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Dear Council Members and City Manager:

I am writing this to address the City Goals. In my humble opinion the first goal should be to STOP the effort to form West Covina's own health department. This is a waste of tax payers money and City Staff's time. Instead of spending funds the City received from Covid stimulus money on helping our local businesses recover, that money is being spent on forming a health department. We have even had to hire another Assistant City Manager because the current staff is busy working on the unnecessary health department. There are other issues in our City that are not being addressed such as the homeless, graffiti, trying to run the Sportsplex, that was formerly ran by Big League Dreams, and getting our parks services up and running. The City of West Covina cannot run its current programs so it should not try to run a health department.

The second and very important goal should be to get our finances in order. You the Council have leased our streets on credit and are now trying to say that are finances are improving. That is not true. You borrowed money and will have to pay it back with interest! That is not good budgeting. As Mr. Grivich often points out we are running a budget deficient and nothing is being done to address the problem. Example, the fire department continues the practice of overtime and the Council says nothing.

As we the residents know, the majority of the City Council, does not listen to the residents or consider the residents in their decisions. However, it is still important that you hear from us.

Respectfully,

Teresa Cozad