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Hello board members, below are our brief comments on some agenda items ... Thank you all,  
Don & Pat Hayles, D5 Tucson, December 3rd, 2024

## **Agenda Item #10: Revised American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CSLFRF) Budget.**

**Our Comments:** No more funding should be spent on COVID-related jobs, surveillance, testing, etc. Millions and millions of federal taxpayer dollars have been spent on jobs, testing, surveillance, and employee job incentives. Lives were ruined and small businesses destroyed. We will never comply with any repeat of this debacle.

## **Agenda Item #12: COMMUNITY AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT - City of Tucson, Amendment No. 1**

**Our Comments:** It isn't clear to me what the additional \$448,913.00 will go toward and there is concern that the removal of caps could be catastrophic. The BoS should include the original contract info with the agenda item. What is the waitlist for "The Craycroft", how quick is the turnover, and what does it cost per person for this service?

## **Agenda Item #18: REAL Property - American Battery Factory, Inc., Amendment No. 2, to provide a lease-purchase agreement for property located at the Aerospace Research Campus for developing a battery manufacturing facility and amend contractual language**

**Our Comments:** The components for lithium-ion batteries only become available at a rather high price – they involve the environmentally-hostile extraction of rare earth minerals like lithium at increasingly intensive rates and often involve human labor violations and abuses. Lithium hunger is driving the literal mining of the earth from the air, which may spell doom for an increasing number of communities in the US. We don't buy the whole electric car myth ... the production of more electric vehicles that nobody wants to buy because they're inefficient, dangerous, and too expensive.

## **Agenda Items #21 and #22: GRANT ACCEPTANCE**

**Our Comments:** We support the good health of all, but we do not support or trust the CDC's involvement in PimaREACH nor the weaponizing of public health departments. What is concerning is the language contained within the grants that "the CDC will have substantial involvement beyond site visits and regular performance and financial monitoring". Did you know that ICAN (Informed Consent Action Network) sued the CDC on behalf of a reporter whose comments were censored by the CDC. As a result of the lawsuit ICAN filed against CDC for blocking an individual on its official X (Twitter) account, not only did CDC unblock users, but the agency has now deleted its policy of blocking users for purported "misinformation". The CDC was consistently wrong about Covid-19 policy.

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