

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Andrea Chelemengos](#)
Subject: Regular City Council meeting Item #10 for March 23rd
Date: Monday, March 15, 2021 5:38:15 PM

Hi Andrea

I looked at the agenda for March 23rd on item 10 and my correspondence is not there. I have sent it several times. This is the discussion on the Theater. I am sending it again

What's up ?

Roberta Phillips <

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to City



Dear Council Members

I do not understand why this item is on the agenda for this Tuesday's Council meeting. It is Item # 11

I listened to the Retreat Council Meetings where you set priorities and the priority for Downtown is economic recovery.

I don't understand why this is necessary or time would be spent by the City Council if no staff report or staff work is going to be done.

What are you trying to accomplish? If people are interested in getting together to work on a theater downtown, they do not need the blessing of the City Council in advance. If it is not a Brown Act Committee, no public input is required, nor do public meetings need to be held.

"Brown Act, located at **California** Government Code 54950 et seq., is an **act** of the **California** State Legislature, authored by Assemblymember Ralph M. **Brown** and passed in 1953, that guarantees the public's right to attend and participate in meetings of local legislative bodies."

Please do not deny us of our right to attend or participate in decisions that affect our Downtown.

I would not like to see a Theater Working group working in a non-public forum or manner. The Brown Act protects transparency.

Sincerely

Roberta Phillips

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From: [Brad Kilger](#)
To: [Andrea Chelemengos](#)
Subject: FW: Item #11
Date: Thursday, March 4, 2021 9:42:33 AM

FYI

From: Megan Satterlee [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 3, 2021 2:16 PM
To: City Council <council@losaltosca.gov>
Subject: Item #11

Dear Coucil,

I am baffled by agenda item 11. As there is no additional report, all we have is what is on the agenda:

Los Altos Theater Working Group. Support the formation of a working group to develop a proposal for a Los Altos Theater, which will include conceptual plans, capital costs and potential revenue sources or commitments, operating models, critical success factors for theatre operations, potential partners, and possible site location(s). The working group will not be a Brown Act body, and City Council Members and City staff will not be members of the working group or be responsible for leading, managing, or scheduling meetings for the working group. If the proposal includes the use of City-owned land and/or resources, the working group will present the proposal or a progress update to the City Council no later than October 31, 2021. (Council Initiated - Mayor Fligor)

Why is this before Council at all?

What is it even asking for? What support would Council provide for a non Brown Act body with no City staff or Councilmember members?

Let any group of people who want to come together, join together to discuss whatever topic they want. They don't need Council's blessing, and I certainly don't want to see this become a trend. What group is next...New Library Working Group? Save Halsey House Working Group? Create a Lacrosse League Working Group?

Please don't waste time even discussing the matter. If the item can't be removed, then just expeditiously affirm forming a group doesn't require Council's permission.

Sincerely,

Megan Satterlee