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July 18 2023

Public Comment on Fire Tax Increase.
("Measure Mini 'v' a Grass Valley Scam.")

- Believe Mail In Ballot to be Illegal.
- Words used by the City Manager Tim Kiser such as "primarily" and "potentially" are Red Flags.
- No Facility available for another Engine and Staff.
- Measure "E" in 2018 raised Sales Tax $\frac{1}{2}\%$ for promised Paramedics on Fire Trucks and Engines, yet Zero have been provided. Where did the money go? Millions of Dollars Missing - YUP.
- Grass Valley is in the Red for the 23-24 Budget due to overspending. \$14 million, plus.
- I see this as another money grab by Tim Kiser, City Manager of Grass Valley.
- It's disappointing that Fire Chief Mark Buttron is going along with it, Wow!
- Question to Mark; How many times have I talked with you about the City of G.V.'s dry piles of Green Waste in the parks, schools & "City Owned Properties"? As well as the fire dangers on "Developers Properties" that the City ignores completely. Homeless Camps included. Please Answer During the Meeting so the Public can Understand the City's do nothing plan of action. Please mention the



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other Fire Taxes that have been approved without a vote. I.E. \$20. per parcel last year.

I've asked for years for the Fire Department to correct the G.V. schools, to stop dumping thier green waste behind schools Nevada Union being the worst currently, & ongoing. Threatening Senior Homes, Neighborhoods, and children in schools with a Fire EVENT.

Why Does Truckee have a 'Grapple Truck' with a claw, to pick up Green waste at sight, v. the West Slope must load, transport, and unload, with P.O.V.s? They have removed 4000 piles of Green Waste in one year with this Truck.

I've watched this deadily slow movement Tax the Citizens for Services and not deliver, for Years. It's long overdue for Grass Valley Public Works to Stop driving around in empty trucks, & pick up some green waste that they pass by dazily.

More Tax Income for the City will not cure Lazyness. It's time for the Public Servznts to Serve, or move along.

Please Read my comment during the meeting & answer my questions. Thankyou.

Miranda Bacon

From: ROGERS WINSLOW <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 5:18 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: Voice Mail (1 minute and 40 seconds)
Attachments: audio.mp3

Hello, I'm Susan Rogers and I live at 640 Charlene Lane in the City of Grass Valley. My comment is about the proposed fire and vegetation management and sales tax. And my comment is that even though the proposal says that there will be transparency and accountability and oversight committee and that sort of thing, that was also promised for Measure E and yet there is no information on the city website about how Measure E funds are being spent. There's no way to really see about Measure E tax. And even the people who are on the measure, the oversight committee, are not listed on the website under committees and commissions. And so with that kind of track record, how do we know that such information, fiscal information from a new sales tax. That will that will be available to us without a lot of work that will just be there on the website. And I'm kind of ambivalent about this tax. I worked on the Measure V proposal for the county and of course that was defeated. So but relative to this for the city, I'm mostly concerned about the transparency and the accountability and how does the public actually know, how will we know that how the money is being spent based on the current lack of track record on Measure E? Thank you.

You received a voice mail from [ROGERS WINSLOW](#).

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Miranda Bacon

From: Susan Hennings [REDACTED] >
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 5:42 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: Fw: Form submission from: Contact us

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Dear City Council

I am forwarding an email I sent to parks and rec regarding picnic tables in Memorial Park. Mr. Quentmeyer's reply to me did not address my inquiry as to how the Native Daughters of the Golden West, Manzanita Parlor No. 29, could facilitate placement of more picnic tables and benches.

I would appreciate this issue being addressed.

Also, I have learned the Rotary Club is quite unhappy with the loss of the barbeque area. Any up dates on possible replacements?

Thank you,
Susan Hennings

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Zac Quentmeyer <zacq@cityofgrassvalley.com>

To: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, June 12, 2023 at 07:56:22 AM PDT

Subject: RE: Form submission from: Contact us

Hi Susan,

Thank you for reaching out. Currently, there is not a plan to install additional picnic tables. There is a project going on right now to replace all the trash receptacles, add some benches around the new basketball court and add a bike rack. Additionally, the City just received grant funding to restore the small creek (Magenta Drain) running through the park. The project timeline for this project is yet to be determined.

Thank you,

Zac Quentmeyer



Deputy Public Works Director

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From: Susan Hennings <info@cityofgrassvalley.com>
Sent: Friday, June 9, 2023 1:09 PM
To: COGV General Voicemail <COGVGeneralVM@cityofgrassvalley.com>
Subject: Form submission from: Contact us



06/09/2023 - 1:08pm

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Submitted by anonymous user: [108.196.130.139]

Your name:

Susan Hennings

Your e-mail:

[REDACTED]

Your Phone Number:

[REDACTED]

Message:

I am a member of the Native Daughter of the Golden West. We have a small flower bed in Memorial Park alongside of the veterans' memorial area. We had a picnic there just prior to Memorial Day. Much to our disappointment, there is a lack of picnic tables. There were two in the area. One was occupied and the other was in the sun with no shade. Are there more picnic tables planned for that area? Is there any way my organization can be of assistance in getting more tables? Also, we were wondering if the BBQ area was to be restored? Is there still work to be completed in the park, if so, what is yet to be done? Thank you.

Attachment(s) (if applicable):

CONTEXT INFORMATION

Profile contacted:

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Miranda Bacon

From: Janet Acklam [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2023 3:47 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: Street Repairs

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West McKnight between Target and S Auburn is in serious disrepair. Please address plans for road repairs in this section. --

Janet Acklam [REDACTED] "The most important and beautiful gift one human being can give to another is, in some way, to make life a little better to live." Ellen Browning Scripps

Miranda Bacon

From: Alena Loomis
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2023 8:29 AM
To: Public Comments
Subject: FW: A Facebook post you SHOULD read the comments on.. because the shops downtown are HURTING.

From: Alexis McSweeney [REDACTED] >
Sent: Sunday, July 23, 2023 7:01 AM
To: COGV General Voicemail <COGVGeneralVM@cityofgrassvalley.com>
Subject: A Facebook post you SHOULD read the comments on.. because the shops downtown are HURTING.

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You should really read the comments on this post.

You (the city) have a BIG part in helping these shops rebound and continue to be part of our community.

I hope you have something up your sleeves that you're about to roll out quickly..

I've suggested from the beginning of this project that the closure of Mill St *could* be great.. here's an improvement.

If you don't want to click the link, go to Vintage On Main's Facebook and look at the post with the empty Mill St pictures.

Read the comments, please.

<https://www.facebook.com/100063765661922/posts/pfbid0GT3KtQyUPinzpTf8xbQMatcftBAofmUt2FdYFMJ5HKJLYdbuJ8kN41cZ53MonXul/?mibextid=CDWPTG>

Miranda Bacon

From: Jedidiah Watson [REDACTED] >
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 8:13 AM
To: COGV General Voicemail
Subject: Fire Resiliency and Vegetation Management

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Dear Council Members,

Please stop the sleight of hand and vote against the declaration of the fiscal state of emergency! The city just approved a budget and if they didn't have the budget for the necessary funding of Fire Personnel then they should have re-evaluated the money that they are spending on projects and other frivolous expenditures. Do we need a roundabout at Auburn and Neal? Do we need to extend the wolf creek trail? Do we need artificial turf soccer fields? Do we need another parking lot? All these are nice projects if you have the money, but you need to prioritize safety over these projects and you haven't done that. Instead you have approved projects and are now unable to pay for the essential things like Fire Safety Personnel and are asking to have the community cover your butts.

I would like to thank Tom Ivy for his service to this community and his foresight on the on budgetary issues! He is the only city council member who has voted against a proposed project in over a decade and he cited that the expense of half a million dollars was an unnecessary expenditure.

To the City Manager and the Mayor if you move forward with a fiscal state emergency, I would ask that you resign immediately as you are admitting that the over spending on non-essential items under your watch has put this community's safety in danger and therefore you should not be in your positions!

Thanks,
Jedidiah

Miranda Bacon

From: Jeannie Wood <info@cityofgrassvalley.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 12:15 PM
To: COGV General Voicemail
Subject: Form submission from: Contact us



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Submitted by anonymous user: [12.215.192.18]

Your name:
Jeannie Wood

Your e-mail:
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Your Phone Number:
15303625329

Message:
Dear City Council,

Feel free to share with your departments and colleagues on this upcoming Aug, 22, free Zoom seminar through the Nevada County Law Library on the Nevada County Civil Grand Jury. Feel free to post the attached flyer wherever you see fit!

Thank you!

Jeannie Wood
Nevada County Law Librarian
530-362-5329

Attachment(s) (if applicable):
[grand jury flyer 8-22-23.pdf](#)

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Noon Time Legal Seminar (via Zoom), Tuesday, August 22, 2023

12:00-1:00 p.m. – Free!

Offered by the Nevada County Law Library. **To Register:** Email jeannie.wood@nccourt.net. We will send you the Zoom link a few days prior.

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Presented by Loydyne Lane, President of the Nevada County Chapter, a subgroup of the California Grand Jury Association

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- The California Grand Jurors Association: What is it? What does it do?

Use this link to the Superior Court website to see the new 2022-2023 reports and to apply online for the Nevada County Civil Grand Jury at:

<https://www.nevada.courts.ca.gov/general-information/grand-jury>

About Loydyne Lane

Loydyne Lane is President of the Nevada County Chapter, a subgroup of the California Grand Jury Association, that supports the recruiting and educational programs of the Nevada County Civil Grand Jury. She has five years' experience on the Nevada County Grand Jury as Foreperson Pro Tem (assistant Foreperson), Business Manager, and committee chairs. Lane has an MBA, ten years' experience in banking, 15 years' experience as a Management Consultant with KPMG, and other national consulting firms, and extensive experience with public and non-profit organizations. Contact Loydyne at loydyne.lane@nevcochapter-cgja.org.

Miranda Bacon

From: Larry Hoffman [REDACTED] >
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2023 10:06 AM
To: Miranda Bacon
Subject: Re: Form submission from: Contact us

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Hi Miranda,

I have sent the following message to some of the city council members. I would like it to be read during the public comments response time for Resolution 2023-49, Fires REsiliency and Vegetation Management:

I urge you to vote "Nay" on Resolution No. 2023-49. Adding another 1/2 cent increase to our sales tax base for the purposes described seems exorbitant and redundant. We've added over 11 FTE in the fire department on top of new equipment via Measure E. And to now declare a fiscal emergency when you just passed the largest annual budget in city history is outrageous. We don't need to throw away \$100,000+ to hold a special election that most certainly will meet with stern resistance, as was the county's Measure V. We have seen how city staff selectively uses additional general tax funds when the wording ends with "or for other general governmental uses."

On Thu, Jul 20, 2023 at 4:01 PM Miranda Bacon <mirandab@cityofgrassvalley.com> wrote:

Hello Larry,

I apologize for the delay; Taylor is now on Maternity leave and I will be helping with her responsibilities.

Unfortunately, we are unable to show the PowerPoint live during the public comment portion of the meeting. I can however submit the PowerPoint to the council members prior to the meeting along with their other virtual public comments. This would allow the file to be viewed by all members as well as be included in the meeting minutes which would be available to the public.

If this is something you would like to do, please let me know.

Thank you,



Miranda Bacon

Community Services Analyst

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From: Larry Hoffman <info@cityofgrassvalley.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 8:54 AM

To: Taylor Day <taylord@cityofgrassvalley.com>

Subject: Form submission from: Contact us



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Submitted by anonymous user:
[2601:206:8000:2851:871:dc5e:f2a5:f5ed]

Your name:

Larry Hoffman

Your e-mail:

[REDACTED]

Your Phone Number:

[REDACTED]

Message:

Hi Taylor,

My wife and I have created a power point slideshow that we'd like to have played during the public comment agenda item at an upcoming city council. Could you let me know what the process is for getting this done.

Thanks!

Larry Hoffman

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