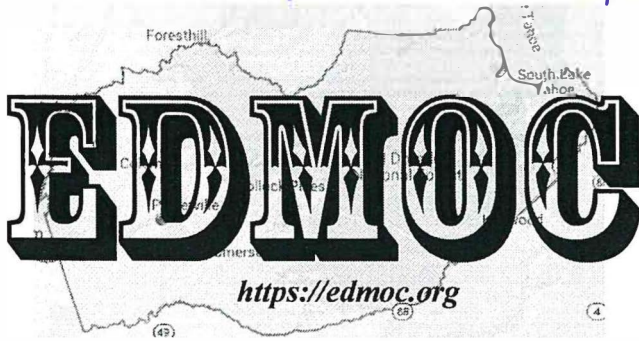


K. Kniffen Open term 8/8 10/16/2016

El Dorado Mobilehome Owners Coalition Calendar of Meetings



Board Members Contact:

Tamara Janies, Chair 530 647-0642 tamjanies@gmail.com
Kniffen, Vice Chair 530 303-3320 jkkniffen@gmail.com
Helen Barrentine, Treasurer 530 957-3853 hellion62@yahoo.com
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Saturday, Oct. 6th	9:30am-11:30am	OPEN MEETING	Veterans Memorial Bldg. 130 Placerville Dr. PV
Tuesday, Oct. 23	1pm Board Mtg	<u>2pm Leaders Mtg.</u>	Dia Sps Hotel 545 Pleasant Valley Rd, Diamond Springs
Saturday, Nov. 3rd	9:30am-11:30am	OPEN MEETING	Veterans Memorial Bldg. 130 Placerville Dr. PV
Tuesday, Nov. 5th	1pm Board Mtg	<u>2pm Leaders Mtg.</u>	Dia Sps Hotel 545 Pleasant Valley Rd. Diamond Springs
Saturday, Dec. 1st	9:30am-11:30am	OPEN MEETING	Veterans Memorial Bldg. 130 Placerville Dr. PV
Tuesday, Dec. 4th	1pm Board Mtg	<u>2pm Leaders Mtg.</u>	Dia Sps Hotel 545 Pleasant Valley Rd. Diamond Springs
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The Mission of the El Dorado Mobilehome Owners Coalition is to establish and pass a Space Rent Stabilization Ordinance to protect Seniors, Veterans, Disabled, and low income families from being economically evicted and losing the equity in the homes we own, due to excessive rent increases.



14802 Beach Boulevard; La Mirada, CA 90638 Phone: (714) 994-9528 or (800) 888-1727

HOMEOWNER BEWARE

FACTS OVER FEAR

DO NOT SIGN ANYTHING YOUR PARK OWNER OR MANAGERS GIVES YOU...NOTHING!!

If your park owner/mgr. wants you to sign a long-term lease, simply tell them you want to follow the law in the MRL and sign a one-year (month-to-month) lease per MRL798.18(a).

Don't forget, if you sign a lease or rental agreement for longer than one year, you will be exempt from Rent Stabilization.

DO NOT allow any kind of fear or intimidation tactics influence you to sign a long-term lease!!

Predatory investor groups are looking all over the State to find MHParks for sale. They are less likely to want to invest if the park is covered by a **“Rent Stabilization Ordinance.”**

Have your park residents considered getting involved with initiating a Rent Stabilization Ordinance?

Resident Owned Parks are worth the investment of time and effort to secure. Do you know how?

HERE ARE A FEW OF THE FACTS:

- Did you know the Mobile Residency Law, MRL, is a collection of consumer protection laws?
- Our investment in our mobile homes is substantial and worth protecting. When rents become excessive, our homes are not “mobile”. We are considered to be living in a “captive” market.
- The truth is, GSMOL needs YOU and you need GSMOL. We have numbers and as we band together, we can use our power together to stand up for ourselves, pass appropriate laws, and face park owners/managers who are breaking the MRLaws.
- Who is responsible for enforcing the MRL? WE ARE*. Remember, NO PARK RULE can overrule the MRL State laws.
- GSMOL LEADERS are accessible. We will consult with members at the local level to the top level, meaning if the Corporate Attorney needs to be consulted, it will be done.
- How do we spend your \$24-\$35 dues? We pay a full-time legislative advocate at the Capitol to spot laws that would harm us and advance laws that benefit us.

CALIFORNIA BROWN ACT

PREAMBLE:

M. Lane Open Forum BUS 10/16/16

"The people, in delegating authority, do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know. The people do not yield their sovereignty to the bodies that serve them. The people insist on remaining informed to retain control over the legislative bodies they have created."

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RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC

\$54954.3 Public's right to testify at meetings. (c) The legislative body of a local agency shall not prohibit public criticism of the policies, procedures, programs, or services of the agency, or of the acts or omissions of the legislative body. Nothing in this subdivision shall confer any privilege or protection for expression beyond that otherwise provided by law. Care must be given to avoid violating the speech rights of speakers by suppressing opinions relevant to the business of the body.

As such, members of the public have broad constitutional rights to comment on any subject relating to the business of the governmental body. Any attempt to restrict the content of such speech must be narrowly tailored to effectuate a compelling state interest. Specifically, the courts found that policies that prohibited members of the public from criticizing school district employees were unconstitutional. (Leventhal v. Vista Unified School Dist. (1997) 973 F. Supp. 951; Baca v. Moreno Valley Unified School Dist. (1996) 936 F. Supp. 719.) These decisions found that prohibiting critical comments was a form of viewpoint discrimination and that such a prohibition promoted discussion artificially geared toward praising (and maintaining) the status quo, thereby foreclosing meaningful public dialog.

Where a member of the public raises an issue which has not yet come before the legislative body, the item may be briefly discussed but no action may be taken at that meeting. The purpose of the discussion is to permit a member of the public to raise an issue or problem with the legislative body or to permit the legislative body to provide information to the public, provide direction to its staff, or schedule the matter for a future meeting. (§ 54954.2(a).)

I may not be politically correct, but I am biblically correct. The ninth Commandment found in Exodus 20:16 says, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." In Hebrew, it's called "Lashon hara," or evil tongue.

Voters need to know the facts. For example the 10/1 Taxpayers candidate forum was turned into a bully pulpit by Good Ol' Boys Bill Carey & Al Hamilton. They have no authority whatsoever to **cancel, discriminate, or deprive any citizen** the right to address public officials or candidates running for office. My **factually** framed question addressed to District #4 candidates was NOT a political statement, nor is the Taxpayers Association a "private meeting" as Bill Carey falsely claimed. My question was thoughtfully framed as follows:

"Both candidates have proven their lack of ethics and adherence to the founding principles that made America great.

Lori fraudulently swapped Sue Taylor's name for hers on several LUPPU letters falsely claiming to hold the BOS accountable for violating their Constitutional Oaths of Office. Despite multiple requests, she failed to remove those letters from the SOC website. It is a matter of public record that Mike received notification of legal responsibility for fraud, collusion, deprivation of rights and routine violations his Constitutional Oaths of office.

*Please describe specific remedial actions you'll take to restore the public's trust in **Constitutional governance and accountability to the citizens** whom you profess to serve."*

Furthermore, Al Hamilton has threatened and discriminated against several women for exposing EDC corruption. As proof I'm entering into the public record the notarized affidavit of Lori Parlin of one such threat Al Hamilton made against me in the presence of 4 witnesses.

Another example was during the League of Women Voters candidate forum when Mike Ranalli held up a pocket edition of the Constitution and claimed to adhere to the Brown Act. That's a bloody lie, and the proof (here) is a matter of public record.

CAO Don Ashton also has violated his Constitutional Oath and abused the public trust by failing to lawfully respond to CPRAs and threatening to restrict my ability to communicate electronically with public representatives under color of law. Mike Ciccozzi especially is to blame for his bad counsel in aiding & abetting such conduct.

Brown Act Rights of Public, 10/2/18 @ 9:58 AM Taxpayers email, Parlin affidavit, EDSO & RMAC CPRAs, Ashton threat

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PREAMBLE:

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From: Melody Lane [mailto:melody.lane@reagan.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 3, 2018 10:57 AM

Subject: JUST THE FACTS: 10/1 Taxpayers Dist. #4 Candidate Forum - DISCRIMINATION & CENSORSHIP

FYI...note attachment.

Melody Lane

Founder – Compass2Truth

“Everyone is entitled to his own opinion, but not his own facts.” Daniel Patrick Moynihan, senator from New York, 1976-2000.

From: Melody Lane [mailto:melody.lane@reagan.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 2, 2018 9:58 AM

To: Bill Carey; Lori Parlin; Michael Ranalli

Cc: john.hidahl@edcgov.us; Todd White

Subject: JUST THE FACTS: 10/1 Taxpayers Dist. #4 Candidate Forum - DISCRIMINATION & CENSORSHIP

Voters need to know the facts...

Bill Carey has no authority whatsoever to **censor, discriminate, or deprive any citizen** the right to address public officials or candidates running for office. My **factually** framed question addressed to District #4 candidates was NOT a political statement, nor is the Taxpayers Association a “private meeting” as Bill Carey falsely claimed yesterday:

“Both candidates have proven their lack of ethics and adherence to the founding principles that made America great.

Lori fraudulently swapped Sue Taylor’s name for hers on several LUPPU letters falsely claiming to hold the BOS accountable for violating their Constitutional Oaths of Office. Despite multiple requests, she failed to remove those letters from the SOC website. <https://saveourcounty.net/2017/03/10/supervisors-violate-constitutional-oaths/>

It is a matter of public record that Mike received notification of legal responsibility for **fraud, collusion, deprivation of rights and routine violations his Constitutional Oaths of office.**

<https://eldorado.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3129021&GUID=4119FFAC-CAE7-4E19-876D-DCC9C3F746CE>

Please describe specific **remedial actions** you’ll take to restore the public’s trust in **Constitutional governance and accountability to the citizens** whom you profess to serve.”

Although the Association originated as a 501(c)4 organization, it has devolved into a Good Ol’ Boys club and bully pulpit...

The primary Object of the Taxpayers Association is **“the maintenance of a forum within which to study the issues of government and the problems of those who are governed...through ongoing weekly discourse that will be open to members of the Association, the public, and those who govern...to reveal and understand the true costs of government and to encourage awareness of individual responsibility...and be involved in the process of governance to help insure that the blessings of freedom shall be forever perpetuated.”**

Melody Lane

Founder – Compass2Truth

As history teaches us, if the people have little or no knowledge of the basics of government and their rights, those who wield governmental power inevitably wield it excessively. After all, a citizenry can only hold its government accountable if it knows when the government oversteps its bounds. ~ John Whitehead ~

**BELOW IS THE SWORN AFFADAVIT OF FACT BY LORI PARLIN,
THE WRITTEN RECORD OF EVENTS CONCERNING THE
TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION OF EL DORADO COUNTY MEETINGS
ON NOVEMBER 7 AND 14, 2016**

I, Lori Parlin, the undersigned, do solemnly swear, declare and depose:

- 1) That I am over the age of 18 years and competent to state to the matters set forth herein;
- 2) That I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein
- 3) That all the facts stated herein are true, correct, and certain, admissible as evidence, and if called upon as witness, I will testify to their veracity.

On Monday, November 7, 2016, at the conclusion of the weekly Taxpayers meeting held at Denny's in Placerville, California, I was talking to Melody Lane while seated across the table from her. Out of the corner of my eye I noticed that Al Hamilton, the President of the Taxpayers Association, was approaching us from behind Ms. Lane. My first thought was that Mr. Hamilton was coming over to talk to me about the Association's refusal to give me an application for membership. Instead, Mr. Hamilton leaned forward, over Ms. Lane's shoulder, and gestured with his hand toward her purse. He then asked if her audio recorder was on, inside her purse. She replied no, it was off because the meeting was over and it was inside her purse. Mr. Hamilton proceeded to tell Ms. Lane that she could not record the meetings without announcing to the entire room that she was recording the meeting. Ms. Lane replied that the law was very clear that no such announcement is necessary when public officials are speaking. Ms. Lane then got up out of her chair to address Mr. Hamilton face to face. There was arguing between them about the audio recordings. At some point during the arguing Mr. Hamilton said that he would call the Sheriff and have Ms. Lane removed from the building for causing a disturbance. Finally, Mr. Hamilton threatened Ms. Lane by saying that he would see to it that her reputation was destroyed in the county. I was shocked to hear him make such a threat, especially his use of "I" and "destroy" in his language. Ms. Lane then asked if Mr. Hamilton was threatening her. He said, no, that was not a threat. I then asked what exactly he meant by those words because it also sounded like a threat to me. Mr. Hamilton then backpedaled from his original statement and said that Ms. Lane's own actions would ruin her reputation in the county. I don't remember exactly how the conversation ended because I was shaken up by Mr. Hamilton's threatening words and tone.

At the beginning of the weekly Taxpayers meeting on Monday, November 14, 2016, Mr. Hamilton made an announcement that Ms. Lane was audio recording the meeting. He went on to say that at the prior meeting he had simply stated that he would call the Sheriff if Ms. Lane causes a disturbance during meetings. At some point during the meeting, Mr. Hamilton jokingly asked the group if he should take a vote to decide whether Ms. Lane was causing a disturbance. Given his threats the week prior, Mr. Hamilton's suggestion to call the Sheriff to remove Ms. Lane from the room appeared to be an intimidation tactic.

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EXHIBIT A

I, Lori Parlin, the Undersigned Affiant, depose and certify being first duly sworn on oath according to law, deposes and says that I have written the forgoing with intent and understanding of purpose the 2 page Affidavit above and that the matters stated herein are true, correct, complete and just to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.

Lori Parlin

Lori Parlin

11-28-16

Date

Notary Public for California

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California

County of EL DORADO

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 28th
day of November, 2016, by LOREI A. PADO

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.



(Seal)

Signature

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lorei A. Pado", written over a horizontal line.

From: Melody Lane [mailto:melody.lane@reagan.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 3, 2018 1:36 PM

To: 'El Dorado County Public Records Center'; 'Donald Ashton'; Jim Mitrisin (jim.mitrisin@edcgov.us); Vern R Pierson; eac.cop@eacgov.us

Cc: 'leikaufj@edso.org'; Michael Ranalli; sue.novasel@edcgov.us; brian.veerkamp@edcgov.us; shiva.frentzen@edcgov.us; john.hidahl@edcgov.us; Nancy Anderson (nancy.anderson@edcgov.us); Brenda Bailey (brenda.bailey@edcgov.us)

Subject: RE: Public Records Request :: P001843-090418

Nothing was attached. A response was lawfully required no later than 9/17/18 per Government Code Section 6250 et seq.

Melody Lane

Founder – Compass2Truth

The Founders used Exodus 18:20-21 as a guide to establish our Republic, "And you shall teach them ordinances and laws, and shall show them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do. Moreover you shall provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them..."

From: El Dorado County Public Records Center [mailto:eldoradocountyca@mycusthelp.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 2, 2018 12:19 PM

To: melody.lane@reagan.com

Cc: leikaufj@edso.org

Subject: Public Records Request :: P001843-090418

--- Please respond above this line ---



County of El Dorado

The Gold Standard in Public Service

Public Records

Ms. Lane,

The response to your PRA Request is attached.

Lt. Jeff Leikauf
Support Services Division

To monitor the progress or update this request please log into the [El Dorado County Public Records Center](#).



Compass2Truth

Citizens for Constitutional Liberty

P.O. Box 598
Coloma, CA 95613

September 2, 2018

To: Sheriff John D'Agostini
Vern Pierson
Roger Trout, Director Planning/Dev. Services
CAO Don Ashton
EDC Clerk to the Board

CC: El Dorado County BOS Districts #1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

CA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST

P001843-090418

Pursuant to my rights under the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.), I ask to obtain the following:

1. On 9/1/18 at 8:33 PM excessively loud and intrusive amplified karaoke was reported to Dispatch in violation of the Coloma Resort SUP93-03. At 10:47 PM Deputy Gurrola responded with EDSO Case File **EG18-7792**. Per Section 6254(f) I am the authorized representative requesting a full, unedited copy of that case file.
2. The River Management Plan Sections 4.3 - 4.8 sets forth the requirements for the purpose of implementing SUP revocations which states in part:

4.8 Noise Monitoring – The County will develop and implement a system for conducting noise monitoring and reporting for noise sensitive areas near project area campgrounds and at other sensitive locations along the river, with focus on areas within the Quiet Zone.

4.8.1 Observed or reported violations of Quiet Zone regulations or County noise standards will be reported to the County Code Enforcement Officer or the Sheriff's Department, as appropriate, within 2 working days of the occurrence.

4.8.2 More than two noise exceedance citations per year issued to SUP holders may result in a formal hearing considering the noise exceedances and the possible imposition of fines and other disciplinary measures on violators.

4.8.3 More than two noise exceedance citations in two consecutive years may result in a formal recommendation for limitation or revocation of an SUP to the County Code Enforcement Officer and Planning Director.

Therefore in addition to the above Case File report, I request proof of all correspondence relevant to the Coloma Resort AND the American River Resort which Deputy Gurrola and/or all other EDSO staff sent to Roger Trout and D.A. Vern Pierson from January 1, 2016 through the date of this request.

3. Deputy Gurrola denied me the right to make a Citizen Arrest of the person on duty at the Coloma Resort who was responsible for ensuring SUP and River Management Plan compliance the evening of 9/1/18. As the authorized representative described in Section 6254(f), I therefore request a blank, standard EDSO Citizen Arrest form, and a pdf copy of the EDSO Citizen Arrest policy and procedures.

Due 9/17

NO RESPONSE
10/2 Lt. Lei Puff
no response
replied to mail

4. Additionally I request you provide a **completed** copy of the Citizen Arrest form corresponding to CF#17-9059 signed by Melody Lane, the signature(s) of American River Resort owner/manager Arnie Chandola reportedly served with the Citizen Arrest, and the signature of responding Deputy Jill Jencks.

Please note the following:

- The agency always bears the burden of justifying nondisclosure, and "any reasonably segregable portion... **shall be provided**...after deletion of the portions which are exempt." (Sections 6253(a, f))
- **The agency must provide assistance** by helping to identify records and information relevant to the request and suggesting ways to overcome any practical basis for denying access. (§ 6253.1)
- To avoid unnecessary delays or costs of duplication, electronic responses and/or pdf copies of documents are acceptable and may be emailed to melody.lane@reagan.com.
- **Access is always free.** Fees for "inspection" or "processing" are prohibited. (§ 6253)
- It is requested that your determination be made within 10 days--or sooner--as stipulated within the California Public Records Act, **Government Code 6253(c)**. *These time periods may not be used solely to delay access to the records 6253(d).*

If you determine that some but not all of the information is exempt from disclosure and that you intend to withhold it, I ask that you provide a signed notification citing the specific legal authorities on whom you rely.

Thank you for your compliance and timely response.

Sincerely,

Melody Lane

Founder – Compass2Truth

Melody Lane

From: Melody Lane <melody.lane@reagan.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2018 5:42 PM
To: 'El Dorado County Public Records Center'; 'Donald Ashton'; edc.cob@edcgov.us; Michael Ranalli
Cc: Brenda Bailey; shiva.frentzen@edcgov.us; brian.veerkamp@edcgov.us; sue.novasel@edcgov.us; john.hidahl@edcgov.us; Jim Mitrisin
Subject: RE: Public Records Request :: P001761-070218
Attachments: 7-2-18 Noah RMAC Corresp.doc; Guide to CA Public Records Act Request.docx

Don Ashton & Mike Ranalli:

Enough of your Bureaucratic Shenanigans. I have been unable to log into the system for over three years, nor does the law require that I do so. We've discussed this in meetings with you before, so please inform Jimmy Gonzales and all other staff accordingly. The Guide to CA Public Records Act Requests is attached to assist you.

The attached CPRA, like all others, requested that responsive files be emailed in a readable compressed format to melody.lane@reagan.com. Please comply immediately.

Melody Lane

Founder – Compass2Truth

"It does not take a majority to prevail... but rather an irate, tireless minority, keen on setting brushfires of freedom in the minds of men." ~ Samuel Adams ~

From: El Dorado County Public Records Center [<mailto:eldoradocountyca@mycusthelp.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 11, 2018 8:41 AM
To: melody.lane@reagan.com
Subject: Public Records Request :: P001761-070218

--- Please respond above this line ---



Melody Lane,

Records responsive to your request are viewable via the Public Records Center Reference number P001761-070218. Please login to view the files.

Thank you,
Jimmy Gonzalez
Information Technologies

To monitor the progress or update this request please log into the [El Dorado County Public Records Center](#).



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Citizens Serving God in Truth and Liberty

P.O. Box 598
Coloma, CA 95613
melody.lane@reagan.com

July 2, 2018

To: El Dorado County Board of Supervisors Districts #1, 2, 3, 4 & 5
EDC Clerk to the Board
CAO Don Ashton

CA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST

P001761-070218

Pursuant to my rights under the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.), I ask to obtain the following:

Copies of all RMAC *correspondence, including attachments, between Noah Rucker-Triplett and all River Management Advisory Committee members, all CA State Parks personnel, and all El Dorado County personnel, including but not limited to: the Board of Supervisors, CAO Don Ashton, Vickie Sanders, Roger Trout, and the Sheriff's Department from January 1, 2017 through the present date of this CPRA.

(*). Such writings and communications to include any handwriting, typing, printing, photocopying, transmitting by facsimile or electronic mail, any form of communication or representation including letters, words, pictures, sounds or symbols, or combination thereof, and any record thereby created, regardless of the manner in which the record has been stored.

The agency must justify the withholding of any record by demonstrating that the record is exempt or that the public interest in confidentiality outweighs the public interest in disclosure. (§6255) If you determine that some but not all of the information is exempt from disclosure and that you intend to withhold it, I ask that you provide a signed notification citing the specific legal authorities on whom you rely.

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No Response

Melody Lane

From: Donald Ashton <don.ashton@edcgov.us>
Sent: Friday, August 17, 2018 3:45 PM
To: Melody Lane
Cc: AD-Department-Heads-m; The BOSONE; The BOSTWO; The BOSTHREE; The BOSFOUR; The BOSFIVE
Subject: Email Access

Good afternoon Ms. Lane,

Over the last few months, you have sent numerous emails, sometimes including lengthy email chains and/or attachments along with your communication. These emails have included in their distribution numerous staff members in addition to Department Heads, my office, the offices of the Board of Supervisors and their assistants.

The County's email system is designed to make County operations more effective and efficient. In furtherance of that objective the County has a practice of limiting certain types of email traffic. The County has never by policy or practice opened its email system for indiscriminate use by the general public.

The County takes seriously its obligation to provide the constituents of the County with access to their local government, however, the County's email system is not a traditional public forum nor has the County designated it as such. As a nonpublic forum, the County can impose reasonable regulations on the use of its email system. In fact, even where a public forum is involved, the law allows reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions upon the use of that public forum. As has been noted "Freedom of expression does not mean that everyone with opinions or beliefs to express may do so at any time and place..." It has also been recognized that the government and the taxpayers it serves have a substantial interest in avoiding unnecessary drains upon the public resources. By sending these lengthy emails with extensive attachments to numerous County employees and officials, public resources are diverted from other important tasks when those employees and officials must open and review the email and attachments.

This is to let you know that effective immediately the County is restricting your ability to email County staff. In order to ensure you continue to have access to your local government, you will still be permitted to email all Board of Supervisors members, their assistants, County Department Heads as well as edc.cob@edcgov.us and planning@edcgov.us. You remain free to express any opinions, requests, or other comments in your emails as the County has no interest in restricting your ability express your viewpoint on matters of County governance.

We appreciate your interest in the operation of your local government and trust you understand that we share your desire to ensure that the County operates effectively and efficiently for all of the citizens of the County.

WARNING: This email and any attachments may contain private, confidential, and privileged material for the sole use of the intended recipient. Any unauthorized review, copying, or distribution of this email (or any attachments) by other than the intended recipient is strictly prohibited. If you are not the intended recipient, please contact the sender immediately and permanently delete the original and any copies of this email and any attachments.