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**To:** [Haddon, Stacey](#)  
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**Subject:** COMMENTS ON CANNABIS EVENTS AND \$4M RESERVE FUND RAID  
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Dear Ms Haddon,

Please report these two comments to the city council when the relevant motions are discussed.

River Bend Park was built for kids to play soccer and baseball, or ride bicycles in the off-road bicycle park across the street. Ken Adams Park has hosted the Renaissance Faire and community picnics. River Park is used for tourist camping, family barbecues, and high school cross-country competitions.

These public parks should not be misused for cannabis indulgence and celebration of marijuana euphoria and insensibility. Cannabis contains psychoactive drugs which attack rational brain functions and brain-body coordination. Don't we already have enough harm done by alcohol? Must you teach irrational behaviors to our children by modeling drug use in our parks?

All of this social damage for what? Money! You do this just for more money into the general fund! This is the very definition of prostitution. You will do anything for money. No thank you. That is immoral.

If the city council is so concerned to have more money available for city government needs or to address surprises, then why are you proposing to raid the reserve fund for \$4,000,000? You want this money for a very vague "Capital Development Special Revenue Fund". What are you proposing to buy? Little houses for transients? Halfway houses for addicts? Warming centers for the homeless?

Lompoc has only one serious crisis: murderous gang warfare in our streets. Innocent citizens have been killed; a seventeen year old girl was killed by a stray bullet from a gang shoot-out on a residential street. She was in the right place at the right time; she was baby-sitting a neighbor's children. A young soldier was home on leave when ambushed in a gang related thrill-kill. Many others have been wounded and survived just to leave the working people of Lompoc to pay their hospital bills. We must help the shooters live to fight another day as we struggle to pay for our own medicines. No thank you! The wrong people are being punished.

I would support \$4,000,000 of reserve funds spent on hiring more sworn police officers to crush the criminals and secure our streets. If the council spends \$4,000,000 of reserve funds on anything other than more police boots on the streets, then the Lompoc Council is truly defunding the police. I say: YOU ARE DEFUNDING THE POLICE!

Choose wisely; an election is coming.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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