

Agenda Comment Form
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4/10/2020 13:35	Stephanie Ritter	4/14/2020	City Council Comment	103	<p>San Diego Coastkeeper takes very seriously our role to increase community knowledge of local water issues and empower individuals to play proactive roles in bettering their communities and environment. While much of our work is centered on place-based, hands-on education and interactive community engagement, we have also been successful in engaging our target audiences through high quality digital outreach and live remote gatherings. We have the expertise and flexibility to adapt to changing circumstances, and are grateful to the City for being such a strong supporter of our education and outreach work. By supporting the continuation of this contract, the City of San Diego would be making significant investments in keeping our community connected, engaged, and cohesive through this challenging time, while concurrently empowering Coastkeeper to enhance and strengthen our critical community programs, particularly as they relate to water quality and public health. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration, and for your continued commitment to San Diego's communities and environment.</p>

4/13/2020 10:29	Matt O'Malley for San Diego Coastkeeper	4/14/2020	City Council Comment	119	<p>Thank you Council President Gómez and Councilmembers. I very much hope you are all staying safe and healthy, and thank you for your continuing service during these difficult times.</p> <p>On behalf of San Diego Coastkeeper I respectfully request your unanimous and strong support for the authorization and acceptance of Proposition 68 Funds for Phase I of Pure Water, as well as the application to the IRWM program for the North City Pure Water Pump Station and Conveyance Pipeline. The Prop 68 funding in particular is substantial, and will help move us all towards our joint goals under our Cooperative Agreement – significant additional safe, locally-controlled water supplies and reduced wastewater discharges into our ocean. And achieving these joint goals will also help provide climate resilience and adaptation for San Diego in the years and decades ahead.</p> <p>I thank you for your continuing support for this important project, and as always look forward to continuing to work with you all to bring Pure Water online.</p>
4/13/2020 12:52	Jeremy Abrams	4/14/2020	City Council Comment	119	<p>Jeremy Abrams, Business Manager of IBEW Local Union 569. On behalf of our workforce of 3,400 union electricians and power professionals, we stand in strong support of the Pure Water Project and ITEM 119 - the acceptance of Prop 68 funds for Phase 1 of the North City Pure Water Project.</p> <p>Pure Water is a critically important project for the San Diego region and the City of San Diego's long term water security. Additionally, Pure Water will create thousands of good-paying local construction jobs - jobs that are needed to bolster our economy and family earnings post pandemic crisis.</p> <p>Thank you for your commitment to our residents, communities, environment, and the development of good-paying local jobs.</p>

4/13/2020 12:53	Jeremy Abrams	4/14/2020	City Council Comment	120	Jeremy Abrams, Business Manager of IBEW Local Union 569. On behalf of our workforce of 3,400 union electricians and power professionals, we again stand in strong support of the Pure Water Project and ITEM 120 - the application for a grant to help bolster the North City Pure Water Project and put shovels in the ground to see this critical project move forward.
4/13/2020 12:38	Mike McManus, Associated General Contractors San Diego, Director of Engineering Construction	4/14/2020	City Council Comment	333	<p>Since the adoption of SB1 by the State of California in 2017 Cities and Counties around this state have seen a significant increase in funding available for road rehabilitation and maintenance.</p> <p>The City is projected to receive \$26 million in SB1 funding from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account in 2021. We see from the City staff report that this funding is going towards 2 slurry seal group projects and 4 asphalt overlay group projects. The projects vary in size from \$2 million to approximately \$6.5 million. We support the City's continuing focus on improving the road system's Overall Condition Index; as the system has visibly improved but has a long a way to go.</p> <p>In this time of economic uncertainty and turmoil we believe it is more important than ever for the City to quickly deliver its funded infrastructure projects on time. In fact, if possible, we urge the City to consider advancing these projects for early delivery to ensure that construction continues as the region pulls out of this COVID-19 crisis.</p>

4/14/2020 0:03	Nevo Magnezi	4/14/2020	City Council Comment	333	<p>Please recall that section 2030(a) of the state highway code specifies that: "funds made available by the program shall be used for projects that include, but are not limited to, the following: ... (B) Safety projects. --- (D) Complete street components, including active transportation purposes, pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, transit facilities, and drainage and stormwater capture projects in conjunction with any other allowable project." Hardly any of the funding in item 333 is being used towards (B) & (D). Furthermore, in the proposed project list form page 2, city staff have falsely claimed that slurry seal 2121 & 2122 are being used towards complete streets, when the description does not indicate that all. San Diego has committed to vision zero and a climate action plan and the state of California has provided the city with taxpayer money in order to do</p>
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4/13/2020 11:35	Jeff Olson	4/14/2020	Non-Agenda Comment	<p>Here at Public Bank SD we've been watching with increasing concern as reports of the city's financial distress continue to make print.</p> <p>Economist Ellen Brown writes, "There is a way local governments can take advantage of the near-zero interest rates available to banks. They can set up their own publicly-owned banks. Besides giving them the ability to borrow much more cheaply, having their own banks will allow cities to leverage their loan funds. A \$100 million revolving fund issuing loans at 3% would gross \$3 million per year. If that same \$100 million were used to capitalize a bank, it could issue ten times that sum in loans, grossing \$30 million per year."</p> <p>This is the key: if we bank in-house, we can leverage the money the same way they do on Wall Street, only this way the profits stay here in our community.</p> <p>Councilmembers Campbell, Ward, Montgomery, and Council President Gómez included funding for a public bank business plan in their year-end budget priority memos. This small investment could yield incredible returns. I'm writing today to ask you to encourage the mayor to honor their wishes. We need Public Banks Now more than ever.</p>
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4/13/2020 13:35	Zachary Farber	4/13/2020	Non-Agenda Comment	<p>An eviction moratorium doesn't adequately address the long-term financial impacts that the crisis will have on working families in San Diego! There is a growing movement of people and organizations demanding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pass a resolution supporting the statewide call (https://bit.ly/348F7cx) to cancel rents and mortgages for the duration of the Pandemic; no accumulation of debt; 2. The restoration of utilities for households that are currently shut off for lack of ability to pay. 3. Protect the homeless! Use of eminent domain over vacant buildings (homes, hotels, etc.) to safely house the homeless, undocumented, victims of domestic violence, and vulnerable populations. 4. Protect undocumented immigrants! Create a public board to provide immediate economic relief to undocumented workers in the city and county with no reprisals. They are a mainstay of the local and national economy. They must be granted emergency income or employment until the Pandemic crisis is over. They lack eligibility for the CARES Act relief and other benefits due to Congress's failure to provide legalization for our brothers and sisters. Many of their children are U.S.-born citizens. <p>Our full statement: https://forms.gle/7MSVLWZ17dLryVTB6</p>
4/13/2020 14:01	Judi Wells	4/13/2020	Non-Agenda Comment	<p>Hi Would you please address the public health order by Dr. Wilma Wooten? It's so dangerous for us here in Mission Beach...we have to go into the street for social distance and so we don't run each other over. Please allow us to use our driver's licenses to show the police, maybe between certain hours or something, so we can go outside and walk safely. Respectfully, Judi Wells</p>

4/13/2020 15:59	kathleen m lippitt	4/15/2020	Non-Agenda Comment	<p>Please consider how disenfranchised the public is when they are prevented from speaking in person. It is also a social justice issue that the city presumes all individuals have the requisite computer skills or even access to a computer, to allow them to know how to participate in the public process electronically. Subsequently, those who would otherwise present in person are completely unable to participate. The public is told to stay home. City Officials should not engage in issues beyond those of vital public health and safety interest to residents related to COVID-19.</p> <p>The City of SD should not proceed with any applications, appeals, or hearings related to the city's efforts to increase access, availability and use of marijuana which would add to the risks associated with COVID-19. THIS LIMITATION SHOULD EXCLUDE NON-ESSENTIAL ISSUES SUCH AS MARIJUANA-RELATED ITEMS; CEQA, HO, PC, APPEALS, NOA'S, ETC. Thank you, Please forward this comment to the city attorney, all city council members, and all planning commissioners. Kathleen Lippitt, MPH</p>
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4/13/2020 16:32	Becky Rapp	4/14/2020	Non-Agenda Comment	<p>Good afternoon City Council members, My name is Becky Rapp, I'm a mother and public health educator. Today I'd like to share with you a recent article regarding smoking weed and the coronavirus. It troubles me that the city has deemed marijuana outlets essential businesses. Experts say that it's time to think twice before smoking marijuana.</p> <p>CNN has reported Smoking marijuana, even occasionally, can increase your risk for more severe complications from Covid-19, the disease caused by the novel coronavirus.</p> <p>"What happens to your airways when you smoke cannabis is that it causes some degree of inflammation, very similar to bronchitis, very similar to the type of inflammation that cigarette smoking can cause," said pulmonologist Dr. Albert Rizzo, chief medical officer for the American Lung Association. "Now you have some airway inflammation and you get an infection on top of it. So, yes, your chance of getting more complications is there."</p> <p>"Marijuana burns at a much, lower temperature than a commercially made cigarette," said Glass. "Because of that, the person is inhaling a certain amount of unburnt plant material."</p> <p>That irritates the lungs in the same manner as ragweed, birch and oak pollen does for those allergic.</p>
4/14/2020 8:40	Mark Viguri	4/14/2020	Non-Agenda Comment	<p>Please stop ticketing the homeless out on our streets! They don't have hundreds of dollars to pay the fines! Police officers should be handing out masks not fines during the pandemic! Again stop ticketing the homeless! Hand them masks not fines, thank you/</p>
4/14/2020 10:33	Ricardo A Flores	4/14/2020	Non-Agenda Comment	<p>On behalf of: LISC San Diego, ACCE, SD Tenants Union, Chicano Federation, Justice Overcoming Boundaries, Disability Rights California, San Diego Copwatch, and Mid-City CAN We are writing to request a moratorium on all arrests and ticketing of homeless people for Vehicle Habitation, illegal lodging and encroachment during the Coronavirus outbreak. We also call for a moratorium on the impoundments of vehicles used by homeless people for shelter. Ticketing homeless individuals who have no place to live and removing their only shelter rather than allow them to shelter in place is counter- productive, inhumane and could unnecessarily expose our first</p>

4/13/2020 18:00	Richard Gustafson	4/14/2020	Public Notice Item	353	I represent the applicant. I respectfully ask for the item to be approved.
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