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General Public Comment

From: Guy Whitford <whitfordstore@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2022 2:45 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Please continue Library funding



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To: Santa Barbara County
Board of Supervisors

From: Guy R. Whitford
57 years resident

Honorable Supervisors, Chairwoman Hartmann, and general public,

My family moved here when I was ten years old. At that time the entrance to the Central Library was through the carved archway on Anapamu St. I remember feeling the wonder, and the peaceful atmosphere that continues today at our Central Library, and branches.

The parents of my best friend in grade school were prominent educators here in Santa Barbara, at S.B. City College and Montecito Union School. They had a bumper sticker that said "If you think education is expensive, try ignorance."

Consider the volume of knowledge and wisdom that the library contributes to Santa Barbara, and beyond. It may thus seem an ignorant move indeed to curtail its' support by \$800,000 as I am told The County Board might consider during the April 12 budget workshop.

I am confident to speak for many people in asking you folks to please at least recind that motion. We would all benefit.

Sincerely,
Guy Whitford

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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From: Julie Dunn Fine Art (jdunnfineart@yahoo.com) Sent You a Personal Message
<kwautomail@phone2action.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2022 5:00 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Deny Exxon trucking project - Upcoming Board of Supervisors Meeting

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Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

Please end this horrible practice before there's another disaster! It's critical to take action NOW!

I urge you to deny this dangerous project as recommended by the Santa Barbara Planning Commission.

In addition to the significant and unavoidable risks of spills from trucking the oil, the purported benefit of producing oil from the offshore platforms and processing it on the Gaviota coast would bring with it unacceptable risks of offshore oil spills, air pollution and toxic fire and smoke risks that were not analyzed in the EIR, which focused narrowly on trucking impacts.

The recent oil spill off of Orange County underlines the severity of these risks. In addition, ExxonMobil's facilities were the largest sources of air pollution in the county and contained dangerous and toxic materials in an area that has burned by wildfire twice in the 6 years since the facilities have been shut down. We were fortunate that oil and dangerous gases were not present at the site during the recent Alisal fire, which burned onto ExxonMobil's property.

It is not just that the trucking routes are along sections of road with above average accident rates, there have been specific and recent instances of oil tankers on this route spilling oil into rivers and starting fires. In fact, on October 11 -- the same day as the Alisal fire -- an oil tanker crash near Orcutt caused a fire in Eucalyptus trees.

Thank you for denying this dangerous and unacceptable oil trucking project.

Sincerely,

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From: Jerome Wiedmann <jeromewiedmann@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, March 14, 2022 10:51 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Fwd: New Post: Cannabis Tax Revenue Plummetts 33 Percent Below SB County's Rosy Budget Forecast

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Yet the smell still persists...
Who would've thought?

From my mobile with apologies for typos and wordos

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From: Jerry Roberts <newsmakerswithjr@gmail.com>
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Subject: New Post: Cannabis Tax Revenue Plummetts 33 Percent Below SB County's Rosy Budget Forecast
Reply-To: newsmakerswithjr@gmail.com



Cannabis Tax Revenue Plummetts 33 Percent Below SB County's Rosy Budget Forecast

By Newsmakers with JR on Mar 09, 2022 10:40 pm



By Melinda Burns

Santa Barbara County's tax revenue from cannabis cultivation is projected to be only \$12.4 million this fiscal year -- \$6 million less than the \$18.4 million that was forecast last June when the county budget was adopted, the County Executive Officer said this week.

Officials blamed a glut of pot on the market for the 33 percent shortfall.

During the 2020-21 fiscal year ending last June, the county collected \$15.7 million in taxes from cannabis cultivation. The projected decrease for 2021-22 “is attributable to the oversupply of wholesale cannabis product and resulting price compression that continues to persist locally and statewide, much as it did early on in other states that legalized adult-use cannabis prior to California, such as Colorado and Oregon,” according to the quarterly budget status report that was presented by the office of CEO Mona Miyasato to the county Board of Supervisors on Tuesday.

The CEO’s budget projection was based on cannabis tax receipts for October, November and December 2021, the second quarter of the current fiscal year. (This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.)

The quarterly report was on the board’s administrative agenda and was not subject to a public hearing, signaling a change from recent years, in which the supervisors held quarterly public hearings on the status of cannabis revenues, permits and licensing.

Using the state’s “Track-and-Trace” system, which provides data and analytics for all licensed operators, the county will be able to make more accurate projections regarding cannabis tax revenue in the future, the report said.

In all, it said, the county’s cannabis tax revenues for 2021-22, including both cultivation and retail, are projected to be \$6.6 million less than what was anticipated last June.

None of the six storefronts where marijuana can be sold in unincorporated areas are up and running yet, so the county’s tax revenue from cannabis retail is projected to be only \$58,000 during this fiscal year, dramatically less than the \$625,000 that was anticipated last June.

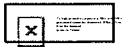
The storefront operators are still in the process of getting their county zoning permits and business licenses; only one storefront is expected to be open by July of this year.

On the plus side, the county is projecting a \$2.7 million boost in property transfer taxes over what was forecast when the 2021-22 budget was adopted, driven by historically low mortgage rates and the high demand for homes.

Bed taxes that are assessed for hotel and motel rooms are trending \$2.6 million higher than budgeted because of the public's pent up demand for travel; and the county is projecting a year-end surplus of \$2 million in sales taxes over what was forecast last June, reflecting the sustained growth of e-commerce and an uptick in holiday shopping.

Melinda Burns is an investigative journalist with 40 years of experience covering immigration, water, science and the environment. As a community service, she offers her reports to multiple local publications, at the same time, for free.

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From: Leslie Dinaberg <ldinaberg@gmail.com>
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Subject: Public Comment for Tomorrow's Board of Supervisor's Meeting
Attachments: 3.14.22 Public Comment Letter to Board of Supervisors re_ Library.pdf

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Attached please find my public comment letter for tomorrow's board of supervisor's meeting. Thank you so much for your help.

Leslie Dinaberg

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March 14, 2022

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Re: Funding for Santa Barbara Public Library

I am writing to thank you for your ongoing financial support of Santa Barbara Public Library and request that you continue that support in the new fiscal year.

The Santa Barbara Public Library depends on County funding for many important programs, including one of the most successful recent programs, the new Library on the Go outreach van!

Greeted by smiles and even cheers wherever it travels, this outdoor library space provides library services and programs to neighborhoods in Santa Barbara, Carpinteria, Montecito, and Summerland.

Along with providing books and other materials for the community to check out, as well as on the spot library card registrations so that these services are available to ALL, the Library on the Go van also offers free public Wi-Fi, laptop computers, and document printing — all of which are invaluable services, especially to our lowest income and high need community members who don't have the ability to easily get themselves to a library location.

This mobile library program is just one of the rich and unique services the Santa Barbara Public Library provides to the region as a whole, but we need your help in order to do this. I urge you to please be as generous as possible in allocating County funding to the Santa Barbara Public Library.

Sincerely,

Leslie Dinaberg
Vice Chair, City of Santa Barbara Library Board
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From: Cash Upton <cash@brightensolarco.com>
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Subject: Exxon Mobils Trucking Plan

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Greetings SB Board of Supervisors,

I am requesting that you deny the Exxon Mobil dangerous proposal for trucking. ExxonMobil's plan will result in more oil spills, air pollution, and increased climate change at a time when we need to pursue clean energy alternatives.

Thank you!

Cash

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Cash Upton

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