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**LCP-6-SAN-22-0044-2 (Build Better SD)**

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California Coastal Commissioners:

I am flabbergasted to find out that your executive director and his staff have chosen to treat this proposal by the City of San Diego as a De Minimums change to the city's Local Coastal Program. The proposed "Build Better San Diego" policy and ordinances include language that would fundamentally change how the city handles the collection, management, allocation and expenditures of fee revenue from new development permits.

The city's currently approved LCP, existing city policies and development ordinance language requires that funds collected from developers must be deposited in separate funds that can only be spent on new infrastructure needed to support new development in the communities where that development takes place. That means that development fees collected in coastal communities must be spent on new infrastructure like city beaches, coastal access facilities, streets, sewers and other things needed in those coastal communities.

On the other hand, language in the city's proposed new "build back better San Diego" policies and ordinances would require that all developers collected citywide must be deposited in the city's general fund, which is controlled and managed by city departments that report directly to the city mayor's office. Funds currently being collected in coastal communities to fund new infrastructure projects in those coastal communities could now be diverted to pay for new infrastructure in city neighborhoods miles from the coast at the whim of one politician. As such, the new BBB policies and infrastructure could result in a huge loss of infrastructure funds needed to build new infrastructure needed to support new development in the city's coastal communities.

I believe that the Coastal Commission should not rubberstamp the city's proposal as a de minimums LCP amendment. At the very least, the Commission should pull this item from its April consent agenda and move it to a future meeting to get a full presentation on the proposed changes and their potential impacts on our coastal communities. The Commission needs to look before it leaps and approves policy and ordinance changes that very likely end up shortchanging the California coast in the City of San Diego.

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Good morning Alex,

Please see below for an inquiry.

Thank you,

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Comments: We do not think this amendment is de minimis. We believe it has a significant impact on the coastal zone by taking away impact fees that should be used to mitigate impacts. The Commission should pull this item from its April agenda and move it to a future meeting to get a full presentation on the proposed changes and their potential impacts on our coastal communities.

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