

## Agenda Item 4.1 22-045 Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance

Jim Foust <[REDACTED]>

Wed 1/19/2022 5:17 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Please don't enact this ordinance. This is an attack on our second amendment right to own fire arms and doesn't stop gun violence. Instead, go after the people who commit gun violence, which are the same people that are already committing other crimes of burglary, drug dealing, and shoplifting.

Thank you, Jim Foust

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## Voting No on Agenda Item 4.1 22-045 Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance

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Wed 1/19/2022 6:17 PM

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I vote NO on this ordinance and will vote against anyone supporting this proposed legislation.

David Webb

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Your bill is UNCONSTITUTIONAL!! Stop trying to take our guns its NOT going to happen!! We the people will NOT stand by while you tyrannical "leaders" do whatever the hell you want. The constitution says "THE RIGHT TO BARE ARMS AND SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED UPON""!! do you understand what SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED UPON MEANS? If not pick up a book and educate your peanut brains. Our founding fathers wrote our constitution for tyrannical people like you and we will not stand by quietly!

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chuck hall <[REDACTED]>

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Please don't tax a constitutional right.  
Chuck hall

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Joel Vosburgh <[REDACTED]>

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Please vote to stop this act.

Joel Vosburgh

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DON CARRERA <[REDACTED]>

Wed 1/19/2022 6:26 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Hello,

Your attempt at gun registration seems to be a way to begin a gun registry. That is not a good idea, since it endangers the legal gun owners, unless you have a way to guarantee that their addresses or other information is completely hidden from someone without a need to know.

You may receive a limited amount of tax revenue, but at the expense of upsetting quite a few legal gun owners.

Don Carrera



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Walter Pickett <[REDACTED]>

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Do not pass this gun ownership tax legislation. --  
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Kevin O <[REDACTED]>

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To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Please do not let this pass.  
We will be charged to enjoy our Second amendment rights.  
This is unconstitutional!

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Edward Griffiths <[REDACTED]>

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This bill is blatantly unconstitutional and must be defeated. It is a stunningly mis-directed attempt to solve a complex problem. It also engenders such stupidity across California.

I don't own guns, but I do know the Constitution, a document with which this bill's sponsors clearly are not acquainted.

Stop this madness.

Ed Griffiths  
Pleasant Hill, CA

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Marla Hawkins <[REDACTED]>

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This will harm all Americans.

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Barbara Fisher <[REDACTED]>

Wed 1/19/2022 7:55 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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A gun ownership tax? Perhaps you don't realize that limiting guns from good citizens is against our Constitution. Criminals will ALWAYS be able to get/buy/find/steal guns. Maybe you should spend more energy enforcing laws regarding criminals and their punishments.

Barb Fisher  
Crivitz, Wisconsin

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Stratus <[REDACTED]>

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San Jose government,

Drop this idiotic "tax punishment" bill. You are full of crap.

-Concerned Constituent

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Pramod Bhooma <[REDACTED]>

Wed 1/19/2022 8:29 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Dear Sir/Ms.,

I am writing to your office voicing my opposition to Unconstitutional Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance.

Whole of Bill of Rights is present to safeguard us ALL from Tyranny Within and Without our beloved Republic.

Wisdom of Founding Fathers stood the test of time of 200 plus years proving that to be true beyond doubt when other nations citizens whose self-defense rights were curtailed got submerged into horrors of Communism and Fascism losing life, liberty and property.

Any attempt to curtail Bill of Rights is not only going to imperil lives and liberties of citizenry long term but more importantly goes against Supreme Law of the Land.

I request your office to make dismantle this proposed Unconstitutional Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance

Regards,  
Pramod

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[Redacted] <[Redacted]>

Wed 1/19/2022 8:34 PM

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I strongly **oppose** Agenda Item 4.1 22-045 Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance

Criminals will not register their guns or pay a tax, this ordinance will only negatively impact law-abiding citizens.

This isn't just about San Jose - or even California. There is a whole coalition of Bloomberg "Mayors Against Illegal Guns" in cities all across America just waiting to implement this blatantly unconstitutional attack on gun rights. The right to bear arms shall not be infringed.

Do NOT to pass this proposed ordinance!

Thank you,  
Edward Young

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Barry Kinske <[REDACTED]>

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Jerry Whitehead <[REDACTED]>

Wed 1/19/2022 9:39 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Please this is just another gun registration and tax increase item. DO NOT PASS THIS BILL! Most people I know carry firearms for their own protection AND that of their neighbors and community. Penalizing them for being stewards of our state is not right. I have family in San Jose and I go there frequently and will continue to do so with my firearm in my vehicle and on my person and I will encourage them to vote against this bill and be supportive of their city and neighborhood.

Good government enhances good citizenship to build on.

DO NOT PASS THIS BILL!

Thank you

Jerry Whitehead; [REDACTED]

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louise Francis <[REDACTED]>

Wed 1/19/2022 9:44 PM

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This is to reject your cities agenda to tax guns under the guise of "Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance." This is just to tax legal owners with guns and not the criminals with guns and you know it makes no sense. A sneakey way to pass a law that is unconstitutional.  
Don't do it!!!!

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r.l."mack" mcelreath <[REDACTED]>

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Congratulations, San Jose. If this ill-conceived, ill-considered, illegal bit of un-constitutional excrement is passed, you will join san fran fecesco in the pool of infamy that is the just repository for gun-grabbers and other anti-2nd Amendment cesspool sludge. Having spent some enjoyable vacation time in your (formerly) fair city, it pains me to see it descend into the depths of degradation and wokeness. It will, also, pain me to have to advise my readers and military contacts to avoid you, as I have done to san fran fecesco, and spend their tourist \$\$ elsewhere. Fortunately, there are STILL some places that value individual liberty and the the 3 (not so commons, anymore) sense, decency and courtesy.

I think your new name will be some permutation of "san hose you". That is just a working name, as this has been a total shock, to me. It will take some time for me to compose a suitably excoriating column and (of course) I will wait until you have actually committed the egregious act, to be able to marshal the full extent of my outrage but, be assured that the words will flow and my editor and publisher won't let the copy cool before it is before the public, presuming of course that you actually take this highly unwise action. Sincerely yours, in hopes of the commons prevailing. R.L. McElreath MSG Ca State Mil. Res. (Ret)

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Wed 1/19/2022 10:06 PM

To: City Clerk <[Redacted]>

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Stop this craziness, you do not have any legal standing to tax the honest gun owning citizens of the United States, for owning a gun. Why don't you start incarcerating the felons that commit crimes with or without a gun? We the people, will never allow the government to deprive Americans the right to protect ourselves and our families and will refuse any tax that you try to impose upon us!

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mattcrandall <[REDACTED]>

Wed 1/19/2022 10:40 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Dear San Jose City Council,

Enough is enough....this proposed ordinance is significant government overreach. You can expect that I will financially support the legal action that will be taken against the City of San Jose if this ordinance is passed.

What's next? Will you make me have liability insurance for a hammer that I own, or the knives in my kitchen, or my son's baseball bats?

This is ridiculous. Think for a moment about what you are proposing in this.

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JoAnne Kazemi <[REDACTED]>

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## Item 22-045 1 4.1 Public Safety Gun "Harm Reduction" Ordinance

John Mancino <[REDACTED]>

Wed 1/19/2022 11:04 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Dear fellow San Jose residents,

I am a San Jose native having lived here my entire 42 year life; in that time, I have experienced a lot including homelessness at one point, but I worked hard, put myself through school and am proud to be a contributing member of our community today. I pay taxes, and I vote in elections.

In my humble opinion, this proposed ordinance seems to punish law-abiding citizens for merely exercising one of their God-given, inalienable rights (just happens to be codified in our US Constitution); why would we want to do that?

There is a growing number of good people already fed up with high taxes who are now growing tired of being treated like "subjects" by their elected officials. These contributing members of our community (myself included) have been literally thinking every day about selling their homes and moving far, far away. Do we want to hasten the mass Exodus of the law-abiding, contributing members of our community?

Please consider the following points:

-The proposed ordinance is a violation of court rulings against Jim Crow laws that tax constitutional rights.

-Gun owners will not be able to comply with the ordinance. There are no insurance policies in existence that are available for gun owners to buy (what sound insurance company would be willing to write policies and if so, at what cost?).

-The ordinance will do nothing to stop the two overwhelming causes of firearm deaths: suicide and criminal activity. A 2017 PEW research study showed 97% due to suicide and criminal activity.

-If passed, this proposed ordinance will be moot after the United States Supreme Court rules on New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. Keith Corlett, No. 20-843 later this year.

-Finally, the proposal implements taxes at the local level, in violation of the California Constitution on special taxes, Article XIII C Section 2(d).

Please reject this proposed ordinance and reallocate the resources and energy toward fighting the root causes of all violence - such as mental illness, addiction, and socioeconomic inequalities.

Sincerely yours,  
John Mancino

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### Comment on "Agenda Item 4.1 22 045 Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance"

Colin Gallagher <[REDACTED]>

Thu 1/20/2022 2:59 AM

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Hello, this is a public comment on "Agenda Item 4 1 22 045 Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance."

It is also a comment on other proposed City ordinances against guns, as such local ordinances are unconstitutional, being that they are an attempt to circumvent state law, which local laws cannot do. Neither can local laws place burdens upon gun ownership which would violate either state or federal laws, nor can local laws place a burden on gun ownership that would infringe upon one's Constitutional right, as this ordinance clearly would.

Therefore, not only must you cease any attempt to pass the "Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance," but as well, cease attempting to pass any local laws restricting gun ownership.

Respectfully,

Colin Gallagher

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Dave Appleton <[REDACTED]>

Thu 1/20/2022 3:18 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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I would highly recommend not following through with this unconstitutional ordinance. It will end badly for everyone involved. Americas legal gun owners will not put up with more intrusions on our second amendment and certainly will not pay for a right guaranteed by our constitution. Do you honestly believe that the bad guys among us will pay your tax? All this is is a backhanded gun registration scheme that will not work and will not be followed.

Regards

Dave Appleton. VT.

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Sheri Wentland <[REDACTED]>

Thu 1/20/2022 4:05 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Dear City Government of San Jose,  
I just heard about your proposed unlawful 'gun tax'. This is a blatant, unconstitutional attack on citizens of this great country, and we oppose it fiercely.  
Sincerely,  
Sheri Wentland

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[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>  
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Good morning,

Referencing The Firearm Owners' Protection Act of 1986:

FOPA is a United States federal law that revised many of the Gun Control Act of 1968 provisions. As such, FOPA makes it illegal for the national government or any state in the country to keep any database or registry that ties firearms directly to their owner. The exact wording of the provision is as follows:

*No such rule or regulation prescribed [by the Attorney General] after the date of the enactment of the Firearms Owners Protection Act may require that records required to be maintained under this chapter or any portion of the contents of such records, be recorded at or transferred to a facility owned, managed, or controlled by the United States or any State or any political subdivision thereof, nor that any system of registration of firearms, firearms owners, or firearms transactions or disposition be established. Nothing in this section expands or restricts the Secretary's authority to inquire into the disposition of any firearm in the course of a criminal investigation.*

If you institute this tax, you are in essence, developing a firearm registry, which is illegal by Federal law.

Please oppose "Agenda Item 4.1 22-045 Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance".

Thank you,

Danny Emerson,  
South Berwick ME

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Please oppose this scheme designed to make a gun registry that will be referred to if ever some illegal configuration comes around.

Paul Hogan

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David Graw <[REDACTED]>

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To whom it may concern;

Gun ownership ta really? Stop attacking your hard working legal and gun owners.

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Paul Liniger <[REDACTED]>

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Do not pass this ordinance

Blessings,  
Paul Liniger

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[Redacted] <[Redacted]>

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Hello,

This is an unconstitutional order that will only punish law abiding gun owners and do nothing to stop the rampant crime that is happening. Do not pass the Gun harm reduction ordinance. Thank you.

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Eric Opon <[REDACTED]>

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VOTE NO! This is unconstitutional. Stop trying to change everything that made this country great. You should be ashamed of yourselves. The legacy you leave your children would be that YOU helped turn the United States of America into a communist country.

Eric Opon

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Bork TI <[REDACTED]>

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So often people who care about the disparate impact of legislation point out that a given rule, code, or law will disproportionately affect the lower income citizens of a region. This proposed ordinance would do just that. If the fee or tax proposed in this ordinance is put in place, it will cost lower income people a greater percentage of their income than those who are better off. It is a fact that people of color are a higher percentage of lower income citizens and they will be the ones, yet again, that will be discriminated against by this law. It should be noted that the initial "gun control" laws were passed in the South to prevent people of color from obtaining firearms for their own defense. This proposed ordinance is another instance of the just recently acknowledged bigotry inherent in the very fabric of our nation. For that reason alone, not to mention that a fee will not lessen the violence in the city, this ordinance should not be passed.

George S. Hunt, Jr

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"One may disagree without being disagreeable." -- Barry Goldwater

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Chris Neimeister <[REDACTED]>

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To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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Please vote against this ordinance. It violates the U.S. Constitution by infringing on the right of the people to keep and bear arms. Please protect our constitutional rights and be a good example to other city governments.

Thank you,  
Chris Neimeister

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charlie's mail <[REDACTED]>

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I strongly object to a tax on legal gun ownership. Not only is a violation of the Second Amendment to the Constitution, but it will do nothing to solve the illegal gun possession by criminals Does anyone really think that criminals will obey the law and pay a tax on their illegally owned guns? I don't think anyone is truly that stupid. This is a direct attack on legal gun ownership and sets up the opportunity to seize guns against the will of the owners and bring about a state of tyranny. And even if all of this were to happen, criminals will still use their guns Charles

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Michael Goodman <[REDACTED]>

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Do NOT pass this ordinance. It is obviously related to "optics" merely a "feel good" measure to appeal to the public but taxing gun purchases does nothing except line government pockets with more money that is rarely put to good use. It will prevent not a single gun sale, not a single act of misuse, nothing. What will stop illegal use of guns is proper policing, mental health awareness and training, better education in schools, employment, better parental involvement in schools, and a variety of other measures.

In the meantime, the good citizens of our communities should not be deterred from protecting themselves. It is their constitutional right to do so.

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**Agenda Item 4.1 22 045 Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance" in the subject line.**

Sean Keating <[REDACTED]>

Thu 1/20/2022 7:05 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in reference to agenda item 4.122–045 as a concerned, tax paying, law abiding citizen.

As I understand the intent of considering a proposal like this, it is unconstitutional, and puts the burden on law abiding citizens to make up for criminal and negligent acts.

Unconstitutional in that, the 2nd Amendment clearly spells out that there is no requirement to owning a firearm to protect yourself other than being an American citizen. Having to pay for insurance to own a firearm along with the firearm being subject to confiscation if the individual is remiss on their payments is putting an undue barrier to owning a firearm, especially for people of limited means. Also the aforementioned "fee" would also require the local government to collect and maintain a registry of firearm owners. All these things are against the citizen's inalienable right of self defense spelled out in the 2nd Amendment. The phrase, "shall not be infringed" is very clear. These attempts of regulating a right are only a means of raising tax revenue, and creating a burden on the law abiding citizen.

The city also needs to look at what confiscation looks like. Are they prepared to go home to home and try to disarm citizens that disagree with the councils tax plan? This will be dangerous for the officers conducting these operations and be viewed highly unpopular nationally. There have been many situations where the government attempted to do the same nationally and it turned out to be dangerous with civilians and government officials being killed. Is the city of San Jose prepared for that type of public relations?

Thank you for reading my thoughts on this issue.

Concerned citizen  
[REDACTED]

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## Agenda Item 4.1 22-045 Gun Harm Reduction Ordinance

Jack Voth [REDACTED]

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To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

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I OPPOSE this legislation!

Why should I, as a law abiding citizen, pay taxes on a tool that criminals will not? If a criminal walks into a convenience store and buys a soda they pay taxes. When they obtain a firearm illegally they will not pay taxes...

Jack Voth

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