Switzer, Donna

From: Jerry Barry <jbatqma@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 9:22 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Item 21 & 22

"I urge you to oppose Agenda Items 21 and 22. Both items will cause irreparable harm to the citizens of Huntington Beach".
-Jerry B.

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Switzer, Donna

From: Rita Barry <rrbarry15@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 9:41 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: oppose item 21 & 22

I urge you to oppose items 21 &22.
They are not good for the city and I oppose their passage.
Rita Barry Resident of HB for over 50 years!

Sent from my iPhone

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Switzer, Donna

From: Janet Bean <janetbeandesigns@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 6:30 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Opposition to Agenda Items 21 and 22

As a concerned citizen of Huntington Beach, some of the current members on the council are out to undermine the hard working individuals of this once great town. Please vote in opposition to Agenda Items 21 and 22!

Thank you,
Janet

Janet Bean Designs and Services
714-362-7899

Creating unique pieces of jewelry and uniting couples in matrimony with love and under the watchful eyes of my guardian angels.

Janet Bean Designs and Janet Bean Wedding Officiant on Facebook

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Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 7:44 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW:

AGENDA COMMENT

-----Original Message-----
From: Kathleen Brown <heykathybrown@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 9:49 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject:

I am writing to urge you to fight items ~~21~~ and 22 this Monday. They both sound corrupt!

Thank you,
Kathleen Brown

Sent from my iPhone

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Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 7:47 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: City Council meeting, Agenda Item #22 - Finance Commission

AGENDA COMMENT

From: Gino J. Bruno <gbruno@socal.rr.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2019 3:31 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: Kiff, Dave <dave.kiff@surfcity-hb.org>; Gates, Michael <Michael.Gates@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: City Council meeting, Agenda Item #22 - Finance Commission

City Council Members:

Please leave our Finance Commission alone!

The City's Finance Commission is established by our Municipal Code (Section 2.109.030) which lays out its purpose: "The Finance Commission shall act in an advisory capacity to the City Council in matters pertaining to financial planning."

HBMC Section 2.109.40 is also pretty clear about what its duties are, namely:

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"A. Review and make recommendations regarding:
- "1. Fiscal Policies, Financial Planning and Funding;
- "2. Annual adopted budget;
- "3. Proposals related to financial matters;
- "4. Fiscal impacts of major projects;
- "5. Service contracts on an as-needed basis; and
- "6. Proposed State or Federal Legislation which impacts the City's finances.

"B. Perform such other duties or studies as may be directed by the City Council. "

As I envision it, the Finance Commission is akin to the Orange County Grand Jury, in the sense that it serves as (i) a citizens' watchdog over the City's finances, and (ii) it can investigate and analyze any topic it wants related to our City's finances. Then, it makes its findings and recommendations to the City Council. The City Council then can either (a) adopt the findings and recommendations as presented, or (b) modify or amend the recommendations, and adopt the recommendations as modified or amended, or (c) deny the recommendations entirely. It's up to the City Council.

The proposal of Council Member Posey on Monday's City Council meeting Agenda would emasculate the duties of the Finance Commission as laid out in the Code, and limit those duties to only following the dictates of at least four City Council members. The "watchdog" days of the citizens' Finance Commission would be over, and the Commission would be exclusively under the control and direction of the City Council majority.

Mr. Posey's desire to have the Council adopt a formal Work Plan at least once a year for projects to be addressed by the Finance Commission clearly may be done under the current Section 2.109.40.B.

Don't restrict, hamper, limit or constrain the work of the citizens' Finance Commission.

Leave the Finance Commission alone!

Gino J. Bruno
Huntington Beach

Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 11:04 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: Agenda items 21,22 for August 5 meeting

AGENDA COMMENT

From: Nancy Buchoz <nancybuchoz@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 11:01 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Agenda items 21,22 for August 5 meeting

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members,

I am writing to share my opposition for the following agenda items at tonights city council meeting.

I oppose agenda item 21 because I believe that CCA's can put the city in a position of **potential financial risk** because of the enormous costs to create such programs and the liability which would fall on the taxpayers if such contracts were to go bad. Which is always possible.
Also, agenda item 21 **can't promise that it will actually add additional green energy**.
Finally, I oppose this agenda item on the basis it would **create more government and thus the potential for more utility rates.** I believe it could jeopardize tax paying citizens with too much risk. I dont believe it would benefit our city at this time if ever.

Secondly I also oppose agenda item 22 on the basis I believe it would **create less transparency in an area of our city government that** frankly needs it the most! A pre conceived work plan **would eliminate the ability for oversight and participation by the Finance commission which is in place to do just that, BE AN OVERSIGHT AND KEEP THE CITYS FINANCES PROTECTED.**

Please continue to allow the Finance Commission to do its appointed job of helping keep the city on the right track financially.
The commissioners are citizens appointed by Council members so it makes no sense to cut off their involvement by having a system that is unable to be advised upon.

Thank you for the consideration to these two agenda items.
We appreciate your service.

Respectfully,

Nancy Buchoz

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Switzer, Donna

From: Sylvia Calhoun <skc347@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 11:41 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Agenda items 21 and 22

Please OPPOSE agenda items 21 and 22!

Sylvia Calhoun. Resident since 1982.

We need more simple and more transparent, not less! Thank you.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

Meeting Date: 8/5/19

Agenda Item No.: 22(19-826)

Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 10:47 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: AGENDA ITEM 21 and ITEM 22

AGENDA COMMENT

From: Alina Clougherty <alina_clougherty@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 10:46 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: AGENDA ITEM 21 and ITEM 22

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council:

I would like for you to vote No on the two agenda items: #21 and #22 slated for Monday's city council meeting.

I have read up on these issues and it is a bad idea for our city. Both take away citizen oversight on very important issues that impact our lives.

Again, please vote No on Item #21 and #22.

Thank you,

Alina Clougherty

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Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 11:39 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: Agenda 21 & 22

AGENDA COMMENT

-----Original Message-----
From: Marietta Daedelow <spide4@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 11:32 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Agenda ~~21~~ & 22

I urge you to oppose agenda items ~~21~~ & 22. Both items will cause irreparable harm to the citizens of Huntington Beach.
Thank You,
Marietta Daedelow

Sent from my iPhone

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: Billg-Primary <Billg@socal.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 1:03 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: OPPOSED TO AGENDA ITEMS 21 and 22

Huntington Beach City Council,

I urge all members of the Huntington Beach City Council to oppose Agenda Items 21 and 22.

These items will cause irreparable harm to the citizens of Huntington Beach.

Respectfully,
Bill Gailing

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Switzer, Donna

From: Susan Gary <susangaryphotos@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 9:18 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Agenda Items 21 and 22

Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members,

I am writing to urge that you OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22 and will provide more information below.

AGENDA ITEM 21 - Feasibility Study for Community Choice Energy (aka CCA)

I had hoped this item would have permanently "died" a couple years ago when, following a Study Session, it was exposed that CCA's are not only a BAD idea for cities, but frankly very dangerous. Since the time of that Study Session, I have been following this topic very closely and can report that there is yet to be even one success among cities who have attempted this massive city-government-expansion. Cities continue to expose and reject this bad idea especially knowing that the only winners in the newest cottage industry of CCA's are the Consultants, Attorneys and, of course, Southern California Edison who conveniently get out of all their bad contracts and transfers the bad-contracts to cities who adopt CCA's. At the end of the day, cities who adopt CCA's are left with:

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But perhaps the single most important reason to oppose even the mere idea of a CCA is the fact that NO City Council should given more ability to RAISE OUR UTILITY RATES.....PERIOD! There is absolutely no positive reason to shift the current Southern California Edison responsibility to city staff and City Council unless the end-goal is seeking a new "Slush Fund". May I remind all of you that the recent council majority vote to purchase the Pipeline building, without proper due diligence has landed the city in a lawsuit.....I think it is safe to say that neither City Council nor staff should be afforded additional expansion or responsibility for ANYTHING, let alone something that could permanently jeopardize the citizens of Huntington Beach. I URGE ALL OF YOUR TO OPPOSE THIS DANGEROUS CONCEPT.

AGENDA ITEM 22 - Adopt Annual Work Plan for Finance Commission

As I previous wrote to you after the last attempt to destroy the Finance Commission, I find it hard to believe that we have arrived at a point where certain council would be advocating for LESS transparency and LESS oversight. As someone who attends most Finance Commission and many other meetings, it is apparent that there is simply NO WAY to articulate an annual work plan unless the goal is to neuter and silence this commission! If we are truly interested, as a city, in operating efficiently and transparently, all options for oversight must be "on the table" at all times! Whether or not a given council choses to look at the material coming from Finance Commission is and always has been optional, but to pre-identify a Work Plan is the complete removal of citizen oversight and participation in the finances of our city which should be the MOST TRANSPARENT aspect of any government entity. I URGE ALL OF YOUR TO OPPOSE THIS DANGEROUS PRECIDENT.

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Respectfully,
Jon and Susan Gary
Sent from my iPhone

Switzer, Donna

From: Nancy Griley <nangriley@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 8:39 AM
To: citycouncil@hermosabch.org; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: No on items 21 and 22

Dear City Council,

I am a concerned citizen and property owner in Hermosa Beach. I'm writing to urge you to vote No on Agenda item 21, a feasibility study for CCA. This was addressed in the past and it is still a bad idea. Do not waste the money.
In addition, I urge you to vote no on Item 22 regarding the Finance Committee.

Thank you,
Nancy Griley

120 28th St
Hermosa Beach CA 90254

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Switzer, Donna

From: William Hennerty Jr. <billhennerty@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 11:59 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Oppose items 21 and 22.

City Council,

I am emailing you to let you know that I am oppose items 21 and 22.

Thank you,

William Hennerty

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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Switzer, Donna

From: Mary Hiber <beachldy53@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 6:24 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: OPPOSE AGENDA ITEMS #21 AND #22!

ATTENTION ALL CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS!

I oppose both agenda items #21 and #22 because neither one is fiscally wise for our community. We don't need our city controlling our SCE billing and pricing. I do not see any reason to make any changes with out city Finance Committee, as they are doing very well and no changes are necessary.

Sincerely,
Mary L. Hiber
50 year resident of Huntington Beach
Sent from my iPad

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Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 12:01 PM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM #21 AND #22

AGENDA COMMENT

From: Sherrey Hollander <quantum_sherrey@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 11:59 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM ~~#21~~ AND #22

Dear Mayor and Huntington Beach City Council Members,

I am writing to urge that you OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22 and will provide more information below.

AGENDA ITEM 21 - Feasibility Study for Community Choice Energy (aka CCA)

I had hoped this item would have permanently "died" a couple years ago when, following a Study Session, it was exposed that CCA's are not only a BAD idea for cities, but frankly very dangerous. Since the time of that Study Session, I have been following this topic very closely and can report that there is yet to be even one success among cities who have attempted this massive city-government-expansion. Cities continue to expose and reject this bad idea especially knowing that the only winners in the newest cottage industry of CCA's are the Consultants, Attorneys and, of course, Southern California Edison who conveniently get out of all their bad contracts and transfers the bad-contracts to cities who adopt CCA's. At the end of the day, cities who adopt CCA's are left with:
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3. Potential loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars of start up funding and bad contracts.

But perhaps the single most important reason to oppose even the mere idea of a CCA is the fact that NO City Council should given more ability to RAISE OUR UTILITY RATES.....PERIOD! There is absolutely no positive reason to shift the current Southern California Edison responsibility to city staff and City Council unless the end-goal is seeking a new "Slush Fund". May I remind all of you that the recent council majority vote to purchase the Pipeline building, without proper due diligence has landed the city in a lawsuit.....I think it is safe to say that neither City Council nor staff should be afforded additional expansion or responsibility for ANYTHING, let alone something that could permanently jeopardize the citizens of Huntington Beach. I URGE ALL OF YOUR TO OPPOSE THIS DANGEROUS CONCEPT.

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As I previous wrote to you after the last attempt to destroy the Finance Commission, I find it hard to believe that we have arrived at a point where certain council would be advocating for LESS transparency and LESS

oversight. As someone who attends most Finance Commission and many other meetings, it is apparent that there is simply NO WAY to articulate an annual work plan unless the goal is to neuter and silence this commission! If we are truly interested, as a city, in operating efficiently and transparently, all options for oversight must be "on the table" at all times! Whether or not a given council choses to look at the material coming from Finance Commission is and always has been optional, but to pre-identify a Work Plan is the complete removal of citizen oversight and participation in the finances of our city which should be the MOST TRANSPARENT aspect of any government entity. I URGE ALL OF YOUR TO OPPOSE THIS DANGEROUS PRECIDENT.

Sherrey Hollander, Huntington Beach resident

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Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 9:41 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: I strongly Oppose Agenda Items 21 and 22

AGENDA COMMENT

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From: Lily Jacinto <lilycabrera@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 9:29 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: I strongly Oppose Agenda Items 21 and 22

Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members,

I am writing to urge that you OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22.

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The most important reason to oppose the idea of a CCA is the fact that **NO City Council should given more ability to RAISE OUR UTILITY RATES!** There is no positive reason to shift the current Southern California Edison responsibility to city staff and City Council unless the end-goal is seeking a new "Slush Fund". The recent council majority vote to purchase the Pipeline building, without proper due diligence has landed the city in a lawsuit, City Council nor staff should be given additional responsibility for ANYTHING, let alone something that could permanently jeopardize the citizens of Huntington Beach. I URGE ALL OF YOUR TO OPPOSE THIS DANGEROUS CONCEPT

AGENDA ITEM 22 - Adopt Annual Work Plan for Finance Commission

At a time when our financial resources are stretched, partially as a result of the poor decision making of this council, the proposal to "gut" the very commission charged with citizen review and oversight of our city's finances is brought forward? Interesting timing.

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Respectfully,

Lily Jacinto

Sent from my iPad

Switzer, Donna

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From: Jan Kubica <hbjan98@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 3:01 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Agenda Items 21 & 22

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Respectfully,
Jan Kubica

Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 11:04 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22

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AGENDA COMMENT

From: Mary Lou <smithsurfermom@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 10:58 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22

Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members,

I am writing to urge you to OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22 for the reasons listed below.

AGENDA ITEM 21 - Feasibility Study for Community Choice Energy (aka CCA)

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Respectfully,

Mary Lou Shlaudeman

Switzer, Donna

From: Susan Matthewson <matthewson.susan1@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 3:23 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Opposition to Agenda Items 21 and 22

Please vote to oppose these two items. They are not good for the city of HB or its residents.

Sent from my iPhone

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Switzer, Donna

From: Gab <gabriela_menendez@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 2:14 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Opposing agenda items 21 and 22

Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members,

I am writing to urge that you OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22 and will provide more information below.

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Respectfully,

Gabriela Menendez.

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Agenda Item No.: 22(19-826)

Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 7:43 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: ~~21~~,22

AGENDA COMMENT

From: Mrdi <mrdi2003@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 6:19 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: ~~21~~,22

NO on ~~21~~ and 22.
Local homeowner
Mrdi

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: Russell Neal <russneal@ieee.org>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 1:02 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Agenda Items 21 and 22

I oppose the move to CCA under item 21 and any back door attempt to weaken the citizens' finance commission under item 22.

Russ Neal
Huntington Beach

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: Dorothy Newbrough <dnewbr@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 11:59 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Agenda Items 21 and 22

I am requesting you OPPOSE Agenda items 21 and 22. The residents of Huntington Beach voted you into office....listen to us.

Dorothy Newbrough

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SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: SHARON OTT <ottcamp@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 4:16 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: NO ON AGENDA ITEM 21 AND ITEM 22 PLEASE

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council:

I am writing today to express my opposition and ask for your "No" vote on two agenda items on Monday's city council meeting: Agenda Item 21 and Agenda Item 22.

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With respect to Agenda Item 21- Feasibility Study for Community Choice Energy:

I attended the meetings held several years ago. And I thought this idea was put to bed and acknowledged that:

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Which segues perfectly into my opposition of the next agenda item- Agenda Item 22- Adopt Annual Work Plan for Finance Commission.

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At an Ascon meeting at Edison High School I took the time to speak with a council member that I have grown to greatly respect. I expressed my concern that a city council would take ANY action to limit the voice of citizens in our city government- especially when it relates to financial issues. This council member agreed and supported the idea of increased citizen involvement- not less. The reality is that the citizen members of the Finance Commission act on behalf of everyone in the city- council members and citizens alike- to create a city government that operates in a fiscally responsible manner. They simply look for ways to save money and present those ideas to you seven. They understand they have no policy-making role. I urge you not to limit their role at a time when we need to find ways to streamline our operations and spend our money in responsible ways.

Additionally, I am greatly concerned what message this action will send to the citizen participants on every other board and commission. Why would anyone want to be nominated to a board or commission if they knew their actions would be limited and their opinions not considered. No, this is not the message you should be sending- now or ever.

Lastly, I am greatly concerned that this issue has become simply a personality issue. As elected members of our city you are leaders.

Leaders should rise above pettiness and personality conflicts- not create or inflame them. If you disagree with a member of a commission your job should not be to succumb to that pettiness- but be a leader and rise above it. I encourage all of you to work with the Finance Commission and make the citizen oversight and transparency stronger- not weaker.

Regards,
Sharon Ott

SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: Madeline Pacilio-Brand <mpaciliobrand@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 11:51 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL

Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members,

I am writing to urge that you OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22.

Respectfully submitted,
Madeline Pacilio-Brand
21571 Kanakoa Lane
Huntington Beach, Ca. 92646

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: Deby Pierce <deby.pierce@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 9:14 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Oppose Agenda Item 21 and 22

8-04-2019
Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members,

I am writing to urge that you OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22 and will provide more information below.

AGENDA ITEM 21 - Feasibility Study for Community Choice Energy (aka CCA)
Hoping that you will due your due diligence and see that this is a horrible idea. Why do we need more government here in Huntington Beach? It seems that this is the least of our worries. Focus on what the public is crying for. Your leadership not more possible spending and loss.
I did find this quote and I couldn't have said it better "But perhaps the single most important reason to oppose even the mere idea of a CCA is the fact that NO City Council should given more ability to RAISE OUR UTILITY RATES.....PERIOD! There is absolutely no positive reason to shift the current Southern California Edison responsibility to city staff and City Council unless the end-goal is seeking a new "Slush Fund". May I remind all of you that the recent council majority vote to purchase the Pipeline building, without proper due diligence has landed the city in a lawsuit.....I think it is safe to say that neither City Council nor staff should be afforded additional expansion or responsibility for ANYTHING, let alone something that could permanently jeopardize the citizens of Huntington Beach. I URGE ALL OF YOUR TO OPPOSE THIS DANGEROUS CONCEPT."
AGENDA ITEM 22 - Adopt Annual Work Plan for Finance Commission

Please be brave and don't succumb to the pressure to destroy the Finance Commission. It is the way the citizens have a little oversight and input over our city. Why is that a bad thing. It is a voluntary position that people are doing to help this city. Everyone wants transparency these days, except the people who are hiding something or doing something wrong..
Please council care about the citizens.
Sincerely,

Deby Pierce

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

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Switzer, Donna

From: Dombo, Johanna
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 7:43 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: Agenda items ~~#21~~ and #22

AGENDA COMMENT

-----Original Message-----
From: Pat Pitts <ppitts@socal.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 7:28 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Agenda items ~~#21~~ and #22

I am opposed to these two items and would like to know from council members who sponsored them, are these in the best interest of residents of HB? I say no!

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: Linda Polkinghorne <lapolkinghorn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 8:31 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Agenda 21 and 22

I find it hard to believe that we even have to speak out against these. Do you guys not see the problem! These are horrible and not at all good for the people of HB. Do the right thing and vote NO

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: rob.pool.oc@gmail.com
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 11:01 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Please OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council:

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With respect to **Agenda Item 21- Feasibility Study for Community Choice Energy:**

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2. CCA would increase the size and scope of our city government at a time when you should be addressing many, more pressing issues that require resources- both from a financial standpoint as well as an energy perspective. Those more pressing issues, where your energy would be better spent include: infrastructure costs that are unable to keep up with the needs, the failed purchase of a building to be used as a "Navigation" Center, the Ascon toxic waste dump, the mitigation of which is causing many health related issues to your constituents in Southeast Huntington Beach, The tank farm property, where a medium density, mixed use building project next door- and separated simply by a chain link fence to the previously mentioned Ascon toxic waste site is being pushed through our city at the speed of a bullet train.

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Respectfully,

Rob Pool

SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: Ray Scrafield <octoolguy@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 1:49 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Anti-Agenda items 21 & 22

We are sending this letter in the hopes that you folks will take notice of our dislike for these items. We have copied Cari Swan's letter but added our names to it. Thank you for taking the time to think about this.

Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members,

I am writing to urge that you OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22 and will provide more information below.

AGENDA ITEM 21 - Feasibility Study for Community Choice Energy (aka CCA)

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Respectfully,

Ray and Barbara Scrafield

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Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 7:43 AM
To: Agenda Comment
Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: Agenda Items

AGENDA COMMENT

-----Original Message-----
From: Barbara Shepard <NRDKMOM@AOL.COM>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 7:39 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Agenda Items

Please oppose Agenda items ~~21 and~~ 22 both of which are very detrimental to Huntington Beach.

Sent from my iPhone

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

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Switzer, Donna

From: Cari Swan <cswanie@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 9:29 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: OPPOSE AGENDA ITEMS ~~21~~ and 22

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Respectfully,

Cari Swan

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Switzer, Donna

From: Cari Swan <cswanie@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 9:53 AM
To: cswanie@aol.com
Cc: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: ACTION NEEDED!!! SEND EMAILS TO HB City Council OPPOSE AGENDA ITEMS 21 and 22

Hi Friends,

I sent the follow email to city council and need your help to send emails OPPOSING two very dangerous agenda items!!

Send emails to: city.council@surfcity-hb.org

Feel free to use any of the info from my email, or simply state: "I urge you to oppose Agenda Items 21 and 22. Both items will cause irreparable harm to the citizens of Huntington Beach".

Feel free to email or call if you have questions....thank you to all my warrior friends!!

Cari Swan

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Cari Swan

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Cc: Fikes, Cathy; CITY COUNCIL
Subject: FW: I oppose Agenda ~~items 21~~ and 22

AGENDA COMMENT

From: winkie8108@aim.com <winkie8108@aim.com>
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 11:34 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: I oppose Agenda items 21 and 22

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Sincerely,
Janice Torres
Copied with permission, I couldn't have said it better myself.

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Switzer, Donna

From: Linda Wentzel <lindamarieofhb@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 1:55 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Please OPPOSE Agenda Items 21 and 22

Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members,

I am writing to urge that you **OPPOSE** Agenda Items 21 and 22.

Agenda Item 21 - Feasibility Study of Community Choice Energy (aka CCA)
I don't believe that we want any City Council that changes every two - four years have the ability to raise our utility rates. I also don't believe that there should be an expansion of government jobs with the current state of pensions. Please **OPPOSE** this item!

Agenda Item 22 - Adopt Annual Work Plan for Finance Commission
The commission does research and then provides information for City Council members to consider. The Council does not need to act on recommendations from the commission. Why would the Council want to restrict the commission right from the start? Please **OPPOSE** this item!

Kind Regards,

--
Linda Wentzel
lindamarieofhb@gmail.com
(c) 714.951.7463

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Switzer, Donna

From: Dee Wood <dwood9119@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 9:41 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL
Subject: Oppose Agenda Items 21 & 22

Dear City Council of Huntington Beach,

We are writing to oppose two very dangerous agenda items.

We urge you to oppose Agenda Items 21 and 22.

In reading and learning about these agenda items they are a bad approach for our City.
We do not need more government control - and we don't want our City Council to have the ability to raise our utility rates.
We feel that his would jeopardize the citizens of Huntington Beach - just based on too many variables.

Re: Agenda Item #22
We do not want less transparency & oversight ... we do not want to neuter the Finance Commission.
Why do we need to pre-identify a Work Plan?
Please oppose.

Thank you for your service.

Respectfully yours,
Kurt and Dee Wood
Huntington Harbour Residents

Dee Wood

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