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To: Jan Noriyuki
Subject: CIAC Opposition
Date: Thursday, September 10, 2020 8:45:18 PM
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September 9, 2020

Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074
jan.noriyuki@puc.idaho.gov

Re: SUZ-W-20-01

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Sincerely,



From: Mark <Mark@nampapaving.com>
To: Jan Noriyuki
Subject: SUZ-W-20-1
Date: Friday, September 11, 2020 7:20:10 AM
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From: lee centers <8881852@gmail.com>
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LC Dev Inc
Lee Centers President



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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronda Conger". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ronda Conger
Vice President
CBH Homes



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RE: SUZ-W-20-01

Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of Brighton Development, Inc., ("Brighton"), we are submitting a letter in opposition of the Contributions in Aid of Construction (CIAC) that Suez charges, as authorized by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, and ask that it be eliminated.

In 2018 the CIAC was adopted by the IPUC at the request of SUEZ without providing sufficient, if any, notice to the impacted communities. The CIAC is a 21.5% tax on private water systems, that came as a complete surprise, and is not required when the utility is owned by a municipality or water district. Brighton was completely blindsided by the adopted CIAC. At the time this became an unbudgeted line item that we were forced to accept.

Brighton had one project with SUEZ approved plans, but we were not provided a contract until after the CIAC had been adopted by PUC. Again, we had no advance warning of the CIAC tax, and were required to pay to keep our project moving forward. For Brighton, the cost has been significant with no offsetting benefit. Specifically, since the CIAC was implemented, we have averaged:

- Eagle, Idaho: \$935 per lot with the highest so far at \$1,490 per lot
- North Ada County, Idaho: \$992 per lot with the highest so far at \$1,410 per lot.

The CIAC tax only applies to private systems and is punitive to projects that are required to use SUEZ because of designated service boundaries. There is no benefit for an unfair and inequitable tax to be charged when a private service provide is required.

We respectfully request that IPUC rescind and eliminate the CIAC tax.

Sincerely,

Brighton Development, Inc.

Jonathan D. Wardle
President

Cartwright Ranch, LLC

September 11, 2020

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Commission Secretary
P.O. Box 8370
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Re: Case Number SUZ-W-20-01

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Cartwright Ranch, LLC to support the removal of the CIAC tax currently being charged by Suez Water. Cartwright Ranch is a Planned Community of over 600 homes located in Ada County off Cartwright Road and Hidden Springs Drive. With current demand for housing in Ada County the 21.56% CIAC tax is cumbersome to say the least and prevents the ability to provide an affordable development to the residents. This tax substantially increases development costs which are passed along to future homeowners. This tax places an undue burden on developers, home builders and ultimately residents of Ada County residents who are served by Suez. No other local utility provider charges this burdensome tax. Eliminating the tax will help to keep costs more consistent regardless if the water system is owned by a private company or public utility and will help make housing more affordable.

We would strongly urge the Utilities Commission to approve the Suez application and remove the additional tax. This would not only help the housing market and development community but would ultimately help the current residents of Ada County by decreasing the overall cost of development.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 208-938-4270

Regards,



Charles Carlise
Cartwright Ranch, LLC