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Your Message

Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am a resident of Pima County and a retired U.S. Army National Guard Veteran. I come before you today with a deep respect for lawful process, public service, and the responsibility of the government to act deliberately when community safety and public trust are at stake.

As a trained Army Inspector General, I want to begin by grounding this request squarely in process, transparency, and jurisdiction. These are ordinary, lawful actions. They are not political gestures — they are governance.

I recognize that the State of Arizona controlled the sale of the Marana facility, not this Board. I am not asking you to undo a state action or exceed your authority. I am asking you to ensure that before this County takes any action, the Board, County departments, and the public are fully informed.

This is not business as usual, and existing processes should not proceed without deliberate Board direction. When agencies operate in silos, harm slips through the cracks — with real impacts on community safety, health, and dignity.

I appreciate that this item is being discussed in an open meeting, and I ask that the Board continue to ensure transparency with the public as additional records are gathered, permits are considered, and any future decisions or agreements are contemplated.

Accordingly, I respectfully request that all relevant records be obtained and reviewed prior to any hearing or operational approvals, including who initiated and approved the sale, the full timeline of negotiations and closing, any listing or brokerage agreements, communications regarding intended use, and all conditions or representations tied to the transaction.

The resolution opposing the ICE detention center in Marana establishes Pima County's official opposition and provides clear direction to county leadership. What matters now is whether that position is translated into permitting decisions, resource use, and enforcement. This policy statement will be effective only if it is implemented consistently, as a united front, and in a manner that meets the gravity of this moment.

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Pima County retains authority over land use, permitting, intergovernmental agreements, public health coordination, and the use of county resources. Any detention operation at this site will rely on county systems — emergency response, health services, inspections, infrastructure, and enforcement. None of those functions are automatic, and none operate in isolation. They require coordination, clarity, and shared accountability.

I therefore ask the Board to:

Direct staff to draft an ordinance or policy requiring enhanced disclosure of intended use, capacity, and operational impacts for any detention, correctional, or institutional confinement facility as a condition of County permits, approvals, or agreements;

Require that no zoning, conditional use, or operational approvals be granted until all relevant records are obtained, reviewed, and evaluated through a public process that includes health, safety, and community impacts;

Decline to enter into intergovernmental agreements or provide County resources in support of detention operations without explicit Board approval;

Request that staff return to the Board with a clear accounting of what approvals, permits, or agreements would be required for this facility to operate;

Ensure that County departments, the Sheriff's Department, and the County Attorney are aligned in enforcement, so that any conditions or orders issued are clear, consistent, and respected.

Additionally, in anticipation of future efforts to repurpose large industrial or warehouse properties for detention or confinement uses, I encourage the Board to extend this level of scrutiny prospectively. Recent developments elsewhere in Arizona demonstrate how facilities can be acquired and repurposed with minimal public notice, leaving local governments and communities to absorb downstream impacts after the fact.

For example, the situation unfolding with a large-scale detention facility in Surprise, Arizona illustrates the risks of delayed disclosure and limited local visibility. Pima County has the opportunity to learn from that experience and put guardrails in place now.

Pima County works best when its elected leaders, its departments, and its residents stand together — guided by facts, accountability, and care for one another.

I urge the Board to ensure that its stated opposition is meaningfully implemented through your leadership and the decisions that follow.

Thank you for your time and for your service to this community,

Jenalyn Lazana

Would you like a response?

Yes

Ellie Martin

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Hello, I am a constituent living in Tucson. I can not attend the City Council meeting tomorrow but I would like to weigh in on Items #21, 22 and 23. Please decide to pursue both agendas in 21 and 22. I believe, in light of events happening in other cities, that it's important to have laws and resolutions in place before actions occur. As to #23; it should not be necessary for anyone to even *think* about this issue. We should NOT allow detention of any human beings in our family focused, decent and law abiding area. Thank you for your consideration,
Virginia West

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Ellie Martin

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Dear Supervisors:

As a longtime resident of Pima County and an active volunteer with immigrants, asylum seekers and refugees, I strongly urge you to support all three items regarding DHS/ICE/CBP and any other federal immigration personnel.

*No ICE/ CBP/DHS Detention facilities in Pima County

*No masks for law enforcement personnel and ID must be visible

* Pima county and cities within Pima county to support and protect anyone who is a victim, an observer or a recorder of federal employees or unknown individuals detaining, kidnapping, assaulting or in any way interacting with anyone in the county.

Thank you for standing up to federal lawless and harmful behavior and protecting our community.

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