XIMENA ESPARZA

From:

Subject: TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION!

Date: Thursday, October 28, 2021 11:22:08 PM

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It is ridiculous that you would even come up with the idea of taxing people who drive in San Diego county to pay for your agenda of public transit. What part of county do you not understand? It is obvious that we could not all be on public transportation given the size of our county and the population. You already came up with the ridiculous gas tax. Come up with a plan within the budget you get from that. How do you expect anyone to survive living in San Diego county with high taxes, high gas prices, high rent, high house prices, high cost of living and now to top it all off a tax for getting to work and back to pay for all the expenses we have as San Diegans. You have failed the people you "serve" as governments. You should be ashamed of yourselves for even entertaining this idea. Also, don't even try to wash your hands with saying it will help climate change since last I checked many MTS vehicles run on fuel, and they are convenient to NO ONE! Even the poor rather take ride share pools than go on the bus or trolley. I absolutely disagree with this and expect you as our elected government to vote against this idea. Remember how we became an independent country? Because our ancestors became tired of taxation without representation from the ruling government (at that time a monarchy.) How can any people be expected to carry such economic burdens as the ones you are constantly putting on us? This is why so many people are leaving their home state of California because of abusive governments like you!!!! Stop this nonsense! Serve the common good agenda with realistic approaches. Do your jobs correctly.

SHAME ON YOU!

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Public Comment

Subject: Nov 2 Council mtg, Open Public Comment, Non-Agenda Item

Date: Sunday, October 31, 2021 7:13:49 PM

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This will be brief. It has been a while since drivers in the area of 8th Street and "A" have dealt with much pedestrian traffic. Now that Marketplace on 8th and PARCO apartments are open, I think it would be wise for the Police Department to have someone down there at peak times for a while to get drivers back in the habit of stopping for pedestrians, turning the corner while looking for parking without running over bicyclists and things of that nature. Thank you.

-Joan Rincon

From:
To:
Public Comment

Subject:Public Comment: Nov 2 - Cannabis WorkshopDate:Tuesday, November 2, 2021 12:42:27 PMAttachments:21.11.2 - Council & Staff Letter.pdf

MATTHEW NATHANIEL (letter attached)

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Please see the attached letter for tonight's workshop and council meeting. Thank you for your assistance.





November 2, 2021

National City Council & Staff,

I would like to begin by thanking you for the tremendous effort of the City to put forth the best ordinance for National City. While this is indeed a process, it is exciting to be moving closer to legal, regulated cannabis in order to provide safe access for local consumers.

In creating this process, it's important for residents and the City itself to end up with the best operators being selected. What constitutes the "best" is where the Council can include things that are important to them in a merit-based scoring criterion.

Implementing other selection methods, even in conjunction with a merit-based scoring system, creates a lack of transparency, and often results in the selection of operators that struggle to open, or struggle once open, due to a lack of experience in this highly regulated industry. It's worth looking at a city such as Pomona, which held to a strict merit-based scoring system, and had a clean, transparent, and litigation free process.

Another important part of the process is including steps to counter the effects of the drug war, while also investing in the local community. Experience has shown that the best way to do this is again with a merit-based process, separating the local/social equity applicants into a separate pool from general applicants. This keeps the less experienced and less capitalized applicants from having to compete with more established operators. It also ensures that the city would both have local ownership, but also have operators with a proven track record of opening in a timely manner, and generating revenue to the City.

Part of the social equity discussion is also how to create generational change within the communities most impacted by the War on Drugs. This can be addressed through economic development, such as job training and workforce development programs, along with hiring practices that create actual career pathways. This has typically been done by weighting related criteria in a merit-based process.

In order to put forth an ordinance for National City to have a safe and successful regulated cannabis market, it is recommended that a strict merit-based scoring system only be used in determining the optimal applicants.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Matthew Nathaniel

Sincerely,

Director of Retail Expansion

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From:

To:

Public Comment

Subject: SDG&E Comment on Item 16 - November 1 2021 Date:

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ROBERTO ALCANTAR (letter attached)

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Please see attached for letter from SDG&E regarding item 16 on tonight's regular city council meeting agenda.

Thanks!

November 1, 2021

The Honorable Mayor and City Council City of National City 1243 National City Blvd National City, CA 91950

RE: City Council – Item 16: Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of National City establishing Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) in the City of National City.

Dear Honorable Mayor Sotelo-Solis and Members of the City Council.

As SDG&E's Public Affairs Manager to the City of National City, I would like to share SDG&E's position on the Community Choice Aggregation action. SDG&E appreciates the long-standing collaboration we have with the City of National City and we look forward to continuing this partnership into the future.

We respect our customers' right to choose their energy provider and will cooperate with any governance structure that suits your needs the best. Whichever path the City chooses, SDG&E will continue to operate a safe and reliable grid to deliver the energy mix you procure and will continue to handle customer billing and core programs to support our most vulnerable shared customers. Given our recent experience with local CCAs, and the complexities of our industry, this path will require us to work even closer than we have in the past – and SDG&E looks forward to that integrated partnership.

SDG&E has more than 140 years of experience in energy delivery. While we don't make money from energy procurement as it is a pass-through cost to customers with no mark-up, we recognize the need to share some of the knowledge we've gained in this endeavor. That's why we are actively

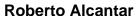
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To conclude, SDG&E is committed to maintaining a strong relationship with the City of National City regardless of the choice you make with respect to energy procurement. Thank you again this opportunity to share our perspective. Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Roberto Alcantar

Regional Public Affairs Manager



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Regional Public Affairs Manager

From:
Subject: Support for Agenda item #17 on November 2, 2021
Date: Monday, November 1, 2021 3:29:25 PM

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My name is Rita Clement and I am your neighbor in Chula Vista. I strongly encourage you to vote yes to join San Diego Community Power.17. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City authorizing the Mayor to execute a Joint Powers Agency Agreement (JPA) and current amendments with the San Diego Community Power (SDCP) Community Choice Aggregation (CCA). (Engineering/Public Works) Community Choice Aggregation (CCA). (Engineering/Public Works)

This will be one solution to help us meet our Climate Action Plan goals. This will also enable us to provide equity programs needed by the residents of National City to thrive. San Diego Community Power will enable us to achieve 100% clean renewable energy. Our air quality will improve and children will have fewer visits to the emergency room due to asthma.

Thank you.

From: Ted Godshalk TED GODSHALK

To: Public Comment

Subject: Item #18- 11/2/21. From Mr. Ted Godshalk Date: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 2:24:06 PM

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Comment for item #18 for 11/2/21 from Mr. Ted Godshalk

Council,

Some of you commented at the last meeting that a policy must be developed before any renaming or naming of city buildings or streets. To follow on your comment, I sent you, the CMO, and the full Council an email last week with my suggestions for a policy. I concur with most of the new policy 805 suggested tonight, but a few ideas should be added.

I suggested the following points should be included:

The policy should have a robust outreach effort, an analysis by city departments, a timeline for implementation, and a 60 day waiting period prior to a final vote. Finally, a public hearing must be held and a majority of council votes shall grant approval. No amendments may be made without restarting the process.

To make the City Manager's proposed policy a bit better, I think that a cost analysis should be always done for your proposals. City departments should be asked to provide the costs to you. In the case of street renamings, all affected property owners should be consulted. Community members near parks and city buildings should always be listened to. The public deserves to know.

Armed with your new Policy 805 and after hearing from the neighbors, I would hope you would gather supporters for renaming a place like Las Palmas Park and Swimming Pool, and find the appropriate way to converse at the Council meeting to convince other Council members to support your idea.

Thank you, Ted Godshalk From:

JOAN RINCON

To: Public Comment

Subject: Nov 2 Council Meeting, 6pm, Item 20, Dolores Huerta

Date: Friday, October 29, 2021 9:24:58 AM

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We could spend hours discussing the accomplishments and importance of Dolores Huerta and it still would not be enough time. She is a leader of workers, of unions, and of women. However, her list of contributions does not include Paradise Creek Educationsl Park.

We have the George Waters Nutrition Center because Mayor Waters advocated for it and worked hard to create it. We have Kyle Morgan Square because of Mayor Morgan's many years of service to the City and his donations of land. If we were to rename this park for a person, it would be a person who has worked for its establishment as a protected area of natural resouces, accessible to all visitors. There are many volunteers who have devoted their time and work here, but they are not asking for a name change.

My internet search shows there are already parks named after Ms. Huerta in Vallejo and Albuquerque, with many schools named after her, including in San Francisco, Fontana and Oakland.

So I say to the Council, please leave the name of this park as Paradise Creek Educational Park until such future time as it might be named for an appropriate person who has been central to to its preparation.

-Joan Rincon

ENRIQUE MORONES

From:
To: Public Comment

Subject: Item 20 today, 11/2/21 at National City Council meeting, please read my comment

Date: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 4:54:27 AM

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Yes on naming park Dolores Huerta Park in National City. I have dedicated my life to social justice and to promoting human rights. I am the founder of Border Angels, the House of Mexico and of Gente Unida. I know a sheroe, when I see one. We are so fortunate to be in the presense of greatness. Dolores Huerta at 91 years old is the most powerful Latina in this country. I am privileged to call her my friend. She, along with Cesar Chavez co-founded the United Farm Workers, yet is largely unknown only because she is a woman. She is a great advocate for womans rights, education as well of the rights of the oppressed. She is a tireless promoter of the importance of getting out the vote and so much more Just this past week she was in Virginia to be sure people came out to vote today. We have campaigned together in Florida, Nevada, Arizona, Washington DC and have traveled to the White House and met with Presidents together. Her can do spirit is contagious, her "Si Se Puede" spirit is know around the world. Now more than ever we need role models like Dolores Huerta, she is someone little girls can look up to and say, I too can do it, i too can break that glass ceiling, i too can realize my dreams. Lets honor Dolores with the naming of the park and still honor the garden and those currently established in the park. Her name will bring more awareness to the park and to this great city. We can honor Dolores and the current stakeholders of the Park National City can become a larger leader in leading the fight for human rights with actions not just words. The name, the art, the murals snd statue can enhance our place around the world as we tell folks everywhere, in our great National City we are the home of Dolores Huerta park, and we welcome her to join us to cut the ribbon in this time of liberation and equal rights for all. Her family is so excited to know that here and now we will recognize Dolores equally to how Cesar Chavez has been recognized. And that here in National City, womans rights matter. Si Se Puede mundo y que Viva Dolores Huerta! Enrique Morones, proud friend and advocate for justice in National City and beyond. Executive Director, Gente Unida, Gracias por su tiempo

From:

Subject: pettition
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JANICE REYNOSO - PETITION

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For agenda item #20

PETITION / PETICIÓN

On October 19, 2021, it was proposed at the City Council of the City of National City to change the name of the community park and garden, located west of Paradise Creek, between 18 and 22 Street.

Given this proposal, we request your support with your signature confirming your approval and being able to submit this request to the City Council NOT TO CHANGE THE NAME for its history and the educational approach that this park has had in Old Town National City for more than 25 years.

We want the name to be kept as "Paradise Creek Educational Park", founded for the community and by the community.

El pasado 19 de Octubre, 2021, se propuso en el Consejo Municipal (City Council) de la Ciudad de National City, de cambiar el nombre del parque y jardin comunitario, ubicado al Oeste del lago de Paradise Creek, entre Calle 18 y 22.

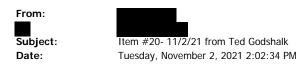
Dado a esta propuesta, solicitamos su apoyo con su firma confirmando su aprobación y poder presentar esta petición al Consejo Municipal de NO CAMBIAR EL NOMBRE por su historial y el enfoque educativo que ha tenido este parque en Old Town National City por más de 25 años.

Queremos que se mantenga el nombre como: "Parque Educativo de Paradise Creek" (Paradise Creek Educational Park), fundado para la comunidad y por la comunidad.

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Public comment for item #20 for 11/2/21 Council meeting from Mr. Ted Godshalk

Mayor and City Council,

The mayor's wish to rename Paradise Creek Educational

Park was very inappropriate on several levels. First, the idea was put on the agenda without any outreach first. Second, the supporters for renaming did not have connections to the Educational Park or the neighborhood. Third, institutional memory was not accessed by the mayor and the history of the park was not considered.

Please remember that the park was named and dedicated in 2007 by the City Council.

At the Family Garden last Thursday, the Mayor met with about 25 people from the neighborhood for about 45 minutes. The multi- generational group represented a wide personal connection to both the place and name Paradise Creek Educational Park. The neighbors present also represented a large variation in personal history in OTNC, from members of long-time family residents to more recent folks from Paradise Creek Apartments. Everyone told the Mayor of their desire to see the park retain its name. You will hear from some of them tonight and please consider what they say. It was emotional to hear the comments of pride and heartfelt connection to the Educational Park and it was also sad to hear how this issue has the potential to be divisive. It was impressive to hear of the many educational achievements that have been made since 1993.

You do not need to change the name, but instead *endorse the vision of the establishment of an important environmental education park in the city*.

This is something we can all celebrate on Saturday.

Ted Godshalk