



Public Comments
City Council Meeting
March 3, 2021

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Council Meeting Date 3/3/2021

Agenda # 8

Subject Read Out Loud

Position No Position

First and Last Name Filipa Rios--Chief Program Officer-Interfaith Community Services

Escondido Resident False

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Comments Interfaith wants to thank the city of Escondido for its continued support and partnership to help the most vulnerable Escondido residents. Together we have been able to prevent Escondido residents from becoming homeless, and together we have housed many of our most vulnerable homeless seniors. Our rapid rehousing program provides case management and rental assistance to move people from homelessness to housing. We are finding that the individuals matched to this program are often seniors who have lost their housing due to their inability to pay the rent because of limited income and high medical costs. These individuals have multiple barriers and are not well versed in the social service or healthcare systems. One such individual is the 75 year homeless Escondido resident that due to your support was able to sign a lease on February 1, 2021. This individual had lost his housing in 2016. He lived on limited income which included Social Security and part-time work. When his health started to deteriorate he was unable to work, and found himself evicted from his apartment. With no support system in place, he became homeless and his health conditions remained untreated. Interfaith was able to bring him indoors, match him to the city's Rapid Rehousing program, and provide him much needed case management and housing search assistance. The rapid rehousing case manager connected him with benefits, Medi-Cal to supplement his Medicare, assisted him in finding a primary care doctor, and helped with his housing search. Interfaith's Case Manager continues to break down barriers with this individual to ensure that he will remain permanently housed after he leaves the program. Were it not for the support you provide this senior would have remained on the street. The extra dollars proposed today will help us to assist more Escondido homeless residents stabilize in permanent housing. Additionally, Interfaith knows the importance of having a well-rounded homeless system and thanks the city for acknowledging that Homelessness Prevention is just as important as Rapid Rehousing. We do not want to see households enter an already overwhelmed system. Interfaith continues to receive calls from Escondido residents seeking rental assistance because their income was affected by COVID-19. We are confident that Escondido residents will benefit from the proposed funding, as many applicants owe thousands of dollars in back rent. Thank you for your partnership and your investment in proven-effective programs and resources to help our neighbors in need.



ECOC
Escondido Chamber of Citizens

March 3, 2021

Subject: Agenda #10, Proposed Amendments to Campaign Control Ordinance

Dear Mayor McNamara and Escondido City Council members,

The Escondido Chamber of Citizens strongly opposes Agenda #10, pertaining to the proposed Amendments to the Campaign Control Ordinance. We urge the Escondido City Council to reject the proposed amendments and retain the current Campaign Control Ordinance that was approved and adopted in October 2020.

Council members are reminded there was broad public support of the current Campaign Control Ordinance in October 2020. It brought contribution limits into alignment with amounts more commonly applied in other jurisdictions in San Diego County. It established new limits to ensure a level playing field, with a fair requirement that every candidate starts at the same point. The proposed removal of the current requirement for dispersal of surplus campaign funds after the 2020 election creates an unfair disadvantage for new candidates, who don't benefit from prior corporate or vested interest support.

The proposed removal of this restriction creates an exclusive advantage only to incumbents that is disproportionate and unfair to new candidates competing in future elections. The proposed Amendments would allow incumbents with surplus campaign funds raised under the prior \$4,300 limit to roll those over to new seats. New candidates would have to raise campaign funds under new, lower limits. The proposed amendments create an unfair disparity.

The Board calls upon the City Council to uphold existing regulations as adopted. Tonight is a defining moment when voters count on elected officials to uphold the existing rules recently adopted, to retain a system for fair elections in Escondido. We believe winners should be chosen based on talent, core values, merit and skill, rather than an unfair advantage to earn the support of voters to occupy positions on the Escondido City Council.

Thank you for consideration of our comments.

The Escondido Chamber of Citizens

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Agenda # 10

Subject Read Out Loud

Position In Opposition

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Zip 92025

Comments I urge the city council to vote no on this resolution this will only give a financial advantage to the incumbents went running their campaigns against a potential challenger. I find this move by Councilwoman Inscoe to be self serving in the highest order, who else would benefit from it besides the people currently on the city council?

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Agenda # 10

Subject Campaign rule changes

Position In Opposition

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State CA

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Comments Dear Mayor and City Council, I strongly oppose the proposed changes to the election code as proposed. They achieve nothing but to revert the city to the old way of allowing undue influence of corporate interest money in our local elections. Last year, the Council looked deeply at this issue and came to a compromise which significantly improved how the city operated its local elections. Now, seemingly out of the blue, major revisions are proposed that would undo the work of the previous Council. These two changes are ill-advised because they create a very significant advantage to incumbents who have been able to raise money under old, excessively high limits, and removes the limits from political parties by re-designating them. The changes made last year provided the hope of a fair playing field for local elections. But, both of the changes proposed today would reverse that important progress. I strongly urge you not to go back. Please keep democracy in our city moving in the direction of more inclusivity and fair representation. Please reject these changes.

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Agenda # 10

Subject Please reject ORDINANCE NO. 2021-04

Position In Opposition

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State CA

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Comments I urge the council to vote no on item 10. To amend the much needed campaign finance reforms made last year is a transparent move to increase the advantage already held by incumbents. Incumbents already have the benefit of name recognition, and to allow them to roll over campaign funds amassed under the old contribution limits will make it much harder for challengers to compete. All candidates deserve to start on the same playing field.

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Agenda # Item 10

Subject Campaign finance

Position In Opposition

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Comments Read out loud. Do not make the proposed changes to rules for campaign finance funds..
They are not in the best interests of the voting citizens of Escondido.

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Agenda # 10

Subject Campaign Control Ordinance

Position In Opposition

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Comments I'm a constituent from District 3 in Escondido, and I oppose changes to revert reforms made in Oct. 2020 to the City's Campaign Control Ordinance as proposed by Item #10. We do not need more money in our elections. Prohibiting a carry-over surplus funds into a candidate's next local campaign allows all candidates to start on the same playing field. I also find it troubling to exclude a political party committee from being subject to our city's campaign laws. I ask that the City Council to vote no on the proposed changes in Item #10. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Agenda # 10

Subject Adoption of Ordinance Amending Campaign Control Ordinance

Position In Opposition

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Zip 92027

Comments As a political fundraising professional, I'm continually amazed at how awful the city of Escondido is on campaign financing. For a city that is the tenth the size of San Diego proper, we have a campaign contribution limit that is almost 7 times higher than them. 6.61 times or 662% higher than a city with 1.3 million people where each of the 9 city council districts represents more people than there are in Escondido. Their limit is \$650 per election, while ours is \$4300. Yet here we are discussing removing one of the only provisions that have helped city elections, not having roll over funds to give incumbents a war chest advantage. I implore the city council to not pass this amendment on campaign control and financing. But the reality is that I know this will fall on deaf ears, so Councilmember Inscoe, I'll be looking at all of your 460 reports with great interest.

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I would like to have the following addressed for future agenda on the following issue:

Aftermarket mufflers on motor cycles are beyond loud (even louder than jack hammers). I live off of East Valley Parkway and Citrus which was recently converted into 24/7 truck route, which has increased the noise pollution tremendously.

Please have city develop a municipal code for aftermarket mufflers on motorcycles. They affect people's health. It's a violation of state law. Governor Schwarzenegger passed an Assembly Bill regarding this issue. It's a nuisance to everyone.

I am requesting sound walls be placed in communities that are located near collector streets. The residents living nearby need protection.

Charlene Mitchell (resident of Escondido for 40 years)

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Agenda # 1

Subject Remove Racial Bias With Police Body Camera Analytics and Reduce Cloud Storage Costs Significantly

Position In Favor

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Comments Please read aloud: Comment: Dear citizens of Escondido you are being donated a free trial of our police body camera analytics software. Citizens across CA have requested we raise awareness in their home state with local and state government. This is a free, no obligation 60 day trial to evaluate cutting edge, new technology to improve policing in CA. These trials are only being offered to elected officials from 50 select cities around the United States as a donation from Amazon and GreenKey to help improve policing in this country. The purpose of the pilot is to process 1 year worth of police body camera data and to generate a respectfulness report. A respectfulness report will give you the data to understand what percentage of police interactions are positive, whether racial bias exists, which de-escalation tactics and officers are most effective, and much more. This report is confidential and will remain the property of your city. Less than 0.1% of your body camera data is being analyzed today. This free no obligation free trial will give you greater visibility into the everyday interactions of your police department and constituents. Our software can also help you to reduce your cloud storage costs significantly by replacing low risk (ex. routine traffic stops) body camera files with smaller versions/transcripts after your non-evidentiary retention period has passed. Thus, we are actually helping to reduce your city budget if you were to adopt this technology after the trial. Thank you for you time city council please contact me at nikhit@greenkeytech.com or 518-944-9232 if you would like to accept this donation to the city.

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