

eComments Received

City Council (Closed Session Starts at 5:15 P.M.)

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

Item

30. Estimated Time: 1 hour Proposed Resolution Opposing Arizona SB 1070 and HB 2162

Comments

Buddy Bergstrom, District 2, Sacramento, Ca, 95815

Position: Oppose

Comment: This action is totally without merit on so many levels, the comment made by Darrell Steinberg that the Arizona law "threatens to undermine basic civil liberties guaranteed to all Americans-regardless of immigration status", is at the very least poorly worded or an Oxymoron. If you are an American Citizen ,since when is the asking of an I.D. card or some identification not justified? If you're not a citizen, you have the appropriate papers--RIGHT!!This deserves a little more thought,much more!!

David Jenest, Multiple Districts, Sacramento, CA, 95811

Position: Oppose

Comment: I rise in STRONG OPPOSITION to Agenda Item #30. Arizona Illegal Immigration Legislation SB 1070 ! We have a violent crime problem right here in OUR CITY! We continue to be the most under-policed capital city/county in America. Calling for a boycott against the State of Arizona over their attempt to control growing violent crime from organized criminal non-citizens invading our southern borders is an insult to your constituents! Sacramento Citizens Community Watch Dave Jenest - Director

Holly Brickner, hbrickner@golygon.com, Rockaway Lane, District 1, Sacramento, CA, 95835

Position: Oppose

Comment: Why in the world is our City Council taking precious time away from important city business to stick their collective noses in the business of another State? What Arizona does is completely up to them, and I am VERY opposed to our City Council misappropriating precious time and money to pass judgement on the actions of others. PERIOD!!

Item

32. Estimated Time: 20 minutes Report Back: Proposed 2010 Strong Mayor Plan: A Comparison with Select Cities [To Be Delivered]

Comments

Karen Gunby, District 3, Sacramento, CA, 95816

Position: Oppose

Comment: This item should be taken off the agenda. There are no documents provided. The public can not make informed decisions if the documents aren't readily available.

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Print Agenda

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Joan Hall, District 1, Sacramento, CA, 95835

Position: Neutral

Comment: The agenda for the June 15 meeting contains 2 items on the strong mayor proposal;however, neither of the indicated supplemental reports are attached. Actually, common sense suggests that neither report is actually essential to the decision of placing this issue on the next ballot. Time for administrative and political dithering to end and time for the electorate to be given the opportunity to express its opinion on how to move the city forward.

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REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS/FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION

A Government Agency Established To Enforce Civil Rights Laws

May 27, 2010

Governing Board Members
City and County of Sacramento, Citrus Heights,
Rancho Cordova, Elk Grove

Dear Governing Board:

As an agency that promotes human rights, the Regional Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission should speak out on the recent immigration law that was enacted in the State of Arizona. Though many in our community express the sentiment that what happens in Arizona ought to be left alone, we all should remember the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who once said: "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." "Letter from Birmingham Jail," April 16, 1963. As more states consider similar legislation, we must speak out now before such a law becomes a trend nationwide.

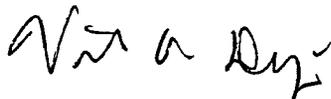
There are many problems with the law. First of all, the law treats people differently based on their race, color or national origin. The law provides that when an officer has made lawful contact with a person, the officer must make a "reasonable attempt" to determine the immigration status of a person where "reasonable suspicion" exists that the person is an alien who is unlawfully present in the United States. Given all the preconceived notions of who is an illegal immigrant and who is not, it is hard to imagine how this law can be applied equally. This law will lead to the unequal treatment of people because of their race, color or national origin. A failure to look or sound "American", whatever that is, will lead to countless violations of Constitutional rights. The Fourteenth Amendment guarantees equal protection of the laws to all persons within a state's jurisdiction. If the Fourteenth Amendment is still worth something, this law cannot stand.

The law also undermines Constitutional rights in other ways. The law is very vague on what it means by the words "lawful contact", "reasonable suspicion", and "reasonable attempt." Proponents of the law have argued that the lawful contact requirement is important because an officer will not question a person's immigration status unless he has already done something wrong or is suspected of having done something wrong. The law is not at all clear on that, as it does not define lawful contact. It could mean that any contact, as long as an officer is not abusing his authority (including walking up to a person and asking him a question), falls within the meaning of the new law.

In addition, "reasonable suspicion" and "reasonable attempt" are also dangerously vague. It is hard to imagine that this "reasonable suspicion" will not involve the consideration of race, color or national origin. In response to criticism, Arizona revised the law by adding a provision that police may not solely consider race, color or national origin when implementing the law. However, this provision still does not solve the problem, as it implicitly permits officers to consider race, color or national origin in enforcing the law so long as it is not the sole consideration. And when "reasonable suspicion" exists, the officer is to make a "reasonable attempt" to determine immigration status. Does this mean that the officer can detain the person for as long as it takes to check the person's immigration status with federal authorities? Should anybody living or traveling in Arizona carry proof of citizenship in order to prove his/her innocence and to avoid being subjected to detention?

We are all cognizant of the fact that our country faces an illegal immigration problem, but this problem should be addressed at the federal level, whose laws on immigration is supreme and intended to occupy the entire field. Human rights and Constitutional rights should not be trampled, and we have a responsibility to speak out against laws that have this effect. On behalf of the Regional Human Rights/ Fair Housing Commission's Advisory Board we urge you as members of our Governing Board to send a clear message to the Governor of Arizona to repeal the immigration law recently enacted in the State of Arizona, as it is an affront to all those who support human rights.

Sincerely,



Vincent A. Dizon
Managing Attorney

Dawn Bullwinkel - Fwd: Neighborhood Watch Needs Mariano Juaco-NSD!

From: clerk
To: Bullwinkel, Dawn
Date: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 12:50 PM
Subject: Fwd: Neighborhood Watch Needs Mariano Juaco-NSD!
CC: Concolino, Shirley

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Wendy Klock-Johnson
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>>> On 6/15/2010 at 12:47 PM, in message <SNT137-w367059B95F5D513B5297DEABDD0@phx.gbl>, Kathi Windheim <zaw2000@msn.com> wrote:

Mayor Kevin Johnson and City Council Members:

The North West Pocket Neighborhood Watch has worked with Mariano Juaco and the Neighborhood Services Department since 2004 to combat neighborhood crime. Mariano has been instrumental in reviving Business Watch at both of Pocket's vacancy dotted shopping centers and has met repeatedly with the Kennedy High School principal and POP officers to combat loitering and truancy. His efforts continue to be essential to the vitality of our Neighborhood Watch Program and the importance of his role in keeping our community safe cannot be overstated.

Our neighborhood cannot afford to lose Mariano's experience and investment in our community. His worth supercedes his salary - please do not cut Mariano Juaco's Neighborhood Services Department position.

NORTH WEST POCKET NW MEMBERS:

Bob and Jean Brine 6845 Park Riviera Way

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Dawn Bullwinkel - Fwd: Agenda Item: Arizona Immigration Law

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Honorable Council Members:

I am writing to ask you to reconsider your approach to the Arizona immigration law. The law, as written, passes constitutional muster and is supported by a majority of citizens in California as well as our nation as a whole. Furthermore, in light of 911, we are entitled to self defense against any potential terrorist penetration, from any rogue country, along any of our porous borders. I ask that you not embarrass the residents of this city by doing anything that could in any way be construed as liberal grandstanding.

I therefore recommend that you to take no position on the Arizona law. Instead I ask that you take a positive approach to this issue by unanimously approving a "Friend of the Whitehouse" resolution, which encourages the federal government to expedite the LEGAL immigration process ten-fold, and to continue to do so over the coming years. We need young families of all skill levels that will come here as hard working good citizens who are willing to learn the English language and participate in the betterment of their communities.

Such an approach is a win-win for every American, for every family that seeks opportunity, for every business that needs to fill their positions, for every labor union that wishes to increase their membership, and for every community that strives to increase their economic viability and create a better living environment.

H. Joseph Perrin
Pocket Area Resident

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