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Ramirez, Angelica

Public Comment - Group 2

From: Holly Zhang <hollyzhang12@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:36 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Isla Vista people violating the public health order



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To whom it may concern,

I strongly believe people who violate the health order should be given a large fine. I am aware of large groups gathering in Isla Vista. They are endangering other residents, as well as essential workers in the area. I feel this is the only way to stop this health hazard.

Thank you so much for your time.

Regards,
Holly Zhang
mother of an UCSB student

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Robert F Else <robert.else@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:38 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: I support administrative fines in Isla Vista

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Hello - I support administrative fines in Isla Vista and other unincorporated areas for those people violating the Public Health Order.

Thank you,
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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Lizzy Iconomopulos <eiconomopulos@ucsb.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:42 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Urgency Ordinance Public Comment

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Hello! My name is Lizzy Iconomopulos and I am a 4th year undergraduate student at UCSB. I would like to submit a public forum comment to be considered at the Urgency Ordinance in Support of Administrative Fines in Isla Vista.

This is my comment:

I am in full support of administrative fines for large gatherings of individuals in Isla Vista who do not live together such as: house parties, fraternity and sorority gatherings and parties, and religious ceremony gatherings. These types of gatherings put the lives of many people in this community at risk. Social and religious gatherings can and have been happening VIRTUALLY with much success. People who continue to gather in Isla Vista in large numbers for religious purposes or for social purposes are putting their selfish desires above the humanity, safety, and basic needs of other members of this community. Humans have the capacity for empathy, and this ordinance is a positive push towards creating a community that is empathetic and non-sibi (not for self).

I work as a member of the UCSB CARE (Campus Advocacy, Education, & Resources) office and I volunteer with Food Not Bombs-Isla Vista. As an employee of CARE, I come into contact with sexual assault survivors often. Since the start of this pandemic, we have heard that some survivors are fearful to seek support and resources after experiencing an interpersonal violence at an illegally-held party for fear of retaliation, criminalization, or stigmatization. It is very important that if administrative fines are imposed in Isla Vista for large gatherings, this ordinance is not used to intimidate or discourage survivors from accessing resources or making reports. Thus, any person who discloses that they have experienced sexual harassment or assault at a large gathering that would be "illegal" under this ordinance should have immunity from these fines in order to limit the obstacles to reporting or accessing resources for survivors. As a member of the volunteer org FNB-IV, I make and serve meals to the houseless community living in Isla Vista at least once per week. While these folks do congregate without masks, any fine against them would be extremely harmful. They already face policing, criminalization, discrimination, and outright hatred from much of the community. They often only congregate amongst themselves, keep to themselves, and move between the three parks that are occupied by encampments (Anisqu'oyo, Sueno Orchard, Camino Corto). Any fine on folks living in these parks would not only make their lives more difficult, it would have very little effect. These folks have no other place to go, so fining them will only limit their ability to pay for basic needs such as food, water, and laundry. Due to mental illness and a huge lack of resources, some of these folks don't believe in or cannot grasp the reality of the coronavirus. Therefore, I believe this ordinance should include two special exemptions: 1. Any person coming forward to disclose an experience with sexual misconduct that occurred at a large gathering should not be fined (in order to limit obstacles to accessing resources); and 2. Houseless folks living in Isla Vista should not be fined for congregating in the parks (because they have no where else to go at this point in time and how do you expect to collect fines from people with extremely limited resources to begin with).

Thank you for your time!

Lizzy Iconomopulos
She/hers
University of California, Santa Barbara '21 Candidate for B.A. in Feminist Studies

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Susie Tomlinson <stomlinsonnf@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:42 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: urgency ordinance in support of fines in IV

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I just got some information regarding this possible ordinance going into effect to keep the spread of covid .

I am in full agreement that fines for large gatherings are one way to possibly get cooperation from these folks who continue to be irresponsible and selfish in not trying to protect others and only making the case rate rise. The County Health officers Orders are to protect us all. We are a free country but not free to do anything we want.

Susie Tomlinson
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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Luisa Ramirez <luisaramirez@ucsb.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:46 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: ordinance in support of administrative fines in IV

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To whom it may concern,

I am in full support of fines for the residents of isla vista to be fined for not following public health ordinances. Enough is enough, and I strongly urge the fraternities and sororities become watched harder since they are the most likely to disobey ordinances.

A concerned student at UCSB,
Luisa Ramirez (she/her/hers)

Ramirez, Angelica

From: clairerouse@umail.ucsb.edu
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:49 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Comment on Urgency Ordinance for Isla Vista

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Hello,

I am writing to voice my support for the establishment of administrative fines in Isla Vista for violations of the County Health Officers Orders.

I am a current UC Santa Barbara student and resident of Isla Vista, and since fall quarter has started, people are blatantly disregarding the dangers posed by COVID-19. Every weekend, party-goers flood the streets as if everything is normal, barely a mask in sight.

This irresponsible behavior is directly preventing us all from returning to our normal lives as college students, and worse, endangering vulnerable members of our community.

Sincerely,

Claire Rouse

Ramirez, Angelica

From: Raana Naghieh <raananaghieh@ucsb.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:52 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: In Support of Administrative Fines Re: Public Health Order

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Hello,

I am a UCSB student living in Isla Vista. I know on 10/20 the Board of Supervisors is discussing an urgency ordinance in support of administrative fines for people violating the public health order. I stand in support of this. Living in IV, I see hundreds of students flood the streets every Thursday-sunday night, partying both indoors in outdoors, sharing drinks, and disrespecting the social distancing of neighbors— some of them elderly, families, or immunocompromised— who are trying to stay safe. None of them ever wear a mask. The IVFP and UCPD are “dealing” with this issue by “educating” partiers on social distancing. **I can promise you that this strategy is not working. More people are partying now than in July.** With Halloween approaching, things will get work. The Supervisors need to take urgent action and fine partiers for the common welfare.

Signed,

Raana N.

She/Her/Hers

UCSB History Student and AS Food Security Representative

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Ramirez, Angelica

From: Morayooluwa Otekunrin <morayooluwa@ucsb.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:55 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: COVID-19 health violation ordinance

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Hello

I am a UCSB student currently engaging in remote learning from my home in Los Angeles, and I would like to speak on the COVID-19 health violations in IV that I witness happening through social media. It is upsetting to watch the carelessness and irresponsibility of the students participating in the parties and huge in-person gatherings. I would like to eventually be able to return to Santa Barbara for schooling at some point during the upcoming quarters, so some form of accountability has to take place in order to keep Santa Barbara safe. **Therefore, I support the implementation of an ordinance for Isla Vista that would fine COVID-19 health violations.** Thank you for time!

Ramirez, Angelica

From: J Brusher <barnib@earthlink.net>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 4:58 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Fines in Isla Vista

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Hello,

I support imposing fines in Isla Vista for people violating the County Health Officers' Orders. The photos of large parties still being held are disturbing. I support fining people in the city of Santa Barbara, too, where I have witnessed many people downtown gathering in large groups and not wearing masks.

Thank you,
Jean Brusher

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Sonia Patel <soniapatel@ucsb.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 5:00 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Urgency Ordinance in Support of Administrative Fines in Isla Vista

Caution: This email originated from a source outside of the County of Santa Barbara. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors,

Please pass this urgency ordinance and fine the people who are throwing massive gatherings and parties in Isla Vista. As a student living in Isla Vista and complying with the health orders, I feel very unsafe and upset that these students are putting my health and wellbeing in jeopardy and nobody is doing anything to stop it. The cops have not been useful thus far even after calling them many times so I would like more action from the county.

Thank you!

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Sonia Patel

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Izzy Mitchell <isabelmitchell@ucsb.edu>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 5:01 PM
To: sbcob
Cc: ASTD Lobby Corps; Gauchos4transparency@gmail.com; Alia Sky
Subject: Comment on Ordinance to adopt remedies

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Dear Supervisors,

We hope this email finds you well.

As representatives of Associated Students UCSB, Gauchos 4 Transparency, and Public Safety Commission, we urge you to please vote in support of the county executive order regarding the ordinance to adopt remedies, including administrative fines, for violations of County Health Officer Orders Pertaining to COVID-19 at the upcoming Santa Barbara County of Supervisors meeting.

As you know, in Isla Vista, large gatherings have continued unabated despite county health orders that prohibit such gatherings, resulting in a recent rise of COVID-19 cases. The majority of our community feels that Isla Vista has become inhabitable due to the lack of social distancing and increased gatherings. Students who do not go to these illegal gatherings are at an increased risk of contracting COVID-19, especially students who are immunocompromised. This ordinance would give the county the tools to prevent these gatherings from taking place in unincorporated parts of the county. We ask that you please help protect our community by passing this ordinance.

We are looking forward to seeing these measures being implemented in Isla Vista to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Best,

Isabel Mitchell (She/Hers)
Chair of UCSB Public Safety Commission
Representative of Gauchos 4 Transparency
Representative of UCSB Lobby Corps, Internal Director
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UCSB A.S. External Vice President of Statewide Affairs

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Carrin Culotta <rainsend@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 5:29 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Fines for non covid safe behavior

Caution: This email originated from a source outside of the County of Santa Barbara. Do not click links or open attachments unless you verify the sender and know the content is safe.

Please enforce fines on students and people not following safe behavior in the area. This has gotten out of hand and endangers everyone. Eventually students would like to resume studies in SB but the students exhibiting this selfish behaviors are making it difficult for everyone. This is a financial impact as well for those students with leases but cannot return because the students are partying and are out of control.

Thank you,
Carrin Culotta
Parent of UCSB student

Sent from my iPhone

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Linda Suri <lzsuri@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 6:19 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Ordinance for administrative fines in Isla Vista

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I am writing in support of fines for people violating Covid-related Public Health Orders in Isla Vista and other areas of unincorporated Santa Barbara county.

Thank you,
Linda Suri
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de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Kristen Jepsen <kjepsen2011@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 6:58 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: VOTE NO: Administrative fines for violating County Health Officers Orders

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I am writing to express my disappointment that UCSB leadership, rather than coming up with a viable plan to combat Covid 19, is turning towards punitive measures. I hope you are familiar with articles such as <https://www.npr.org/2020/08/31/907756835/preventing-college-parties-shame-and-blame-dont-work-but-beer-pong-outside-might>, which states: "If the success of your plan relies on 18- to 24-year-olds being responsible, then maybe it's not a very good plan."

UCSB should have established testing, they should have communicated with students, including those not living on campus, and they should have established themselves as leaders in the field. Instead, they want the county to enforce what was 100% their responsibility. They still DO NOT have a portal to communicate spread of Covid in their community (Grade=F for NO DATA).

See https://www.ratecoviddashboard.com/ratings?fbclid=IwAR2XZ9UJqEAiX9uBZZn49ERZOH9_ZCHJ9vOUQ5eeyCDmgogOWX2QaRgwac. Out of 257 Universities, only 17 have an F. UCSB is supposed to be a top rated school. This is not acceptable.

Students still can not get tests locally that come back within 24 hours. UCSB FINALLY set up testing for students living and visiting campus, but the rest of the students are on their own. Many are driving to Ventura, realizing that test results that come back 3-4 days later are useless in terms of stopping spread.

It is simply ridiculous, and potentially dangerous, to turn to punitive measures. It is much preferable that students are partying outdoors, rather than hiding indoors to avoid fines.

I implore you not to overreach and take responsibility for UCSB's failed Covid readiness.

Kristen Jepsen, PhD (from UCSD, which has done an excellent job, by the way!)
Parent, UCSB Student

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Sydney Jawitz <sydney.jawitz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 8:29 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: COVID 19 Health Violations Ordinance Public Comment

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Hi my name is Sydney and I am emailing to speak bath meeting happening on Tuesday October 20th to speak on behalf of the COVID-19 health violations ordinance. I would like to place a public comment in support of the ordinance to help keep IV safe by implementing administrative fines for violations of County Health Officer Orders Pertaining to COVID-19.

My Phone number is: 860-948-8879

Thanks,
Sydney Jawitz

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Diana Cuttrell <dcuttrell@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 19, 2020 9:11 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Urgency Ordinance

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I am in support of the Urgency Ordinance in the Unincorporated area of Isla Vista in the County of Santa Barbara. I am a property owner in Isla Vista and I think there needs to be more control of the students and occupants who violate the Public Health Order, preventing large gatherings during the Covid Pandemic.

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Sincerely,

Diana Cuttrell
805-689-3111

de la Guerra, Sheila

From: Snoweckert <snoweckert@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2020 7:26 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Fwd: No on emergency ordinance

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> Students should not be penalized for doing the exact same thing the President of the US is doing every single day.
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> As long as he is telling people not to be afraid of the virus, holding large rallies, fundraisers and events — maskless and without distancing — and contradicting not only CDC guidelines but local ordinances, our students should not be fined for doing the exact same thing.
>
> Darlene Snow
> 949-689-3914
>
> Sent from my iPhone