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 **Diane Ripley**
Yesterday at 8:14am

Monday, Seal Beach's Mayor Mike Varipapa and Councilmember Schelly Sustarsic voted to do nothing. To allow oil companies to continue not paying their taxes, to reduce the quality of life of their residents, and to impose new taxes.

By voting down a 15% success-fee-only, non-exclusive, tax-recovery contract, Mayor Varipapa and Councilmember Sustarsic guaranteed the City will get 100% of nothing rather than 85% of something. Councilmembers Ellery Deaton and Sandra Massa-Lavitt (who voted in favor) commented they didn't know how they were going to explain this vote to the City's residents.

MPA offered the City the option to cancel the contract at any time for any reason, and to find and recover owed taxes for either an hourly-rate OR a fixed amount OR a percentage of what it recovers (No-Recovery-No Fee). Mayor Varipapa and Councilmember Sustarsic instead recommended spending \$45,000 to hire another contractor with the HOPE of recreating the work MPA's already completed – and is offering to give the City for FREE. Mayor Varipapa and Councilmember Sustarsic argue that MPA is unqualified to do the work (although MPA has already recovered more than \$200,000 for the City). If MPA is truly unqualified, then there'll be no additional new oil revenue and no cost to the City. If MPA is qualified, then the City collects 85% of all new tax revenue. The Mayor's and Councilmember's reasoning makes no sense. The truth is, Mayor Varipapa and Councilmember Sustarsic are worried that MPA is qualified and will continue their success finding and recovering owed taxes – and that REALLY makes no sense.

Each time Seal Beach residents pay a new tax, are missing a pool to swim in, can't attend a cherished City event, or can't quickly get the police, they should remember Mayor Varipapa and Councilmember Sustarsic and their vote against collecting OWED taxes.

So what now? DO SOMETHING! The City Council, in allowing companies to continue to not pay their taxes, is complicit. MPA recommends the Council immediately hire ANY contractor, give them 90 days to find and recover whatever money they might find, then – let MPA get to work. No more delays. No more political shenanigans. No cuts in City services, quality of life, and safety. And no new taxes!

Like Comment

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 **Samantha Mottet** Seal Beach residents voted for this Loser?
Like · Reply · 1d

 **Sue Selby** I don't understand either. How do we help turn this around?
Like · Reply · 1d

 Diane Ripley replied · 5 Replies

 **Nancy Lynn Barrett** Politics
Like · Reply · 1d

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 Diane Ripley My email is diane0007@aol.com

Like · Reply · 22h

 Gypsy Warner replied · 18 Replies · 8 hrs

 Joseph L. Godoy I'm curious as to how or why any city manager is doing any sort of business for the city and involving either family, friends or family of friends? That just seems like a huge conflict of interest to me.

So why don't we start there!... See More

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 Diane Ripley replied · 1 Reply

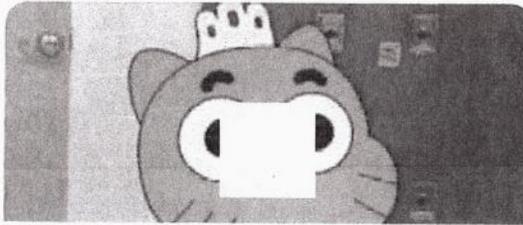
 Joseph L. Godoy I'm also curious of the party affiliation of all involved

Like · Reply · 7h

2

 Joseph L. Godoy replied · 2 Replies · 5 hrs

 Arlene Teff Finger



TENDOR

Like · Reply · 6h

 Diane Ripley <http://www.sunnews.org/council-approves-new-fee.../>



SUNNEWS.ORG
Council approves new fee increases for city services | Sun Newspapers

Like · Reply · 6h

 Diane Ripley Joseph, I thought you might be interested in this too:

<https://www.sunnews.org/seal-beach-city-council.../>



SUNNEWS.ORG
Seal Beach City Council deadlocks to deny oil revenue contract | Sun...

Like · Reply · 6h

 Diane Ripley What's interesting to me is Varipapa's greatest concern is how much MPA might make.

I understand MPA has over/close to 800 hours already invested, with another 200 more hours to finish research—even before collections begin. And if MPA turns out to be wrong the city pays for nothing. MPA is taking all the risk. But I guess it's better for the city to get 100% of nothing then to receive 85% of something.

Like · Reply · 5h

 Joseph L. Godoy What has me the most pissed in Seal Beach is they aren't going after the Sanctuary Law like a lot of other Cities. That is my biggest issue personally and I'll campaign against anyone that voted not to fight it so I haven't studied up on this particular issues.

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 Billy Ross replied · 3 Replies · 5 hrs

 AJ McCormick

 Like · Reply · 38m

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Diane Ripley Call city hall 562-431-2527
Like · Reply · 1d

Sharman Snow Diane Ripley is NOT a Seal Beach resident !!!



Like · Reply · 1d

John Domingue The biggest problem is the city manager keeps hiring friends then how's on Alaskan cruise with them, she gets a raise while knowing there would be a massive short fall of available cash, like 800,000\$ worth.yet she took a raise in pay. Her total pay pa... See More

Like · Reply · 1d

Sharman Snow replied · 1 Reply

Nancy Lynn Barrett Right on sooooo true
Like · Reply · 1d

John Domingue Nooooo. Just rember every time you pay a new tax, can't swim in a new pool or the police response tome is slow, and we have to pay for special events IT'S NOT because of the mayor or council woman sistarctic it's because our city manager is filling not ... See More

Like · Reply · 1d

Diane Ripley replied · 1 Reply

Billy Ross This is so confusing...
Like · Reply · 1d

Diane Ripley replied · 3 Replies

Diane Ripley Ask me questions. I'll answer. I've nothing to hide and have done nothing wrong. If it helps please feel free to email me at diane0007@aol.com

As adults we all have been hurt by rumors and bullying at some point in our lives. I am genuinely offering to answer questions. But I do think the rude assumptions is unnecessary and quite frankly it hurts.

Like · Reply · 1d

Mark Dennison Desperation isn't a good look for p.r.
Like · Reply · 23h

Diane Ripley replied · 1 Reply

Marni Rice Diane what is it that you are so upset about? I'm very confused. Can you please explain why you are so upset and posting daily and why you are so concerned with a city you do not live in ?
Like · Reply · 22h

Diane Ripley My email is diane0007@aol.com
Like · Reply · 22h

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94,219 members



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7,029 members



Dogspotting Society
283,357 members

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Patrick L. Mahoney
4 mutual friends
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Elena Gentile Grana
5 mutual friends
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California Public Records Request Personal Accounts and Devices Search

As requested by the Seal Beach City Clerk on April 18, 2017, I have examined my private electronic device[s] and account[s] and I have not found records related to City business that would be responsive to the City of Seal Beach California Public Records Request #17-125 as described to me by the City Clerk.

Signed: Jill R. Ingram

Print Name: Jill R. Ingram

Date: 4/26/17

To: Thursday, September 18, 2014 8:40 AM
Jill Ingram
Subject: RE: Taco Surf/Surfside

Okay

From: Jill Ingram [mailto:jill.ingram@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2014 5:10 AM
To: Jim Basham
Subject: Fw: Taco Surf/Surfside

Good morning, Jim.... let's talk about this issue and the use of Diane for any future public relations efforts since her contract has expired.

Thank you,
Jill

From: Diane <diane0007@aol.com>;
To: Jim Basham <jbasham@sealbeachca.gov>; Crystal Landavazo <clandavazo@sealbeachca.gov>;
Subject: Taco Surf/Surfside
Sent: Mon, Sep 15, 2014 11:52:16 PM

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

5. Long Beach Transit: Complete

Successfully built relationship between the City of Seal Beach and Long Beach
Bus service was reinstated into Seal Beach

6. Coastal Commission: Current/Ongoing

Goal is to build and develop a better Seal Beach relationship with the commission

7. Taco Surf/Surfside: In-Progress

Assisting with noise dispute resolution

Assist with meeting goals to get CUP approval

Currently in discussions to reaching goals between owners of Taco Surf and the SurfSide Colony

8. Pier: Put On-hold

Business development

Researched and brought-in potential tenant

9. Towing: Current/In-Progress

Assisting with business development and retention within the contract guidelines

10. BrietBurn: Current/On-going

Develop business relationship with city employees

Cc:
Subject:

Jill Ingram
501 C(3)

Hello Vikki,

We (Greg and I) had a very productive meeting with Boeing yesterday. We have a couple action items to address prior to our next meeting with them on the 22nd.

1. We need an avenue in which the city can accept the sponsorship/donations. Preferably a non-profit. Was thinking since you have nothing else to do ---perhaps you could create one!
2. By chance do you happen to know if there are plans/design or perhaps a formal estimate floating around? I'm hearing a price tag of \$50K.

THX!

Diane

Diane Ripley
Kirste Ripley Public Relations
Public & Government Affairs
562-883-3001

"Whatever you are, be a good one."
---Abraham Lincoln

Sent from my iPad

CALIFORNIA FORM 700
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
A PUBLIC DOCUMENT

**STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS
COVER PAGE**

RECEIVED
Date: FEB 15 2018
CITY CLERK
CITY OF SEAL BEACH

Please type or print in ink.

NAME OF FILER (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)
Miller Joseph Max

1. Office, Agency, or Court

Agency Name (Do not use acronyms)

City of Seal Beach

Division, Board, Department, District, if applicable

Police Department

Your Position

Chief of Police

► If filing for multiple positions, list below or on an attachment. (Do not use acronyms)

Agency _____ Position: _____

2. Jurisdiction of Office (Check at least one box)

State

Multi-County _____

City of Seal Beach

Judge or Court Commissioner (Statewide Jurisdiction)

County of _____

Other _____

3. Type of Statement (Check at least one box)

Annual: The period covered is January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017.

-or-

The period covered is _____, through December 31, 2017.

Leaving Office: Date Left _____ (Check one)

The period covered is January 1, 2017, through the date of leaving office.

-or-

The period covered is _____, through the date of leaving office.

Assuming Office: Date assumed _____

Candidate: Date of Election _____ and office sought, if different than Part 1: _____

4. Schedule Summary (must complete) ► Total number of pages including this cover page: _____

Schedules attached

Schedule A-1 - Investments - schedule attached

Schedule A-2 - Investments - schedule attached

Schedule B - Real Property - schedule attached

Schedule C - Income, Loans, & Business Positions - schedule attached

Schedule D - Income - Gifts - schedule attached

Schedule E - Income - Gifts - Travel Payments - schedule attached

or-

None - No reportable interests on any schedule

Verification

MAILING ADDRESS STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

11 Seal Beach Blvd.

Seal Beach

Ca

90740

TELEPHONE NUMBER

562) 799-4100

E-MAIL ADDRESS

JMiller@SealBeachCa.gov

I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing this statement. I have reviewed this statement and to the best of my knowledge the information contained herein and in any attached schedules is true and complete. I acknowledge this is a public document.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed 2/15/2018
(month, day, year)

Signature

(File the originally signed statement with your filing official)

FPPC Form 700 (

SCHEDULE B Interests in Real Property (Including Rental Income)

CALIFORNIA FORM 700
FOR POLITICAL CANDIDATE DISCLOSURE

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER OR STREET ADDRESS
905 Marvista

CITY
Seal Beach

FAIR MARKET VALUE IF APPLICABLE, LIST DATE
 \$2,000 - \$10,000
 \$10,001 - \$100,000
 \$100,001 - \$1,000,000
 Over \$1,000,000

ACQUIRED / / 17 DISPOSED / / 17

NATURE OF INTEREST
 Ownership/Deed of Trust Easement
 Leasehold Yes remaining Other

IF RENTAL PROPERTY, GROSS INCOME RECEIVED
 \$0 - \$499 \$500 - \$1,000 \$1,001 - \$10,000
 \$10,001 - \$100,000 OVER \$100,000

SOURCES OF RENTAL INCOME: If you own a 10% or greater interest, list the name of each tenant that is a single source of income of \$10,000 or more.
 None

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* You are not required to report loans from commercial lending institutions made in the lender's regular course of business on terms available to members of the public without regard to your official status. Personal loans: loans received not in a lender's regular course of business must be disclosed as follows:

NAME OF LENDER*

ADDRESS (Business Address Acceptable)

BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF LENDER

INTEREST RATE TERM (Months/Years)
 % None

HIGHEST BALANCE DURING REPORTING PERIOD
 \$0 - \$1,000 \$1,001 - \$10,000
 \$10,001 - \$100,000 OVER \$100,000

Guarantor, if applicable

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Guarantor, if applicable

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FPPC Toll-Free Helpline: 866-455-4666