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From: R. Eric King <eric@laserinnovations.com>
Sent: Monday, November 9, 2020 10:47 AM
To: ClerkoftheBoard
Subject: RE: Item 34 of REGULAR MEETING AGENDA for November 10, 2020

Importance: High

Dear Clerk of the Board,

Thank you for confirming receipt of my email.

As an addendum to my letter attached to my email of November 8th, 2020; could you also include this statement:

6) This action could also be interpreted as the placement of a Restrictive Covenant and/or more appropriately a Conservation Easement on Private Property. I believe this is also over-reaching & outside the legal authority of the County of Ventura; as it affects Real Property Rights. Altering these rights will have an impact on ALL existing recorded instrument[s]; this may result in violation of **California Government Code Section 27288.1**

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Subject: RE: Item 34 of REGULAR MEETING AGENDA for November 10, 2020
From: ClerkoftheBoard <ClerkoftheBoard@ventura.org>
Date: Mon, November 09, 2020 8:15 am
To: "R. Eric King" <eric@laserinnovations.com>

Thank you for sharing your comments. A copy of your e-mail will be provided to the Board of Supervisors for their review and made part of the official record.

From: R. Eric King [<mailto:eric@laserinnovations.com>]
Sent: Sunday, November 8, 2020 10:16 AM
To: ClerkoftheBoard <ClerkoftheBoard@ventura.org>; Bennett, Steve <Steve.Bennett@ventura.org>; Parks, Linda <Linda.Parks@ventura.org>; Long, Kelly <Kelly.Long@ventura.org>; Supervisor Huber <Supervisor.Huber@ventura.org>; Zaragoza, John <John.Zaragoza@ventura.org>
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Dear Clerk of the Board - County of Ventura,

Please include this attached letter into the Public File, for the "Regular Meeting" to be held on **November 10th, 2020** at 8:30am.

Thank you for your time, and
Best regards,

R. Eric King

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
800 S. Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

RE: Item 34 of REGULAR MEETING AGENDA for November 10, 2020

Dear County Board of Supervisors,

As an employer in this county for over 30 years, working internationally; I fully understand the need to limit the carbon footprint of fossil fuels on a regional basis & around the globe.

The issue I see with VC 2040 GP is that it's too overbroad & too over reaching under the authority granted to this body by The California State Constitution and The California State Legislature.

Simply put, this GP cuts the nose off of the proverbial face of this county. The oil & gas produced here, is consumed here locally in the County of Ventura and within the Great State of California; resulting in the smallest possible carbon footprint from "*cradle-to-grave*".

Restricting and Limiting the amount of Oil & Gas produced here locally **will neither reduce the demand nor consumption here**; thereby increasing the importation of oil via *oil tankers* that traverse the vast oceans of our planet. The transportation of Imported Oil from a foreign country has a Carbon Footprint of 20-30x greater per barrel than that same barrel of oil produced locally; due to many factors, mainly the lack of environmental regulations in a foreign country combined by the means by which it is transported to our shores.

This letter is not only to enlighten the Public and this County Board of their *Fool's Errand*; but to preserve my legal rights as a Tax Paying Property Owner in the event of future litigation.

I Strongly Oppose Item 34 for many reasons, but not limited to the foregoing:

- 1) This is a direct and/or collateral "Taking" of One's deeded property rights from the property owners within the County of Ventura; this is an illegal Eminent Domain Action.
- 2) The long term goal of this Board may on its face appear to be a Nobel one, though it is very short sided as it lacks the long term vision required to keep the "*Highest paid Industry*" in the County employed here. [fn1]
- 3) The Oil & Gas Industry produces \$60 Million annually in tax revenues for the County of Ventura; during a Global Pandemic by which all other forms of local tax revenue has decreased, diminished or simply dissolved.
- 4) Secondary impacts of this plan will be the loss of all those collateral businesses that support that industry, their tax revenue & their employees tax revenue[s]

5) The taxable revenue stream brought into this county from all the deeded land owners holding royalty interests in their mineral rights [aka Real Property Rights] will also be gone.

I find it very strange that those who carry the torch in the name of *protecting the environment* are the same people who rely the most on revenue generated by the Tax Payers; yet cannot see the trees because they are too deep in the forest.

Slowly chopping down this tree, especially during unprecedented times as these, will only further the Exodus of a skilled workforce, small business owners, and the many tax generating & tax paying residents from this County; which assuredly will jeopardize Local Education, Health, other Public Safety Agencies, and the Salaries/Pensions of those public employees therein.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard Eric King
Ventura County Resident
Business Owner
Property Owner
Tax Payer

"No man knows what price he pays for substandard parts, or slipshod service, until fate adds the cost of tragedy to his bill."

- George Carroll
Ventura, CA

Foot Notes:

1) <https://datausa.io/profile/geo/ventura-county-ca/#economy>