

**WRITTEN
PUBLIC
COMMENT**

**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING**

FEBRUARY 15, 2022

From: Brad Anderson [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 12:00 PM
To: City Clerk Mail
Subject: Written Public Comment(s) for La Quinta City Council meeting 2/15/22 - 4:PM

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February 15, 2022

City of La Quinta
City Council
78495 Calle Tampico
La Quinta, CA. 92253
Attn: Clerk of the Board

Re: Written letter to be entered into the Public record and made available to the general public for the scheduled La Quinta City Council meeting of February 15, 2022 - 4:PM session, Agenda Item: 7 (continuous reinstatement of CA. AB361)
(Submitted in accordance with California's AB361)

Dear La Quinta City Council,

Please consider allowing citizens the opportunity to participate in live In-person Open Public meetings of the City of La Quinta and its many sub committees and commissions.
The declared California State of Emergency continues to be abused by the actions to subvert the Public's ability to activity participate with Public testimony during the precived Open Public meetings of this City. Along with City Council members misuse of Californias AB361 to attend out of State family business events.
It's concerning that this progressive Council would consider the actions to allow for City staff (see agenda Item's 5 & 6) to travel "overnights" to events that would fight with the narrative of "Social Distancing" the main aspect of Californias AB361.
It's clear that AB361 have been and continues to be missused by Governmental agencies to suspend certain safeguards of Californias Brown Act.
Consider integrity while serving the Public

Sincerely,

Brad Anderson | Rancho Mirage, CA. | [REDACTED]

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From: Nichole Romane <nromane@laquintaca.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 5:27 PM
To: Brad Anderson [REDACTED]
Cc: Monika Radeva <mradeva@laquintaca.gov>
Subject: RECEIVED: Anderson, Brad 2022-02-15 Verbal Public Comment

Mr. Anderson, you were allowed to speak on both, items Not on the Agenda and items listed on the Agenda via teleconference as requested.

Your written comments have been entered into the record.

You were also notified that you could attend the meeting in-person, which you chose not to and instead elected to participate via teleconference accessibility pursuant to AB 361 – Consent Calendar Item No. 7 on tonight’s agenda.

Public comments are facilitated by the Mayor once notification is received, which with teleconference there generally is a delay, as staff has to pass on the message to the Mayor once received. The Mayor clearly stated when you were allowed to speak initially on “Matters Not on the Agenda” that you could provide comments on both items, as I specifically stated that your email correspondence noted you wished to provide comments on Consent Calendar No. 7. If you wish a speedier response, you could consider attending in-person instead of via teleconference pursuant to AB 361.

Further, your additional written statements/questions were responded to in real time. The City’s agenda clearly states that every effort shall be made to do so; however, if not possible, comments received prior to the adjournment of the meeting shall be included in the record.

In the future, you may wish to remain on the line after you have concluded your verbal comments so you may hear the comments and responses provided by the Council and City Attorney in response to your comments. To date, you have never remained on the line to hear such responses.

The City provides ample opportunity for public participation and exercises great care and transparency in doing so as demonstrated by the multiple avenues you and every other member of the public is allowed to participate in public meetings, which you have utilized many times, and which are in place due to the teleconference accessibility allowances in accordance with the Brown Act (AB 361).

This email correspondence completes the City's response to your comments/questions. Your comments below and the City's response herein will be entered into the record for this meeting.



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From: Brad Anderson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 5:05 PM
To: Nichole Romane <nromane@laquintaca.gov>
Cc: Monika Radeva <mradeva@laquintaca.gov>; City Clerk Mail <CityClerkMail@laquintaca.gov>
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City of La Quinta
Attn: Clerk of the Board/Board members

Thank you for the response, but as you are aware I was not allowed the opportunity to speak on Agenda Item's other than Non-Agenda topics when I was allowed to be entered into the active meeting. And as you are aware, I was not allowed the opportunity to be entered into the meeting for Public testimony on Agenda Item's (Consent Calendar) even after email notification were delivered to your department and repeated raised hands were used during the time when those agenda items were presented.

Also allowing my participate after-the- fact (Public testimony) where No City Council action was taken to repeal prior board actions to approve the consent calendar was senseless and potentially out of order for good and fair governance (Best practices).

Please allow this letter (email) and all other related to be entered in to this City Council meeting (2/15/2022)

Please strive to perform your official duties with integrity and honor

Sincerely,

Brad Anderson | Rancho Mirage, CA. | [REDACTED]

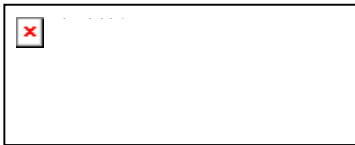
On Tue, Feb 15, 2022, 4:37 PM Nichole Romane <nromane@laquintaca.gov> wrote:

Your raised hand was noted. You were provided opportunity to speak by the Mayor on both items at the beginning of the meeting.

The Council is aware of your request and may provide opportunity for comments after the fact when appropriate, please continue your teleconference attendance.

Of course, you are also able to attend in-person as well if you choose to do so.

Thank you.



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From: Brad Anderson [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 4:34 PM
To: Laurie McGinley <lmcginley@laquintaca.gov>
Cc: City Clerk Mail <CityClerkMail@laquintaca.gov>
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Dear City of La Quinta,
Attn: Clerk of the Board

As it was mention earlier by the host (clerk)
I was providing Public testimony by telephone

I'm still on the phone line - as you are aware, my attempts to raise my hand was not being noticed by your department? And my request to speak on Agenda Item: 7 was denied?

Please address this "oversight" before continuing with the meeting

Sincerely,

Brad Anderson | Rancho Mirage, Ca | [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On Tue, Feb 15, 2022, 3:53 PM Laurie McGinley <lmcginley@laquintaca.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Will you be providing verbal comments in-person or via Zoom/telephone?

Thank you,

Laurie McGinley | Management Assistant
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From: Brad Anderson [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 3:51 PM
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Dear City of La Quinta
Attn: Clerk of the Board

Please consider allowing time for Public testimony on Agenda Item's:

- 1) Non-Agenda Public comment
- 2) Agenda Item: 7

Thank you,

Brad Anderson | Rancho Mirage, CA. | [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: Edward Armendarez [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 4:53 PM
To: Monika Radeva
Subject: Patrol Car/Motor bike?Summer Heat? Air Conditioning?

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Hi Monika. This might be ridiculous because I'm writing this watching the Council Meeting live, but a question comes up with switching out cars for motorcycles; what about in the summertime when temperatures are 128 degrees? Isn't it better to have air conditioning? Who's going to want to be out in all that gear in the heat?

Edward Armendarez
[REDACTED]

From: Steve Cherry [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, February 11, 2022 7:13 AM
To: City Clerk Mail
Subject: Written Comments

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With regard to "Talus - Project Status"

Delightful 2+ minute video from which it looks like I would not be welcome at Talus since no one in the video looks older than 40 or 50 tops. Was this intentional?

Of course, if I showed up with a suitcase full on money then I might be allowed to join the younger crowd.

Steve Cherry
La Quinta, CA
[REDACTED]



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Mayor Evans, Mayor Pro Tem Fitzpatrick, Council Members and City officials. My name is Anast Demitt and I am a resident of Trilogy in south La Quinta.

On behalf of the LQRRD, I would like to make the following short presentation regarding the projected water demand included in the DEIR for the Coral Mountain Wave Festival Project. On November 11, 2021 a memo was sent by Kelly Clark of Terra Nova Planning to Eric Ceja, Director of Development Services for the City of Palm Desert, regarding the DSRT SURF Project Water Demand Analysis. This is a public document posted on the city of Palm Desert's web page for the DSRT SURF project.

Amongst other items discussed in that memo, a point was raised about the Wave at Coral Mountain that said and I quote... " Similar projects in the Valley, specifically the Wave at Coral Mountain in La Quinta (the Wave), used an oversimplified CVWD evaporation rate for the wave pool based on a "Plant Factor of 1.10 for a stationary body of water, and 1.20 for a moving body of water".

The memo goes on to state, and I quote:

"The analysis does not appear to account for annual loss due to backwash, spilling or potential refilling of the wave pool. Compared to the La Quinta Wave Project, DSRT SURF used conservative water demand estimates that assume the surf lagoon will require complete filling each year, accounts for water loss due to backwash and spilling and uses historical weather data to account for monthly temperatures, humidity, wind, cloud cover, and solar radiation that affect evaporation rates".

We, the La Quinta Residents for Responsible Development, brought the Terra Nova memo to the attention of our attorneys. You, as members of City Council, received a copy of the attorneys' letter. As of today, our attorneys have yet to receive a response to our letter. The reason behind the letter to the City Officials was, in view of this new information coming to light, to ask for a new DEIR to be issued. We request a new DEIR that provides a more comprehensive and detailed water consumption analysis given that Terra Nova stated the original analysis was "oversimplified" and did not address maintenance and refilling water demand or the other concerns mentioned earlier.

A new or amended DEIR including all of the relevant information for water demand estimates included in the EIR for DSRT SURF would allow for continued trust in the CEQA Process, which Mayor Evans has advised us to have. It would also allow for required public review and input as well as for analysis by our experts, prior to distribution in a final EIR.

Thank you for your attention and consideration of this matter.