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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Thank you for addressing Proposition H, specifically to adjust spending limits that are submitted to public vote. This appears to be a reasonable subject at a good time.

As this process does not happen often, I request addressing the following within the context of the proposed changes.

- 1. Please consider <u>not</u> exempting public safety facilities from a citizen vote. What would be the reasoning? Public Safety is a very large part of city expenditures and taxpayer monies. As such, the citizens deserve the oversight of a vote.
- 2. Please individualize the approval of expenditures by requiring a separate vote for each item. It is disingenuous to aggregate expenditures for a vote, particularly when they are not related projects. This leads to mismanagement of taxpayer funds as the vote does not represent the true priorities of the voters or the city.
- 3. Please require ballot statements for future funding votes to establish maximum spending limits. This would mean the voters have

the control intended and give control over unreasonable cost overruns, as have been experienced in the past in Carlsbad.

These requests represent responsible control on spending, particularly in light of the attention of our city to a future budgeting shortfall potential. The result would give more attention and control regarding certain projects that would otherwise be in question.

Thank you for your attention to this Agenda Item. Hope Nelson

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