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From: Terra R. <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 4, 2023 11:29 AM
To: District1; District2; District3; District4; District5; COB_mail
Subject: Please vote NO on agenda item 37

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Good morning Supervisors,

I urge each one of you to vote NO on agenda item 37, Real Property, at tomorrow's meeting.

At this point it would be sensible to pause the building of The American Battery Factory, Inc. facility and consider what this facility would mean to our county. Have you considered the ramifications of pushing and promoting Electric Vehicles (EVs) in our community?

Yes, I do understand it will bring jobs. That is a good thing, but have you also considered the far-reaching effects? I remember the representative stating to all of you that EVERY single day their factory would be using SIX swimming pool sized amounts of water for production. We live in the desert and our state is being faced with the possibility of water shortages. How can you proceed with this reckless use of our precious resource that is threatened?

Have you considered that facts that EVs are not sustainably or economically viable? EVs are a fire hazard, dealers are turning them away and more EV owners are turning in their electric vehicles. The ownership of an EV seems to be fading. How long before this battery company will have to lay off workers and / or close their business?

Can you pause this decision and evaluate how your constituents will be able to afford the purchase of an EV and the electricity to charge these vehicles? And consider TEP has already asked and been given a rate hike. How many more will be coming? Can TEP's grid even handle the extra load to the system with so many more EVs being charged? California has already had to ask its residents to only charge them at night.

Now take these questions and ask yourself them for every other jurisdiction in the United States. This is not a viable, sustainable or economical business model.

Please vote NO on agenda item 37.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my message, Terra Radliff

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 4, 2023 3:32 PM
To: Adelita Grijalva; Matt Heinz; Rex Scott; Sharon Bronson; Steve Christy
Cc: COB_mail; Jan Leshner
Subject: 09/05/2023 BOS meeting Agenda item #37

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Please add my comment into official record.

Re: agenda item 37, American Battery Factory

Greetings,

Have you taken my former concerns into consideration? What are the results?

Recall, I alerted you to the huge amount of water that is needed for the manufacturing ONE car battery. Was it 600 gallons for one battery? Tucson is sinking so many inches per year due to over pumping of the aquifer. The Mayor unwisely signed away, she voluntarily forfeited 1/3 of Cap water use in exchange for Federal grant monies. What will those grant monies be used for? Will Tucsonans be charged more fees, if those goals are not met?

<https://www.kold.com/2023/05/25/tucson-signs-deal-voluntarily-forfeit-portion-colorado-river-allotment/>
https://tucson.com/news/local/subscriber/tucson-to-leave-more-than-a-third-of-its-cap-supply-in-lake-mead/article_3edccdae-d4b3-11ed-ac74-fb933107c554.html

The production of batteries could pollute our drinking water. What precautions are in place?
How will you mitigate any environmental and toxic spills?

Does the Fire Department have knowledge or training on how to squash battery fires of lithium, magnesium and other dangerous materials? Do they know how to remedy toxic spills?

The wastewater cannot be re-used due to toxicity of the heavy metals in the batteries.
Where does this water go? Into our aquifers? Do you care about the environment?

More importantly, have you or ABF authorized any environmental studies to safekeep the population?
What are the results? We'd like to read it please.

Thank you,

Gisela Aaron
Pima County

From: Jan Leshner <Jan.Leshner@pima.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2023 8:12 AM

The draft policy has been pulled off the February 7 agenda. It needs more work

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before it is ready to be considered by the Board of Supervisors.
Thank you for your interest in this critical matter,

Jan Leshner
County Administrator

From: 2sonaz@cox.net <2sonaz@cox.net>
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2023 1:41 AM
To: Jan Leshner <Jan.Leshner@pima.gov>
Subject: FW: Agenda item #18, 02/07/2023 BOS meeting

Greetings, I'd like to read this resolution to protect our water resources.
Please send me your draft. See my concerns below. Thank you.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 6, 2023 1:34 AM
To: District1@pima.gov; District2@pima.gov; District3@pima.gov; District4@pima.gov; District5@pima.gov
Cc: Pima Co- CLERK OF THE BOARD <COB_mail@pima.gov>
Subject: Agenda item #18, 02/07/2023 BOS meeting

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Agenda Item #18: UNFINISHED BUSINESS 1/10/23 - Protection of Water Resources

I commend Ms. Jan Leshner, the County Administrator, for recommending that the Supervisors finally approve a resolution to protect our water resources. I heard this resolution will allow the County Administrator to propose strategies that maintain water availability.
It should have been done years ago. Do we get to read this resolution?

Decades of competing interests by Arizona, California and Nevada that depend on the Colorado river, have been a contributing to the water scarcity and due to their policies and management. For example, California lets the Colorado River run into the ocean because of a tiny fish that might be in danger of distinction. What about the people?

You allowed overbuilding of housing in certain areas despite the concern that the City of Tucson is sinking so many inches per year due to depleting water levels. Occasionally, the Board of Supervisors or the City Council appear to be concerned. However, you do not always make sound decisions to alleviate the problem. Have you ordered an environmental assessment prior to approval of these housing projects? Our water rates are going up. Are we paying for this growth?

Another example, you brought the American Battery Factory to Tucson to bring employment to the area. That would be great if we were not experiencing a drought. Have you researched the environmental toll it takes to manufacture one car battery? At least 600 gallons of water are needed to produce one car battery. That wastewater cannot be re-used due to toxicity of the heavy metals in the battery. Where does this water go? Into our aquifers? I thought you were concerned about the environment.

I am concerned that Pima County will follow the crazy woke climate policies that make so sense in the real world.

Forcing a Green New Deal without knowing the actual Science is detrimental to our lives and health.
Please become more informed and do more due diligence prior to any deal making.

Gisela Aaron
Rita Ranch, AZ