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Dear Commissioners,

In reference to the proposed business tax, this email is in opposition. Well over 90% of the attendees at the Pacific City/Woods Chamber meeting were opposed as well.

I feel as though this is something being forced upon us, the taxpayers, that is not necessary or wanted. I understand that you want to fund the EDC so that you can use the lottery funds elsewhere, but having that on the backs of the businesses in unincorporated areas of the county is both onerous and discriminatory. I am opposed to taxing a few so that many can "benefit". I have been in business for over 25 years and not once used the services of the edc, so can't see how it would be such a wonderful thing to pay for something I don't use.

At what point will you listen to the taxpayers instead of passing taxes that allow you to shuffle money into different columns? I also find it somewhat disingenuous that during the start of covid, the commissioners, so "pro business", shut down the county and are now planning on taxing the businesses to purportedly help for economic development.

It amazes me that they "few" know so much better than the many and cram their agenda down our throats. Enough is enough, stop this tax!

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