

## Mark Perez

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**From:** Brian A Jobst [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 1, 2020 6:25 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Cc:** Lisa Sherrick; Mark Perez; Noelani Leal-intern  
**Subject:** Oral Communications or Public Hearing – 9/1/2020

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I'm Brian Jobst, a 31-year resident of West Covina.

At a recent City Council meeting it was announced that the city had successfully collateralized our city streets for lease revenue bonds to pay for pension obligations. West Covina then made the national news in a Forbes magazine article: <https://www.forbes.com/sites/investor/2020/08/28/the-lunacy-of-using-city-streets-to-collateralize-new-municipal-bond-deals/#76169e4339c4>

The title of the Forbes article says it all, **“The Lunacy Of Using City Streets To Collateralize New Municipal Bond Deals”**.

At a recent City Council meeting, our City Manager, Mr. David Carmany said that these bonds represent progress, but much work remains to be done. I think most agree much work remains to be done...and that must occur sooner, not later.

I suggest you look to West Covina Plaza Mall. JLL now manages the Plaza Mall, the result of deep financial problems that Starwood is experiencing. The major Mall redo that Starwood had planned is now on an indefinite hold.

However, another company - the Singpoli Group, LLC - is anxious to invest hundreds of millions of dollars in West Covina.

I urge the City Council to take Singpoli to the Plaza Mall. Have Singpoli invest there.

In a recent letter to Mr. Kin Hui, the CEO of Singpoli, the civic group Livable West Covina made a strong and compelling case for that investment. That letter detailed 14 crystal clear reasons why investing hundreds of millions of dollars at the Plaza Mall made more sense than doing so at the BKK landfills, adjacent to California's largest toxic hazardous waste landfill. A copy of that letter is available on the Internet at: [https://696d0e95-3c1d-40c8-8359-7c867549ff80.filesusr.com/ugd/7bfbfc\\_e08882ede63647a89a4194ec1d97c848.pdf](https://696d0e95-3c1d-40c8-8359-7c867549ff80.filesusr.com/ugd/7bfbfc_e08882ede63647a89a4194ec1d97c848.pdf)

In an interview with the press several weeks ago the CEO of Singpoli stated regarding their proposed development at BKK, it “is not meant for our generation, but our kids and future generations” (<https://newsbytesonline.net/31619/news/singpoli-citizens-and-city-council-a-traction-for-transparency-on-the-bkk-landfill/>)

We agree - **IF** Singpoli is ever allowed to build anything at BKK, the coffers of the City of West Covina will not see a dime until decades in the future.

Yet, the City of West Covina needs revenue now and the plans are set for the redo of the Plaza Mall - all that's needed is an investor. An investment there, everyone wins - the city, its residents, the investor, other businesses.

**City Council, take Singpoli to the West Covina Plaza Mall.**

Brian Jobst  
co-founder, Livable West Covina

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**From:** Jerri Potras [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 1, 2020 12:43 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Cc:** Delores (DeeDee) Megginson [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Oral Communications - 9/01/2020

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Mrs. Megginson is experiencing a computer glitch today but would like to submit a public comment. I am, therefore, sending her public comment (shown below in black font) for tonight's City Council meeting on her behalf. Please confirm receipt to both of us.

Thank you.

Jerri Potras

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I am a long time resident of West Covina and I am very disappointed that you have decided to change a long standing ban allowing gas stations to sell alcohol. I'm opposed to lifting the ban for many reasons.

Liquor stores sell alcohol, not gas....Gas stations sell gas, not liquor. Seems like a few gas stations are getting preferential treatment, which is not business friendly to other merchants. We already have enough liquor licenses in the city already.

The minute amount of sales tax revenue is not worth the intrusion to the surrounding community of families and there are also a number schools near by to consider.

Alcohol causes so many more problems than I need to enumerate here. But when you look at the stressful time in our country and community we don't need to add another level of stress to the families living in the northwest area.

Councilman Johnson, as I reside in District 1 I hope, as my representative you will hold up the ban to restrict alcohol sales at gas stations.

Remember the old slogan "Don't Drink and Drive", besides automobiles and alcohol do not make a good marriage.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Dolores Megginson

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**From:** Oscar Ischiu [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 1, 2020 3:33 PM  
**To:** City Clerk

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To whom it may concern,

Respectfully, I write this email for the city to reconsider amending city code 26-411 in regards to Canopies.

I received a courtesy notice about our canopy in our backyard that extends to the driveway. Our address is 235 N Toland Ave in West Covina. The purpose of our canopy is to protect our vehicle from the elements, but most importantly, the canopy extends to the driveway where it protects our dog and his house from the elements. Our dog spends the majority of his day in the driveway (behind the fence) looking out. Therefore, removing our canopy will not only be a burden to our vehicle, but a substantial burden to our pet.

I propose for the city to charge a small fee for the use of a canopy so long as they are properly installed/maintained as this would be an opportunity for West Covina to raise additional revenue. In addition, this would be a great opportunity for the city to amend the city code as the "Leap grant" facilitates such amendment.

Please consider this city section is outdated as it is 43 years old, it severely restricts our use and enjoyment of our vehicles, and in my case, the protection from the elements for our pets.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Oscar Alexander

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Thank You!

**Oscar Alexander Ischiu**

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