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Sheila de la Guerra Public Comment - Group 2

From: Julie Tapp <julietapp1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 4:40 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Agenda item re 8 point plan for Isla Vista safety



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I'm grateful to Supervisor Laura Capps for taking on the issue of public and student safety so thoroughly and forcibly via the proposed 8 point plan.

This is long overdue, but it is never too late to unite around the moral clarity of protecting the public from preventable loss of life. This kind of action should be the top priority of any public official.

Thank you again to supervisor Capps - and all who will join her - in doing what may be difficult and what is also necessary to fulfilling your roles as elected officials, to provide for the public good of public safety. Vote yes and fully fund this eight point plan for the county, please.

Thank you,
Julie Tapp
Irvine, CA

Sent from my iPhone, 949.702.6606

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From: Amy Stody <astody@smdcomp.com>
Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 4:51 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Bluff Safety in Isla Vista

Importance: High

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Good afternoon,

I am contacting you as both a graduate of the University of California at Santa Barbara and a concerned parent to offer my deep support for increased protection of the bluffs in Isla Vista. Having lost my 20-year-old daughter to a motor vehicle accident, I can tell you that the pain of loss never goes away. When it is a recurring and avoidable situation, however, the tragedy is further compounded.

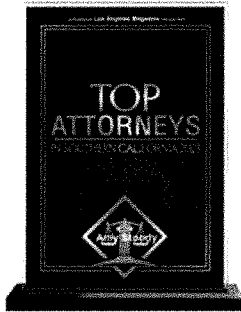
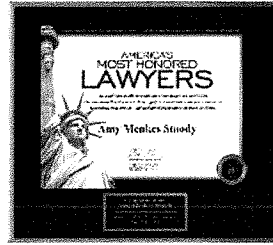
I do not know how many deaths it takes to make a difference but surely it has been far more than enough. Thirteen young people have lost their lives to these falls from unprotected cliffs in an area that is known to be frequented by our youth. The good news is that there are remedial steps that can be taken to avoid the next tragic fall. Supervisor Capps has devised an eight-point plan that makes sense and will make an immediate difference.

In the name of all that is decent and right, I beg of you to review and adopt these proposed changes. You cannot bring those children back but it is within your purview and your responsibility to ensure that it never happens again.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Subject: Del Playa

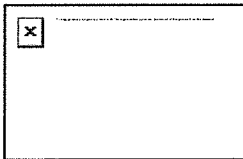
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Hi

My name is Katie Schurmer and my son Benny Schurmer just died nine weeks ago. We are still so sick and upset about all of this. It makes us so sad that this has been going on for years and still nothing has been done about it. My heart goes out to all the parents that have lost a child due to a tragic fall along the cliffs. I really hope that Benny is the last one, and we go forward and create a plan that works and prevents students from falling off these cliffs.

Thank you

Warmly,
~Katie



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"We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths." - Walt Disney

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From: Amy Capelle <theamy@gmail.com>
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Subject: Public Comment for 11/7/2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting

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Dear Supervisors,
I am writing to urge you to **support Supervisor Capp's recommendations** to improve safety at the Isla Vista Bluffs, **Departmental Agenda Item #5**.

My dear friend's son fell to his death several years ago at the bluffs, and since that time, seven more families have had the devastating news of a too-soon tragic ending to a loved one. Enough is enough.

I have two college-aged boys, one of whom was accepted to UCSB three years ago, and the other hopes to be accepted into the program next year. I was extremely relieved that my older one chose to go to another college as I knew the Isla Vista Bluff was still as dangerous as it was when my friend's son died. And I am actively hoping that my younger son does not get into UCSB for this reason. I understand that life is dangerous, but in this case, **YOU can do something to make it safer** for the residents and students who use the recreation areas and paths near the bluff.

Please take the steps outlined by Supervisor Capp and let all of us parents breathe just a bit easier. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Amy Luna Capelle
Potential UCSB Parent