

Rogers, Kristina

From: Aimee Heaney <aimee eighty67@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 9:51 AM
To: Clerk of the Board - Shared Mailbox
Cc: theaney82@gmail.com
Subject: Public Comment - Please Vote No on Upcoming Board Action Item to Sell Dame Shirley Plaza to the CA State Judicial Council

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Dear Honorable Chair and Supervisors,

We are writing today to urge each of you to please vote "No" on the upcoming board action item of the sale of Dame Shirley Plaza by Plumas County to the State of CA Judicial Council for the purpose of building a new county courthouse. We have lived in Quincy since 2001 and in downtown Quincy for the last 17 years. We love the walkability of the downtown district and its unique green space which Dame Shirley Plaza affords to the community and town visitors. We're opposed to the sale and to the State's plans for a new courthouse at that location for various reasons, including multiple negative impacts their project will bring to the downtown area, most significantly, the loss of one of only two public green spaces in town.

We strongly urge the County to sell at fair market value or to donate the property to a local community-oriented, non-profit group, such as the Feather River Land Trust or Plumas Arts, who may develop the lot in a way that will promote greater community use of the space, for example, by bringing in park infrastructure, such as permanent restrooms and the proposed Quincy Outdoor Theater.

We thank you for your time and consideration of this request and for your dedication and hard work on behalf of Plumas County.

Best regards,

Aimee and Thomas Heaney

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From: Lori Davis <butterflylori3@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 11:14 AM
To: Clerk of the Board - Shared Mailbox
Subject: Dame Shirley plaza

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To all the supervisors of plumas co: Please be aware that I, (Lori Davis) am absolutely opposed to plumas county selling the Dame Shirley Plaza. Please do your job of listening to your constituents and leaving the plaza as a green space and public meeting place. It's a very important visual and charming spot to encounter as you cruz or walk through town. Thanks for your duty to your constituents.

Lori Davis
1128 Maxwell Rd, Quincy, CA 95971
Butterfly Valley

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From: Scott Montgomery <scottmont@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 9:15 AM
To: Public - Shared Mailbox
Subject: RE Oct 17th Agenda

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Do Not Sell Dame Shirley Plaza

My wife and I are residents in East Quincy. My wife's parents (Clarence and Beatrice Buck) moved to Quincy over 80 years ago. My wife, Rayann (Buck) Montgomery was raised here. She was part of the community as an employee at the Quincy Post Office, until her retirement 12 years ago. She knows and is still known by many of the residents of Quincy. That said, we have been and are a part of the community over decades.

The town of Quincy has gone through many changes and challenges over the years. We have lost numerous businesses and landmarks that were a part of the history, personality and ambiance that makes Quincy the beloved community and town that it was and is still trying to hold onto. Quincy to this day is still mentioned in numerous tourist and trade magazines and articles as the quaint town to come, visit and enjoy. With the challenges we are facing as a community, we need to hold onto the aspects and ambiances of this town we are proud of, and that attracts others to visit and enjoy Plumas County.

Dame Shirley Park is one of the few positive sites that remain as a major part of the ambiance and aesthetics of our town. We, as representatives of the long-term residents of Quincy, do not want to lose any more of the positives of this town. It has been said by a few that they never see anyone using the park. We have many of our residents that dispute that claim. Many have stated they use the park to enjoy their breaks on a regular basis. We and many others have attended many functions and gatherings at the park. And the fact is that this is one of the main sites' organizers look to and attempt to use when events are planned tells you something. But utmost and overall, Dame Shirley Park is a Visual asset to the town and visitors! It is enjoyed and embraced by most of us as we are in the downtown area, by seeing and appreciating the positive downtown look that we grew up with and love. Just because someone doesn't think its occupied enough is not a reason to get rid of it! It is enjoyed by the town and visitors, even if our feet are not physically on it 3-5 times a week! This was known as "The People's Park" for many years and needs to remain as such.

We plead with the Board of Supervisors NOT to sell Dame Shirley Plaza! Do not give up on one of the few sites we still have in town that makes Quincy the proud and beautiful town it is and struggles to maintain!

We do see the need to build a new courthouse! And Quincy is the most effective choice for it! But let's not sacrifice our town's history, personality and ambiance for it.

Our vote for the appropriate site is the Feather River Publishing site. It is one of the sites chosen by the PAG. It is still within the downtown area to allow the current businesses supporting the courthouse to maintain supporting it. The transportation of inmates to and from the jail to the courthouse is not negatively affected. We would also not like the "Stonehouse" site to be chosen. We also look at it as a historic building to Quincy. But of course, the owners of the Stonehouse have their right to choose themselves what it is destined to be. The Dame Shirley Plaza is owned by Plumas County, and as residents and part of Plumas County, we urge the Board of Supervisors to NOT sell Dame Shirley Plaza!

Scott and Rayann Montgomery
Long time Residents of East Quincy

Rogers, Kristina

From: Jeanne Burroughs <jburro800@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:03 PM
To: Clerk of the Board - Shared Mailbox
Subject: Re: Auditor's office

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Hello

I have asked repeatedly by email and by phone for reports from the auditor's office. They don't return phone calls nor reply to emails on this. Is anyone else having problems with this? Still waiting for period 13 reports for 22-23 year and reports for July and August of 2023, (and now September). Please answer.

Thanks

Jeanne Burroughs
LaPorte Fire Dept.

On Monday, August 21, 2023 at 01:20:19 PM PDT, Jeanne Burroughs <jburro800@yahoo.com> wrote:

Hello

Can anyone tell me what is going on at the auditor's office? We received no budget information last year nor this year and no appropriations limit information. The last reports we received are incorrect, and the period 13 reports should have been sent out by now.

Please advise.

Thank you

Jeanne Burroughs
LaPorte Fire Department



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Rogers, Kristina

From: Bill Rockett <rancho.rockito@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 14, 2023 12:40 PM
To: Clerk of the Board - Shared Mailbox
Subject: Save Dame Shirley Plaza

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My wife and I have been registered voters in Plumas County for over 48 years. We feel very strongly that it is important to preserve our gateway to Plumas County and Quincy. We marvel at it every time we drive into town. It is a precious resource that has to be preserved and respected. We urge you to not sell that valuable asset to the state of California, particularly since there are other more desirable options. A project of that magnitude will disrupt the flow and tranquility of Quincy for many years to come if that is the selected location. We hope the position of preserving this valuable park is chosen. It is the only logical decision!

Thank you,
William and Melody Rockett
530 283-1396.

Sent from my iPhone

Rogers, Kristina

From: No Reply <noreply@civicplus.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 14, 2023 10:47 PM
To: Public - Shared Mailbox
Subject: Public Comment Submission

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Submitted by: Corey Gin
Email Address: corey_gin@yahoo.com

Commented on event: <https://plumascoca.portal.civicclerk.com/event/1268/overview>
If you are having trouble viewing the URL above, cut and paste the string into your browser window.

User comment: Dear Plumas County Board of Supervisors, I am urging each of you to vote no on selling Property "Dame Shirley Plaza" - APN 115-053-001 to the Judicial Council of California. As a part-time resident and homeowner in Quincy, I care deeply about this invaluable community asset, a green space that is inviting and welcoming to people from all over the world. One of the best parts about Quincy is that when you come up from the Feather River Canyon and drive into town, there is this enchanting place off to the right, telling visitors in a subtle yet important way that in this part of the world, you can slow it down, get out of your head, get out of your car, smell the clean air, take a walk around downtown, and see that there is something special about this place. Quincy is the heart of the Lost Sierra, and what is different here is that we value open space, we value the people who've dedicated their lives in the service to our country, and we value the balance between nature and industry because we have one central area that says "this is our sanctuary, this is where we gather, this is our home". That's what Dame Shirley Plaza means to many of us. It's a place with an open invitation to stop and think and revel in the majesty of our special place in the world. Since we do have other viable alternatives, I believe that it is in the best interests of our little vibrant community that we leave Dame Shirley Plaza alone to serve as our gateway to the greatest little town in Northeastern California. Respectfully yours,

Corey Gin 

Rogers, Kristina

From: Bruce Baldwin <bruceharly@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 12:12 AM
To: Public - Shared Mailbox
Subject: DSP

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To the BOS,

As a resident of Quincy I believe that the foresight shown by the BOS 20 years when they purchased the land now known as DSP, for the express purpose of making sure the new courthouse would remain downtown, should be applauded. Ever since the majority of the county offices were moved out to the old hospital site downtown Quincy has been slowly dying. Building the new courthouse elsewhere will be the end of downtown in my opinion and I strongly oppose it.

The notion that DSP is the only green space downtown is ridiculous, events like Sparkle and Groundhog Fever have been held on the Courthouse lawn for years, DSP sits vacant and unused 99% of the time.

Some say that green space is necessary to “revitalize” downtown. I say, then why has downtown become less vital in the last 20 years that the Plaza has been there?

Those who oppose the sale of DSP to the state are sorely misguided in my opinion, we should be focusing our efforts on making sure the new courthouse fits in architecturally with Downtown as using the land as intended.

I personally encourage the BOS to sell the land to the state and to then use a portion of the proceeds to purchase the vacant lot on the corner of Coburn and Main and develop it into a downtown plaza with an outdoor theater, win/win.

SAVE DOWNTOWN QUINCY, sell DSP and keep the workers downtown!
Bruce Baldwin
Alder St.
Quincy Ca

Sent from my iPad

Rogers, Kristina

From: Ron Groh <rgroh145@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 5:56 PM
To: Public - Shared Mailbox
Subject: Dame Shirley Plaza, Agenda Item October 17, 2023 Board of Supervisors

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I have been a resident and tax payer in Plumas County since 1978. I am writing in support of preserving Dame Shirley Plaza as a park and "green space". The Board of Supervisors has the opportunity to make a historic decision that will positively impact not only our current residents, businesses and visitors, but many generations of future residents and visitors as well. The Plaza is an extremely important open space that preserves the historic character of downtown Quincy and enhances its appeal and quaintness. It attracts pedestrians to the downtown business corridor while providing a venue for outdoor events in the heart of town. It would be an immense and historic mistake to allow a huge building and its parking infrastructure to replace such a wonderful and important asset to our community. You have a monumental decision to make with long-term impact reaching far into the future, those future generations will be grateful to you for your foresight. PLEASE preserve Dame Shirley Plaza as a park and open space ! Thank you, Ron Groh

Rogers, Kristina

From: Ross Morgan <randbmorgan@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 9:45 PM
To: Clerk of the Board - Shared Mailbox
Subject: Save Dame Shirley Plaza - Choose another Courthouse Site

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As Plumas county residents for 27 years we are highly invested in the thriving of our beloved community. We write to express our strong preference -that we know to be shared by most residents- for preserving Dame Shirley Plaza as a prized green space, meeting place and important symbol of the values of Plumas County. It is the heart and soul of the downtown that we so love. Natural beauty and life are what it wonderfully represents.

Please preserve this and select a different site for the new courthouse.

We realize that there are multiple considerations and people of good will of different opinions on this issue, but with many others we believe that with all things considered it would be a terrible and irreversible mistake to allow Dame Shirley Plaza to be lost- a mistake that would dramatically decrease the value of the seat of our beloved Plumas County.

Thank you for your diligent service and consideration.

Brenda and Ross Morgan
Sent from my iPhone

Rogers, Kristina

From: No Reply <noreply@civicplus.com>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 10:11 AM
To: Public - Shared Mailbox
Subject: Public Comment Submission

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Submitted by: Shelley Hunter
Email Address: quincyfeatherbedinn@gmail.com

Commented on event: <https://plumascoca.portal.civicclerk.com/event/1268/overview>
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User comment: Dear Board of Supervisors, Regarding the sale of Dame Shirley Plaza to the State for building a new courthouse, I humbly urge you to put it to a vote, and vote NO at the BOS meeting Tuesday, October 17. A NO vote will preserve the ambiance of our quaint historic town of Quincy, and prevent it from looking like Everytown USA. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Shelley Hunter



Rogers, Kristina

From: Debbie Hopkins <deb.hopkins3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 11:32 PM
To: Public - Shared Mailbox
Subject: Vote NO to selling DSP, put in EV chargers in that parking lot, see rebate info

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Oct 16th , 2023

DAME SHIRLEY PLAZA

Dear Plumas County Supervisors,

I am writing to express my interest in working to make DSP an economic asset to Quincy and to our county. I am counting on you to vote NOT to sell this valuable irreplaceable asset to the State of Calif.

I have written previously sending summaries and links to mounds of research on revitalization that deem downtown parks, historic appeal, and community engagement, a sense of attachment to place as essential elements to economic recovery for struggling towns. Much of this research was aimed at small rural towns. All these elements will either be lost or severely damaged if a court building goes on the plaza.

I also sent summaries and to links to data on the negative economic impact the process of construction has on the several surrounding blocks.

Today I offer this, a step into the future when DSP is a PARK is realizing its potential as an economic asset to our town and county. Aside from staging events to draw people from outside our county, the parking area could be the site for EV chargers!

Having EV chargers in our downtown would serve several functions:

- 1) During the hours the car is charging the owners would be free to eat and explore our downtown
- 2) People with EV vehicles would be more likely to come to Quincy. Currently we have no EV chargers for the public.
- 3) Plumas County could begin migrating towards using electric vehicles which would be a cost saving after the initial investment.

Electric Vehicles are the way of our future, it is unavoidable, let's get on with installation while there are great incentives to do so:

We can do it at DSP Parking lot if the Parking lot is not designated as part of the park but as a county parking lot:

EV chargers have been installed on California County lands before. There are two rebate programs for the purchase and installation of EV chargers. The first is called the California Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project (CALEVIP) 2.0 and offers rebates for the purchase and installation of DC fast chargers at eligible site types. Unfortunately, parks are not currently an eligible site type, (so, the property for the park would need to be separated from the parking area to qualify for this one). More information on this rebate program can be found [Here](#). The project's Implementation Manual lists the full requirements and eligibility. **There currently is \$19 million available for the Northern Region which includes Plumas County and applications are being accepted until December 13, 2023.**

The second rebate program is called Communities in Charge and offers rebates for the purchase and installation of Level 2 chargers. This program allows installations at almost any site type, other than single family homes, so a park would be eligible. More information on this rebate program can be found <https://thecommunitiesincharge.org/>. **This project also currently has funding available in the Northern Region with \$8 million available.** The project's Implementation Manual covers the full requirements and eligibility. This project's funding window closes on December 22, 2023.

Both rebate programs rank applications by readiness tiers, meaning how much groundwork has already been completed. I recommend reviewing the readiness tier requirements in the implementation manuals to determine what are the minimum requirements to apply.

Let's get moving on this! And, please forgive me if you already have this information and are working on the EV chargers. Dame Shirley would be an perfect site for them!

Vote NO to selling DSP on OCT 17th !

Thank You,

Deb Hopkins

Quincy, Ca 95971

Rogers, Kristina

From: Valorie <valoriejc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 7:47 AM
To: Clerk of the Board - Shared Mailbox
Subject: VOTE NO!!!! Dame Shirley Plaza Federal Courthouse

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Valorie <valoriejc@gmail.com>
Date: October 10, 2023 at 7:28:24 AM PDT
To: pcbs@countyofplumas.com
Subject: Federal Courthouse

I am opposed to construction of new federal courthouse at Dame Shirley Plaza. VOTE NO for this location!!

Sincerely,

Valorie Hurff
Plumas County Resident
Sent from my iPhone