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Clerk of the Board, Agenda Item 44 [March 28, 2023]

Money can swing election results. That's why I support campaign donation limits to all elections. To rescind current limits is to turn our backs on the democratic process of free and fair elections where money is not the deciding factor.

Supervisor Gorrell's and Supervisor Parvin's proposal attempts to benefit Supervisor Long's next election where she will meet stiff resistance, especially in Northeast Oxnard. Supervisor Long voted to expand drilling at a site adjacent to Lemonwood, a neighborhood already suffering from toxic impacts of oil extraction. Oil and other special interests must be prohibited from the unlimited ability to buy elections for their chosen candidates.

Please reject Agenda Item 44, a proposal that defies the democratic process. Support fair and balanced elections where special interest money is not allowed to buy the outcome. It must be forbidden.

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