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Meeting Time: 09-21-21 18:00

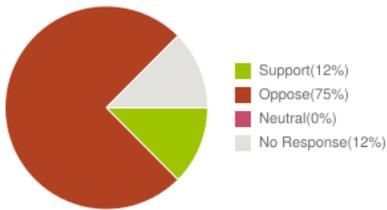
eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
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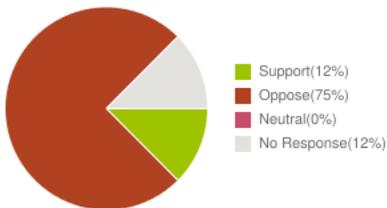
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Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
G.1. 21-3016 For Blue Folder Documents Approved at the City Council Meeting	1	0	0	0
H.13. 21-2618 APPROVE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC. AGREEMENT FOR CDBG CONSULTING SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$171,231 FOR THE EXISTING TERM	1	0	1	0
J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS	1	1	0	0
N.1. 21-2912 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING INCLUSIONARY HOUSING ORDINANCE TO FINALIZE PARAMETERS BASED ON FINANCIAL ANALYSIS	1	0	1	0
N.2. 21-3047 FURTHER DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION TO STAFF ON EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF CONTRACTING TO PROVIDE PROSECUTION SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH.	2	0	2	0
P.2. 21-3045 DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION REGARDING MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES RECENTLY PASSED TO REGULATE CAMPING IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THEIR CITY.	2	0	2	0

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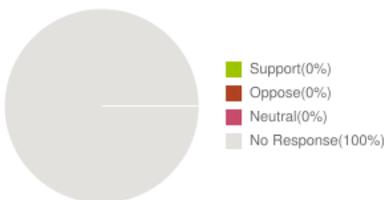
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Alan Klainbaum

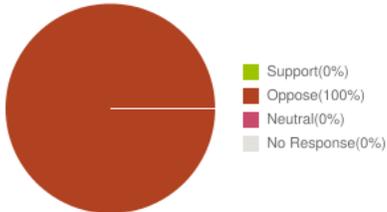
Location:

Submitted At: 6:16pm 09-21-21

How do I participate on non agenda items. I don't know how. Alan Klainbaum

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Mark Nelson

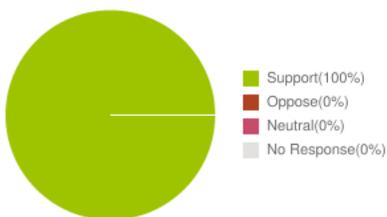
Location:

Submitted At: 7:17pm 09-17-21

Based on MBI work for Manhattan Beach, I oppose the City of Redondo Beach using them as a consultant. Specifically, MBI made unconventional assumptions regarding noise emanating from the roof top bar of the hotel on Sepulveda.

Agenda Item: eComments for J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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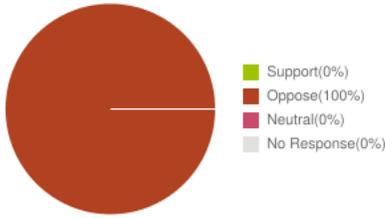
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Submitted At: 6:20pm 09-21-21

I want to participate

Agenda Item: eComments for N.1. 21-2912 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING INCLUSIONARY HOUSING ORDINANCE TO FINALIZE PARAMETERS BASED ON FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Overall Sentiment



Grace Peng

Location:

Submitted At: 6:21pm 09-21-21

The evidence shows that, on net, inclusionary zoning (IZ) suppresses housing production of all types, including the below market rate (BMR) units they purport to encourage.

Read "Unintended or Intended Consequences? The Effect of Below-Market Housing Mandates on Housing Markets in California"

https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2638698

Comparing cities w/ and w/o IZ requirements show that IZ requirements suppress housing production overall and rents in cities that pass IZ ordinances go up even faster.

Then there is lost opportunity.

A recent USC/HUD study for LA submarkets of various incomes shows that high-rent places can support higher BMR unit share and still pencil out as profitable.

<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/periodicals/cityscpe/vol23num1/ch5.pdf>

See figures 9 and 10.

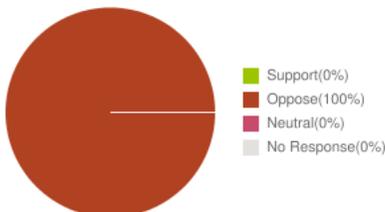
IZ is one of those ideas that sounds good, but doesn't hold up with rigorous study. Since most people live in only 1 place, they are not looking at the bigger picture and doing comparisons between cities like housing economists. But the experts are unanimous on this.

By setting arbitrary and "one-size-fits-all IZ requirements throughout the city, you will suppress housing production that we need to fulfill our RHNA targets.

Failure to meet RHNA is not an option. If we do not make sufficient progress, the state will wrest control of zoning from RB altogether.

Agenda Item: eComments for N.2. 21-3047 FURTHER DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION TO STAFF ON EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF CONTRACTING TO PROVIDE PROSECUTION SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH.

Overall Sentiment



Wayne Craig

Location:

Submitted At: 7:47pm 09-21-21

Rather than search out legal work from other cities like Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach how about first enforcing laws in our own city?

As I understand the issue tonight the city attorney's office has stated in a Budget Response Report, an inability to fund or perform investigations of violation of the Campaign Finance reform passed by this City Council in 2019. This is troubling as it would allow gross violations to continue without any enforcement action.

According to ordinance 3184-18 as adopted on January 8, 2019, specific campaign donation limits were established for city council as well as Mayoral candidates. In the case of Mayoral candidates any donations above \$2,500 are illegal and would need to be returned to the donor.

A recent case reported to and being investigated by the Fair Political Practices Committee (FPPC) regarding what could ultimately be deemed illegally concealing donors, would be an easy prosecution for the city attorney's office. In this case failed Mayoral candidate and court confirmed shill Chris Voisey apparently concealed a donor who paid \$5,856.76 of his campaign expenses and clearly detailed in his election campaign 460 report. Since \$5,856.76 is greater than \$2,500 how difficult would it be for the city attorney's office to enforce this violation?

If nothing is done it would send the message Redondo Beach selectively enforces the laws of our city so that some people continue to get away with violations while others don't.

Eugene Solomon

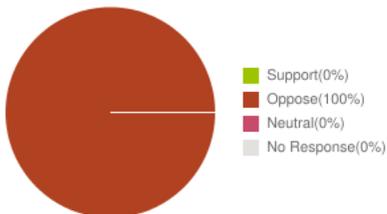
Location:

Submitted At: 12:35pm 09-21-21

Any contracting with outside entities for prosecution services should contemplate funding or reciprocal services for investigation of Misdemeanor Campaign Finance Ordinance violations in Redondo Beach. In a Budget response Report the City Attorney indicated an inability to fund or perform these investigations rendering the Campaign Finance reform passed by this City Council to no more than an additional paperweight in our growing binder of unenforced policy initiatives. Instead of or in addition to actions for other governmental agencies let's begin prosecuting our own laws.

Agenda Item: eComments for P.2. 21-3045 DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION REGARDING MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES RECENTLY PASSED TO REGULATE CAMPING IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THEIR CITY.

Overall Sentiment



Grace Peng

Location:

Submitted At: 6:46pm 09-21-21

I am as appalled by the growing homelessness in our region and our city. However, I think this ordinance is wrong-headed.

Housing experts are unanimous housing shortages and the accompanying rising rents are what pushes people out onto the streets.

A UC Berkeley paper showed that, a 1% decrease in vacancy rates results in a 25% increase in homelessness. https://urbanpolicy.berkeley.edu/pdf/qrs_restat01pb.pdf

The way to end that cycle is to build more housing. We can do our part by fulfilling our RHNA obligation expediently, and encouraging our neighbors to do the same. Only then, can we climb out of this housing crisis that we caused by underbuilding for 40 years.

Brianna Egan

Location:

Submitted At: 6:35pm 09-21-21

I applaud the efforts of city staff, including the city attorney and Public Works department, in their implementation of the pallet shelter program in Redondo Beach. This program has been successful in transitioning dozens of unhoused people from living on the streets to finding permanent housing and employment. The homeless court, also operated by city attorney Mike Webb, is another example of the type of forward-thinking work we need to address and provide recourse for the criminalization of homelessness and poverty. Various community groups and nonprofits provide outreach services and other holistic supports. Together, these two programs are helping to shift the narrative around homelessness in the South Bay and providing pathways out of homelessness.

Seeing discussion of this anti-camping ordinance now, I am questioning the intent behind it. We have two solid programs functioning at the city level to combat homelessness. Why do we need this ordinance? As written, the ordinance makes it a crime to be poor and unhoused. This would increase the number of citations and increase the burden on law enforcement and the homeless court. We need to instead focus on providing ample resources and housing for the unhoused, and work to make the pallet shelter and homeless court programs permanent via funding and staffing.

I have several questions: First, do we have enough shelter space to accommodate for the unhoused in Redondo Beach? The 2020 homeless count counted 177 unsheltered individuals in Redondo Beach, with 73 living on the street and 104 living in cars. The pallet shelter accommodates 15-30 people (if double occupancy is used). Where would individuals go if they are forced to pack up and the shelter is full? Would this ordinance apply to those who live in cars or vans?

Next, with the zones on the map indicating where people should not camp, are there any zones where they would be allowed to camp? I wonder if there are unhoused families living in cars near schools just as there are in LAUSD--would they be targeted?

We should continue with a compassionate and housing-first approach to addressing homelessness before making it illegal to sit, lay, or sleep.