

## Communication from Public

**Name:** James George Pobog

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**Comments for Public Posting:** As a volunteer and staff member on Battleship Iowa since before the ship arrived in San Pedro in 2012, I have extensive firsthand experience on the ship and in San Pedro/Long Beach, including a stint stationed at Long Beach Naval Station from 1971 to 1973. I have witnessed the struggles, development, and successes of the ship for over 13 years now. It is UNDENIABLE that Iowa is driving POSITIVE CHANGE to San Pedro and having a significant financial and community development impact on the entire area. This makes the saying "A rising tide lifts all boats" more than just a famous quote; those words become a prophecy. I respectfully request that the City Council deny the appeal filed by Unite Here Local 11 and uphold the Harbor Commissioners' approval of the West Harbor Modification Project. This project will create more than 1,700 jobs and \$250 million in annual economic impact, while finally bringing San Pedro the same prosperity enjoyed across Los Angeles. The amphitheater and waterfront destination are vital to our community's future.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jonathan Cook  
**Date Submitted:** 09/04/2025 12:21 AM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please consider the overall benefit and value added to the Community. This is not time to cozy up to aggressive Unions interested only in membership Thank you, JC