

**From:** [rjsalgado@cox.net](mailto:rjsalgado@cox.net)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#); [Lawson-Remer, Terra](#); [Desmond, Jim](#); [Anderson, Joel](#); [Paloma Aguirre](#); [MontgomerySteppe, Monica](#)  
**Subject:** [External] "Public Comment: Item 11 - Board meeting of Oct. 21, 2025"  
**Date:** Sunday, October 19, 2025 5:01:15 PM

---

San Diego County Supervisors,

My name is Joe Salgado, and I am a 30-year retired military disabled veteran, recently retired from the federal work force supporting our active-duty military personnel and a homeowner in Lemon Grove Ca. I have been a resident in Lemon Grove since 1985. I was at the meeting presented by county representatives from district four on Thursday 18 July 2024 for the project to build homeless sleeping containers on Troy Street in Lemon Grove, at which 99.5% of the Lemon Grove residents that were present were in opposition with and do not agree with this location. My understanding is that a vote was taken on Tuesday 16 July 2024 and approved this project before it was even discussed with the residents that it will affect. Ms. Steppe district four county board of supervisors stated they talked with residents prior to voting on this project. Sticking a flyer in the door of someone's house the day after the vote was taken is not proper notification to residents of a proposed project. This tactic was unprofessional and deceptively done by the county after the homeless sleeping containers were disapproved by the residents of Spring Valley in a different location. I am not sure if the Lemon Grove Mayor or city council were fully aware of this proposal or had any say in it at the time. I requested the Lemon Grove Mayor and councilmembers get an injunction to stop this project from going any further until it can get properly vetted and hopefully rescinded. The Mayors of Lemon Grove both past and present have continually refused to put this issue on the agenda so it can at least be officially addressed. My understanding is that when Ms. Snow (at the time was a Lemon Grove city council member, now mayor) went to the county board of supervisors prior to their vote and stated Lemon Grove would be interested in this project without addressing this issue with the Lemon Grove residents.

My personnel opinions are that these types of projects do not help the homeless, are a waste of the taxpayer's money (when used) and often exacerbate the underlying problems for many of the people that are homeless.

If this project gets approved it will cause major safety issues and a drastic increase in theft, violent crimes, etc., in the adjacent neighborhood and community at large. This will increase the number of homeless people in Lemon Grove and Spring Valley, most of which were never members of this community and are from different areas, states & countries. This will significantly decrease the value of homes in this area which many of us work hard to pay for and live in a decent neighborhood. This location is near established schools and daycares that will put these children at risk. We are a blue-collar working community, not a rich area that can afford a gated community with 24-hour private security.

Sleeping containers are not the answer and have been a continued failure throughout the state! It does nothing to help with rehabilitation or addressing the truly underlying issues that drove many of these homeless people into their current situation. These sleeping encampments will endanger the safety and security of the surrounding neighborhoods and schools and increase local crime rates.

If elected politicians are going to continue to push these type projects, weather it is for lucrative contracts for their associates/friends, political points etc.; they should select a location that is away from residential neighborhoods and schools and that provide mandatory proper medical or counseling support for the people that require the help. The eleven million dollars (plus) and cost to maintain this encampment would be better used for inpatient facilities that have 3–6-month programs to address the root cause(s) on why they are homeless along with a plan to better themselves and become a productive member of society.

Due to the different issues like mental illness and drug/alcohol addiction, many of the homeless will not voluntarily enter a program. We need to go back to the tough love process to get these people into a treatment program for the help they desperately need.

This just appears to be another money grab from the state, by local politicians so they can squander the funds on their personal pet projects. In the

last three years our state has invested over twenty-four billion taxpayer's dollars to address the homeless situation with nothing to show for it!

We have had numerous petitions from residents and local businesses opposing this project (one of which over 430 residents signed in less than 96 hours opposing this project) and all appear to be ignored. If the state is eliminating homeless encampments on state land, I do not believe renting or selling CALTRANS property to the city of Lemon Grove or the county of San Diego to put a homeless encampment on is a legal or a valid approach. Your assistance in reviewing this location and rescinding the vote taken of 16 July 2024 would be appreciated. Please let me and the majority of Lemon Grove & Spring Valley residents that disapprove of this project know what is required to stop this travesty from proceeding.

Respectively,  
Joseph C Salgado

**From:** [Stephanie Morris](#)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Public comment- Item 11 board meeting of October 21, 2025  
**Date:** Sunday, October 19, 2025 3:30:11 PM

---

Item 11 is not administrative. It has a direct and immediate impact on the daily lives, environment, and well-being of Lemon Grove residents. This is a matter that demands full public discussion, open deliberation, and an opportunity for community input—not quiet approval behind a consent calendar.

Our community has already faced serious issues of transparency and communication regarding this project. Continuing to move forward without open dialogue will only deepen existing distrust and further disconnect leadership from the people it serves.

Placing Item 11 on the consent calendar sends a clear message that public voices do not matter. That is unacceptable.

If the Council/Board is truly committed to accountability and rebuilding public trust, then Item 11 must be pulled and discussed openly on the floor. Residents deserve to hear the facts, ask questions, and speak directly to those making decisions that affect their homes and future.

This is a critical moment for responsible governance. Lemon Grove deserves transparency, integrity, and leadership willing to engage the people it represents.

I urge you, pull Item 11 now!! Allow for the public scrutiny, open dialogue, and honest decision-making our community expects and deserves.

Stephanie Morris

Lemon Grove resident of 50 + years.

**From:** [Keke Jones](#)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#)  
**Subject:** [External] "Public Comment: Item 11 - Board Meeting of Oct. 21, 2025."  
**Date:** Sunday, October 19, 2025 10:20:00 AM

---

Hello,


I'm asking that you pull Item 11 from Tuesday's Consent Calendar and allow the community to have a real discussion about it. This project directly affects the safety and well-being of Lemon Grove residents and deserves public input.

The proposed site for the low-barrier shelter is across the street from a liquor store and down the street from a new preschool — a location that isn't even safe for the people it's meant to serve. The liquor store presents clear challenges for those working toward sobriety, and the busy intersection is dangerous for pedestrians, which most occupants are likely to be. In fact, a cyclist was killed at that very spot just last week.

This project has already lacked transparency and open communication. Pulling it from the consent calendar would help rebuild trust and show a genuine commitment to public engagement and responsible decision-making.

Thank you for taking this seriously and giving Lemon Grove the open discussion it deserves.

Keke Jones



**From:** [JOE SMITH](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Item 11 - Board Meeting of Oct. 21, 2025  
**Date:** Saturday, October 18, 2025 8:23:08 AM

---

Hello,

I would like to make a public comment regarding the Troy Street Project.

Name: Joe Smith

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

**From:** [anthony howell](#)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#); [Paloma Aguirre](#); [Anderson, Joel](#); [Lawson-Remer, Terra](#); [MontgomerySteppe, Monica](#); [jim.desmond@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:jim.desmond@sdcounty.ca.gov)  
**Subject:** [External] Public Comment: Item 11 - Board Meeting of Oct. 21, 2025  
**Date:** Friday, October 17, 2025 11:34:35 PM

---

I am writing to express my opposition to Item 11 – the Troy Street Sleeping Cabins (Tiny Homes) project on the agenda for the October 21, 2025 Board meeting.

While I understand and support the County’s goal of addressing homelessness, I believe this specific project is not an appropriate or effective solution for the Troy Street area. The community has legitimate concerns regarding safety, long-term maintenance, and neighborhood impact, which have not been fully addressed. Concentrating temporary housing in this area without adequate infrastructure, oversight, or supportive services risks creating more problems than it solves.

Additionally, the location is too close to residential neighborhoods, schools, and local businesses, raising concerns about increased foot traffic, security, and strain on nearby resources. Many residents were not properly informed or engaged in the planning process, and the lack of transparent outreach has left the community feeling excluded from decisions that will directly affect them.

I urge the Board to vote against the Troy Street Sleeping Cabins project and instead pursue long-term, sustainable alternatives such as transitional housing with wraparound services, mental health support, and job placement programs that truly help individuals regain stability.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Anthony Howell

Lemon Gove resident

**From:** [Yadira Altamirano](#)  
**To:** [Paloma Aguirre](#); [FGG, Public Comment](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Request to pull consent Item 11 - Board Meeting of Oct. 21, 2025  
**Date:** Saturday, October 18, 2025 11:44:10 PM

---

Dear Members of the Board of County Supervisors,

I am writing to you as a councilmember representing the community of Lemon Grove, urging you to pull and discuss Item 11 on Tuesday's agenda regarding the purchasing of land for the tiny homes project on Troy Street. In the past, our community has not been given sufficient opportunity to express their concerns regarding significant projects that directly affect their lives and the fabric of our neighborhood.

As a representative of the taxpayers, it is essential that their voices are heard in matters impacting our community, especially when we are already facing numerous challenges. While I acknowledge the urgent need to address the homeless population issue, it is imperative that we ensure community's voices are heard in these discussions.

I humbly request a commitment from the Board to be transparent and to exercise effective communication regarding this project. The people of Lemon Grove deserve to speak, share their thoughts, and contribute to the decision-making process that affects their community. We are experiencing difficult times in our society, and it is vital that we come together to support one another.

Thank you for considering this request. I trust that you will prioritize the voices of the constituents you serve and take the necessary steps to ensure a transparent and inclusive process.

Sincerely,

Yadira Altamirano  
Lemon Grove City Council

**From:** [Rosa Carney](#)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Public Comment: Item 11 - Board Meeting of Oct. 21, 2025  
**Date:** Sunday, October 19, 2025 9:25:45 AM

---

Attention Board of Supervisors,

I am requesting that the County Council/ Board of Supervisors pull item 11 from the consent calendar to allow the public the opportunity to hear the item that impacts our day to day lives as well as give the public the opportunity to speak on the item in public comment. Our community has already been harmed by lack of transparency and honesty with this project.

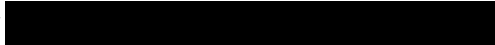
I am a Lemon Grove resident and involved community member that has volunteered for over 15 years. The mistrust come upon your decision of not conducting an open forum for Lemon Grovers to be part of the decision process regarding the low barrier facilities.

This now the time to allow the public to hear the item.

It ia time for you to start building the trust you lost within the community of Lemon Grove.

Respecfully,

Rosa Carney



**From:** [LiAnne](#)  
**Cc:** [FGG, Public Comment](#); [Paloma Aguirre](#); [Anderson, Joel](#); [MontgomerySteppe, Monica](#); [Desmond, Jim](#); [Lawson-Remer, Terra](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Tuesday's Consent Calendar  
**Date:** Sunday, October 19, 2025 6:05:58 PM

---

Members of the Board of Supervisors of San Diego County,

I respectfully and urgently request that you pull item 11 from Tuesdays Consent Calendar.

This item is not administrative in nature; it directly impacts the daily lives, environment, and the well-being of residents within our community. Therefore, it warrants a full public discussion, deliberation by the Council/Board, and the opportunity for thorough public comment.

Our community has already experienced significant challenges, including a lack of transparency and open communication regarding the project associated with this item. Placing it on the consent calendar only serves to exacerbate existing distrust and prevent the necessary public engagement required for responsible governance.

To begin the process of rebuilding trust and demonstrating a commitment to transparency, we ask that you allow the community the opportunity to hear the details of item 11 presented on the floor and to exercise our right to speak on the matter during public comment.

This action is critical for healing the current fracture and ensuring the Council/Board is fully informed of the project's real-world implications before making a final decision.

I urge your vote to pull item 11 and allow the necessary public scrutiny it requires and that Lemon Grove deserves.

Sincerely,

Lianne Lish  
Resident of Lemon Grove

**From:** [Sergio](#)  
**To:** [ct.public.information.d11@dot.ca.gov](mailto:ct.public.information.d11@dot.ca.gov); [FGG, Public Comment](#); [Paloma Aguirre](#); [Anderson, Joel](#); [MontgomerySteppe, Monica](#); [Desmond, Jim](#); [Lawson-Remer, Terra](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Oppose - Sale of Troy Street Property  
**Date:** Sunday, October 19, 2025 10:21:20 AM

---

Members of the Board of Supervisors of San Diego County and interested parties,

I respectfully and urgently request that you pull Agenda Item 11 from Tuesday's Consent Calendar.

This item is not administrative in nature; it directly impacts the daily lives, environment, and well-being of residents within our community. Therefore, it warrants a full public discussion, deliberation by the Council/Board, and the opportunity for thorough public comment.

The community of Lemon Grove (and Spring Valley) already experienced significant challenges, including a lack of transparency and open communication regarding the project associated with this item. Placing it on the consent calendar only serves to exacerbate existing distrust and prevent the necessary public engagement required for responsible governance.

To begin the process of rebuilding trust and demonstrating a commitment to transparency, we ask that you allow the community the opportunity to hear the details of Item 11 presented on the floor and to exercise our right to speak on the matter during public comment. The majority of us oppose such a project in a community setting that already lacks infrastructure.

This action is critical for healing the current fracture and ensuring the Council/Board is fully informed of the project's real-world implications before making a final decision.

We urge you to NOT vote on the property sale and allow the necessary public scrutiny it requires and that Lemon Grove deserves.

Kind regards,  
Sergio Gonzalez

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of Sergio Gonzalez.

**From:** [Michele Keys](#)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#); [Paloma Aguirre](#); [Anderson, Joel](#); [MontgomerySteppe, Monica](#); [Desmond, Jim](#); [Lawson-Remer, Terra](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Public Comment: Item 11 -Board Meeting of Oct 21, 2025  
**Date:** Monday, October 20, 2025 10:34:03 AM

---

Members of the Board of Supervisors of San Diego County,

I respectfully and urgently request that you pull Item 11 from Tuesday's consent calendar. This item is not administrative in nature and therefore warrants a full public discussion, deliberation by the Board, and the opportunity for public comment. Our community has experienced significant challenges in recent years, including a severe lack of transparency and communication regarding the Troy Street Project which is associated with this item. Placing it on the consent calendar only serves to exacerbate the existing distrust and prevents the necessary public engagement required for responsible governance. To begin the process of rebuilding trust and demonstrating a commitment to transparency, I ask that you allow the community the opportunity to hear the details of Item 11 presented on the floor and to exercise our right to speak on the matter during public comment. It is critical that the Council/Board hears the public comment and is fully informed of the project's real-world implications before making a final decision. I urge you to allow public comment that residents of Lemon Grove deserve.

I have lived in Lemon Grove for over 50 years and have seen significant changes to my community. When Allison Snow was running for Mayor of Lemon Grove, she came to my home while campaigning. I expressed my concerns with the condition of the City, the amount of empty buildings, homelessness, etc. I told her that while I would love to spend my money locally, but because of the state of the City, I do not shop or dine in Lemon Grove as I do not always feel safe. Ms. Snow assured me that she had a "plan". Two days later I found out that her plan is the Troy Street Project, which will be located near the end of my street! Had she told me this when we met, we could have had a conversation and many of my questions could have been answered. Instead I felt betrayed and railroaded into living next to a project that nobody in Lemon Grove knew anything about until it was a done deal. The City and the County have had meetings with the citizens, but it was clear from the meetings that the voices of the Lemon Grove citizens did not matter and would not be heard.

Instead of helping the local homeless population, you are taking unvetted individuals from other areas and putting them in "tiny homes" at the end of my street! I have not seen any solid information regarding how these individuals will be rehabilitated or placed into permanent housing. I have not seen any reassurances that our neighborhoods will remain safe. I have come across many of the mentally ill and drug addicted individuals throughout the City and, quite frankly, a tiny home will not cure their ills. Placing them into a neighborhood and near a preschool is downright reckless and will open the City and County up to lawsuits due to the actions of the unstable individuals you are putting into our community. Putting them in "sheds" is not humane. We must find other resources to help these individuals such as permanent housing, drug rehabilitation programs, and mental health programs. While I understand that homelessness is a serious and difficult issue to solve, the money spent on this project would be better used toward programs that actually help people get off the streets and into permanent housing and treatment, not just a box to sleep in with no plans. Everything about this project is wrong. It is the wrong location. It is the wrong solution. And it's wrong for our City.

I urge your vote to pull Item 11 from the agenda and allow the necessary public scrutiny that the citizens of Lemon Grove deserve.

Thank you,  
Michele Keys - Lemon Grove Resident

**From:** [Jeremy Ogul](#)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#); [Paloma Aguirre](#); [Anderson, Joel](#); [MontgomerySteppe, Monica](#); [Desmond, Jim](#); [Lawson-Remer, Terra](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Public Comment: Item 11 - Board Meeting of Oct. 21, 2025  
**Date:** Monday, October 20, 2025 12:37:50 PM

---

Good afternoon,

I am a Lemon Grove resident writing to demand that the Board of Supervisors pull Item 11 from the Consent Agenda and give it the full presentation and discussion it deserves.

It is a disgrace that this was placed on the Consent Agenda to begin with. The Board's Rules of Procedure state that all items on the Consent Agenda "are considered to be routine." Item 11 is NOT a routine item. It is a controversial, major policy decision that involves the decision to shift from a \$1-per-year lease to a \$2 million land sale. A "no" vote on this item could result in the cancellation of a \$13 million project, while a "yes" vote would lead the County down a path where the project budget grows beyond \$15 million. There is nothing routine about that choice.

Leaving Item 11 on the Consent Agenda would be an abuse of the Board's discretion and a violation of the spirit of the Brown Act. I would appreciate a response and confirmation prior to the Board meeting that this item will be pulled from the Consent Agenda and provided a full hearing and discussion by the Board.

Thank you,

Jeremy Ogul

**From:** [Felicia Turner](#)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#); [Paloma Aguirre](#); [Anderson, Joel](#)  
**Cc:** [MontgomerySteppe, Monica](#); [Desmond, Jim](#); [Lawson-Remer, Terra](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Public Comment: Item 11- Troy Street  
**Date:** Monday, October 20, 2025 1:16:46 PM  
**Importance:** High

---

Members of the Board of Supervisors of San Diego County,

I respectfully and urgently request that you pull Item 11 from Tuesday's Consent Calendar.

This item is not administrative in nature; it directly impacts the daily lives, environment, and well-being of residents within our community. Therefore, it warrants a full public discussion, deliberation by the Council/Board, and the opportunity for thorough public comment.

Our community has already experienced significant challenges, including a lack of transparency and open communication regarding the project associated with this item. Placing it on the consent calendar only serves to exacerbate existing distrust and prevent the necessary public engagement required for responsible governance.

To begin the process of rebuilding trust and demonstrating a commitment to transparency, we ask that you allow the community the opportunity to hear the details of Item 11 presented on the floor and to exercise our right to speak on the matter during public comment.

This action is critical for healing the current fracture and ensuring the Council/Board is fully informed of the project's real-world implications before making a final decision.

I urge your vote to pull Item 11 and allow the necessary public scrutiny it requires and that Lemon Grove deserves.

Thank you,

Felicia Turner

**From:** [winemiller](#)  
**To:** [FGG, Public Comment](#)  
**Cc:** [Paloma Aguirre](#); [Anderson, Joel](#); [MontgomerySteppe, Monica](#); [Desmond, Jim](#); [Lawson-Remer, Terra](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Public Comment: Item 11 - Board Meeting of Oct. 21, 2025  
**Date:** Monday, October 20, 2025 2:21:01 PM

---

Members of the Board of Supervisors of San Diego County,

I respectfully and urgently request that you pull Item 11 from Tuesday's Consent Calendar.

This item is not administrative in nature; it directly impacts the daily lives, environment, and well-being of residents within our community. Therefore, it warrants a full public discussion, deliberation by the Council/Board, and the opportunity for thorough public comment.

Our community has already experienced significant challenges, including a lack of transparency and open communication regarding the project associated with this item. Placing it on the consent calendar only serves to exacerbate existing distrust and prevent the necessary public engagement required for responsible governance.

To begin the process of rebuilding trust and demonstrating a commitment to transparency, we ask that you allow the community the opportunity to hear the details of Item 11 presented on the floor and to exercise our right to speak on the matter during public comment.

This action is critical for healing the current fracture and ensuring the Council/Board is fully informed of the project's real-world implications before making a final decision.

I urge your vote to pull Item 11 and allow the necessary public scrutiny it requires and that Lemon Grove deserves.

Thank you,

Richard and Faye Winemiller  
Both long-time, 47 year residents, of Lemon Grove, CA 91945