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Subject: [External] RESPONDING TO THE "ONE BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL ACT" (please include with documents for agenda #9)
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Good Morning, Supervisors,

Board policy A-72 is about setting reasonable agenda deadlines and standards. I do not think you waive it in advance absent an emergency. And since there was no violent protest in San Diego, no mistreatment of officials, police, or protesters, any funding cut is likely to be carefully considered rather than immediate and reflexive or bullying.

However, my main point is that all of this should have been carefully considered in advance. I mean, months ago, we could have guessed at the contents of the 'BB Bill.' Some of you may have.

Second point, you are calling for reports by July 22 and September 30. However, I would expect some action on this by July 4, which is when the president suggested it be passed, and given his proclivity to act by executive order, it may be good to have something before the 22nd.

Third point is that the list of projects which might be affected is extensive, so it would be very helpful to have a priority list (like 1,2,3...) instead of just throwing out a few program names at us.

Since there are no attachments (such as the BB Bill or a legislative summary) it is hard to verify the exact impact of the projected cuts. That is one reason why it is so important to have a healthy reserve fund rather than have to repeatedly reallocate funds between departments,

as several of us suggested.

A few suggestions;

1. You want to find \$5 to 10 million for affordable housing. You should have listened to Mark Dorian and I repeatedly mentioning cheaper housing – 3D printed, tiny, shipping crate, or adobe homes. You should have mandated that developers provide more than a few truly affordable units (5 to 10% for 30% AMI people is ridiculous. No way to reduce homelessness or promote affordability.)

2. Instead of tenant Legal Services, you should have capped rent increases and done more against predatory landlords or those who keep not making needed repairs.

I'm all about protecting food security, health, and all, but let's be more organized.

All this panic at the last minute (particularly at budget time) feels like manipulation, the more so since it has been fairly constant over the last year or two.

Regards,

Paul Henkin