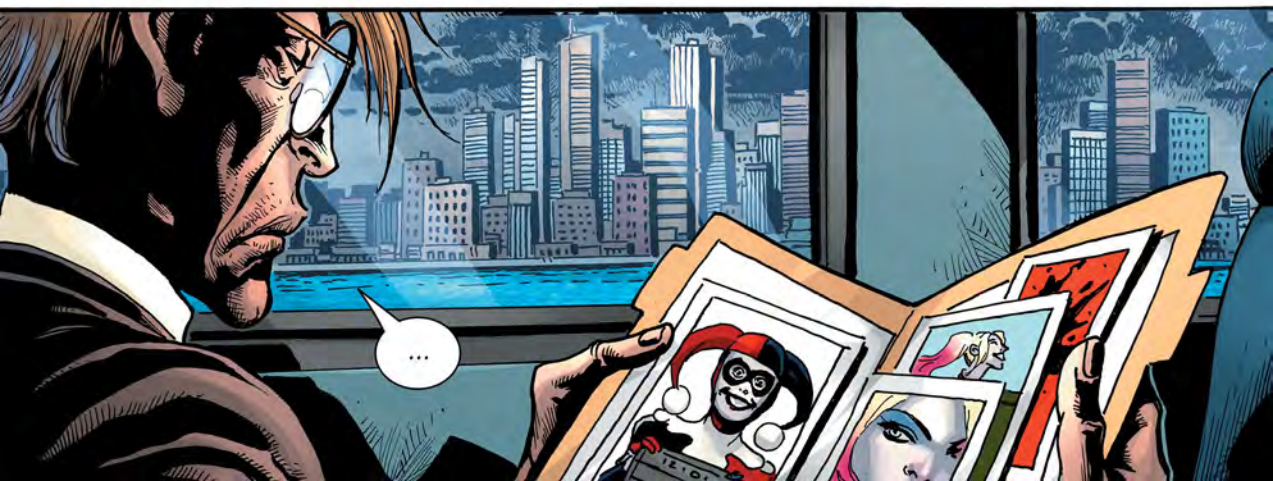
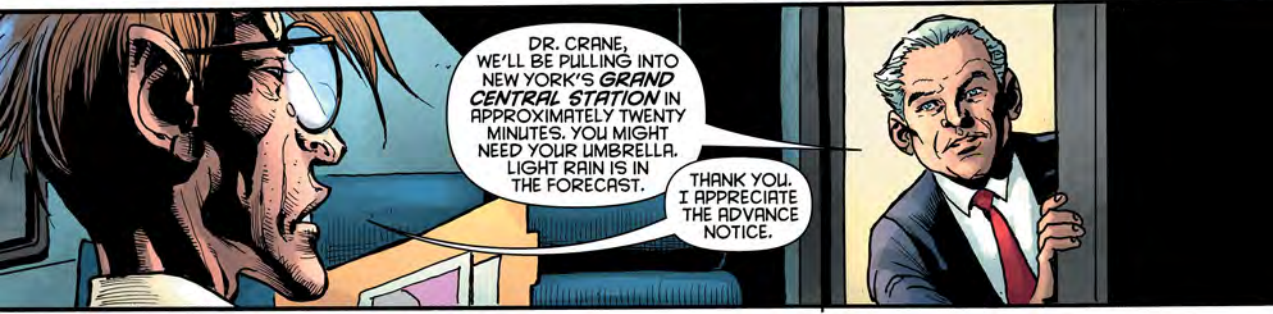




THE SUBURBAN VALLEYS OF THE TRISTATE AREA, JUST OUTSIDE NEW YORK CITY.



It's a month into the campaign and the polls are showing current Mayor DePertó with a fairly large lead over the two other competing candidates...

...Dean Roberts...

...and wildcard candidate Harley Quinn.

HARLEY QUINN
Getting Gritty for
NEW YORK CITY

Because of her nonstop crusade against crime in the city, Candidate Quinn has been gaining in the polls daily...

...giving Roberts a run for his money.

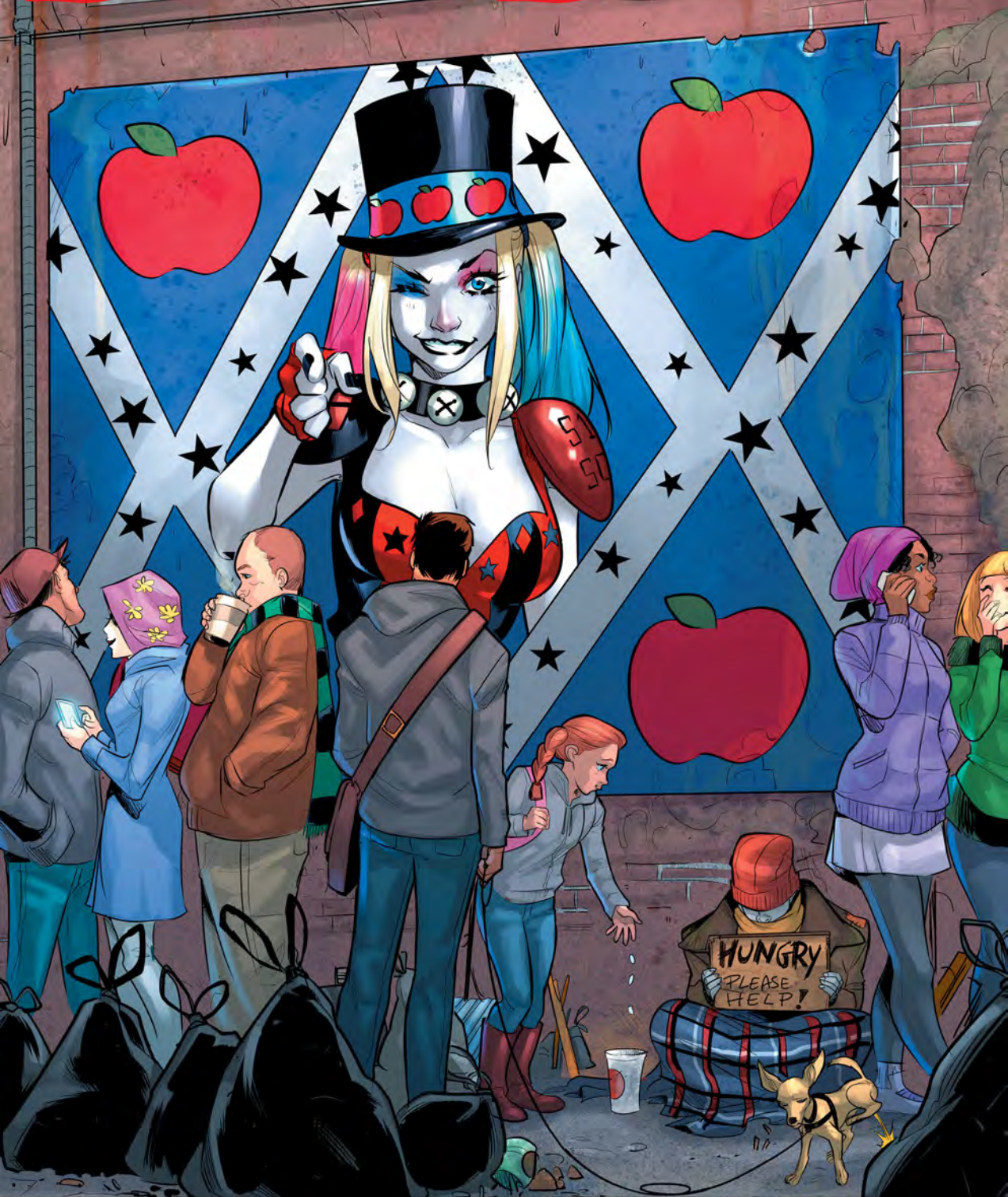
DePertó's people have been ardently pointing out that, although Quinn is making strides with public acceptance...

...the candidate is actually breaking laws in the process of her endeavors.

CHIEF OF POLICE SPOONSDALE COUNTERED THE MAYOR'S RESPONSE, INSISTING EVERYTHING QUINN IS DOING FOLLOWS THE LETTER OF THE LAW.

PEOPLE IN POWER ARE NOT SO QUICK TO THROW IN WITH QUINN, QUESTIONING HER TRUE INTENTIONS.

★ DEBATES AND ★ DELUSIONS



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SERIOUSLY, LIZ... WHAT DO YOU THINK OF HER? SHE'S BEEN BUSTING A LOT OF HEADS IN TOWN.

BREAKING UP THAT **STOLEN CAR RING**, EXPOSING THAT **SLAVE TRAFFICKING** OPERATION ON THE LOWER EAST SIDE, GETTING THE POLICE TO--

I'M NOT CRAZY ABOUT HER HAIR.

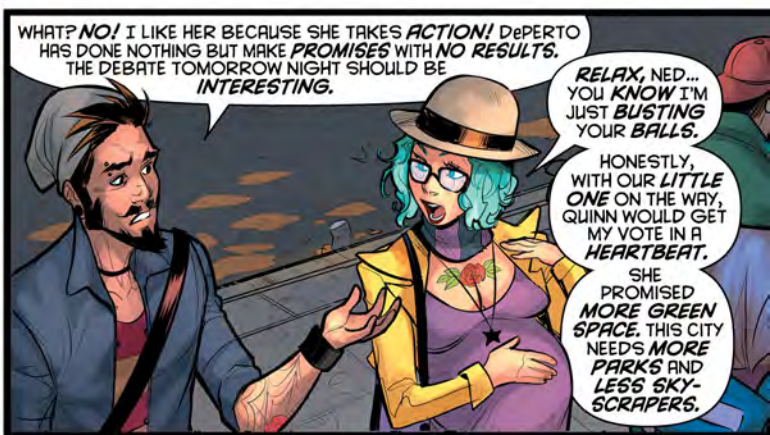
WHAT? AGAIN WITH THE HAIR?



BLACK AND RED WAS A **MUCH** BETTER LOOK. ALSO, WHAT'S WITH THE **HAT?** THAT HONEST ABE-ISH UNCLE SAM LOOK IS **SO DATED**.

WHO CARES WHAT SHE LOOKS LIKE? SHE CAN DO A LOT OF **GOOD** FOR THE CITY. SHE ISN'T A **ONE-PERCENTER**, SO SHE KNOWS HOW THINGS ARE ON A **STREET LEVEL**.

OH, COME ON. YOU LIKE HER BECAUSE SHE'S **HOT**. ADMIT IT.



WHAT? **NO!** I LIKE HER BECAUSE SHE TAKES **ACTION!** DePERTO HAS DONE NOTHING BUT MAKE **PROMISES** WITH **NO RESULTS**. THE DEBATE TOMORROW NIGHT SHOULD BE **INTERESTING**.

RELAX, NED... YOU KNOW I'M JUST **BUSTING** YOUR BALLS.

HONESTLY, WITH OUR **LITTLE ONE** ON THE WAY, QUINN WOULD GET MY VOTE IN A **HEARTBEAT**.

SHE PROMISED **MORE GREEN SPACE**. THIS CITY NEEDS **MORE PARKS** AND **LESS SKYSCRAPERS**.



NO KIDDING. AND FOR THE RECORD, YES, SHE IS HOT, BUT DOESN'T HOLD A CANDLE TO **YOU**, MY LOVE.

NICE SAVE. NOW GIVE THAT HOMELESS PERSON A FEW BUCKS AND OUR LEFTOVERS. IT'S A **SHAME** THAT EVEN **EXISTS** IN THIS DAY AND AGE.

IT'S OUR JOB TO SET A **GOOD EXAMPLE** NOW THAT WE'RE GONNA BE **PARENTS**.

TOTALLY AGREE.



MORE GREEN SPACE...

HOMELESS SITUATION...

GOT IT.



DR. CRANE. PLEASE STEP INSIDE. I'M HERE TO TAKE YOU TO YOUR HOTEL.

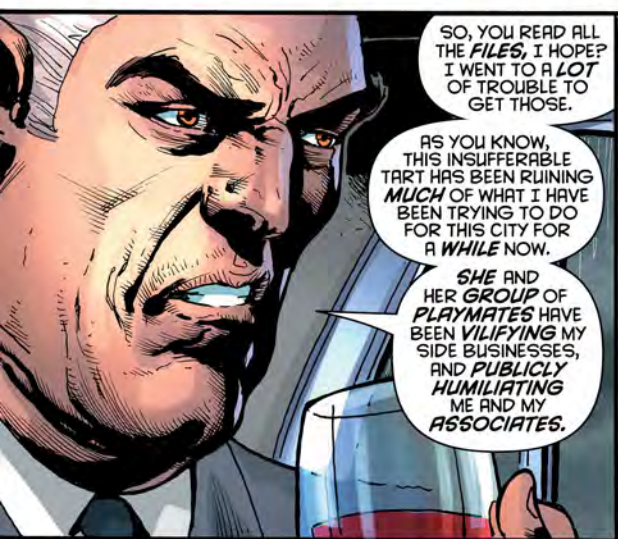
AH. HOW CONSIDERATE. THANK YOU.



MAYOR DEPERTO.

DR. CRANE. PLEASE MEET MY ASSOCIATE, MADISON BERKOWITZ. SHE WILL BE MY POINT PERSON FROM HERE ON OUT. ANYTHING YOU NEED, PLEASE CONTACT HER.

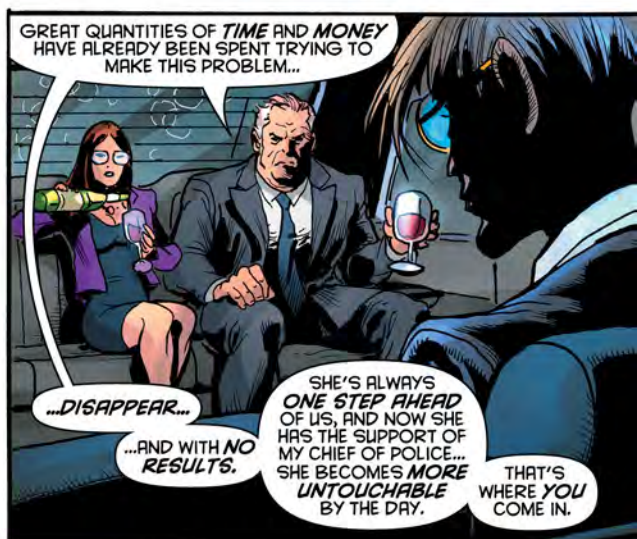
DR. CRANE. YOUR REPUTATION PRECEDES YOU.



SO, YOU READ ALL THE FILES, I HOPE? I WENT TO A LOT OF TROUBLE TO GET THOSE.

AS YOU KNOW, THIS INSUFFERABLE TART HAS BEEN RUINING MUCH OF WHAT I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO DO FOR THIS CITY FOR A WHILE NOW.

SHE AND HER GROUP OF PLAYMATES HAVE BEEN VILIFYING MY SIDE BUSINESSES, AND PUBLICLY HUMILIATING ME AND MY ASSOCIATES.



GREAT QUANTITIES OF TIME AND MONEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN SPENT TRYING TO MAKE THIS PROBLEM...

...DISAPPEAR...

...AND WITH NO RESULTS.

SHE'S ALWAYS ONE STEP AHEAD OF US, AND NOW SHE HAS THE SUPPORT OF MY CHIEF OF POLICE... SHE BECOMES MORE UNTOUCHABLE BY THE DAY.

THAT'S WHERE YOU COME IN.



OUR FIRST ELECTION DEBATE IS TOMORROW NIGHT.

ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO SEE THAT MY OPPONENT HARLEY QUINN DOESN'T MAKE IT THERE WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

I HAVE READ EVERYTHING, MR. MAYOR. AND I DO HAVE THE ANSWER TO ALL YOUR NEEDS.



WINE?

THANK YOU, NO.

HOWEVER, THIS WILL DEPEND ON HER ACTUALLY MAKING IT TO THE DEBATE STAGE WITH YOU AND YOUR OTHER RUNNING MATE.