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Dear Stacey, Mayor Mosby, and Distinguished Lompoc City Council Members:

From: [Phil Carpenter](#)
To: [Haddon, Stacey](#)
Subject: Letter to the Mayor & Lompoc City Council
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I hope this e-mail finds you well. I'm writing today in hopes you will reconsider the funding for the Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center.

I am very proud to be a member of the Board of Directors and have worked closely with DeVika Stalling (President/CEO) and Mayra Banuelos (Communications Director). The passion and drive they have for the city and organization is astounding. They truly dedicate all their time and energy to promote our town.

I discovered Lompoc in 2008 and never wanted to leave. When we moved from San Diego, CA to England, I prayed we would return to California and move to Lompoc. I truly love this community. I witness the same love from DeVika, Mayra and our fellow board members.

I can't imagine Lompoc without the Chamber. An efficiently run Old Town Market every year. State of the City. The relationship we have nurtured with the base and SpaceX. Keeping all our businesses, small to large, in the loop with what is going on. I harken back to the time of COVID and how well the Chamber performed.

A fellow board member did some research and found that only two cities with a population over 40,000 do not have a chamber. I would be crushed if we were number three.

Please let me know if I can help with anything. I'm more than happy to talk in person, via the phone, e-mail or text.

Thank you for all your hard work and dedication. I know we all strive to have Lompoc fulfill its highest potential.

Sincerely,

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