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**From:** Andrew O'Connor [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 9:40 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** 2-02-21 Agenda Items 15 & 16

This looks like another layer of government with more six-figure jobs and pensions. I expect Voigts to push this hard. Remember the TCA (Toll Roads) was another formed agency with nothing but politicians on its board and they are now 5 billion dollars in debt. This may just be another agency with nothing but politicians on its board looking for donations from vendors.

Think of it this way. If someone truly believes that they have the power to save the world from environmental disaster - Edison currently has green energy plans that SCE customers can voluntarily enroll in. Naturally, the more GREEN you go, the more GREEN you pay - whether it's with Edison or with this new CCA (JPA) or OCPA. Edison offers LEAN (about 37% renewable energy), CLEAN (about 68% renewable) and GREEN (100% renewable) that any SCE ratepayer can choose today. So if the greenies want more green and want to pay more for it - they already have access to it. No need for a CCA.

On average, there is really no difference in electricity rates between the CCA's and Edison if you look mid or long term. Some CCA's have chosen to go 100% renewable - so their ratepayers actually pay 9-10% more than your ordinary SCE customer. For the most part it's a wash. In the beginning the CCA's might give you a \$2 a month savings or so as a carrot, but with time the savings evaporate. Most CCA ratepayers pay the same today as they would with Edison.

And way too many variables involved. The California Public Utility Commission controls the exit fees paid to Edison by the CCA's. These can change on a whim. The CPUC and Edison are like brother and sister agencies. They've worked together for many, many decades with established relationships. Who do you think the CPUC is going to protect? The CCA's or Edison?

The Lake Forest government has enough problems with the day-to-day management of our city. Now they want to get into the energy procurement business and compete with the pros? Edison has been incorporated and delivering and procuring energy since 1909. Who would you trust with your energy needs? Edison or Scott Voigts?

There are just way too many UNKNOWNNS at this time. OCPA hasn't even formed their by-laws. And they won't have their policies officially established until at least the end of 2021. It would be irresponsible for Lake Forest (as a so-called conservative local government) to join something as LONG-TERMED as this that has so much influence over our residents. Once we jump in head-first after March 15 (the drop-dead exit date) the penalties to get out would be cost-prohibitive. Plus, all our council people claim to be for SMALL GOVERNMENT. Another JPA is not a small government. Just more insider bureaucrats get high paying jobs.

Look at the history of the OCPA's selected CEO Brian Probolsky. He works for a local water district now (not in the energy field) - but used to be a county employee and the Chief of Staff for the Board of Supervisors. Back in 2015 he was reportedly (Voice of OC) sanctioned by the county for a timecard scandal. Google it. I can't find any expertise in the field of energy procurement.

The COO is Antonia Castro-Graham, a college professor who teaches poli sci and environmental sci classes at CSUF and IVC. She's currently the Deputy City Manager for the City of Fullerton. Have you followed all the local government scandals in Fullerton? I can't find any expertise in the field of energy procurement.

Why don't they ever hire experts from the private sector (like from utility companies) who have hands-on experience in the energy industry (both procurement and delivery) for these positions? The jobs always seem to go to professional political bureaucrats.

One of the biggest red flags for me is that we are AUTOMATICALLY ENROLLED (against our will) in the CCA and must take independent action (opt-out) to stay with Edison. Most Lake Foresters don't pay any attention to this stuff and would probably stay with the CCA by default - just because they don't know any better. But if the CCA's were that great - people would be lined up to switch over. The fact that we are tricked with the automatic CCA enrollment should give anyone great pause. Bottom line: The RISKS at this time far outweigh whatever small benefits might materialize. We don't really even know what we're getting into. And this should not be placed on the ballot. The council can't even figure out all the complexities. How can they expect the public to make intelligent decisions at the voting polls? They will vote based on whatever propaganda they get in the mail.

The right course of action is to WAIT AND WATCH, especially with the OCPA in its infant stages. If it's such a great deal, we can join 3 years down the road.

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Andy O'Connor  
Foothill Ranch  
Since 1990

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**From:** Jill Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 4:44 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Agenda Items 15 & 16

Hello,

I am a longtime Lake Forest resident and have a business in the City. I was very pleased to see that the City Council had voted to join the Orange County Power Authority. As a conservative and a business owner, I am in favor of having more options than one when it comes to getting power.

I have read the questions and concerns in Agenda Item 15 and while they are all good questions, many of them appear to be more focused on finding problems than finding solutions. Your residents and businesses want the choice.

As for Agenda Item number 16, I oppose adding a CCA ballot measure on a stand alone election scheduled for November 9, 2021 for the following reasons:

1. Special elections have very low turn outs compared to general elections
2. \$216,191 - \$382,967 could be spent on much more important issues facing the City than a vote on whether residents should have the choice of energy providers.
3. The date of the election is well past the date of withdrawal from the OCPA.
4. Who would fund educational efforts on either side given the fact that the OCPA is a joint powers authority and couldn't run a political campaign to get people to support it. The opposition to choice would likely be funded by Edison or some other interested party who could protect their monopoly through a simple campaign.

On behalf of the residents and businesses of Lake Forest, please stay in the OCPA and please do not waste taxpayer money on an initiative.

J. Smith

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**From:** Ann Owens [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 30, 2021 4:26 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** agenda items 15 and 16

Dear City Council members,

I am writing out of concern for what is happening to community choice energy in our community. This item was introduced by Dwight Robinson in 2017. It was discussed and a committee investigated it. Last summer it was introduced again because at that time Irvine was beginning to organize surrounding cities to join onto a group agreement. Our city seemed to ignore this until the last minute in November. This topic is constantly being kicked down the road and ignored as if it will go away. We spent tens of thousands of dollars on an expert to explore what this would entail. It seems that no one wants now to listen to this expert. Presently we are on the founding board which is advantageous price wise. It seems that does not satisfy some.

Now you are proposing we put this on a ballot for November. At this time it is too late to be an original member of the board so we lose voting rights and decision rights that the original founders have. We will have to pay more than if we were original organizers. Why are we giving up rights as an original founder is beyond me. We are not requiring everyone in Lake Forest to join the CCE. This is a system that has never failed where it has been accepted in California.

Why would a community not want to give its citizens a choice as to how they want to source their energy? This is the future of our country which you seem to be ignoring. Climate change is real. We need more electric resources.

I hope to hear a reasonable response to my concerns soon.

Sincerely,  
Ann Owens

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**From:** Doris Lara [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 3:02 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses on Item 15 & 16. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Doris Lara

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**From:** beryl smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:59 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public comment re: Stay in OCPA

**MESSAGE:** Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,  
Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses on Item 15 & 16. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.  
Thank you!

Beryl Smith

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**From:** Dan & Elizabeth Songster [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:49 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,  
As a resident of Lake Forest, I urge you to please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Thank You,  
Daniel Songster  
[REDACTED]  
Lake Forest, CA 92630

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**From:** Priyanka Bhakta [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:16 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

My name is Priyanka Bhakta, and I am urging you to stay in the OC Power Authority. Wildfires are burning down our neighborhoods and covering our communities in smoke. We must fix climate change now and switch to a 100% clean energy grid and divest from fossil fuels to save the planet for our children and the ecosystems we depend on. We can create thousands of jobs by building a cleaner grid and economy. Help bring consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn for all Lake Forest families and businesses.

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Thank you,  
Priyanka Bhakta

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**From:** Claire Santangelo [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:16 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,  
Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. The climate crisis is real and it's here. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn. Thank you so much.

Best,

Claire Santangelo

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**From:** Monica Kim [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:12 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Best,  
Monica Kim

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**From:** Regina Zweng [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:09 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,  
Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Julio Rodriguez [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 1:48 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

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Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

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**From:** haley brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 1:26 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

My name is Haley Brown and I am writing to urge you to stay in the OC Power Authority.

Wildfires are burning down our neighborhoods and covering our communities in smoke. We must fix climate change now and switch to a 100% clean energy grid and divest from fossil fuels to save the planet for our children and the ecosystems we depend on. We can create thousands of jobs by building a cleaner grid and economy.

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses.

Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Thank you.  
Haley Brown

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**From:** Raul Garcia [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 1:22 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses on Item 15 & 16. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Regards,

Raul Garcia

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**From:** Rapp Fitzsimmons [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 1:08 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Sincerely,  
Rapp Fitzsimmons

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**From:** michelle [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 11:14 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Thank you,  
Michelle Lewis

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**From:** Katie Dunn [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 10:17 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Thank you  
Katie Dunn  
Resident of Lake Forest

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**From:** Jamie Perlman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 9:38 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses on Item 15 & 16. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Jamie Perlman

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**From:** Caryn Ruby [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 9:27 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to **STAY** in OCPA and **bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses.**

Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn. **You have a chance to make the difference for our future. We must fix climate change now and switch to a 100% clean energy grid and **divest from fossil fuels to save the planet** for our children and the ecosystems we depend on. We can create thousands of jobs by building a cleaner grid and economy.**

Please do what's so obviously right.

Thank you.

Caryn  
Los Angeles resident

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**From:** Adrian Garcia [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 8:32 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses on Item 15 & 16. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Regards,

Adrian Garcia

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**From:** Adam Chung [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 8:16 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

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Thank you,  
Adam Chung, concerned resident

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**From:** Monica Lukoschek [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 7:54 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: stay in OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,  
I am a 30 year resident of Lake Forest where own two homes.

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Monica Lukoschek, Partner  
Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Melanie M [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 5:29 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

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**From:** Kendall James [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 5:26 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

My name is Kendall James and I am urging you to vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Wildfires are burning down our neighborhoods and covering our communities in smoke. We must fix climate change now and switch to a 100% clean energy grid and divest from fossil fuels to save the planet for our children and the ecosystems we depend on. We can create thousands of jobs by building a cleaner grid and economy. Help bring consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn for all Lake Forest families and businesses.

Sincerely,  
Kendall James  
Student and community member

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**From:** Miriam Awan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 12:01 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in the Orange County Power Authority. Staying would bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn. Even more importantly, a 100% clean energy grid allows us to fight climate change, especially as our communities suffer from unnaturally frequent wildfires and toxic air pollution. Investing in the OCPA is investing in our future.

Thanks,  
Miriam A.

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**From:** Elena Bock [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 11:48 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Sincerely,  
Elena Bock

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**From:** Garrison Hall [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 10:21 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Thank you,  
Garrison Hall  
Resident of Los Angeles

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**From:** Shehata, Myriam (Medical Student) [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 9:36 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

My name is Myriam Shehata, and I am writing to ask you to please vote to STAY in the OC Power Authority and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses.

Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn. Wildfires are burning down our neighborhoods and covered our communities in smoke. We must fix climate change now and switch to a 100% clean energy grid and divest from fossil fuels. Help bring consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn for all Lake Forest families and businesses.

Thanks for your time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully,  
Myriam Shehata  
Medical Student  
David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA

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**From:** Sreya Chilukuri [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 9:11 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,  
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Thank you,

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**From:** Rachel Paige [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 8:54 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods and an economic downturn.

Best,  
Rachel Smith  
CA Resident

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**From:** Jeni Bliatout [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 10:18 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Jeni Bliatout

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**From:** Ray C. [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 10:14 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

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**From:** Isabel Xu [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 10:00 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

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**From:** dublintoca [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 8:23 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Residents of Lake Forest,  
Yi-Wen Lo and Rhett Kuseski

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**From:** Craig Preston [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 8:14 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and City Council,

I ask for your strong support for staying in OCPA. Let's bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses ASAP. The lower cost energy and cleaner air benefit our people and businesses. I support the citizens of Lake Forest getting consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience. Action is needed now. Leadership is needed now, for we are facing fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

Here are just two examples of leadership to move us to a lower carbon atmosphere.

1. U.S. Chamber of Commerce announced 1/19/21 a big shift in now supporting "a market-based approach to accelerate greenhouse gas emissions reductions across the U.S. economy." Here is one of the articles about it.

<https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/policy/energy/us-chamber-carbon-pricing-climate-change>

2. General Motors committing 1/28/21 to phase out gasoline-powered cars and trucks by 2035.

[https://www.nytimes.com/2021/01/28/business/gm-zero-emission-vehicles.html?campaign\\_id=60&emc=edit\\_na\\_20210128&instance\\_id=0&nl=breaking-news&ref=cta&regi\\_id=57132365&segment\\_id=50516&user\\_id=c1c65ff567efb89e96d1720bfeb63744](https://www.nytimes.com/2021/01/28/business/gm-zero-emission-vehicles.html?campaign_id=60&emc=edit_na_20210128&instance_id=0&nl=breaking-news&ref=cta&regi_id=57132365&segment_id=50516&user_id=c1c65ff567efb89e96d1720bfeb63744)

So please increase your priority for CCE.

Craig Preston

[REDACTED]  
Costa Mesa CA 92626

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**From:** Phap Nguyen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 6:38 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

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Please vote to STAY in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses. Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn.

-Phap Nguyen

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**From:** MICHAEL DAURIO [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 6:33 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

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Michael Daurio

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**From:** Alejandro [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 29, 2021 3:11 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

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Best,  
**Alejandro Sobrera Barboza** (he/they)  
Digital Organizer at Open Progress  
Sunrise Movement OC Hub Coordinator

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**From:** Caroline Stretch [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 29, 2021 2:36 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

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**From:** Andrea Arevalo [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 3:44 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comment re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

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Andrea Arevalo

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**From:** Debbie Salahi [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 11:05 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** ATTN Public Comments re: STAY IN OCPA

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

I am urging you to stay in the Orange County Power Authority. Rates for Community Choice Energy are usually equal to or lower than SCE. Thousands of Lake Forest residents were forced to evacuate to escape wildfires in 2020. CCE can reduce emissions that drive climate change. This is important for the health of the planet and the health of our families. Help bring consumer choice and energy saving for all Lake Forest families and businesses.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:04 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** City Council Meeting Feb. 2, Agenda Item 16

Dear Mayor and Council members,

I would like to comment on agenda Item 16 of the City Council Meeting Agenda of Feb.2, 2021. Item 16 is the Consideration of adding a community choice aggregation ballot measure on a stand-alone election scheduled for Nov. 9, 2021.

I think that a ballot measure to determine if Lake Forest joins the Community Choice Aggregation program in a JPA is not a prudent use of city funds. Off year elections are notoriously poorly received with fewer residents voting. The cost is a waste as it doesn't gauge a wide segment of resident's opinion on joining a JPA. If my understanding is correct from listening to the past discussions, once Lake Forest joins a JPA for Community Choice aggregation each individual which has a choice of opting out of the Community Choice Aggregation provider and staying with the current utility provider. Since I would have a choice to opt out, that seems to be the best way to gauge community interest in the program.

Thank you for your efforts in considering alternative utility programs.

Best Regards,  
Kenton Boettcher  
[REDACTED]  
Lake Forest, CA 92630

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**From:** DANNY GRAY [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 3:08 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** eComment Lake Forest City Council Meeting 02/02/21 Item 15 CCE

Hello Mayor Voigts, Council Members, and Staff,

My name is Danny Gray.

Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) is growing in California. There are 23 CCA programs throughout the state providing service to over 170 California towns, cities, and counties. CCAs provide service to over 10 million customers, approximately 25% of the state's population, with a customer retention rate of 94%. Community Choice Energy (CCE) programs provide local government control and community wide opportunities for the residence to participate in climate change solutions.

The State of California is the fifth largest economy in the world. California is becoming a leader in how we generate and deliver renewable electricity. CCE programs are building blocks in this leadership role.

There are many successful Community Choice Energy Programs in California and future implementation of CCEs is going to be exponential. Just imagine, local control over our energy needs through Community Choice Energy and the possibilities it can bring the residents and businesses of Lake Forest and eventually Orange County. I encourage the Lake Forest city council to vote to remain a valued member of the Orange County Power Authority and lead us into the future.

Thank you,

Danny Gray

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**From:** Andrea Alexander [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 5:58 AM  
**To:** Council; Rose, Debra; Berglund, Lisa; Grijalva, Adrian  
**Subject:** Fwd: Lake Forest CCE petition and signatures  
**Attachments:** Lake Forest CCE petition 02-01-2021.pdf; Lake Forest CCE petition signatures 02-01-2021.xlsx

Good morning Council and Staff,

Please see below Petition for CCE and results thus far. Please consider this in your deliberations.

We do not want to lose this opportunity to stay in the OCPA as a founding member and a participant on the Board of Directors, as well as providing more clean energy, and lower costs from competition, and also giving us control of the profits, not Edison and its Stockholders.

Let's take the supply side away from Edison so they can concentrate on their failing infrastructure. They have San Onofre, power shut downs, rolling power outages, and peak pricing issues to deal with. If the Cities take on the supply of energy then Edison can devote research and development on solving their many problems on conveyance side.

Cities have proven to be successful in providing power from CCE agreements. I strongly encourage this effort as do others who have expressed this in the many emails and phone calls you have received and now this Petition.

Stay safe and well,  
Andrea Alexander

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**From:** keith linker [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 29, 2021 3:01 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Item 15. Remain in OCPA

Dear Lake Forest City Council,

I am writing to urge you to remain in the Joint Power Authority for OCPA. The benefit of lower rates and local control for ratepayers, while reducing the city's carbon footprint, is a winning combination.

Sincerely yours  
Keith Linker

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**From:** Ayn Craciun [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 4:05 PM  
**To:** Council; Voigts, Scott; Pequeno, Robert; Cirbo, Doug; Moatazedi, Neeki; Tettermer, Mark  
**Subject:** Lake Forest climate opinion and 2020 voting  
**Attachments:** LA Times 2020 Lake Forest election results map Biden v Trump.png

Dear Mayor Voigts and council members,

Thank you for voting to bring the City of Lake Forest to the OC Power Authority in December. I am writing to ask you to please keep Lake Forest in the OCPA so that businesses and residents can benefit from the consumer choice, clean energy, and savings that Community Choice Energy will bring.

There is real concern about reducing emissions among Lake Forest residents. Since 2008, Yale University in partnership with George Mason University has done significant research on climate opinion in the US and regularly publishes public opinion on climate questions by congressional district.

Here are some of their [findings](#) for the 45th congressional district, which of course includes Lake Forest:

- 72% of residents believe that global warming is happening
- 71% said environmental protection is more important than economic growth
- 83% support tax rebates for energy efficient vehicles or solar panels (the kinds of programs that CCE would fund)

Also of interest, this [map](#) (screenshot attached) from the LA Times shows how each OC precinct voted in 2020 Biden v. Trump. As you can see, a large majority of Lake Forest's precincts voted for Biden by fairly wide margins. Climate was one of Biden's top issues in the campaign, and I think it's fair to conclude that people in Lake Forest would support cleaner energy, especially when it comes with savings and the option of returning to Edison if they choose.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,  
Ayn Craciun  
OC Clean Power volunteer

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**From:** Tam Nguyen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 2:32 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Lake Forest Energy - Questions

Hello City Council of Lake Forest,

I am a fairly new resident to Lake Forest and am glad to see the city is moving towards a more efficient and reliable source of energy. Green renewable energy is the future and I am all for it.

Does the city plan to provide any subsidies or incentives to residents and businesses for renewable energy? This will help take some load off of the current grid, help reduce the rate of climate change, and residents/businesses can even sell power back to the city/state.

I hope the council takes this into consideration as it will not just benefit Lake Forest, but the world as a whole.

Regards,  
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**From:** Ginger Osborne [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 29, 2021 2:46 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Please stay in CCE

Dear Councilmembers,

I urge you to please stay in the OC Power Authority. This mechanism gives citizens the choice to get cleaner, cheaper energy than the IOU can provide as it has to pay its shareholders. Moving to cleaner energy is just what we need now to reduce the pollution and health consequences of carbon fuel based energy.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter, Ginger

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**From:** Amelia Marks [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 30, 2021 8:05 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Public comment on Community Choice Energy Program

Hello,

I'm writing to urge council members of Lake Forest to remain in the Community Choice Energy Program. It's vital for the health of a democracy that council members represent their constituents, instead of any corporate interests they may have ties with.

Thank you,

California resident

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**From:** Ann Dorsey [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 8:36 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Public Comment urging Lake Forest to stay in the Orange County Power Authority

Mayor Voigts and Lake Forest City Council,

I urge you to stay in the Orange County Power Authority and provide the Lake Forest community with the option of getting their energy from Community Choice Energy. Doing so will help the city to achieve its 100% clean energy goals, reduce energy costs and greenhouse emissions.

Thank you,

Ann Dorsey

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**From:** HERB COHEN [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 12:07 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Cc:** Berglund, Lisa  
**Subject:** Re: Feb 2nd Council Meeting - CCE

Dear Council Members:

The February 2nd letter to the JPA's Board of Directors was insightful and reflects the deep knowledge of the consultant whose expertise was brought to bear on the CCE issues. The response will be useful in your deliberations.

What doesn't make sense is the proposal for a ballot measure because:

\* CCE is a complicated issue which you have studied for a long time with the help of consultants. That knowledge, and all its nuances, will not be available to the public who have not followed this issue.

\* Any reasonable cost/benefit analysis would conclude that it is not worth it as a small number of voters (+/-20%?) are likely to respond to a stand alone election whose cost is estimated to be \$348K - 383K).

\* A November date for voting goes well beyond the April 1st opt out date.

\* You voted to Join the JPA on December 20th. A ballot measure removes you as the deciders without any benefit to furthering the potential benefits to citizens and businesses in the City.

-herb cohen/ LF Residents

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**From:** Aymeric Brossas [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 3:18 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** STAY IN CCE

Dear Mayor and Council, my name is Aymeric Brossas and I am urging you to stay in the Orange County Power Authority. Help bring consumer choice and energy savings for all Lake Forest families and businesses.

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**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 3:18 PM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** STAY IN CCE

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**From:** Sayan Banerjee [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 1:56 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** STAY IN CCE

Dear Mayor and Council, my name is Sayan, and I am urging you to stay in the Orange County Power Authority. Help bring consumer choice & energy savings for all Lake Forest families and businesses. Being a former resident of Lake Forest and currently living in Irvine, I have seen the steps Irvine has taken to become greener. It would deeply sadden me to see Lake Forest take a step back and jeopardize future generations. Therefore, I urge Lake Forest to stay in CCE for a better future.

Sincerely,  
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**From:** Linnea Norton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 11:25 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Stay in OC power authority

Dear Mayor Voigts and Council,

My name is Linnea, and I am urging you to stay in the OC Power Authority. Wildfires are burning down our neighborhoods and covering our communities in smoke. We must fix climate change now and switch to a 100% clean energy grid and divest from fossil fuels to save the planet for our children and the ecosystems we depend on. We can create thousands of jobs by building a cleaner grid and economy. Help bring consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic downturn for all Lake Forest families and businesses.

Sincerely,  
Linnea Norton

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Tristan Miller-Mansey [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 11:35 AM  
**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Stay in OCPA

Dear City Council,

My whole family encourages you to vote to *STAY* in OCPA and bring Community Choice for Lake Forest families and businesses on Item 15 & 16. CCE's are financially sound revenue-positive, and allow us to reduce pollution and convert to renewable clean energy faster which is part of the state plan and voters want this now and for their future.

Lake Forest deserves consumer choice, cost savings, and energy resilience in the face of fires, floods, and an economic challenges. The vote to join the OCPA that the city council made in 2020 is the best for all of Lake Forest. Please stay committed to your vote.

Thank you for every consideration. Wishing you a great 2021!

In support,

Tristan Miller Mansey

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