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**Cc:** Christina Abney  
**Subject:** Public Comment on May 11 2021 Agenda Item 46 (Sale of Public Park Land)

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Dear Chair Do and Supervisors,

I am a resident of Newport Beach and do not approve of the sale of park land to Buck Johns as proposed in the literature provided. This is ripe with favoritism, political payoffs, and down right fraud. This strip of land is walked by me almost every day. I had no idea this was public land privately fenced. I stopped to read the posted signs and still couldn't figure out what was going on, the paperwork hanging on the fence is very misleading. I had to do my own research to find out about this backhanded deal. I am not sure why the county has allowed a person to privately fence public land. This seems utterly ridiculous. The land regardless of the appraisal is worth more than the price listed in the appraisal. I would like the county to make this a park. The fact that there is no parking is of no consequence, if you took a minute to review the location you would realize that this is a pedestrian area and most people using the nearby trails get there by walking running or biking. Many people would enjoy the fantastic views provided on this land and use the park to gaze at the back bay. I encourage you to make this a beautiful park setting. The mentioned slope is of no consequence in a park setting and the slope is very minor.

Secondly, if the county still wishes to sell this parcel then it needs to go for market value put it for sale and sellout to the highest bidder. You cannot find a 13, 000 plus square feet parcel of land with gorgeous back bay views for the offer price 13,000. I am not sure you could buy anything in Orange county for one dollar per sq foot. In any case I offer to pay well in excess of Mr. Johns offer if sale is the ultimate decision.

I urge you to deny this request and follow through with making this parcel a park for all the people to enjoy as it was planned.

Thank you for looking into this matter appropriately before rendering a decision.

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I have submitted my signed petition.