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To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 7:58:37 AM

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The density of the buildings being constructed creates more of a need for open space, not less. In most cases the developers are not providing outdoor space for the inhabitants of the buildings.

Parks are necessary for a healthy and thriving community. Consider for a moment what San Francisco would be like today if the leaders of that city did not have the foresight to include Golden Gate Park, Dolores Park and others in their vision.

Please do not approve any further cuts to park fees!

Sincerely,
Joan Johnson
650-366-7575

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From: mdelay@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Michael Delay](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
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Sincerely,
Michael Delay

From: acemo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mo Acevedo](#)
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From: jbenioff@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jeanne Benioff](#)
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Sincerely,
Jeanne Benioff

From: samrosmike@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Rosanne Simon](#)
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Sincerely,
Rosanne Simon

From: susan.hiestand@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Hiestand](#)
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From: adecarli009@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Anne DeCarli](#)
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Anne DeCarli

From: skirk2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Kirkpatrick](#)
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Sincerely,
Susan Kirkpatrick

From: ishka@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kate Ashley](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Thank you.

Sincerely,
Kate Ashley

From: suzanne.redell@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Suzanne Redell](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Sincerely,
Suzanne Redell

From: gmarkwith@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [gary markwith](#)
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gary markwith

From: sswopeca-js@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Swope](#)
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Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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It should be clear from the number of cranes all over Redwood City that the current park impact fees are not scaring developers (unless, of course, you've exempted them from paying it). Why would you take away their kicking in funding to provide open space for their residents and employees??? Makes no sense to me.

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Sincerely,
Susan Swope

From: perry.mccarty@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Perry McCarty](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 5:08:56 PM

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Dear Mayor Gee and Council Members,

I've lived in Redwood City starting in 1988. I was a software engineer during my career. Since retiring, I've become heavily involved as a volunteer at Edgewood Park & Preserve, and also as a volunteer at Jasper Ridge (Stanford's field station that includes Searsville Lake, a lake I used to swim at as a faculty brat at Stanford starting in 1962). There is so much that is improving at Redwood City, which was known as deadwood city when my wife and I purchased our home in Redwood City in 1988. I find it disappointing to learn that while Redwood City has so many development projects in progress (that Mary & I are generally thrilled with as improvements to the city core, that there is apparently insufficient commitment to ensuring sufficient open space, which is critical to our youth to have available to experience as they grow up.

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Perry McCarty

From: jamie@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jamie McDowall](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Sincerely,
Jamie McDowall

From: lonnyangel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lonny Rick Pini](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Saturday, June 8, 2024 4:36:22 PM

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Lonny and Richard Pini
Redwood City Residents over 40 years

Sincerely,
Lonny Rick Pini

From: karenzamel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Karen Zamel](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Saturday, June 8, 2024 10:57:31 PM

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Dear Mayor Gee and Council Members,

Hello! We are 27 year residents of Redwood City. Please don't cut funding for Redwood City parks any further. Redwood City is near the bottom of all the cities in San Mateo County in terms of how much parkland there is per capita. The park impact fees are necessary to keep our city from falling further behind.

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Sincerely,
Karen Zamel

From: [Rona Gundrum](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#); [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re: Agenda item 9B - Park Impact fees
Date: Sunday, June 9, 2024 5:17:31 PM

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Dear Mayor Gee and members of City Council,

I am not in favor of a reduction in Park Impact Fees for the Pipeline Market-Rate Residential Projects.

The Pipeline developers had the opportunity to proceed with their projects from July 2022 - July 2023 at a 50% reduced rate. If they did not take advantage of it then, why would they now?

Currently there are other factors affecting development projects from moving forward besides park impact fees. I can't imagine how continuing to offer reduced park fees will spur developers to proceed now when it didn't make a difference when other conditions were more favorable.

During COVID, the need for parks and open-space became very apparent for overall well-being and mental health.

Parks encourage physical activity by providing space for walking, jogging, cycling, and other recreational activities, which can help reduce obesity and related health issues. Exposure to natural environments has been shown to reduce anxiety, depression, and stress, contributing to better overall mental health.

Parks and open spaces play a crucial role in enhancing the quality of life for city residents. Currently we are below the desired amount of park space. The loss of revenue to build additional space will make the situation worse, as other housing projects are being built and the population is growing.

I encourage Council to follow staff recommendation not to reduce Park Impact Fees.

Thank you for your consideration.

Rona Gundrum
35-year Redwood Shores resident

From: [Rick Hunter](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Item 9.B. Parks Impact Fees Discounts
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 11:13:48 AM

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Dear Councilmembers,

I was looking forward to speaking at tonight's meeting, but ironically, I injured myself at one of our local parks last week, so I need to send my comments in writing instead.

As a former member and vice chair of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission, one of the concepts I learned and which I strongly advocated was "**green justice.**" Green justice focuses on the lack of green space available to children of color and low-income families. As the staff report discusses, the widely agreed upon goal of healthy communities is 3 acres of parks and open space per 1,000 residents. While Redwood City as a whole falls somewhat short of this figure, the 12,000 residents of Downtown have only 3.05 acres of City parkland, or just 0.25 acres per 1,000 residents. Yet residents of densely populated multi-family apartments have less personal green space than single-family homes, and should have more public parks, not less.

It is also important to note that the Parks Impact Fee is just that, a fee to ensure that new development pays a fair share of the costs associated with its impact. It is not a community benefit. Reducing the fee is nothing but a subsidy to the market rate housing developer. While this is entirely justified when applied to affordable housing, I see no such justification for market rate housing and the resulting demand for parks that it creates.

Respectfully,

Rick Hunter

From: [Mark Waldrop](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Agenda item 9C
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 1:51:18 PM

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Redwood City, CA 94062
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6/10/24

To the Redwood City Council

Re: Agenda item 9C

Dear Members of the City Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for maintaining the current funding for bike lanes along El Camino Real and elsewhere in our city budget. As an avid cyclist and a concerned resident, I believe that bike lanes are an essential component of our city's infrastructure, providing numerous benefits to the community at large.

Firstly, bike lanes significantly enhance safety for cyclists, pedestrians, and motorists alike. Dedicated lanes reduce the likelihood of accidents, ensuring that cyclists have a safe space on the road. This separation from vehicle traffic minimizes the risk of collisions and creates a more predictable environment for all road users. Studies consistently show that cities with well-designed bike lanes experience fewer accidents and injuries, ultimately saving lives and reducing healthcare costs.

Secondly, bike lanes promote healthier lifestyles by encouraging more residents to choose cycling as a mode of transportation. Regular physical activity is crucial for preventing chronic diseases such as heart disease, diabetes, and obesity. By making cycling a safer and more attractive option, we can help our community lead healthier lives, which can also lead to lower healthcare expenses in the long run.

Additionally, bike lanes contribute to environmental sustainability. Increased use of bicycles reduces the reliance on motor vehicles, leading to lower greenhouse gas emissions and improved air quality. In the face of growing concerns about climate

change and pollution, it is imperative that we invest in infrastructure that supports sustainable transportation alternatives. Bike lanes are a crucial step towards reducing our city's carbon footprint and promoting environmental stewardship.

Moreover, maintaining bike lane funding is an investment in our city's economic vitality. Bike-friendly cities attract tourists, businesses, and residents who value a high quality of life. Improved cycling infrastructure can stimulate local economies by increasing foot traffic to businesses and reducing transportation costs for residents. Cities that prioritize biking infrastructure often see a positive economic impact, as they become more attractive places to live, work, and visit.

Lastly, bike lanes foster a sense of community and inclusivity. They provide equitable transportation options for individuals who cannot afford or choose not to own a car. By supporting diverse modes of transportation, we ensure that our city is accessible to everyone, regardless of their economic background. This inclusivity strengthens the social fabric of our community and promotes a more connected and engaged citizenry.

In conclusion, maintaining funding for bike lanes in our city budget is not merely a matter of infrastructure, but a strategic investment in safety, health, environmental sustainability, economic vitality, and community inclusivity. I urge the City Council to continue prioritizing this important aspect of our transportation network, ensuring that our city remains a safe, healthy, and vibrant place for all its residents.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark Waldrop

From: [Laksh](#)
To: [publiccomment](#); [GRP-City Council](#); [Council-Jeff Gee](#); [Council-Lissette Espinoza-Garnica](#); [Council-Alicia Aguirre](#); [Council-Kaia Eakin](#); [Council-Diane Howard](#); [Council-Elmer MartinezSaballos](#); [Council-Christopher Sturken](#)
Subject: Potential Scam [Item #7.D] Redwood City must divest from war, occupation, and apartheid
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 1:56:12 PM

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Dear Redwood City Council,

I am writing as a member of the Redwood City for Ceasefire coalition to express my strong opposition to Redwood City's investment in companies that profit from war, occupation, and apartheid. We have regrettably witnessed over 8 months of atrocities and crimes against humanity in Gaza, with full diplomatic cover provided by the federal government. With our City's investment portfolio totaling \$330 million, we have the power and responsibility to make a direct impact for peace by divesting from companies that enable destruction.

Many of you have voiced your abhorrence for the violence in Palestine and beyond, and your desire for peace. **Now is the time to back those words with action.** Our city's investments currently support several companies and contractors that directly contribute to war and occupation:

- [Toyota](#) and [Hyundai](#) manufacture armored vehicles used by Israel to devastate Gaza.
- [Microsoft](#) provides technological support to Israel's military, including cloud computing and an app that tracks Palestinians' locations and private information as part of an invasive permitting process. This process enforces apartheid in the Occupied West Bank, forcing Palestinian workers to endure arduous commutes through checkpoints. [How many of you have a 4 hour commute?](#)
- Intel, headquartered nearby in Santa Clara, has heavily invested in Israel, including a new \$25 billion chipmaking factory. Intel's investments have significantly supported Israel's military operations, and it is Israel's largest private employer.

Given this context, I demand that Redwood City:

1. **DISCLOSE** the full extent of its investments in profiteers from war, apartheid, and occupation, including but not limited to entities enabling Israel's such actions in Palestine.
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There is local precedent for taking action like this. In January, the City of Hayward divested from Chevron, Caterpillar, Hyundai, and Intel. Caterpillar, for instance, has sold bulldozers used to destroy Palestinian homes, allowing settlers to seize them. Israel's settlements in the Occupied West Bank have been internationally recognized as illegal.

This is a material way for Redwood City to stand for peace and take concrete action against war and occupation. I urge you to act in alignment with the values of peace and justice that you have expressed.

Sincerely,

Laksh

From: [sentientscientist](#)
To: [publiccomment](#); [GRP-City Council](#); [Council-Jeff Gee](#); [Council-Lissette Espinoza-Garnica](#); [Council-Alicia Aguirre](#); [Council-Kaia Eakin](#); [Council-Diane Howard](#); [Council-Elmer MartinezSaballos](#); [Council-Christopher Sturken](#)
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Dear Redwood City Council,

My name is Sam and my wife and I have lived in RWC downtown for almost 5 years. I am writing to express my strong opposition to Redwood City's investment in companies that profit from war, occupation, and apartheid. It has been traumatizing to all of us — myself, my family, and my neighbors — to witness over 8 months of atrocities and crimes against humanity in Gaza supported by the federal government. With our City's investment portfolio totaling \$330 million, we have the power and responsibility to make a direct impact for peace by divesting from companies that enable destruction.

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Sincerely,
Sam J.
Redwood City, CA 94063

From: [Michelle Nyström](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Potential Scam Need additional funding for Cordilleras Creek improvements
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Hello Redwood City City Council,

Thank you for taking the time to read my request. I live next to the Cordilleras Creek in the Alphabet neighborhood, where half of the creek width lies in the back of my property. Over the years of living in this house I have noticed 2 growing problems in the creek.

1) The creek base depth has slowly been rising, which means less volume of water can flow through the creek behind my house and other neighborhood homes along G Street. This is occurring as dirt and rocks are being pushed from upstream and resting downstream, where we are located. There is no way for an average property owner to dredge the creek like the creeks are being dredged by the city/government organizations at the bridges.

2) I observe significant bank erosion. Two years ago, multiple trees fell down that were on the creek bank due to the high winds and saturated grounds. Some of those trees were behind my house and my upstream neighbor. When they fell, the bank was significantly damaged in that area. We filled some of the gap with temporary sand bags, but a more permanent solution needs to be installed to prevent the failure of the bank and causing direct damage to our backyards area and future risk of more flooding. But the fallen trees are not the only problem. I see the bank eroding behind multiple other trees behind my house (either my property or the school property behind me) and many other homes in the neighborhood, exposing a significant amount of roots. This causes higher risk for these trees to fall in future storms as the trees are losing their support bed.

Creek maintenance can not only be performed at the bridges. There are numerous points of failure in the creek and we need more funding to help support property owners to properly maintain the health of the creek. The risk of my house flooding in the next major storm does not rely only on my ability to perform costly repairs and maintenance of the creek, but also relies on my upstream neighbors to do the same. Providing financial support would help ensure that all owners can keep the creek bed healthy and reduce the risk of future floods.

Thank you

Best,
Michelle
G Street
Redwood City

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To: [publiccomment](#)
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To the Redwood City Council

Re: Agenda item 9C

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Sincerely,

Mark Waldrop

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I suggest that you pull up “ 2005 Urban Water Management Plan” Management Roundtable” Sept 21 & 24 2005 . Look under “Urban Water Management Plan”. I am most interested in IV “ Creek Water Management:)

It is a possible solution to the Cordilleras Creek flooding in the Centennial Neighborhood.

We are still waiting for a solution promised to the Neighborhood.

Sent from my iPhone(650-533-1158)

From: [John](#)
To: [publiccomment](#); [GRP-City Council](#); [Council-Jeff Gee](#); [Council-Lissette Espinoza-Garnica](#); [Council-Alicia Aguirre](#); [Council-Kaia Eakin](#); [Council-Diane Howard](#); [Council-Elmer MartinezSaballos](#); [Council-Christopher Sturken](#)
Subject: [Item #7.D] I demand our city divest from war, occupation, and apartheid!
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 4:23:32 PM

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Dear Redwood City Council,

I'm a resident of Redwood City and a Palestinian American. I don't want my tax dollars to fund the killing of my baby brothers and sisters in Palestine. By investing in the companies you do invest in you are complicit in Genocide and murder. When you wouldn't vote for a ceasefire, you said this isn't a local issue, well guess what funding genocide with my tax dollars is. You have blood on your hands!

Redwood City's investment in companies that profit from murder, war, occupation, and apartheid. We have regrettably witnessed over 8 months of atrocities and crimes against humanity in Gaza, with full diplomatic cover provided by the federal government. With our City's investment portfolio totaling \$330 million, we have the power and responsibility to make a direct impact for peace by divesting from companies that enable destruction.

Many of you have voiced your abhorrence for the violence in Palestine and beyond, and your desire for peace. **Now is the time to back those words with action.** Our city's investments currently support several companies that directly contribute to war and occupation:

- [Toyota](#) and [Hyundai](#) manufacture armored vehicles used by Israel to devastate Gaza.
- [Microsoft](#) provides technological support to Israel's military, including cloud computing, as well as an app that tracks Palestinians' locations and private information as part of an invasive permitting process. This process enforces apartheid in the Occupied West Bank, forcing Palestinian workers to endure arduous commutes through checkpoints. [How many of you have a 4 hour commute?](#)
- Intel, headquartered nearby in Santa Clara, has heavily invested in Israel, including a new \$25 billion chipmaking factory. Intel's investments have significantly supported Israel's military operations, and it is Israel's largest private employer.

Given this context, I demand that Redwood City:

1. **DISCLOSE** the full extent of its investments in profiteers from war, apartheid, and occupation, including but not limited to entities enabling Israel's such actions in Palestine.
2. **DIVEST** from all offending entities and reallocate investments towards those that enable community well-being.

There is local precedent for taking action like this. In January, the City of Hayward divested

from Chevron, Caterpillar, Hyundai, and Intel. Caterpillar, for instance, has sold bulldozers used to destroy Palestinian homes, allowing settlers to seize them. Israel's settlements in the Occupied West Bank have been internationally recognized as illegal.

This is a material way for Redwood City to stand for peace and take concrete action against war and occupation. I urge you to act in alignment with the values of peace and justice that you have expressed.

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Sincerely,

Julie Walling

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Sincerely,

From: [Sue McGill](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Fwd: Cordilleras Creek flooding
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 4:31:04 PM

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Hello,

Please support longterm efforts to mitigate the flooding of Cordilleras Creek. My neighbors on G Street suffered greatly from flood damage caused by the creek flooding in December 2022, and it is likely to occur again in the future.

Thank you for your consideration,
Susan McGill
218 G Street, RWC

From: [Chris Robell](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Cc: [Chris Robell](#)
Subject: Public comment re: Item 6 for tonight's city council meeting
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 4:17:00 PM

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Dear City Council,

The City has formed a Business License Tax ad hoc committee. As you know, ad hoc committees are typically held with a subset of city council members and city staff which are not open to the public. Such closed committees can make sense for temporary projects that are very specific in nature and not of general interest to large segments of the community. For example, there are ad hoc committees in place to consider projects at specific addresses in the city (e.g., 901 El Camino Real Project).

What is concerning is there is an ad hoc committee formed, comprised of Alicia Aguirre, Diane Howard and Chris Sturken, to work on the Business License Tax.

The business license tax is undoubtedly one of the most important topic you are working on. It involves millions of dollars of new taxes for segments of the business community. While any decisions will be brought before the full council, we all know it is very unusual for the full council to not approve something worked on by a subcommittee or ad hoc committee.

Such an economically important topic with broad interest should be held in the open, so the public can participate. While the city thinks this is legal, it is not transparent and open.. I was frankly expecting it would be covered by the Finance and Audit Subcommittee which is where this topic was previously discussed.

To the extent there is an ad hoc committee for such an important task (again, a bad idea), the formation of the ad hoc committee should first be ANNOUNCED to the public before they meet. This committee has already met yet no one from the public knew about it.

Again, it is just bad governance and process even if technically legal. We shouldn't be an outlier relative to other cities in the Bay Area.

Please open up any further meetings regarding any new proposed taxes so interested community members can participate or at least watch what is happening.

And do not have ad hoc committees meet before the public even knows about their creation or who is on it.

Thank you,
Chris Robell

From: gmarkwith@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [gary markwith](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 3:09:46 PM

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Dear Mayor Gee and Council Members,

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As new development is approved and the population increases, our parks will be further burdened if we do not require new development to contribute towards our park system.

Parks are necessary for a healthy and thriving community. The pandemic made it abundantly clear that people need to be able to get outside to relax, socialize and enjoy nature. Particularly for those who do not have private backyards, access to parks is a matter of equity.

Please do not approve any further cuts to park fees!

Sincerely,
gary markwith

From: sswopeca-js@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Swope](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 4:51:59 PM

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It should be clear from the number of cranes all over Redwood City that the current park impact fees are not scaring developers (unless, of course, you've exempted them from paying it). Why would you take away their kicking in funding to provide open space for their residents and employees??? Makes no sense to me.

Please do not approve any further cuts to park fees!

Sincerely,
Susan Swope

From: [Kate Ashby](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: RE: Re Agenda Item 9.B. Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Monday, June 30, 2020 12:17 PM

Thank you Yvanka.

Good afternoon Kate,

Thank you for sharing your thoughts on the Parks Impact Fee discussion. I'm writing to notify you that this item has been postponed, and will be heard at the next regular City Council meeting of June 24.

Regards,

Yvanka Chetro, CMC, CPMA
City Clerk
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To support community and employee health, many City services are being offered virtually or with modifications. See current information about City services and operating hours here. Visit MyRWC to access services available online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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From: ashby@cityofredwoodcity.com
Sent: Friday, June 7, 2020 11:26 AM
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Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B. Don't Cut Funding for Parks

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Sincerely,

Kate Ashby

From: almawfletcher@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Alma Fletcher](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Alma Fletcher

From: [Sheree Luttrell](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Cc: [Sheree Luttrell](#)
Subject: Redwood City Council
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 6:32:13 PM

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I want to add my name to the list of Redwood City Residents that are very concerned about the direction the City Council is taking relative to dense housing, open space, parks and mental and physical health.

Redwood City, in an possible attempt to be a superstar with the State of California, has committed to building more housing, including low income housing , than was required by our housing element plan. Some of these projects have little to no open space for residents. Simultaneously, you are now considering DECREASING developer fees to encourage even more and denser building, while taking that cost reduction out of the City parks budget. This is SHAMEFUL.

I recently attended an event for Peninsula Volunteers, where a representative from the County of San Mateo so eloquently spoke of the devastating loneliness and isolation that many local citizens have experienced both during and after COVID, and also as a result of technology, aging, poor health, living alone or having no family in the community. In fact, this representative indicated that San Mateo County was the first in the nation to call this issue a County wide crisis. The County declaration caught the attention of the US National Institutes of Health, and in fact, the NIH has now added loneliness and isolation as a top national public health crisis.

This, while you densify, beyond what was required by the State, and simultaneously propose to reduce funding to our local outdoor green spaces/parks - spaces which are havens for social and physical activity, health, community events, human connection and opportunities to decompress in this often overwhelming world by being in nature.

What kind of Redwood City are you building and supporting? Some of the dense housing /low income applications I've seen have little to no open space, and future residents are expected to use public transportation to get to options elsewhere. Some of these same developments destroy existing residential homes and yards by eliminating their natural light, as well as the ability to grow any plants or trees. Some of these same developments are tied to other commercial developments which have their own open space built in, as a part of their building plans. These open spaces on the campuses of commercial buildings are for the use of out of town office workers, or out of town hotel guests (Sequoia), but no where near the residents of the dense housing developments.

Please think carefully about your next steps. Redwood City's open space, parks and green zones are one of the reasons that I and many of my friends, family and colleagues live here. **DO NOT REDUCE THE BUDGET FOR PUBLIC PARKS** in order to reduce fees for developers. Please make green space and parks a priority!

Sheree Luttrell
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From: [Clara Jaeckel](#)
To: [publiccomment](#)
Subject: Re: public comment for 6/10/2024 agenda item 9C
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 10:20:54 PM

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Is there still time to read my comment on this item?

Thanks,
Clara

On Mon, Jun 10, 2024 at 10:46 AM Redwood City City Council <council-autoreply@redwoodcity.org> wrote:

Dear Clara,

On behalf of the City Council, thank you for writing to express your thoughts about item 9.C.; Fiscal Year 2024-25 Recommended Budget study session and date setting for the public hearing and adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Recommended Budget. Each Councilmember has received your comments and they will be considered when the City Council discusses this item at its meeting tonight.

Respectfully,

Yessika Castro, CMC, CPMC
City Clerk
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From: Clara Jaeckel <claraejaeckel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 10, 2024 8:25 AM
To: publiccomment <publiccomment@redwoodcity.org>; GRP-City Council <council@redwoodcity.org>
Subject: public comment for 6/10/2024 agenda item 9C

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For agenda item 9C, I appreciate all the work that went into the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Recommended Budget and the efforts to keep the city on an even financial keel. As we look at how to use our communal funds, it's critical to focus on the services that allow people to thrive, including housing, youth programming, job development, and neighborhood infrastructure maintenance through public works. Particularly when trying to plan sustainable service levels over a longer period, we need to direct the majority of our funds to

these areas to create the foundation for the community as a whole to have lasting safety and wellbeing.

To that end, it's great to see the funds for council and resident priorities include a strong investment in road and sidewalk maintenance, which not only improves physical safety but has been shown to reduce crime as well.

I am concerned, however, to see \$1,000,000 allocated to a Security Camera Program. I would first urge using that amount on wellbeing services instead. If you do proceed with spending on surveillance equipment, we need strong safeguards to protect privacy rights and ensure accountability. The best protection against misuse is to purge images as quickly as possible after they're collected unless there's specific reason to believe they contain evidence of harm.

We also need robust policies limiting who can access the captured images, with regular oversight and audits, to protect against abuses such as stalking and harassment, hacker exploits, and vendors taking images as fodder for algorithm training. So I urge you to weigh these risks before approving funding for such a program.

Thank you,
Clara Jaeckel

From: stevenwrussell@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Steven Russell](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 6:41:27 AM

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Sincerely,
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From: ttorrescoyote@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Tony Torres](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Sincerely,
Joan Johnson
650-366-7575

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From: mdelay@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Michael Delay](#)
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Sincerely,
Michael Delay

From: acemo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Mo Acevedo](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 8:23:36 AM

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Mo Acevedo

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Sincerely,
Jeanne Benioff

From: glw2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [George Wilkinson](#)
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Sincerely,
George Wilkinson

From: samrosmike@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Rosanne Simon](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
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Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 9:12:56 AM

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Sincerely,
Rosanne Simon

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To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Sincerely,
Susan Hiestand

From: adecarli009@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Anne DeCarli](#)
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Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Sincerely,
Anne DeCarli

From: skirk2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Kirkpatrick](#)
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Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Sincerely,
Susan Kirkpatrick

From: [Paul Collacchi](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Please Don't Reduce Park Impact Fees for In-Pipeline Market Rate housing projects.
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 11:11:11 AM
Attachments: [Most of San Mateos Large Developments on Hold by finances.pdf](#)

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Honorable Council Members,

Please don't reduce Park Impact Fees, particularly for "market-rate" housing projects already in the pipeline.

It will not stimulate or expedite housing construction.

Since these projects are already in the pipeline the fee reduction would not encourage their submission. They are already deemed "feasible" by the current applicants, owner/developers/investors, at the current fee rate. There is no need to reduce the fee rate to make them "more" feasible.

Current delays for new housing construction are due to declining rents and high interest rates (see attached). Since the proposed fee reduction does not address either of these core structural issues it will not expedite construction.

Once projects are submitted and entitled, they ultimately built. Applicants simply wait for favorable market conditions (rents and interest), as they have with other RWC project approvals, where applicants have negotiated Developer Agreements to preserve their entitlements for decades.

You do have a public obligation to fund infrastructure, maintain quality of life, and ask of new market-rate tenants that they pay a fair share of their costs to the community.

Thanks, for your consideration,

Paul Collacchi
Redwood City, CA

From the attached SM Journal Article:

Most of San Mateo's large developments on hold by finances

Remote work patterns, stagnant rent prices spell trouble for anticipated housing construction

“Lenders are looking at deals, seeing that interest rates keep going up, rents are not going up, and they’re saying the deal is going to be underwater when it gets built,” “The demand issue for multi-family [residential] and the lack of

rent increases is driven by the back-to-office delay. They're intrinsically tied together.

“Equity investors are looking at the anemic returns on multi-family development deals, and saying, ‘Why would I go invest at 4.5% or 5%, when I can go buy a 10-year treasury bond at 5.5% and take no risk?’”

“Obviously, we want to see housing production. We have [RHNA] targets we're striving to hit, and we know there's a housing need out there,” Dahl said. ***“But really, our understanding is that there are much larger economic issues, whether it's with financing or banks' abilities to lend, that are outside of our control.”***



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From: ishka@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kate Ashley](#)
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Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
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Thank you.

Sincerely,
Kate Ashley

From: suzanne.redell@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Suzanne Redell](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 1:40:22 PM

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Sincerely,
Suzanne Redell

From: murphy.dennis@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Dennis Murphy](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 2:34:09 PM

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Sincerely,
Dennis Murphy

From: gmarkwith@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [gary markwith](#)
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Sincerely,
gary markwith

From: sswopeca-js@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Susan Swope](#)
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It should be clear from the number of cranes all over Redwood City that the current park impact fees are not scaring developers (unless, of course, you've exempted them from paying it). Why would you take away their kicking in funding to provide open space for their residents and employees??? Makes no sense to me.

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Sincerely,
Susan Swope

From: perry.mccarty@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Perry McCarty](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 5:09:00 PM

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Dear Mayor Gee and Council Members,

I've lived in Redwood City starting in 1988. I was a software engineer during my career. Since retiring, I've become heavily involved as a volunteer at Edgewood Park & Preserve, and also as a volunteer at Jasper Ridge (Stanford's field station that includes Searsville Lake, a lake I used to swim at as a faculty brat at Stanford starting in 1962). There is so much that is improving at Redwood City, which was known as deadwood city when my wife and I purchased our home in Redwood City in 1988. I find it disappointing to learn that while Redwood City has so many development projects in progress (that Mary & I are generally thrilled with as improvements to the city core, that there is apparently insufficient commitment to ensuring sufficient open space, which is critical to our youth to have available to experience as they grow up.

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Sincerely,
Perry McCarty

From: jamie@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jamie McDowall](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 10:32:59 PM

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Sincerely,
Jamie McDowall

From: lonnyangel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Lonny Rick Pini](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Saturday, June 8, 2024 4:36:23 PM

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Lonny and Richard Pini
Redwood City Residents over 40 years

Sincerely,
Lonny Rick Pini

From: karenzamel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Karen Zamel](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
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Date: Saturday, June 8, 2024 10:57:32 PM

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Dear Mayor Gee and Council Members,

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Sincerely,
Karen Zamel

From: almawfletcher@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Alma Fletcher](#)
To: [GRP-City Council](#)
Subject: Re Agenda Item 9.B: Don't Cut Funding for Parks
Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 6:03:29 PM

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Sincerely,
Alma Fletcher



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DATE: 6/10/24 PHONE NO _____

NAME: Jack

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NAME: Mishal

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DATE: 6/10/2024 PHONE NO 650 971-1945

NAME: "MARCO GARCIA"

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DATE: 06/10/24 PHONE NO 650-208-4974

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DATE: 6/10/24 PHONE NO _____

NAME: Marcelene Luna

ADDRESS: _____ ZIP: _____

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DATE: 10 June 2024 PHONE NO 801-997-8550

NAME: Taylor Pope

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NAME: Dylan K. Finch

ZIP: 94063

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS RWG.ENJOYER@DKFMAIL.NET

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