

Mark Perez

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To: Mark Perez
Subject: FW: Mongolian BBQ - Phillip Sun
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As a restaurant owner, we need people who can understand and listen to what we went through during the pandemic. The county health department instructions have been unclear and confusing. This has been really frustrating and confusing as I try my best to figure out what i need to do, to keep everyone safe. Unfortunately the county health department never listened to us, and never tried to understand what we were going through. I never had a choice that would allow me to survive this pandemic. With the county health department we needed to follow every vague instruction or be forced to close the restaurant, while not taking into account our limited resources and specific circumstances. I think that with a more local city health department, we would be able to talk with them better, and that they would understand our local situations more than those of the county. This would allow for us to make better improvements. While I know this is challenging times for everyone, we really need to build up a mutual trust to get through our current situations. I know that the county health department is working very hard to protect us, but due to the size of their responsibilities its causing great harm to small business and destroying our livelihoods.

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From: Bridgette Ramirez [REDACTED]
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I'm concerned about West Covina putting so much energy and resources to establish our own health department. If we all do our part, we are on our way towards the finishing line of the pandemic. It doesn't seem prudent to reinvent the wheel and break away from the LA County's Health Department at such a critical juncture. Maybe the COVID infection rates are lower in West Covina, but we are still in the midst of new variants that have taken over California. I'm all for finding ways to support small businesses in our area, but not at the cost of our city's already dismal financial health and the physical wellbeing of our residents.

As for West Covina's new Zoning Code and Subdivision Ordinance, I strongly urge you to make sure that you and KTG Y Group, Inc. make sure to protect low- and middle-income residents and essential services and spaces in our community. It's important to have racial and environmental justice at the forefront of your zoning, subdivision, and construction processes.

Finally, I am wary about purchasing an automated license plate reader for the WCPD. It contributes to a much larger trend of mass surveillance at the cost of personal privacy. I'm relieved that at least the Flock Safety ALPR system deletes footage after 30 days and does not share the information with everyone else. I just want to caution you to think carefully about the usage and make sure this information is not abused.

Bridgette Ramirez
West Covina Resident