

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF FULTON COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023 AT 2:00 P.M.
IN THE SUITE 2052 (PEACHTREE LEVEL) CONFERENCE ROOM
FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BUILDING**

MINUTES

Present were the following Members of the Authority:

Mr. Michel M. Turpeau – Chairman (via Zoom videoconference in accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-1(g)(3))
Mr. Brandon Beach – Vice Chairman
Mayor Mike Bodker – Treasurer
Mr. Kyle Lamont – Secretary (via Zoom videoconference in accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-1(g)(3))
Mr. Kwanza Hall – Board Member
Ms. Erica Long – Board Member
Ms. Laura Kurlander-Nagel – Board Member
Ms. Pinky Cole – Board Member (via Zoom videoconference in accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-1(g)(3))

Members Absent:

Dr. Mike Looney – Board Member

Also present were Ms. Sarah-Elizabeth Langford, Executive Director of the Authority, Ms. Sandra Z. Zayac, Ms. Lauren W. Daniels, and Ms. Ansly P. Moyer, attorneys for the Authority, and Ms. Marva Bryan, Ms. Doris Coleman, and Ms. Daniella Gutierrez, staff of the Authority.

Vice Chairman Beach gave the invocation and called the meeting to order at approximately 2:02 p.m.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Also present were Fulton County Manager Mr. Dick Anderson, Mr. Edward Leidelmeijer of Commissioner Thorne’s office, Mr. Fred Hoffman of Commissioner Ellis’ office, Ms. Amy Wenk and Mr. Douglas Sams of Atlanta Business Chronicle, Mr. Zachary Hansen of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Mr. Arthur Toal, Ms. Diana Dietz, Mr. Julian Bene, Mr. Kevin Brown, Ms. Carol Southwood, Mr. Michael Jacobs, Mr. Chris Alasa, Mr. Jamie Leigh Boyd, Mr. Brian Dorelus, Mr. Moses Formwalt, Mr. Patrick Quipp, Ms. Susan Langford, Mr. Marlon Hyde, and Ms. Sequoria Kirby.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ms. Laura Hawk, Mr. Jim Martin, Mr. James Molten, Mr. Eric Harrison, Ms. Debra Wathen, Mr. Abhina Sharma, and Mr. Rick Johnson appeared in person to share comments on Items G.1 and H.2 of the agenda, in accordance with the Authority’s Public Comments Procedures. Additionally, Vice Chairman Beach announced that the Authority’s staff received public comments via email, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

MINUTES: The minutes from the Regular Meetings held on October 24, 2023 and November 14, 2023 were presented to the Authority for approval. Upon a motion made by Mr. Lamont, which was seconded by Mayor Bodker, the Authority approved the minutes as presented, except Chairman Turpeau who was absent for the vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA: Vice Chairman Beach requested, at the request of the Applicant, an update to Agenda Item G.1. under Old Business so that it only includes the Final Bond Resolution for

Edged Atlanta LLC, Edged Atlanta Tilford 2 LLC, Edged Atlanta Tilford 3 LLC and Tilford Power LLC in the amount of \$1,690,000,000. Vice Chairman Beach announced that the Applicant is still finalizing tenant details and that approval would be brought to a later meeting. Upon a motion made by Mayor Bodker, which was seconded by Ms. Long, the Authority unanimously approved the meeting agenda as presented with Item G.1. so modified, except Chairman Turpeau who was absent for the vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

Final Bond Resolution for Edged Atlanta LLC, Edged Atlanta Tilford 2 LLC, Edged Atlanta Tilford 3 LLC and Tilford Power LLC (collectively, “Edged”) (Address: 1968 Marietta Road Northwest, Atlanta, Georgia). Mr. Doug Selby of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, Mr. Allen Richardson of Koch Industries, Inc., Mr. John Crane of TPA Group, LLC, Mr. Scott Silverman of Edged Atlanta, LLC, Mr. Jason Larm of Edged Atlanta, LLC, Ms. Jessica McMahan of Brasfield & Gorrie and Ms. Rose Burden, Ms. Sarah Marich and Mr. Trevor Hamilton of Ernst & Young appeared in connection with the request to approve a final bond resolution for the issuance of \$1,690,000,000 in taxable revenue bonds to finance the development and equipping of an approximately 895,000 square foot state-of-the-art, ultra-efficient, carbon neutral, waterless data center, to be located in three separate buildings at 1968 Marietta Road Northwest in the City of Atlanta. More specific details are described in the Fact Sheet included as part of this item posted on the Authority’s website. The Members of the Board noted in particular the deed restriction limitations on the site and corresponding site challenges, the environmentally friendly aspects of the project and its tremendous economic value. Upon a motion made by Mayor Bodker, which was seconded by Mr. Hall, the Authority approved the final bond resolution for Edged, with the exception of Ms. Long and Mr. Lamont who voted no and Chairman Turpeau who was absent for the vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

P9/Flat Shoals, LLC (“P9 Flat Shoals”) (Address: 4797 Flat Shoals Road, Union City, Georgia). Mr. Woody Vaughan and Ms. Allison Dyer of Holland & Knight LLP, Mr. Nick Preacher and Mr. Ben Hault of Stream Realty Partners, and Mayor Vince Williams of Union City appeared in connection with the request for a letter of inducement and final bond resolution in the amount of \$29,434,364 for the development of an approximately 360,180 square foot industrial warehouse facility located on Flat Shoals Road in the City of Union City. The applicant explained the facility has been built on a speculative basis that could be suited for manufacturing, warehouse and/or distribution uses depending on the needs of the ultimate tenant, and updated the Authority that the facility is currently vacant. The project would be expected to create between 300 and 500 jobs once it is occupied. Mayor Vince Williams spoke in favor of the Authority approving an incentive for the project, emphasizing the need to support the South Fulton region. Upon a motion made by Ms. Long, which was seconded by Ms. Kurlander-Nagel, the Authority approved the letter of inducement and final bond resolution for P9 Flat Shoals.

X Corp., a Nevada Corporation (“X Corp”) (Address: 1025 Jefferson Street, NW, Atlanta, Georgia). Mr. Woody Vaughan and Ms. Allison Dyer of Holland & Knight LLP and Dhruv Batura of X Corp appeared in connection with the request for a letter of inducement and final bond resolution in the amount of \$700,000,000 for the acquisition, installation and creation of the next generation of high-performance computing and Artificial Intelligence (AI) products for the X platform. Mr. Vaughan and Mr. Batura confirmed the requested transaction is for equipment only, and the project is in competition with Portland and other locations as AI technology hubs. There would be 24 retained jobs and 50 indirect jobs. Additional discussion and comments were offered by Vice Chairman Beach, Mr. Hall, Mayor Bodker, Ms. Kurlander-Nagel and Ms. Long. Upon a motion made by Mayor Bodker, which was seconded by Mr. Hall, the Authority failed to approve the letter of inducement and final bond resolution for X Corp. Vice Chairman Beach, Mr. Hall, Mayor Bodker and Ms. Cole voted yes. Chairman Turpeau, Ms. Kurlander-Nagel, Ms. Long and Mr. Lamont voted no. Since the letter of inducement and final bond resolution did not receive a minimum of five affirmative or negative votes, this item will be automatically

included on the agenda for the next Regular Meeting for the Board's reconsideration in accordance with the Authority's Director Voting Policy.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Legislative Update. Mr. John Cushnie, Ms. Elise Murray and Mr. Chuck Meadows of Ohio River South reviewed legislative highlights from 2023 and potential items for 2024. Vice Chairman Beach commented on several items the legislature is working on, and also confirmed the remote meetings bill was held up in 2023. Mayor Bodker asks for the Authority to consider supporting affirmatively the remote meetings bill that would allow Zoom meetings for the Authority.

Update from the Executive Director. Ms. Langford confirmed she has been in touch with grant recipients including the Bobby Dodd Institute and shared success stories. Mr. Shannon James, President/CEO of Aerotropolis Atlanta, was introduced for a brief update. Ms. Lillian Amharad and Ms. Penny Gaze of Pond & Company presented on the BluePrint 2.0.

Committee Updates.

On behalf of the Financial Review/Audit Committee, Mayor Bodker reported on the Authority's financial position and stated that changes could occur based on year-end closings.

On behalf of the Strategic Initiative Committee, Mr. Lamont reported that they are planning to bring the Strategic Initiative Community Grant Program back in the first quarter of next year.

On behalf of the MFBE Committee, Ms. Long stated that the Committee had nothing to report at this time.

The Executive Committee update/business plan discussion will be deferred until the next meeting when Chairman Turpeau is available.

NEXT MEETING:

Vice Chairman Beach announced that the Authority's next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. and reminded the public to visit the Authority's website at <http://www.developfultoncounty.com> for updates on upcoming meetings.

Vice Chairman Beach announced that Georgia Tech has requested a special called meeting on January 11, 2024 to accommodate transaction pricing.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mayor Bodker, seconded by Ms. Long, and approved by all Members present.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:07 p.m.

Kyle Lamont

Kyle Lamont, Secretary

Exhibit A

[Attached]

Coleman, Doris

Subject: FW: No DAFC breaks for data centers

From: Julian bene <julianbene@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2023 5:43 PM

Subject: No DAFC breaks for data centers

Dear Ms Kurlander-Nagel,

I'm writing to ask you to continue to oppose the Tilford Yard data center tax break and also to oppose the new proposed break for Twitter. As a former member of Invest Atlanta's board, I understand the interests that one needs to weigh in these decisions.

Atlanta has recently been described in the Business Chronicle and Bisnow as enjoying a data center gold rush with a tsunami of demand, in quotes from the leading commercial brokerage firms. By definition a gold rush needs no incentives.

As for Twitter's unpersuasive claim that, sans break, they'd invest in Portland or elsewhere, we have all had plentiful evidence of the owner's poor credibility. Atlanta evidently offers a strong value proposition without tax breaks - see the completion of the new QTS project, which DAFC did turn down for a break. The minimal jobs offered by both projects merely underline how inappropriate breaks are for these projects.

In the specific case of Twitter, it would be undignified for a diverse county like Fulton to agree special breaks for Elon Musk. His racist and anti-Semitic statements and his use of Twitter to promote neo-Nazis should be anathema to Fulton leaders.

Since Musk is destroying the platform, it seems unlikely that he'll be investing \$700 million in any case. Rejecting the break is a very low risk decision for all the above reasons.

Lastly, it would be good practice for board members to push back on voting inducement and final at the same meeting, minimizing public scrutiny.

Best regards
Julian Bene

Sent from my iPad

Coleman, Doris

From: mc1618@murray.net
Sent: Sunday, December 3, 2023 11:33 PM
To:
Cc: 'Arthur Toal'; Chad Murray; Chris Alasa; 'Amos, Byron D'
Subject: DAFC December 5th Meeting - Excessive Tax Abatements - Public Inadequately Informed

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Development Authority of Fulton County –

The agenda for the DAFC meeting on this Tuesday, December 5th lists the following tax abatements:

- ~\$32 million for Edged Energy's construction of a data center in Tilford Yards
- ~\$10 million for X (formerly Twitter) to outfit server space at QTS data center

These funds should be made available to City of Atlanta residents to provide much needed support for our schools, infrastructure, etc..

Can these DAFC agenda items be moved to the next scheduled meeting, allowing local communities adequate time to be fairly informed and consulted, and to consider the impact of these abatements?

Thank you,

W. Chad Murray
Historic Howell Station
936 Herndon Street NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

Coleman, Doris

From: Robert Hahn <rahahn5@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:59 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No tax breaks for developers, PLEASE

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Dear Ms Coleman

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing , it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. I am very tired of our government's elected officials giving away citizen hard earned money to corporations that can do well without it, depriving other efforts with critical needs. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Hahn

936 Austin Ave.
Atlanta, Ga. 30307

Coleman, Doris

From: Jason Holland <jlh1825@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:51 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Tax breaks - no!

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Sincerely
Jason Holland
535 Pine Tree Dr NE, Atlanta, GA 30305

Coleman, Doris

From: Bruce Gunter <brucegunter@prihousing.org>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:04 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: DAFC decisions

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Dear Ms Coleman,

Please share this email with the board at the December 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer and a longtime developer of affordable housing, I have followed the actions of the Fulton County Development Authority with interest, and like many, was aghast at reading over the years of the generous tax abatements approved by DAFC to projects that to my eyes didn't need the incentive nor added appreciably to the inventory of affordable housing. It seems here we are yet again. Respectfully, I request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. Atlanta is a very hot, coveted market, including for data centers, and it seems to be fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious for superior purposes, and I hope you and your fellow members will respect this feedback.

Sincerely

Bruce

Bruce Gunter

721 Park Dr, Atlanta

Coleman, Doris

From: Bill Bozarth <bill.bozarth@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:34 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote against the subsidies for the two data centers

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Hello, Ms. Coleman.

The two upcoming proposals before DAFC to subsidize data centers are not in the interest of Fulton County taxpayers. These facilities will be built with or without the subsidy offered by the bond inducements. Save those tax breaks for projects that truly need them to be viable.

Yours truly,

Bill Bozarth
Resident of Atlanta
Former Board Member of Invest Atlanta

Coleman, Doris

Subject: FW: FW: Tilford Yard
Attachments: TilfordAbatementResolutionII.pdf

From: Martin, James S <james.martin@me.gatech.edu>
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 at 9:14 AM
To:
Subject: Tilford Yard

Dear Mayor Bodker,

I am writing to urge you to reconsider your position with regard to the proposed tax abatement for the data center at Tilford Yard. At the September DAFC meeting when you voted in favor of the letter of inducement for this deal, you repeated a lot of misinformation that should have been vetted by DAFC staff, but instead was either highly misleading or downright false. Knowing the correct information now is ample reason to reverse your position, as the September vote obligates you in no way tomorrow.

In September you reiterated the applicant's claims in the "fact sheet" provided by DAFC staff, that "The EDO is required to install significant system and infrastructure improvements and upgrades (street extension, traffic light, fencing, rock removal, retaining walls, storm drainage, sewer/water/street grid, traffic lights, electrical, etc.) estimated at \$36.9 million." This is demonstrably false. All of this work was completed more than a year ago without a tax abatement. Most of it is clearly visible on Google Earth and Google Street view. You can see it by driving past or through the site. It will not cease to exist if this abatement is not approved tomorrow. Approving the abatement with the justification of these improvements would make it an unconstitutional gratuity rather than an incentive as it is supposed to be.

In September, you were told by the applicant that the community had endorsed this deal. As the Chairman of the relevant Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU-D), I could have easily refuted that assertion then, however my speaking time was over when it was made. In fact, the community had not taken a position at that time, because we were never informed about the deal. We have since taken a position in opposition to this as stated by the resolution that we unanimously endorsed at our October meeting. I handed you a copy of this at the November DAFC meeting. A copy is also attached to this email. There is no NIMBYism in the position of our community on this. We don't want it, but we understand that it is going to happen anyway. That is exactly the point. It is going to happen anyway, so why subsidize it with public money?

In September, you highlighted the applicant's commitment to make a substantial investment in energy efficiency. This sounded good, but the question that you neither asked nor answered at the meeting was how this benefited the public and in particular the residents of Fulton County who are being asked to pick up the

tab for this deal. In fact, there is negligible public benefit to this. The efficiency improvements are being made solely to improve the profitability of the project, and profit is its own incentive. To the extent that these public benefits exist at all, they do not preferentially benefit Fulton County's residents in any way. If there are any preferential beneficiaries of these, they live outside of Fulton County at the locations where power is actually generated, nowhere near the site where it will be consumed. That, i.e., the consumption of electricity, is an intrinsically clean operation regardless of its inefficiency.

In September, you were told, and it is again reiterated in the "fact sheet" accompanying Tuesday's agenda, that this development would have an overall economic impact of over \$600 million. You should be aware that most of this "impact" is nothing more than the cost of the electric power consumed by the facility, i.e., the exact same quantity that you are being asked to subsidize the reduction of based on unfounded assertions of public good. The consumption of energy clearly fails to serve the public good in even a miniscule way.

I realize that most of the cost of this abatement will be borne by the city of Atlanta and the Atlanta Public School system and none of it by Johns Creek where your principle fiduciary responsibility lies, however Johns Creek will see no benefit from this deal and good governance in Atlanta should have a beneficial halo effect there and throughout the county. Moreover, your Johns Creek constituents are among the Fulton County taxpayers who will be ponying up a quarter of the cost for this deal.

I realize that the fees generated by this deal will pad the coffers of DAFC, which you oversee in your role as treasurer, however building up DAFC's reserves should not be a goal in and of itself. Deals that are bad for the public generate the same fees as similarly sized deals that are good for the public. DAFC should expend its energy seeking out the latter rather than settling for the former. As John Houseman used to say in the old Smith Barney television commercials, DAFC ought to "make money the old-fashioned way... by earning it!"

When you were appointed to the scandal-plagued board of DAFC, you pledged to be a reformer and publicly stated that you believed in the mission of DAFC and knew that the mission could be accomplished with a board that is committed to good governance. There were some noteworthy reforms thereafter and the board rejected deals almost as egregious as this one. I urge you to honor your public commitment now rather than allowing DAFC to backslide into the bad habits that preceded your arrival.

It is clear to me, and it should be to you, that this project is now being built and will be completed with or without a tax abatement. Even if it were a project that served the public interest, which it clearly is not, that alone should be reason enough to reject the abatement. If you think that there is any possibility that this is not the case, please ask the applicant what the consequences of a no-deal scenario would be. Then ask yourself what the odds are that his answer to this question is actually true.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you need any more information on this matter.

James Martin

2023 Chairperson NPU-D

764 Verner St Atlanta GA 30318

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Work: 404-894-6794

email: james.martin@me.gatech.edu

Coleman, Doris

From: J. Costa <jcosta7@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:12 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

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Dear Ms Coleman

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. Incentives should be reserved for situations where the incentivized isn't already going to take the action!! In the data center rush that Atlanta is already experiencing, it is fiscally irresponsible to offer additional incentives, especially at the taxpayers' expense. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely
Frank Costa
1130 Los Angeles Ave NE
Atlanta

Coleman, Doris

From: Kahn, Henry <hkahn@emory.edu>
Sent: Sunday, December 3, 2023 8:10 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: I can't believe that the DAFC would dare to grant tax breaks for data centers

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Dear Ms Coleman,

I write as a Fulton County voter/taxpayer for more than 50 years. I've seen (and regretted) numerous outrages by our municipal and county officials. They must stop!

The latest outrage is to take seriously a proposal for "incentives" to construct new data centers. Surely our Development Authority knows that data centers are ***hot*** projects. Construction will go on for data centers even in the complete absence of an incentive or abatement. The current examples, of course, are the proposals related to Tilford Yard and for Elon Musk's Twitter.

But what about the tax revenues that are so essential for our schools, mass transit, public health, and subsidized housing in Atlanta and Fulton County? This taxpayer and his family and neighbors insist that new data centers are far less important to us than the urban infrastructure that makes living here tolerable and safe.

I plead with you to convince the DAFC that it will be immoral and counter-productive to issue any abatement at all for data center proposals in their jurisdiction.

Sincerely,

Henry Kahn

Mobile: 404-310-3958
947 Blue Ridge Ave NE
Atlanta, GA 30306

Coleman, Doris

From: Catherine Rogers <catherine@rogersatlanta.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 3, 2023 9:53 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: data center tax breaks

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Dear Ms Coleman

I can't believe the DAFC would consider giving a billionaire's data center a tax break. Nor does Tilford Yard nor any other data center need one. It's like giving someone free rent in a tight housing market. As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject the proposed tax breaks for these and any other data center projects. Fulton County needs revenues to service its citizens and we residents need you to act in our best interest.

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

Sincerely,

Catherine Rogers
360 Crosstree Lane
Sandy Springs, GA 30328

Coleman, Doris

From: stephanie coffin <stefcoffin44@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 3, 2023 6:15 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No tax breaks

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Ms. Coleman,

Our schools need money. Data Centers do not. We pay taxes for schools and other social services - not to prop up corporations. Please do not vote for this. I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects that will be voted on December 5. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. The voters expect that you will make decisions for all the voters and not the special interests.

Thanks,
Stephanie Coffin
Voter

Coleman, Doris

From: Sean Harrington <tseanh71@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:57 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Potential Tax Break for X

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Please do not give a tax break to a company run by an eccentric, increasingly right-wing man that has publicly run Twitter into the ground. Especially since it creates no jobs.

Thank you,
A concerned citizen

Coleman, Doris

From: Dylan Shapiro <dms Shapiro44@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:00 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Comment re: proposed X Corp tax break

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

I am a Fulton County resident writing to encourage the Fulton County Development Authority to vote NO on the proposed tax for X Corp (Twitter Inc) detailed in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution today (<https://www.ajc.com/news/fulton-board-to-consider-10m-tax-break-to-x-formerly-twitter/4V66VOJ73RCFPA5DI54FAFVLBA/>). There is no reason to give away \$10 million in potential tax revenue without any benefit to the public, especially given DAFC's dismal record of giving away unnecessary tax breaks to multimillion dollar corporations. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dylan Shapiro

Coleman, Doris

From: Orin Sole <orinsole@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:55 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No to Elon's X

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Hi!

We live and work in Fulton County and I am emailing to ask you not to give take breaks of ten million dollars to Elon Musk. Respectfully, the county can't even afford to pay my husband a competitive wage in the Fulton Co office he works in, especially not compared to what the private sector offers. "It's not in the budget," you say.

Seems unfair that you would offer such breaks to a company headed by a billionaire, many times over.

Thank you for your consideration of public opinion on the matter.

Kindest Regards,

Kristen S.

Coleman, Doris

From: Robin Cornacchio <rcornacchio27@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:53 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Subject: Data center tax breaks

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Hi,

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing, it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely,
Robin Cornacchio
Howell Station resident

Sent from my iPhone

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Coleman, Doris

From: David Molony <davidmolony@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:52 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X tax break proposal

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Hi Doris,

I read about the planned tax break for X. I'm writing to tell you I strongly oppose this proposal and urge you to vote no.

Regards,
David Molony

Coleman, Doris

From: Robin Cornacchio <rcornacchio27@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:47 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data center tax breaks

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Sincerely,
Robin Cornacchio
1064 Longley Ave NW

Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Daniel A. Castro Chin <dcastro.gt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:51 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote NO on tax break for X Corp

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Hello there,

I strongly urge that you vote no on a proposal giving 10 million dollars to a social network which has only wreaked havoc on our very democracy. The effects of unregulated social media are notoriously bad and have created a cultural and political divide that tarnishes the values this country was built on. Simply put -- supporting a company with such a negative influence on our country would be a vote against democracy. Please vote no.

Thanks,
Daniel Castro Chin.

Coleman, Doris

From: Anton Gudiswitz <agizzi99@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:43 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Oppose \$10 million tax handout to X Corp

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Ms Coleman,

I request that the following comment is delivered before the DAFC board ahead of the meeting tomorrow:

As a resident of Fulton County and the City of Atlanta I object to this tax break. The DAFC proposes to dump resources that should be going to our schools, infrastructure & housing into a wealthy company who will give nothing back. Shame on anyone who supports or enables this theft of public funds.

Anton Gudiswitz

Coleman, Doris

From: Sara Blake Smith <sarablake03@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:36 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote NO for Elon Musk \$10M tax break!!!!

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He doesn't need any tax breaks and we need revenue and more benefits to the neighborhood

Thank you
Sara Blake Smith
30312

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Coleman, Doris

From: Kathryn Moore <moore.kathryn3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:35 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on Elon

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No tax breaks for billionaires! Especially when they are not actually creating more jobs locally. I am a Fulton Co resident (Poncey Highlands, 30306), and urge you to please vote against a needless tax break for a useless company/man. That money would be 1 million times more useful funding our local schools and resources rather than lining that antisemetic maniac's pockets.

Thank you,
Kathryn Moore
Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Twanda Broughton <twandabroughton@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:31 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please consider voting "no" to X Corp

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Ms. Doris Coleman.

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed tax break in Fulton County for X Corp. As a resident deeply invested in the community's welfare, I urge you to carefully consider rejecting this tax break proposal.

I strongly believe that our collective responsibility is to ensure a prosperous and equitable future for all residents. Therefore, I respectfully request that you consider the broader impact of this decision on our community's well-being.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Your leadership in this matter is greatly appreciated. I am available to discuss this further at your convenience and am open to providing additional information that might aid in your decision-making process.

Sincerely,

LaTwanda E. Broughton-Seabrook

Coleman, Doris

From: Amy R Lederberg <alederberg@gsu.edu>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:29 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data center

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Please do not give a tax break to a data center. There is insufficient public good to warrant this

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Coleman, Doris

From: Dana McKay <mckay.dana.a@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:26 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote no on tax break to X corporation

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Dear Doris,

I am asking you to vote no on giving X corporation (twitter inc) a \$10 million dollar tax break. As a Fulton county resident, I believe that money is better spent improving the neighborhoods and other areas. There are so many empty locations in Fulton County that can be uplifted with this money.

Please vote no on this issue.

Thank you
Dana McKay

Coleman, Doris

From: Nicole M Bell <nicole.marie.bell@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:23 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X corp tax break

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Good Evening,

I am asking Fulton's Development Auth to vote *no* on a needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

Regards,
Nicole Houston-Bell

Coleman, Doris

From: Melissa Hall <melissabhall@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:21 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Public comment: no to X Corp tax break

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Ms Coleman,

I am a Fulton County resident and homeowner. I am against a tax break for the X Corp generative AI Equipment project. I do not believe we should be subsidizing this development. There real issues our community members face and should X further develop its generative AI equipment project here, the community should benefit from the tax revenues.

Thank you,
Melissa Hall
774 Yorkshire Rd NE
Atlanta GA 30306
678 640 6963

Coleman, Doris

From: Lily Denny <lilykdenny@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:19 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Subject: tax breaks for X and Tilford Yard

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To Whom It May Concern:

As a Fulton taxpayer, I request DAFC board members to reject the tax breaks proposed for X (at QTS) and Tilford Yard. Tax revenue is so valuable to residents' education and living standards. These tax breaks limit those opportunities for growth and improvement.

Sincerely,
Lily Denny
937 Tilden St NW

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Coleman, Doris

From: Sean Donahue <donahue.seanp@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:20 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote no on the tax break for X

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Please vote against this proposed tax break. There appears to be no public benefit or new economic development being offered in exchange.

Thank you,
Sean Donahue
Fulton County and City of Atlanta resident

Coleman, Doris

From: Ena <alibasic.ena@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:15 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Request to reject tax break

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Dear Ms Coleman,

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5th meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing, it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely,

Ena Harrison

Coleman, Doris

From: Rachel West Jones <rachelowest@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:57 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No for X

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Hello,

I'm a Fulton county resident. Please vote no on the X corp generative AI project.

This man does not need any tax breaks and he is clearly running his company into the ground. Let's not continue to prop up spoiled white men for their pet projects. There is no way this will help support nearby neighborhoods, residents or small businesses.

Thank you for your time and your service.

Warmly,
Rachel Jones

Coleman, Doris

From: Trent Clendennin <trentonlee.clen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 8:13 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO for X Corp property tax break

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Doris Coleman,

I am a citizen of the City of Atlanta and I work in Midtown/Fulton County. Please vote NO for the needless property tax break to the wealthiest man IN THE WORLD and his company X Corp (Twitter Inc.) for Generative AI Equipment Project. Him and his company can undoubtedly afford to move business to Atlanta without a discount. Our city NEEDS tax revenue to help fund our already sub-par public infrastructure and it's shameful to offer this type of discount to a company that won't even bring new jobs to our city!

Please, vote No!

Thanks,

Trent Clendennin
City of Atlanta resident and Midtown employee

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Coleman, Doris

From: Tracie Marlow <tmarlow24@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:52 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Fulton County Tax Breaks

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Dear Ms Coleman

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing , it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

It is unconscionable to give tax breaks to huge corporations, When the county doesn't have the funds to maintain roads Or improve our schools.

Sincerely

Tracie Marlow
470/451/7606

Please forgive any typos... My iPhone has a sense of humor...

Coleman, Doris

From: Arthur Toal <heyart@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:43 PM
To: Sarah-Elizabeth Langford
Cc: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please oppose or defer X Corp and Tilford Yards abatements

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Ms. Langford,

Earlier this year, we had a good conversation following QTS's \$42 million abatement request. We agreed that community engagement regarding these types of abatement requests that affect how our public services are funded. Unfortunately, QTS never did engage with the community but they also have not (to my knowledge) resumed pursuit of their abatement request.

As you're aware, a QTS tenant and another Westside data center are being considered by the DAFC tomorrow afternoon. I would hope that these could be deferred long enough for the applicants to engage with the affected neighbors.

If not deferred, then I urge the board to reject the applications. This area is a desirable market and it's highly likely that the proposals (or similar) will proceed with or without the abatements. For example, QTS did not receive an abatement this Spring and construction of their two new data centers on West Marietta Street has not been at all hindered.

Best Regards,
Arthur Toal

Coleman, Doris

From: Bonnie Lapwood <bvlapwood@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:39 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on X Inducement and Bond

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Good evening,

As a resident of Fulton County, I submit this public comment urging the Fulton Development Authority to vote to deny approval of the inducement and bond for X Corp. The inducement does not directly create any jobs and gives economic benefit to a corporation owned by the world's richest man at the expense of the people of Fulton County, who very much need the programs and services funded by this tax revenue.

Thank you,
Bonnie Lapwood

Coleman, Doris

From: Ted Noble <noble1870@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:36 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Subject: No Data Center Tax Breaks

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As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. It is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives to companies which are not bringing in jobs to the area. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely,

Ted Noble

Coleman, Doris

From: Kimberley Facchine <kim.facchine@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:27 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on Tax Break for X

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I live in the city of Atlanta and am urging you to vote NO on proposed \$10M tax break for the X Corporation. We need our county tax revenue to support our citizens. Don't sell us out!

Kim Facchine
Fulton County Resident, Tax Payer, and Voter

Coleman, Doris

From: Holly Personius <holly.personius@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:20 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Cc:

Subject: No tax breaks for data centers!

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As Fulton taxpayers, my husband and I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing, it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. And it would be unconscionable to take money from our schools to benefit big business. Tax revenues are precious and should be used to benefit the COMMUNITY. We residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely
Holly Personius & Paul Medlock
1036 Rice St NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

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Coleman, Doris

From: Wesley Cardwell <wescardwell@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:18 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No On Tax Break for X Corp

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I am writing you to ask that you please vote no on the tax break for X Corp that is being proposed. This tax break will not create any new jobs. Tax breaks belong in the hands of the people and not major corporations.

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Coleman, Doris

From: Wesley Cardwell <wescardwell@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:18 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No On Tax Break for X Corp

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I am writing you to ask that you please vote no on the tax break for X Corp that is being proposed. This tax break will not create any new jobs. Tax breaks belong in the hands of the people and not major corporations.

Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Jonny Newburgh <jonnynewburgh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:17 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Property Tax Break

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Good evening,

Please do not advance X's Property Tax Break as described in this AJC article: <https://www.ajc.com/news/fulton-board-to-consider-10m-tax-break-to-x-formerly-twitter/4V66VOJ73RCFPA5DI54FAFVLBA/>.

\$10 million is a lot of money. X is a poor use of it. There are other companies that would create far more jobs and generate much greater and more positive economic impact with these funds. You should consider allocating the credits to them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,
Jonny

Coleman, Doris

From: Doug Abramson <dougabramson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:58 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data Center Tax Breaks -- Just Say No!

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Dear Ms Coleman:

Please share this email with the FCDA Board at the December 5, 2023 meeting.

My wife and I have been Fulton County taxpayers since 1976. The Board should turn down both proposed tax breaks for the data center projects. Atlanta is a great location for data centers, and it would be fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and need to be used for projects that otherwise would not occur. There is NO justification for granting any tax breaks for the data centers, and the centers will locate in Atlanta without Fulton County incentives.

After the recent scandals and craziness at the Authority, there was talk about reform, but so far there has been little to show for that talk. Many continue to believe the talk was hollow and that the Board members learned nothing. These two proposals are a good test of whether the Board has changed its ways and will act in the best interests of the County and its taxpayers. Please don't disappoint us...again.

Respectfully,

Doug and Susan Abramson, 518 St. Charles Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30308

Coleman, Doris

From: jjonww2@earthlink.net
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:03 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: The 12/5/23 DAFC Meeting

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Ms. Coleman,

Please share my sentiments with the board at the 12/5 meeting.

As a Fulton County taxpayer, I strongly object to giving tax breaks for the proposed data centers.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

John Wolfinger
1054 Vance Avenue, NE
Atlanta, GA 30306



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Coleman, Doris

From: Holly Personius <holly.personius@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:09 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Cc: Paul Medlock
Subject: No tax breaks for data centers!

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Dear Ms Coleman,

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

As Fulton taxpayers, my husband and I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing , it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and should be used to benefit the community. We residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely
Holly Personius & Paul Medlock
1036 Rice St NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

Coleman, Doris

From: Naveen Roy <naveenroy_99@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:12 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Tax break for X Corp (Twitter)

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I am a resident of Fulton County. I am asking Fulton's Development Auth to vote *no* on a needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

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Coleman, Doris

From: James Brechtel <james@jamesbrechtel.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:13 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X / Twitter Tax Break

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I ask that you not support the proposed \$10million tax break for X.com's generative AI project.

These types of tax breaks are so often short sighted, at best, and in this specific case the project in question brings little to no new jobs to the area anyway.

Instead we should claim the taxes so they can fund our schools and other services.

Thank you,
James Brechtel

Coleman, Doris

From: Benjamin Cho <bcho0303@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:14 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Needless Tax Abatement for X

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Hello,

I'm emailing to request that DAFC please vote no to the \$10m tax abatement for X, a corporation run by the wealthiest man in the world, a leader constantly under fire for making anti-semitic comments and treating staff poorly. The communities in Fulton County would benefit so much more from the \$10 million going toward our schools and local -- \$10 million that our schools, neighborhoods, and communities need. The tax abatement creates no jobs and offers little to no benefit for neighborhood residents and small businesses. I ask that DAFC please spend our taxpayer dollars responsibly -- no more giving our taxpayer dollars to corporations that have little to offer to our communities. The projected millions in tax revenue expected to be produced can come from other sources, from investment in our communities that need them most. Rather than continuing to offer tax breaks to developers and corporations, raising revenue just to offer more tax breaks to developers and residents, I hope that DAFC will use our taxpayer dollars on our schools and productive infrastructure. More than anything, our schools need it.

Best,
Benjamin Cho

Coleman, Doris

From: Jason Davison <jasonmdavison@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 7:16 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No on tax break for X

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To whom it may concern-

Please consider voting no on the proposed tax break for X's data center. Significant tax breaks such as the one proposed should be reserved for development that create local jobs and boost economic development.

Thank you,

Jason Davison. Fulton county resident and registered voter.

Coleman, Doris

From: larryjpett@aol.com
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:52 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Upcoming decision on tax relief for the data centers

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Ms. Coleman: I have read about the requested tax breaks for the proposed data centers. I feel these projects do not need tax relief. As a Fulton County taxpayer, suffering from high property taxes, I am opposed to giving these types of tax breaks to organizations that do not need them.

Please vote to oppose the approval of these tax breaks

Thank you, Larry Pett

Coleman, Doris

From: quintinkreth@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:25 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Subject: Public Comment: 12/5 Item H.2

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Dear Fulton County Development Authority Directors:

This is a written public comment regarding agenda item "H.2. Letter of Inducement and Final Bond Resolution for X Corp., a Nevada Corporation," at your December 5 meeting. As a Fulton County voter and taxpayer, I am opposed to subsidizing X Corporation to encourage their site selection in Fulton County. In recent weeks and months, X Corporation's senior leadership have made various well-documented public statements that appear to support, endorse, and/or amplify anti-Semitic hate speech and conspiracy theories. This hateful rhetoric has no place in Fulton County and certainly should not be subsidized through site-selection inducements. I hope that you will reject this proposal and future inducements for X Corp.

Thank you,

Quintin Kreth
Atlanta, GA

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Coleman, Doris

From: Craig Fickle <crfickle@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:51 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data center tax break

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Dear Ms Coleman

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing , it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely

Craig Fickle
1099 Tilden ST NW
Atlanta, GA

Coleman, Doris

From: elaine falone <elaine6345@att.net>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:35 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Subject: No! to tax breaks for data centers

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Sincerely,
Elaine Falone
1201 Niles Ave NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

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Coleman, Doris

From: R. Chisolm <rchisolm@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:40 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote "No" on X

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I am a former employee of Twitter now known as "X". During my time there and before I lived in the Bay Area, and would often pass by its headquarters in San Francisco. One thing I often noticed was the lack of care around their building, most apparent in the house less people huddled at and near their doorsteps. That sheds any doubt that "X" would without hesitation ask for funds that its founder could easily pay — at the cost of our children's education in Atlanta.

Allowing "X" to operate in Atlanta to the effect of a \$10M corporate tax break yields no benefit to the city. To put it simply: offering a tax break to the world's richest man, when the city of Atlanta has some of the most dire income inequality, an underfunded fire department and housing shortage, would be incredibly short-sighted and tone deaf. The "X" platform is increasingly being divested from by companies such as Google, Visa, Etsy, Android, Mastercard, CVS, Home Depot, Disney and others. Their divestment is due not only the lack of moderation and health controls but Musk's own anti-Semitic views and statements. Being the city that gives a \$10 million gift, to the world's richest man driving an increasingly troubled platform is literally in no way beneficial to the city of Atlanta financially or reputation wise. In terms of the tech industry Atlanta is already home to teams in Alphabet/Google and Microsoft actual leaders in the AI space. Investing in such a small player in this space with an unpredictable CEO is not worth the potential fallout. A fallout that places Fulton County's board of electors at risk of any challenger that could easily mobilize a broad coalition of voters who would deeply disagree with giving charity to the world's richest man, when so many are reeling from our current recession right here in our city.

Regards,

Rafe Chisolm

Coleman, Doris

From: bingram@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:40 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No to data center tax break

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Please do don't give a tax break that is being proposed.

Brent Ingram
1280 W Peachtree St NW

Coleman, Doris

From: Tanika Montague <tanikamichelle@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:54 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Development Authority Taxes

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Dear Ms Coleman

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing , it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely,

*Tanika Montague
1929 Ford St NW
Atlanta, GA 30318*

Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Derek Scott <derekrscott71@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:04 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: QTS-X Tax Break

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As a Fulton County, Georgia resident, I do ask that the DAFC board please allow TwXtter to make good on their threat to relocate some of their jobs/resources currently housed at Qualified Technology Services (QTS) to Portland.

Given the website owner's proclivities and his lack of appreciation for California's Bay Area and Western Oregon policy makers, it is very likely the company will turn instead to Georgia and the rich Atlanta labor market for even more profitable investment, without the abatement.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Derek R. Scott
derekrscott71@gmail.com

Coleman, Doris

From: jake panfel <jpanfel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 6:25 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Tax Break

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Hi -

As a resident of Fulton County, I believe the proposed tax break for X under consideration is not an effective use of funds. We do not need to give tax breaks to corporations for things that don't create jobs or long-term value for the county. Given X's public financial challenges - if X were to enter bankruptcy or a sales process in the near future, the county may not see any benefit from these tax breaks.

Thanks,
Jake
FulCo Resident

Coleman, Doris

From: Chandler Pennington <chandler.r.pennington@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:53 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please do not give X a tax break

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Hello, I am a resident of Fulton County, in the neighborhood of Vine City. All around me I see poverty, and the many failures of this city's government officials and policies. Please do not be so foolish as to add to that pile of embarrassments by giving a company owned by the world's richest man a \$10m tax break, which will not even create new jobs. That would be so fiscally irresponsible, I'm not sure how anyone could see it as anything other than the city blatantly valuing a wealthy person who doesn't even live here more than the lives of those who do.

It is absurd that this is even something being considered. It is an insult to this city. I refuse to let my hard earned money be given as a handout to Elon musk, of all the idiots in all the world. Give me \$100 and I'll do more good with it than he could even think of. My Cashapp is \$cpenn010

Sincerely,
An embarrassed citizen

Coleman, Doris

From: Chris Denice <christopher.denice@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:45 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Stop the tax giveaways !

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Please do not give any tax abatement to Elon Musk/X this week.

As a tax paying resident of Fulton County, I find it a disgrace that this body is even considering a tax abatement. This body should spend time listening to the tax payers they represent and end the corporate welfare with our taxes.

Chris Denice
389 6th St. NE, Atlanta
30308

Coleman, Doris

From: Bruce Kauffman <brucekauffman@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:43 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Cc: Bruce Kauffman
Subject: Data Center Project

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Greetings ,
Please do not offer tax incentives to the
proposed Data Center project.
It's a horrible use for our tax dollars.
Sincerely ,
Bruce & Kim Kauffman
Underwood Hills
Atlanta
Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Amanda Sapp <sappar@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:39 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: tax incentive for X Corp

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Hello Doris

I am writing to request that the Development Authority of Fulton County vote 'no' on the tax break for X Corp. We should not offer tax break incentives to corporations at the cost of tax revenue for local schools and the community.

Thank you
Amanda Sapp
Atlanta, GA 30312

Coleman, Doris

From: Sydney Haltom <sekhaltom@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:39 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No tax break for X Corp

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Hello,

I am a Fulton County resident, and I am writing to urge the Fulton County Development Authority not to approve the proposed tax break for the X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project. This tax break would not benefit Fulton County residents and businesses, adding not a single job to the community. There is absolutely no reason to hand out tax inducements to developments that do not benefit the public. The county should be wisely investing our tax dollars in public infrastructure and services that support our community, rather than frivolously throwing them at corporations like X Corp.

Thank you,
Sydney Haltom

Coleman, Doris

From: Sophie Lyman <sophiemlyman@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:36 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Corp. Tax Break

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Ms. Coleman,

My name is Sophie Lyman. I am writing to you as a Fulton county resident urging you to vote no on the proposal to give X Corp (formerly known as Twitter) a \$10 million tax break. Both the city of Atlanta and Fulton county have continually shown that they will go to any length to bow down to large corporations and meet their every desire — often explicitly at the expense of residents, especially those who are already marginalized. I do not want harmful corporations being given free rides in a city which has been shown to be the most unequal in the United States. We cannot afford to give X a \$10 million break when there is even a single Atlanta resident without a place to live, food to eat, or stable employment. I strongly urge you to reflect on the values you hold as a public official, and take them into consideration when determining whether your vote on this legislation will reflect the public interest or not. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sophie Lyman

Coleman, Doris

From: Tonya Carrington <tonyateeter@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:35 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote no on X Corp tax break

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This tax break will do nothing for our city. Vote no on X Corp getting a 10 million dollar tax break for their Generative AI equipment project.

Coleman, Doris

From: Loren Locke <loren@lockeimmigration.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:31 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No tax break for Elon Musk's failing company

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Hello Ms. Coleman,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed \$10 million property tax break in Fulton County to X/Twitter. We have many financial priorities in Fulton County, and giving money to a silly anti-Semitic billionaire in exchange for not eliminating two dozen local jobs (as his vanity company circles the drain) should not be one of them. Please don't waste our resources in this manner.

Thank you,

Loren Locke

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Loren Locke
Attorney, Locke Immigration Law

Main [404-654-3598](tel:404-654-3598) | **Direct** [404-490-1244](tel:404-490-1244)

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Coleman, Doris

From: Garrett Brand <gdbrand1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:31 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on X Corp Tax Break

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Ms. Coleman,

My name is Garrett Brand. I write to you as a Fulton county resident urging you to vote no on the proposal to give X Corp (formerly known as Twitter) a \$10 million tax break. Both the city of Atlanta and Fulton county have continually shown that they will go to any length to bow down to large corporations and meet their every desire — often explicitly at the expense of residents, especially those who are already marginalized. I do not want harmful corporations being given free rides in a city which has been shown to be the most unequal in the United States. We cannot afford to give X a \$10 million break when there is even a single Atlanta resident without a place to live, food to eat, or stable employment. I strongly urge you to reflect on the values you hold as a public official, and take them into consideration when determining whether your vote on this legislation will reflect the public interest or not. Thank you.

As a deeply concerned constituent,
Garrett Brand

Coleman, Doris

From: Steven Shinn <choix6@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:26 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Request to Reject Proposed Tax Breaks for Data Center Projects

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

I hope this message finds you well. As a Fulton taxpayer, I would like to express my concerns regarding the proposed tax breaks for data center projects that are scheduled for discussion at the upcoming December 5 meeting.

In the current landscape of the data center gold rush in Atlanta, I believe it is crucial for the board to consider the fiscal responsibility of offering incentives. Tax revenues play a vital role in supporting our community, and it is essential that decisions align with the best interests of the residents.

I respectfully request the board members to reconsider and ultimately reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. I believe that prioritizing the allocation of tax revenues in a responsible manner will contribute to the long-term well-being of Fulton County.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I trust that the board will make decisions that reflect the values and expectations of the residents.

Sincerely,

Steven Shinn
1214 Niles Ave NW, Atlanta, GA 30318
Fulton Taxpayer

Coleman, Doris

From: Zane Coffin <zcoffin3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:17 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote no on Tax breaks for X or any for profit corporation corporation.

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Please.

Coleman, Doris

From: Peter S. Kovacs <pkdesign@mac.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:14 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Elon Musk Tax Abatement

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I cannot stress enough how much I believe there should be a NO vote on this tax break. Whatever for?! He is practically the richest man in the world. Why on earth would the city of Atlanta give him a 10 million dollar tax break. If I understand it correctly this is for 24 jobs. Just 24!

VOTE NO.

—

Peter S. Kovacs
404-874-5661

Coleman, Doris

From: Tom Deal <tjdeal@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:09 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO to tax break for X

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I am writing to ask Fulton's Development Authority to vote "NO" on a pointless, needless tax break for the X Corporation Generative AI Equipment Project.

This proposal creates no new jobs and offers no benefit to Fulton County residents.

Thank you.

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~ Tom Deal, Atlanta, Fulton County

Coleman, Doris

From: Bret Lowery <bret.lowery@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:04 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on tax breaks for X Corp

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I'm asking Fulton's Development Authority to vote NO on a needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

Please do not support anti-semitism, election denialism, disinformation, and the platform and person that deliver them with the tax dollars of Fulton Co residents. And, surely, the world's richest man does not need it from any rational, fiscally appropriate viewpoint.

Bret Lowery
Fulton Co Resident, Trust and Safety professional
8150 Sentinae Chase Dr
Roswell GA
561.699.0610

Coleman, Doris

From: Kohl Smith <kohlsmith1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:02 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Tax Abatement for X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project

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Hello, I would like to voice my concern about a proposed tax abatement for X Corp (Twitter Inc) that is being considered tomorrow Dec. 5, by the Development Authority of Fulton County (DAFC). I do not support this tax break for this project. The project will not create any new jobs and would occur at an already built and operating data center. The county should be using tax abatements for projects that improve resident's quality of life and help small businesses succeed. Large corporations do not need help from local taxes to make more money. DAFC should focus on helping companies and organizations build more housing and assisting local small businesses to succeed.

Regards,
Kohl Smith
1116 Merrill Ave Sw Atlanta, GA 30310

Coleman, Doris

From: Jason Green <jgreen0990@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 5:02 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project - Fulton County

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Hello,

I want to express my opinion on the X Corp project and the \$10M tax break. I hope that you represent the people of Fulton County and vote "no" for this on Tuesday, December 5th. This project will not be adding any jobs and will be taking away tax revenue that can be used by local schools and other organizations. One of the richest men on the planet should not be getting a tax break that will take money away from those who could use it.

Thank you,

Jason Green

Coleman, Doris

From: Gray Whitten <graywhitten@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:58 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: NO on X break

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Hello,
I'm a Fulton County resident, taxpayer, and voter.

Please vote NO on the proposed tax break for a local X/Twitter facility. As I understand it, this is an existing data center and no Fulton County residents would see any benefit from this break.

X Corp/Twitter doesn't need our help!

Thank you,
Gray Whitten
Ormewood Park

Coleman, Doris

From: Dina Greer <greer.enedina@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:57 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Tax break for X formerly Twitter

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Good evening,

I'm reaching out to you as a resident of Atlanta, to implore you to vote "NO" on a needless tax break for the X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project. Funding would be better spent on local schools and the arts. Thank you for your time.

Enedina Greer
Center Hill resident

Coleman, Doris

From: David Holland <dpholland68@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:57 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No to tax break for X (Twitter)

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Ms. Coleman,

As a longtime resident of Fulton County, please register my opposition for the proposed tax incentive for X to house servers at an existing data center. This project creates no new jobs or other resources for our residents or communities.

Sincerely,

David Holland
120 Ralph McGill Blvd NE
Apt 204
Atlanta GA 30308
919-667-7793

Coleman, Doris

Subject: FW: Twitter (X) Tax Abatement

From: [Ravi Rayasam](#)

Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:36 PM

To: info@dafc.us

Subject: Twitter (X) Tax Abatement

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I just read the AJC story regarding the Twitter proposed tax abatement in Fulton county, and was horrified that it was being considered. This social network company perpetrates all sorts of racist nonsense, and is owned by someone actively trying to harm the world. I would understand if this tax abatement created jobs in the county, but it seems to be merely holding the county hostage for existing jobs. This company should not be allowed this dispensation, especially when it appears that it may be bankrupt in the near future.

I think the proposal harms Fulton county, and I wanted to voice my very strong disapproval of it.

- Ravi Rayasam

618 Hill Street, SE
Atlanta, Ga 30312

Coleman, Doris

From: Lindalisa Severo <lsevero2@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:55 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote no to Twitter - X tax break

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They don't need the tax break. This is ridiculous. Money is needed to fund schools, affordable housing and better wages for our first responders.

Giving a team break to Elon musk who promotes anti semitism is a disgrace to the MLK legacy.

Lindalisa Severo
(678) 362-4847
Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Matt Brooke <matt.brooke21@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:52 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Tax break

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Hello,

I'm writing to you with great concern over the recently proposed tax break for Elon Musk's X corporation from Fulton County. I believe I speak for many Atlanta residents when I share my deepest opposition to this wasteful handout. With the crumbling state of Atlanta's infrastructure combined with its rapid rate of growth, giving away \$10MM to an anti-semitic billionaire to retain a scant 24 jobs is a slap in the face to hardworking Atlantans.

Each and every day as I drive around the city, I am horrified by the state of disrepair our pedestrian infrastructure is in, forcing people on foot into dangerous situations. Indeed, pedestrian fatality statistics confirm my fears that this is a serious problem. A \$10MM infusion could be game-changing for my neighborhoods' walkable infrastructure.

This is just one example of the positive change that this tax revenue could affect. As a city our first concern should be our most vulnerable residents, not an anti-semitic billionaire.

Sincerely,

Matt Brooke
Atlanta/Fulton County (30310) resident

Coleman, Doris

From: Matthew Swift <swift.matthewj@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:51 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please Vote NO on Tax Break for X Corp.

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Hello Doris and the Fulton Development Authority,

I am a Fulton County resident; I live right near the Civic Center close to Downtown. Please vote NO on the \$10 million property tax break being considered for X Corp. (aka Twitter). This tax break would create no new jobs and have little to no benefit to the community.

Thank you,
Matthew Swift
631-806-4809

Coleman, Doris

From: Aiden Prince <aiden.t.prince@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:48 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote "NO" on Property Tax break for Twitter Inc (X Corp)

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PLEASE VOTE "NO" ON THIS NEEDLESS TAX BREAK!! PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW ELON MUSKS FAILING CORPORATION TO POLLUTE ATLANTA WITH ITS OBNOXIOUS APPROACH TO PROPERTY ACQUISITION. This company, under the ownership of Elon Musk is known to illegally construct light fixtures that create issues for citizens living nearby as well as fail to comply with city ordinances and dodge rent payments! This is not an organization we should endorse let alone take advantage of a 10 million dollar tax break that could go to improving infrastructure or education in Fulton County.

Coleman, Doris

From: Okenna Oparah <okennaoparah@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:51 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data Center Proposals - Dec 5th Meeting

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Dear Ms Coleman

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing , it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely
Okenna Oparah
1040 Herndon Street NW



Coleman, Doris

From: Jay Morris <jaymo678@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:48 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Tax Break

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Hello,

As a resident of Fulton County I would ask you not to give X a tax break for the AI Equipment Project. Atlanta is in the middle of an affordable housing crisis and giving money away to the wealthy while the poor get poorer in this city is insulting.

-Joseph Morris

Coleman, Doris

From: Mark Belinsky <m@markbelinsky.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:46 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Opposition to the Generative AI Equipment Project Tax Break and Concerns Over Anti-Semitism

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Dear Ms. Coleman & Members of the Fulton's Development Authority,

I am reaching out as a dedicated resident of Fulton County to voice my strong opposition to the \$10 million property tax break proposed for the X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project, especially given the recent discriminatory behavior by its owner, Elon Musk.

This project's tax break is not justifiable when it fails to create new jobs or deliver direct benefits to our local community. Moreover, it is distressing that our county would even consider financial incentives for a project associated with an individual who has publicly exhibited anti-Semitic sentiments. Such behavior is antithetical to the values of inclusivity and equality we cherish in our community.

Our tax system should support initiatives that bolster local schools, public services, and the prosperity of neighborhood residents and small businesses, not provide benefits to those who propagate discrimination or inequality in any form.

I implore you to reflect on the long-term consequences of this proposal and to take a stand for the ethical allocation of our county's resources. Please vote 'no' to this tax break and choose to invest in projects that offer tangible improvements and uphold the morals and ethics that we hold dear in Fulton County.

Thank you for your attention to this pressing issue. I trust you will make a decision that promotes fairness and justice within our community.

Sincerely,
Mark Belinsky
688 Woodward Ave SE, Atlanta, GA, 30312

Coleman, Doris

From: Wendy Noreña <wendynorena@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:45 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on Tax Break for X Corp (formerly Twitter)

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Hello,

I am a resident of Fulton County residing in Midtown. I am writing to urge you to please vote no on a needless tax break for the X Corp (formerly Twitter) Generative AI project. Our county and city can use these funds for vital public projects and needs. This corporation does not need a tax break and if they wish to do business in our county, they should be contributing funds to our community through the usual tax requirements. Please do not make an exception for them.

Thank you,

Wendy Noreña

Coleman, Doris

From: Wendy Noreña <wendynorena@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:45 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on Tax Break for X Corp (formerly Twitter)

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Thank you,

Wendy Noreña

Coleman, Doris

From: Tory M <torymast@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:44 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No tax breaks for X (Twitter)

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Hello Ms. Coleman,

I am a resident of Fulton County and I urge the Development Authority of Fulton County to vote NO on tax breaks for X (formerly Twitter). This would benefit X, but offer little to no benefits to the residents and businesses of Fulton County.

Thank you

Coleman, Doris

From: Tyler Flaim <tylerflaim@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:39 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on X Corp Tax Break (please)

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Good afternoon, Doris,

I am a resident of Fulton County residing in the Summerhill neighborhood. It has come to my attention that a vote on a \$10mil tax break for X Corp that I am voicing my concern over. It is also my understanding that the outcome of the X development would not bring any additional jobs and would be used for computing equipment that is already present in the facility. If the development brings no real value to the City of Atlanta, monetarily or otherwise, I would ask that you vote "No" on the tax break. The tax revenue that would otherwise be realized could be used on facilities or projects to benefit the Atlanta community.

Best,

Tyler

Coleman, Doris

From: Max Neiswander <mneiswander3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:40 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Corp Tax Break

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Hello Doris,

Please vote **NO** on X's requested tax break for its Generative AI Equipment Project.

Elon can afford it.. our city can't!

Sincerely,
Concerned Citizens of Atlanta

Coleman, Doris

From: Harrison Reeves <w.harrison.reeves@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:43 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please don't give a tax break to a scoundrel (Elon Musk, X Corp)

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Hello,

I am born and raised, third generation Atlanta native. Piedmont baby, Lovett High School Grad, Goizueta Business School alum, and current resident of Virginia Highland who cuts a healthy tax bill to the City of Atlanta every year.

I understand you are soon to consider a vote on a tax break for X Corp, who you may understand is effectively led by Elon Musk, one of the wealthiest individuals in the world, credible ties to anti-semitism and white supremacy, and a known scoundrel who acquired X Corp and has promptly tanked the company to near worthlessness due to his terrible judgement and business acumen. He is a leach for government spending and tax breaks - Tesla and SpaceX were his first venture into this non-profitable business model; and now he has set his eyes on Atlanta to suck taxpayer dollars into his incapable pockets.

This just makes me incredibly sad to see that my city, that I am very proud of, could be so susceptible to the lust and allure of his mischievousness and cunning. If you have any reasonable judgement, I implore you to please vote "no" on giving him a tax break.

Warmest regards,
Harrison Reeves

Coleman, Doris

From: Malia Willis <malia47@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:23 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Corporate Tax Breaks

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Good afternoon,

I am writing as an informed and concerned resident of Fulton County, regarding the proposal for a \$10,000,000.00 property tax break to X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project, the social network belonging to the world's richest man. This tax break would only benefit those who do not need it, and would not add any new jobs or bring any benefits to Atlanta or Fulton County. There is enough demand and development interest here, and we need our leaders to encourage growth in a way that benefits our communities, not just helping to further enrich the wealthiest among us.

I urge you to vote *NO* on this tax break,

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,

Malia Willis
30307

Coleman, Doris

From: Nicholas Adams <nadams19@student.gsu.edu>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:23 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Tax Abatement

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Ms. Coleman,

I was dismayed to read in the AJC this afternoon that Fulton County is considering a \$10M tax abatement for X/Twitter's data center on Jefferson St. As a proponent of housing development, public transit, and local schools, I am astonished that we're considering foregoing \$10M in tax assessments over a decade for the sake of 24 jobs in a data center and alleged \$16M in tax receipts in the next decade.

As a resident of Atlanta for the past 10 years (and metro Atlanta for nearly 20 more), I have watched this city grow and develop in exciting and interesting ways, but I've also been disheartened by how eager the county is to give away precious resources for little public benefit. If Elon Musk wants a \$10M discount, the county should extract its own concessions. Build a park; endow a new sidewalk fund; bury some mileage of existing power lines. A county as vibrant and dynamic does not have to negotiate from a defensive crouch. They should be privileged to come here, and we needn't pander. Please consider revising how willing the Fulton County development authority is to give away the store.

Thank you for your time.

Nicholas Adams
Georgia State College of Law
JD Candidate - 2024
678-787-9282

Coleman, Doris

From: Evan Maag <evanmaag@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:28 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Fwd: Comment for Fulton County Development Authority

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Good afternoon,

I wanted to write today to express my concern over a tax break floated for X Corp (formerly Twitter). As I understand it, this property tax break would create no new jobs (only preserving 24 - \$416,000 per employee) when Fulton County's infrastructure needs investment, and its residents need support and housing. Giving a tax break to a company belonging to the world's wealthiest person to create no new jobs is not only needless but borders on the absurd.

Please vote down this preposterous request.

Thanks for your consideration,
Evan Maag
City of Atlanta Resident
evanmaag@gmail.com
(770) 539-3936

Coleman, Doris

From: Stewart Crew <crew.stewart@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:29 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on Twitter/X Tax Abatement

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Hello,

As a Fulton County resident and taxpayer, please vote **No** on the proposed tax abatement for X Corp.

Stewart Crew
(229) 881-3955
crew.stewart@gmail.com

Coleman, Doris

From: John Riedel <tbt13791379@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:33 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: vote NO on the needless tax break for the X Corp

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To whom it concerns:

Please vote NO on the needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project. Elon Musk doesn't need the tax cut. He isn't adding any jobs. And he is a direct threat to US democracy.

Vote NO.

Regards,

John S. Riedel
404-406-2980

Coleman, Doris

From: Graydon Gordian <graydon.gordian@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:33 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Tax Break Proposal for X.com

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Hi there,

As a resident of Fulton county, a member of the technology community, a business owner, and a willing taxpayer, I just wanted to say that I am deeply opposed to giving X.com a tax break to operate its data center here in Atlanta. I support business development that brings in jobs and creates economic well being across the city for a variety of people. This does none of that.

Thank you for your consideration.

- Graydon Gordian

Coleman, Doris

From: Elizabeth Savage <elizabeth.savage10@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:34 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No tax break for X / Musk

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Ms. Coleman,

I am writing to ask that Fulton County's development authority vote NO on giving a tax break for the X (Twitter Inc.) Generative AI Equipment project. There is no reason to offer tax incentives to a company that is not creating jobs, only maintaining an existing data center. Please, vote NO. We need to move away from offering these types of incentives for efforts that do not directly benefit the community.

Thank you,
Elizabeth Savage
Fulton Co. resident since 2011

Coleman, Doris

From: Carrie Deal <carriekdeal@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:34 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Does Not Need Tax Incentives from Fulton County

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Hello,

As a lifelong Atlantan and Fulton County resident, I am displeased that Fulton county would give away tax-dollars to privately held companies with no promises for job-growth or accountability metrics that tie such incentives to longer-term commitments to X investing in our city or employing existing residents.

Our city and county have many systemic challenges - cost of living, zoning, building affordable housing, preparing our younger generations with quality public education, addressing the needs and drivers of homelessness, and investing in sustainable solutions that make our City in the Trees one for generations to come to enjoy.

Thoughtlessly parting with funds from the public purse — in ways that create zero accountability or recourse for private businesses taking the money and running back to other tech hubs, should not be a priority of the counsel. The idea that Fulton County would do this, in 2023, without clearly recognizing the value of our county and extracting that value and partnership from private industry highlights the incompetence, inadequacy, and laziness.

We should be partnering with businesses that share in our values, are committed to growing with our citizens as their employees, and are in it for the long-term. A private social media company on the decline owned by a man who has propagated anti-Semitic tropes in the last week and all but lit \$40 Billion in value in said company on fire in the last year is not a long-term partner the county should seek.

The mere idea this made it through procurement should call the county board to look into tax incentive approval processes with greater scrutiny. This is not the work of a functioning major American county and it is absolutely adorable a citizen needs to point this out. Shameful. Demand the value our city and county is worth to our private partners - this incentive doesn't even guarantee new jobs?!

Carrie Deal
30316, Ormewood Park Resident

Carrie K. Deal
carriekdeal@gmail.com | (404) 444-6720

Coleman, Doris

From: Griffin Wasdin <griffinwasdin@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:10 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote NO on tax break for X (formerly Twitter)

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Good afternoon,

I am writing to submit my public comment to DAFC asking them to please vote NO for the proposed tax break for X (formerly Twitter).

As a Fulton County homeowner, we must maximize our precious tax revenue especially from billion dollar out of state corporations.

-Griffin Wasdin
griffinwasdin@gmail.com
678-294-3594

Coleman, Doris

From: Jonathan Skipper <jcskipper3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:14 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Elon Musk X Tax Break

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Hello,

I hope this email has found you well. I am writing to oppose the tax break for Elon Musk in the county of Fulton. I have been a resident here for nearly 20 years and currently live in Midtown off of 6th street. I love this city but see the city falling apart when tax breaks are given to multi-billion dollar company's and practicing cities for cops when this money could be invested into our city, our schools, our kids, into the future of Atlanta and ultimately the future of Fulton county. I know tax breaks provide huge incentives but think about the wellness of the people here. Think about the people that aren't living lavishly. The people that could actually benefit from moves against ones like these. I like to think when making decisions such as these of what implications will be left when I am old and dying, I hope you think of that too and realize that inner pollution of the self can create outer pollution. Let's create a better Fulton County and Atlanta by avoiding moves such as these!

Best,
Jonathan Skipper

Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Matt Hawkins <trumpet580@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:14 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: please oppose Twitter/X tax break

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Hello,

I am a Fulton county resident strongly opposed to the proposed tax break for X. This company is owned and run by the richest man in the world, and the site already houses a datacenter. \$10M dollars is an eye watering price for so few jobs. I struggle to think of a worse way to spend this money. Please stop giving my money away to billionaires and megacorporations. Use it to subsidize affordable housing and dense, walkable urbanism, or keep it to fund libraries and schools and parks. DAFC is completely out of touch with reality with many of these recent subsidies. Elon Musk does not need this money; please don't give it to him!

Thank you,

Matt Hawkins

Coleman, Doris

From: Penelope Abellera <penelopeabellera@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:17 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Tax Break

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Hello Doris,

The residents of Fulton County do not support the tax break for X. It is unneeded and could benefit our schools and infrastructure. It creates no new jobs and ultimately just helps a billionaire, not the people of this city.

Please vote no.

Penelope

A concerned resident.

Coleman, Doris

From: Mychal A <mychalathias@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:17 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on Tax Break to "X"

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Hello,

As the title states, please vote no on the \$10M tax break to "X". That revenue is essential to building our city, and X is not creating jobs.

Thank you.

Coleman, Doris

From: Alexander Herigon <adherigon@me.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:19 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data Center Tax Breaks

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Dear Ms Coleman,

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing , it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely,
Alex Herigon

1301 Defoors Landing NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

Coleman, Doris

From: Marguerite Martinez <marguerite.martinez16@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:20 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Corp Generative AI Tax Break

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Hi Doris or whom it may concern,

I recently read that there is a proposal for a \$10 million property tax break for the X Corp (Twitter) Generative AI Project.

Consider this email my way of pleasing with you that you vote "no" on this proposal. Feelings about the company and it's current leadership aside, I, and many other Fulton County residents, would find it disheartening to see such a large tax break approved. Seeing as this proposal would only seek to maintain the positions at the data center, and would create no new jobs, I fail to see a tangible benefit of this tax break for the constituents of Fulton County. It seems like a no-brainer to vote against this proposal, as it seems unnecessarily greedy on behalf of X, and needless in what benefits it would give the citizens.

Thank you for reading,

Marguerite Martinez

Coleman, Doris

From: Chris Ferguson <ctfatlanta@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:08 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No TAX Break for X (fka Twitter)

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Hello,

I am a homeowner and resident of Fulton County since 2001. I am writing to ask you to deny any tax break or abatement for Twitter (X) and any related companies or projects. If they can't afford the taxes, they shouldn't do the project.

Thanks!

Best,
Chris

Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Wil Gilbert <wgilbert@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:06 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please do not extend tax break to X corp.

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Hi, Doris,

Writing in support of the Fulton County Development Authority **not extending** a tax break to X corp. As an entity, X corporation is litigious and not known for negotiating in good faith. X corp has been losing revenue due to erratic behavior from management. I do not think it is wise to give handouts to a company that does not display sound governance. These tax breaks could be allocated in a way that gives a greater return to our county.

Best,

Wil

172 Haynes St SW
Atlanta GA 30313

Coleman, Doris

From: Moses Formwalt <moses.formwalt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 2:53 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Cc:
Subject: No Tax Breaks for X Corp

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Hello,

Please do not give a tax break to retain X. Corp's data center. X Corp's owner Elon Musk is the world's richest man and does not need a tax break.

Even if Musk was not the richest man, \$10 million for 24 jobs seems like a steep price.

Best regards,

Moses Formwalt

Coleman, Doris

From: Jared Winn <jwinn2008@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 3:54 PM
To: Coleman, Doris

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Hi Doris Coleman,

I am writing as a resident of Fulton County and urge a NO vote on a tax break for this proposal For X/Twitter corporation.

This is a needless tax break for a large corporation. That money could fund our schools, deteriorating roads, etc.

<https://www.ajc.com/news/fulton-board-to-consider-10m-tax-break-to-x-formerly-twitter/4V66VOJ73RCFPA5DI54FAFVLBA/>

-Jared Winn
57 Forsyth St NW, Atlanta, GA 30303

Coleman, Doris

From: Brad Raber <brad@dtvpartners.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:00 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on musk giveaway

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Vote NO on the Twitter generative AI project tax break. He is scum and this will produce no jobs for Atlanta. ASA committed resident and tax payer I see no value in giving money to this charlatan.

Best

Brad Raber
Founder
DTV Partners
brad@dtvpartners.com
678-427-2405
<http://dtvpartners.com/>

Coleman, Doris

From: Michael Brill <michaelcbrill@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:01 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote "No" on X tax break request

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Please do not waste money on Elon's attempt to stay relevant, our county needs its roads fixed.

Michael Brill
Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Maria Dieci <mariadieci@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:05 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on tax break for X Corp

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Hello,

I am a constituent and am writing to ask that the county's Development Authority vote NO on the proposed tax break to the X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project.

Thank you,
Maria Dieci
Address: 150 E Wesley Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30305

Coleman, Doris

From: Brianna Fugate <fugatebrianna@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 4:06 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No on X Corp (Twitter Inc.) Generative AI Equipment Project

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Good afternoon,

I hope you are well.

My name is Brianna Fugate, a resident of Fulton County. I specifically live in Southwest Atlanta and have been a resident for 9 years. I came to Atlanta to pursue my higher education and received my B.S in Computer Science from Spelman College in 2018.

As a resident, I am asking the Fulton County Development Authority to vote NO on the tax break for X (Twitter Inc.). As a professional within the technology space, I recognize the value that this industry has had in my own social mobility and the effects have improved my quality of life. X is not bringing jobs or hiring natives from Atlanta for jobs which should be all the more reason for them to pay taxes. Those taxes could fund our schools and our youth's aspirations to pursue and become educated on different career paths.

I hope you take this viewpoint into consideration. Thank you for your service.

Best,
Brianna Fugate

Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Bianca Worthy <bmworthy0312@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:59 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please Vote NO on X Corp

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Good morning Ms. Coleman,

I am a Fulton County resident. I would rather see the city invest in small and local businesses throughout metro Atlanta, than to give billionaires and their companies property tax breaks to bring failing organizations and a culture that we do not want here. Please reconsider.

Sincerely,

Bianca Worthy
CEO
Worthy Elevation

Coleman, Doris

From: Johnna Szegda <johnnaszegda@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:56 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote 'no' on X Corp. tax break

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Hello Doris and Fulton County Development Authority,

I am a Fulton County resident and would greatly appreciate a 'no' vote on the proposed \$10 million tax break for the X Corp. (Twitter) Generative AI Equipment project. There is no benefit for Fulton County taxpayers. Elon can destroy democracy on his own dime.

Thank you for your consideration,

Johnna Szegda
Benteen Park
404.798.1155

Coleman, Doris

From: Reeder Meade <reedermeade@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:56 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on X Corp AI Tax Break

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I write as a lifelong resident of Fulton county and as someone increasingly concerned with our county's fast and loose tax breaks to corporations. X's development will not bring jobs to the area, and has the potential to be a massive boost of revenue to the city for our schools, transportation, parks, and other public utilities. This 10 million has the potential to be transformative for our city and I hope you vote no on this tax break

Coleman, Doris

From: Paul P. <ppietschner@proton.me>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:54 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on Tax Breaks for Elon Musk's X Corp

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To the Fulton County Development Authority,

Please, for the love of all that is good, do not give the richest man in the world a 10 million dollar tax break to set up a 10-person data center. Beyond the minimal jobs being "created" and lack of direct economic benefit to the county and its residents, the entire ecosystem of "AI" companies [which these projects simply are not, despite the marketing] are built upon the gullibility of investors and CEOs.

In a few years, when the ecological costs of these models, and their unsuitability for even the most basic tasks are made obvious to even the true believers, we will wish we'd spent 10 million dollars on literally anything else, and I'll show up to gloat about that.

Avoid the embarrassment of me showing up to ask you how the "AI thing" is going next year, and you having to shrug your shoulders at having been grifted by the richest Boer on earth, and just vote no.

Please, don't make our county worse by doing this. We already avoided being Miami by not courting Crypto or letting the Boring Company promise to dig a tunnel below sea level. Let's keep that trend up and reject this nonsense as well.

Regards,
Paul Pietschner,
REGISTERED VOTER.
Sent with [Proton Mail](#) secure email.

Coleman, Doris

From: Sarah Vallelian <svallelian@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:52 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on Tax Break for X Corp

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Hi,

I'm a resident of Fulton County, residing at 882 Argonne Ave NE. I'm writing to urge the county to vote No on a proposed tax break to X Corp. Fulton County should rightly collect its property tax and use that tax revenue for our schools and communities.

Thank you for your consideration,
Best,
Sarah Vallelian

Coleman, Doris

From: Deidra Johnson <deidraleigh@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:52 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: VOTE NO FOR TAX BREAK TO "X" (FORMERLY TWITTER)
Importance: High

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To Doris Coleman and the Entire Fulton County Development Authority:

As an Atlanta/Fulton County resident, I IMPLORE you to **VOTE NO** for a \$10 million property tax break to X Corporation (formerly Twitter) for a Generative AI Equipment Project.

It would be irresponsible to give this tax break as Elon Musk is the richest man in the world and can easily afford to pay his share of taxes, especially when there is no benefit to the residents of Atlanta/Fulton County.

PLEASE VOTE NO!!

Thank you!
Deidra Johnson

Deidra Johnson
deidraleigh@hotmail.com
mobile 404.542.8457

Coleman, Doris

From: Abhinav Sharma <abhinavs731@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:44 AM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Subject: Opposition to X Corp Tax Abatement Request

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Dear Board of Development Authority of Fulton County,

Hope that this not finds you well. I am writing to convey my opposition to the final bond resolution to X Corp, for the following reasons:

- The ongoing investment of \$700,000 does not appear to be the most prudent return, given the greater than \$10 million savings that X Corp will receive. The over \$1 Billion economic impact that is claimed is most likely not going to lead to increased spending in the local area. It will also be interesting to see how many of those current position are held by Fulton county residents, as that information was not shared.
- This allocation should be saved for another project that supports more jobs, that can actually improve the local communities though spending at local business, moving into the local area, etc.
- X Corp and QTS did not reach out to the adjacent Knight Park/Howell Station Neighborhood Association prior to this request, even though that it the community most affected by this development.
- Fulton county residents should not be footing the bill for higher taxes or have to face reduced services, due to lost tax revenue, to help a company that is privately owned by the worlds wealthiest man.
- X Corp states that if this is not approved, then the jobs risk being moved to Portland. They are clearly not invested in the local community and are just seeking to save money rather than really care about the community they operate out of.

The board's website includes a "why we serve" paragraph, which highlights the following: "to help those who love our metro area and want to be a part of it by investing in its future. Let's work together to continue to foster strong economies and create even stronger communities". X Corp clearly does not love our metro area, if they are threatening to move jobs out of state, and this large abatement does not appear to strengthen the local community,

I appreciate the time taken to read this comment and hope that the board gives serious thought to this request and votes against it.

Regards,
Abhinav Sharma

Coleman, Doris

From: Julia Hill <julia@sculpturethings.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:43 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on tax break for X

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To the Fulton County Development Authority,

I am a Fulton county resident (Adair Park) and I kindly request that you vote "No" on the proposal to grant a \$10 million tax break to the X Corp (Twitter) Generative AI Equipment Project. Fulton County residents would gain nothing in return. Please vote NO . Thank you.

Julia Hill (she/her)
Sculpture Things
Art, Fabrication, & Creative Project Facilitation
Cell: (404) 310.1607
julia@sculpturethings.com // sculpturethings.com

Coleman, Doris

From: Lindsay Hauler <lindsay.hauler@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:39 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Comment on Potential Tax Break for "X"

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To the evaluation committee, the consideration of this tax break for the "X Corp" (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project is a remarkably absurd. They do not need, nor deserve, such a substantial handout when people in this county are dealing with difficulties from inadequate infrastructure and other means. The taxes from this project could easily cover many improvements that would make Atlanta better and more equitable for residents!

I implore the voting members to vote against this tax break.

<https://www.ajc.com/news/fulton-board-to-consider-10m-tax-break-to-x-formerly-twitter/4V66VOJ73RCFPA5DI54FAFVLBA/>

Signed,
A lifelong Atlantan

Lindsay Hauler
lindsay.hauler@gmail.com
(678) 549-5017

Coleman, Doris

From: Ross Llewallyn <rossllewallyn@proton.me>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:25 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No Tax Break For X

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Hello. I am Ross Llewallyn, a Fulton County resident. I understand a tax break for the company X Corp is being discussed today.

I urge you to NOT give this tax break. Thank you.

I was directed to you by this post: <https://www.instagram.com/p/C0cfiy0vV6a/?igshid=ZDE1MWVjZGVmZQ==>

- Ross

(mobile, maybe typos)

Coleman, Doris

From: douglas adair <dsadair@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:21 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data center tax break

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Ms. Coleman

I just wanted to register my opposition to the data center tax break you are considering today. Tax breaks should be used sparingly and only in instances when they are truly needed. This is not one of them. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Doug Adair

Coleman, Doris

From: Lisa Ashway <lisaashway@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:15 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please Vote No

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Please vote no to the 10 million dollar tax break for X corporation generative AI equipment project. This tax break gives nothing back to the residents and could be better spent on corporations that plan to hire within the county or grow our economy.

Thank you,
Lisa Ashway, Fulton county resident.

Coleman, Doris

From: W. Chris Hinton-Lee <artbyhandinc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:15 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No! For X Corp Tax Break

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I am asking Fulton's Development Auth to please vote *NO!* on a needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

Regards,

Wilhelmenia C Hinton-Lee

400 W Peachtree St NW unit 3901

Atlanta, GA 30308

Coleman, Doris

From: Will McCollum <wmccollum3@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:11 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Proposed X-corp Tax Breaks

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Good morning,

I am writing to express my **fervent opposition** to the proposed 10-million dollar tax break for the X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project here in Fulton county. I have grown up in and around Atlanta, attended Georgia Tech, and have been a resident here in the county for many many years. We have a tragic history of giving away money to developers and projects that do not need it, and as a result our community services suffer.

I am a licensed architect and urbanist, and am on the board of our local CNU chapter. I understand how tax breaks and other municipal incentives can make a positive project feasible for developers. This particular project is not creating any jobs, provides no benefit to its neighbors or communities, and would be completely financially feasible on its own. We are giving away money for no reason. I urge you to please **reject** this tax break for the X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project.

Coleman, Doris

From: Chris Hinton-Lee <chris.hinton-lee@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:07 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please Vote No!

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Considering this tax abatement nor reduction in taxes to offset inflation isn't being evenly distributed, I ask Fulton's Development Auth to please vote *NO!* on a needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

W. Christine Hinton-Lee
400 W Peachtree St NW unit 3309
Atlanta, GA 30308

Sent from Chris' i-phone...

Coleman, Doris

From: Kim Bertram <kb711@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:05 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Elon

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

Please do NOT give any more money to Elon Musk. If any money is taken from the poorest people in your county to assist a multi billionaire in a business venture my heart will break and yours should as well.

Sincerely,

Kim Bertram

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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Coleman, Doris

From: Derek Frisicchio <frisicchio@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 8:05 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No to Twitter Tax Break

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Hello Doris Coleman,

Please vote no on this tax break for Twitter - owner by one of the most richest men in the world.

Billionaires don't need more money in this day and age. Please consider spending time and money to make our city safer by creating walkable streets, protected bike lanes, and more public transit options. Those will go a long way!

Sincerely,
Derek Frisicchio

Coleman, Doris

From: Brian Betz <brianpfbetz@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:59 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: 12/5/2023 - Public Comments on X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project

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Good Morning,

My name is Brian Betz, I am a resident of the Capital View neighborhood, and I am writing this morning to comment on Fulton County's proposed tax break for X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

In short, I think that this is a mistake. Elon Musk and his company X Corp offer nothing of real value to the city of Atlanta that would warrant using our tax dollars to retain his business entity within the city. 24 existing jobs for \$10 million dollars is obscene--there are half a dozen more pressing, worthy uses for that money, from schools to infrastructure to what have you--not to mention the real harm that X Corp causes daily to our civil and political discourse, through the actions of its owner and his abhorrent views. While I understand the desire for our city to stake its claim as a place where technological innovation can develop and flourish, as demonstrated by the footholds that companies like Google and Microsoft have made here in recent years, X Corp simply does not fit that criteria by any reasonable metric; it simply does not make sense to extend such generous benefits to a middling social media company just to retain 24 jobs.

I ask that the county development authority please reconsider their position on this matter, and to vote "no" on this needless tax break from X Corp.

Respectfully,

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Brian P Betz
brianpfbetz@gmail.com
908.403.6417

Coleman, Doris

From: Joshua Nunez <joshuaedwardnunez@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:58 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No for Twitter/X Tax Break

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Good morning Doris,

I have been informed that Fulton County's Development Board is considering extending a \$10 million tax to X Corporation for their Generative AI Equipment Project.

I would ask that the county votes 'no' & rejects this proposal for the the good of Fulton County tax payers.

Thank you for considering my opinion on this matter.

Joshua Nunez
770-823-9194
he/him/his

Coleman, Doris

From: Maureen Hetrick <maureenfh@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:54 AM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us; Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data centers comment

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

I am unable to attend today's DAFC meeting, but I would like to submit my comments to the board.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I urge board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. These projects do not seem to bring excess benefits to the area (i.e. jobs), and the tax abatements would withhold much needed funds from our schools. We should not be giving taxpayer money to projects that are likely to continue without the tax break, but even the threat of moving to another city is not enough of a reason to starve our schools.

Thank you for your consideration,
Maureen Hetrick
720 Berkeley Avenue
Atlanta, GA 30318

Coleman, Doris

From: Jason Miller <milljd@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:50 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on X

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Ms. Coleman,

I'm writing to urge you to vote not on the property tax deal for Elon musk and X. The company is spiraling, in bad reput, will create no new jobs and the property tax avoided is badly needed for schools.

Please do not sell out our school system and citizens for no reason, especially to this guy & his failing company.

Sincerely,

Jay Miller

Coleman, Doris

From: KMO Gmail <katymoshea@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:43 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: For Dec 5 board meeting

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

Please share this email with the board on the December 5 meeting.

As a Fulton county, taxpayer and parent of two APS students, I respectfully request that board members reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the current economy, and given the status of these projects, it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives by way of these tax breaks and would prioritize corporate interests over tax-paying constituents, including our critical education system. Tax revenues are vital, and we local residence expect you to act accordingly.

Thank you,
Katy O'Shea
806 Holmes St NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Nicholas Isom <terraplexon@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:42 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project

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Hello,

"No"! Please vote no to a \$10M tax property break to X Corp. It seems like every department in the city is underfunded and understaffed. How are we ever going to get out of this if we don't start fairly taxing the wealthy corporations?

Thanks,
Nicholas Isom

Coleman, Doris

From: Ross Freeman <refreeman13@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:29 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote NO TO X tax breaks.

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Dear Doris Coleman,

PLEASE, for the love of all things Atlanta vote NO on the COMPLETELY NEEDLESS TAX BREAK for X. We need this money for our city, stop giving business breaks that can help our city bring in the necessary funding to make it a better place. We are so far behind other major cities it's disgraceful!

Signed, Ross Freeman- lifelong resident of Atlanta and Fulton Co.

Coleman, Doris

From: Tamika Reyes <mikanildareyes@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:21 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Tamika Reyes Fulton Co Resident.

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Considering this tax abatement nor reduction in taxes to offset inflation isn't being evenly distributed!

I am a FULTON Co. RESIDENT! I am asking the
Fulton's Development Auth to vote *no* on a needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI
Equipment Project.

Sincerely,

Mika Reyes
661-373-1019

Coleman, Doris

From: Anoa Changa <thewaywithanoa@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:18 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Fulton County Resident & Tax Payer Says No To Twitter (X) Deal

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Good morning. My family and I are tax-paying residents of Fulton County, specifically in the city of Atlanta. I am just learning of the planned gift of a \$10M tax break to Elon Musk's Twitter aka X. This is not good stewardship of our tax dollars, and respectfully request that the Board vote No. We need board members who think of the residents of this county and not simply curry favor with extremist billionaires who provide little to no value to our communities.

Thank you,

Anoa Changa

Coleman, Doris

From: Ellen Rull <ellen.rull@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:11 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No

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Hi Doris,

Please vote no on the tax break incentive for X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project. Fulton County residents do not want this. No new jobs will come from this and we need to put our residents first over large corporations.

Ellen Rull

Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: Victoria Phillips <victoria-phillips@live.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:10 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Tax Break

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Good morning,

I'm emailing to ask the Fulton County Development Authority to vote NO on the proposed tax breaks for X (formerly Twitter). Ten million dollars could be better spent elsewhere, in a way that adds jobs to the county and improves people's lives. Ten million is a lot to spend on existing data center without any value added.

Additionally, the company itself is poorly managed and advertisers are withholding their funds:

<https://amp.theguardian.com/technology/2023/dec/01/x-twitter-advertisers-elon-musk-outburst>. I don't think it would be wise to invest in a company that is losing its funding stream and may not do well in the long term.

Best,
Victoria Phillips
Fulton County Resident (30318)

Coleman, Doris

From: Terica Bashir <tericajoy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:07 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No for \$10M tax break for billionaire

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Hello Ms. Coleman,

I am writing to urge Fulton County Dev. Authority to vote AGAINST giving Elon Musk a \$10M tax break. I understand incentives to bring businesses here but I believe his unique financial standing is of the magnitude that it is unnecessary.

Please share with other Development Authority colleagues/voters?

Thank you,
Terica Bashir

Coleman, Doris

From: ERIC PAUL LEUE <ericpaulleue@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:00 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote NO on X Corp Taxbreak

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Dear Ms Coleman,

Please vote NO on the proposed \$10million tax break for X Corp (formerly Twitter).

The public needs these funds to be used wisely, while Elon Musk, the owner of X Corp and richest man on the planet, does not.

X Corp has been plagued by a recurring and growing loss of advertisers (Apple, Disney, IBM, et al) due to Mr Musk's active engagement and proliferation of anti-semitism, racism, and white-nationalism.

(<https://www.rollingstone.com/culture/culture-news/disney-advertisers-elon-musk-twitter-x-antisemitic-1234886141/>)

Said loss is estimated to be of at least \$75million value by the end of 2023.

Fulton County should not waste \$10million of our tax revenues in support of a company that is comfortable losing over \$75million in support of racism, white nationalisms, and anti-semitism.

Thank you,
Eric Paul Leue

Coleman, Doris

From: Lora Hawk <lora.hawk@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:39 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Public Comment at DAFC today

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Good morning, Ms. Coleman,

I would like to make public comments today during the DAFC meeting.

Can you please advise me on time constraints?

Best regards,

Lora Hawk

She/Her/ Hers
2023 APAB Correspondence Secretary
404-405-1748
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Coleman, Doris

From: Willow H Goldstein <willowhgoldstein@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:38 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project

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I am not in favor of the tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

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Willow H Goldstein
- 404.545.6131

Coleman, Doris

From: Jared Degnan <jareddegan@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:35 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Resident Input - "No" On Tax Incentive For X Corp

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Good Morning Ms. Coleman,

I'm urging you to vote against granting the incentives for X Corp as they are disproportionate to the benefits promised.

Here's why...

X Corp is taking undue advantage of Fulton County's generosity without promising much in return. Their plan does nothing but promise to keep jobs in Fulton to the tune of \$400k per employee retained to build a data center near one of Atlanta's most promising developments - the westside park. I am hard pressed to believe that those dollars aren't better used in better areas for companies that are driving job growth vs. retention.

Consider this...

In addition to working in technology for a company that did receive incentives - I'm a resident that moved back to Atlanta FOR one of the jobs created by that company. Here's the thing - that company generated a net 5k+ jobs in Fulton County and spurred development along the spring street corridor at a critical moment in time that ultimately saw high-density jobs from Google, Invesco, etc. move to that area.

We have a budget problem in Atlanta. If X Corp wants to BRING JOBS that's great. Just don't give away \$10 Million in tax incentives to retain jobs.

Otherwise, there are plenty of tech companies already investing in AI that are here, generate jobs, and tax revenue without asking for disproportionate considerations.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my perspective.

Best,
Jared Degnan
383 6th Street, NE
Atlanta, GA 30308

Coleman, Doris

From: DeSha Dean <deshatsa@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:28 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Do not give X a tax break!

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The richest man in the world does not need a tax break for his failing company!!! Please don't waste our ability to collect taxes giving a failing company a tax break. The richest man in the world doesn't need our help. Investing in a failing company is bad business anywhere. Fulton County doesn't need to tie itself to a sinking ship. Don't give X any help. Please think of all the good that could be done with taxes. Please think about how little X is doing for anyone. Please don't give X a tax break!!!!!!

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Coleman, Doris

From: Hacheming Compere <hcompere1@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 6:00 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote no on X tax break

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Hi,

I'm a fulton county resident living at 186 1st st sw and I'm asking that you vote no on a needless tax break for Elon Musk's X project.

This tax revenue could do much to support local schools and more.

Best,
Hacheming Compere

Coleman, Doris

From: Gmail 2 <benedettijaime@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:31 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: data center tax breaks

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Dear Ms Coleman

Please share this email with the board at the Dec 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing, it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely,

Jaime Benedetti

How you treat people you disagree with says everything about you.

Coleman, Doris

From: Kri Kri <kbella13@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 4:17 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote NO!!

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As a long time Fulton County resident, and on behalf of the other 38 priperty owners in my building, I kindly request you vote NO to giving "X" a \$10 million tax break.

We do not see any benefit to our community, as this does not create jobs. The county could really use this tax money, as well.

Thank you!
Kristi Hutchinson

Coleman, Doris

From: MICHAEL KOBLENTZ <byrere@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 4:02 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: I don't believe I have to write this same letter year after year after year.

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Please a reminder that tax breaks, morally and fiscally, need to be given for areas of the county and companies or individuals that are perhaps struggling, need some assistance and have a compelling reason for us to give them our precious funds. How can Tilford or Twitter be justified? Why dont we also set up a GoFundMe page for Twitter. If folks on the commission do not understand your own mission, I have to question why you serve. It's a question that all elected officials amd public servants need to ask themselves. Why do you serve?

That's why I initially asked why I and many others have to write this type of letter and remind some commissioners of their purpose.

Please. Let's use our funds for projects that are worthy and companies amd people who need out help. And should these funds not help companies in real need and will eventually generate a significant amount of jobs and taxes to pay for these breaks. These two projects do not meet the criteria in even a minor way. Please vote no.

Sincerely

Mike Koblen'tz

404-641-6005

Sent from my iPad

Coleman, Doris

From: Alex Lampert <alexrlampert@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 3:47 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Development Authority Vote 12/5

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Good morning,

I'm a Fulton County resident and I'm asking you to please vote no tomorrow on a tax break for X Corp Generative AI Equipment Project.

The break only offers benefits to X Corp but not to Atlanta residents. We don't want this.

Thank you,
Alexandra Lampert

Coleman, Doris

From: Daena <daena.brink@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 2:44 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Corp Tax Break — Vote No!

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Good morning,

I live, go to school in, and work in Fulton County. Please vote against giving the X Corporation a tax break of any size on their proposed Generative AI Equipment Project.

The X Corporation has in no way demonstrated that they will bring in a sizable amount of money, jobs, or economic stimulation to our area, let alone 10 million dollars. There is no incentive to bring this project to our city, and thus there is no incentive to let Elon Musk and his corporation do business in our city for cheap. Giving this tax break hurts our city and helps multi-billionaires.

Giving a tax break to bring the project here will increase scrutiny on our city. Musk, synonymous with the X Corporation, has made several bigoted remarks throughout this career, and to many serious business people, is a laughing stalk. Our city, one which is "Too Busy to Hate," does not gain anything from being associated with such an enterprise, and may instead loose consideration in the eyes of the greater business community.

This is not to mention the projects (schools, PAD, transportation, infrastructure) that could be funded with the property taxes collected should X Corp choose to host their project here, which would be the only positive to being chosen, and which you are giving away. Please reconsider.

Do not allow X Corp to profit off our southern hospitality.

Thank you,
Daena Brink
Daena.brink@gmail.com

Coleman, Doris

From: Regina A <ragoruah@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 1:59 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Fulton Development Authority

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Hi Doris Coleman,

I urge Fulton's Development Authority to vote "no" on the unnecessary tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project. This proposal grants a \$10 million property tax break to the social network owned by the world's richest man (Musk) for computers in an existing data center, without creating new jobs. Rejecting this proposal will help allocate potential tax revenue to support local schools and more, discouraging the ingrained culture of providing tax inducements to major developments that offer little or no benefit to neighborhood residents or small businesses in the area.

-Regina

Coleman, Doris

From: Brooke Christiansen <brookechristiansen5@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 1:50 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No Tax Break for Elon Musk

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Hello Doris,

I'm writing to ask that Fulton County does not give a tax break to Elon Musk. He already has vast amounts of wealth and by not taxing him and his businesses, you take away millions of dollars that could go to our community instead, and you show your community that catering to the super rich is more important than providing community services!

Best,
Brooke
Georgia Tech Computer Science

Coleman, Doris

From: Bobby Sauer <rsauerjr@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 1:13 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: resident in Riverside in NW Atlanta, re: data center tax abatements

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

Please share this message with the board at the December 5 meeting.

As a Fulton County resident and taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing, it is fiscally irresponsible to offer millions of dollars of tax break incentives for projects that will move forward regardless. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Sincerely,
Bobby Sauer, 2443 Brantley St. NW

Coleman, Doris

From: Evin Ershock <evin.ershock@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 12:48 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on tax break

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Hello,

I am writing to you to ask that you vote NO on giving a tax break to X/Twitter. Despite the fact that this tax break would NOT create jobs, Elon Musk the world's richest man does not need a tax break.

Further with the tax revenue that this would generate, it could help fund new schools amongst other public endeavors. Again, I urge you to vote NO for giving a tax break.

Thank you,

-Evin Ershock

Coleman, Doris

From: Ian O'Connor <isoconnor89@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 12:46 AM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please Vote no on the needless tax break for X Corp

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Hello Doris Coleman,

Please vote no on this needless tax break for the corporation owned by the richest man in the world that will not create any new jobs. Fulton County needs tax revenue to fund schools.

Thanks,

Ian O'Connor

Coleman, Doris

From: Rebecca Hong <rebeccamhong@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 12:28 AM
To: Coleman, Doris

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Dear Doris Coleman,

I am a resident of Fulton County and urge the Development Authority to vote 'no' on a tax break for X Corp.

Big and wealthy businesses like X Corp come to Atlanta because they recognize the vast amount of talent in our state. We live in a beautiful city, and while I believe we should welcome people and business in, we should not cheapen ourselves by handing out huge tax exemptions to companies that do not need them. If you want to invest in jobs and the economy, invest locally. So many small, local businesses have shut down over the years as big developers have come in to tear down retail spaces and construct luxury housing or to raise rent to exorbitant levels. I've watched these businesses collapse all around my neighborhood.

Let the dollars that these companies bring to Atlanta benefit all the citizens of our county. We could use these dollars to build more affordable housing, improve our public health infrastructure, shelter the homeless, improve our public transit, and invest in our public school systems, to name a few things.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Hong
942 Ponce de Leon Ave
Atlanta, GA 30306

Coleman, Doris

From: Arthur Toal <heyart@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:58 PM
To: Sarah-Elizabeth Langford
Cc: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Re: Please oppose or defer X Corp and Tilford Yards abatements

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Thank you for that clarification Sarah-Elizabeth. I'm glad to hear that the community has been a part of the conversation. Which community groups offered their support? My conversations with NPU-D leadership lead me to believe that they were in opposition.

Best Regards,
Arthur

On Mon, Dec 4, 2023 at 8:33 PM Sarah-Elizabeth Langford <selangford@dafc.us> wrote:
Arthur,

Thank you for your email. Your comments will be provided to the entire board. It is my understanding this company (Edge) did in fact meet with the community and received support for this project. Specifically, the community stated they preferred a data center tenant rather than a distribution center with many trucks in and out of the site. The community also stated they needed sidewalks so the company agreed to put in sidewalks. The company has stated they will use Brassfield & Gorrie as a contractor who has an intensive minority training program. A participant spoke to our board and explained how she and similar companies would benefit from this partnership. The company also agreed to sponsor a women in technology training and scholarship program since we know women are not adequately represented in the technology field. Also this building will be a green energy efficient data center using no water and will be one of a kind in the south. For these reasons in addition to the increases in taxes, the staff thought this was a good opportunity for the board to listen to and consider.

Thank you again,
S-E

On Mon, Dec 4, 2023 at 7:43 PM Arthur Toal <heyart@gmail.com> wrote:
Ms. Langford,

Earlier this year, we had a good conversation following QTS's \$42 million abatement request. We agreed that community engagement regarding these types of abatement requests that affect how our public services are funded. Unfortunately, QTS never did engage with the community but they also have not (to my knowledge) resumed pursuit of their abatement request.

As you're aware, a QTS tenant and another Westside data center are being considered by the DAFC tomorrow afternoon. I would hope that these could be deferred long enough for the applicants to engage with the affected neighbors.

If not deferred, then I urge the board to reject the applications. This area is a desirable market and it's highly likely that the proposals (or similar) will proceed with or without the abatements. For example, QTS did not receive an abatement this Spring and construction of their two new data centers on West Marietta Street has not been at all hindered.

Best Regards,
Arthur Toal

Coleman, Doris

From: Jackie Bradley <jbmom05@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:40 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote no on tax break for X

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Sending this email that you will vote NO on tax break for X this is not what tax payers like our family wants.

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Coleman, Doris

From: Amanda Diegel <diegelamanda@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:40 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: NO to tax break for X Corp

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Hello,

As a Fulton county resident, I want to let you know I do not support giving Elon Musk a ten million dollar tax break to create absolutely no jobs in our county. He doesn't need a tax break, and we don't need to store data for his social media website full of rampant racism and antisemitism among other things. It's absolutely ridiculous to cater to people who do nothing for our community while we all get nothing out of it.

Thanks,

Coleman, Doris

From: Arshiya and Brian <arshiyabrian@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:27 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Corp AI Project

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Howdy,

Hope you are doing well. My name is Brian Richardson and I am a resident of Atlanta. Fulton's Development Authority should vote no to a tax break to X Corporation. This will create no new jobs in Fulton county and cost the county 10million dollars in revenue. That \$10 million could be used to fund local schools and so much more.

There is little to no benefit for the people of atlanta or fulton county. Besides, Elon Musk is a literal billionaire. Thanks for hearing me out.

Regards,
Brian

Coleman, Doris

From: Claire Tanner <clairemarietanner@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:25 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please

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Please do not afford Elon Musk or X any tax breaks.

Thank you.

Claire Tanner

Coleman, Doris

From: Lori Howard <lorinhoward@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:20 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No tax break for X!

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

I am writing to ask that the Fulton County Development Authority vote NO on a tax break for X. Fulton County residents need support from the county, but Elon Musk does not. Please don't waste county money on a billionaire who does not care about Atlantans.

Thank you,
Lori Howard
976 United Ave Se, 30316

Coleman, Doris

From: Harry Gogonis <hgogonis@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:17 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Subject: X Corp Tax Break

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As a Fulton county resident I would like to express my displeasure at the consideration for giving X Corp tax break. This is part of a pattern of giving tax cuts to the ultra wealthy in Fulton county while us homeowners are left carrying the bag.

Thank you,
Haralambos Gogonis

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Coleman, Doris

From: Ricky Gaines <richard.b.gaines@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:16 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please Say No to Tax Breaks for X/Twitter

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

I am a Fulton County resident living in East Point. I urge you to say NO to any possible property tax breaks for X/Twitter's Generative AI Project. X is an irresponsible social media platform propagating hate and disinformation. We in the Atlanta area are too busy for hate. Our city desperately needs tax revenue for schools and infrastructure, not to go to another vanity project by Elon Musk. If he can afford to build rockets that go into outer space, he can afford to pay taxes in Fulton County. It's as simple as that.

Thank you,
Richard Gaines

Coleman, Doris

From: Samrit Sangal <samrits@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:11 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please don't give a tax break to X

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Elon is the world's richest man. He can afford to pay. Our citizens need that money for housing, education, food security. Stop giving away public money to billionaires.

Coleman, Doris

From: byrontfrancis@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:09 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X/Twitter tax break

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Hello,

My name is Byron Francis. I am a resident of Atlanta ga and live in downtown (Forsyth street. 30303). I'm writing to make it clear that I do not support tax incentives for large corporations like X. Especially those that don't create additional jobs for our city. Please tell your colleagues to vote no and demand that X and other companies do more for the city before asking for tax breaks. Thank you.

Thanks,
Byron

Coleman, Doris

From: Cayla Puckett <cayla.puckett22@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 11:02 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on X Corp's Generative AI Equipment Project

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Hello,

I hope this email finds you well. I am a Fulton County resident reaching out to ask you to vote NO on the tax break for X Corp's Generative AI Equipment Project. While this project would be great for our county, this company has deep pockets and the means to pay taxes in full (even though they may tell you a different story). X Corp should be contributing to the local economy via tax payment and I believe that tax breaks should be reserved for projects/companies that truly need this and are providing a public good/service (affordable housing, hospitals, etc.). I look forward to seeing how this vote goes and will keep this in mind when I am voting in the next local elections. Please do the right thing! Thank you for your time

Cayla Puckett

Coleman, Doris

From: Cooper Barrett <cooper@socialclothing.co>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:55 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No to X tax break

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I live in Old Fourth Ward and I would like to let you know that I am vehemently against giving X (twitter) any form of tax break for their Generative AI project.

Do not give the world's richest man a discount when so many are struggling in Atlanta already.

Cooper Barrett

Coleman, Doris

From: Allie Chapman <allierchapman@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:45 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on X Corp

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Hi Fulton's Development Authority,

I am writing you this email to urge you to vote no on the tax break for X Corp and Elon Musk. This tax break would take away from funding schools and various organizations in the community in order to fund a project that would bring no benefit to the community. No jobs would be created.

Atlanta should invest in what will prosper Atlanta and the people whole choose to call it home and pay taxes. Giving a tax break would be a disservice to the present and future of the city.

Please vote no!!

Best,
Allie

Coleman, Doris

From: Debra WATHEN <wathenemail@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:42 PM
To: publiccomment@dafc.us
Cc: Barrett, Dana; Thompson, Preston
Subject: DAFC Meeting 12/5/2023

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Dear Ms Coleman,

I wanted to let you know that it is my desire to speak before the DAFC Board and voice my concerns about the Tilford Yard Bond Resolution. Can you please add my name to the public comment and please let me know what the procedures are for comment.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter

Sincerely
Debra Wathen

Coleman, Doris

From: Joseph John Crisanti <Joseph.Crisanti@uga.edu>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:43 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Fulton's development auth

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Please vote no on the needless tax break for the X corp. for the sake of all Fulton county residents. Please.

Joseph Crisanti

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Coleman, Doris

From: Brittney Ducatel <brittneyducatel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:41 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: NO to tax break

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Please vote 'no' on a tax break for the X corp.

Please care about your citizens. You come after us, nickle and diming us for trash, property taxes, etc.

Our city is full of trash, my tax bill keep getting higher, and you want to give this company a tax break?

Sincerely,
Concerned and exhausted citizen Brittney Ducatel

Coleman, Doris

From: Cynthia Jennings <jennings2672@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:26 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on Tax Break

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Good evening,

I am writing you to vote no on this tax break for any Elon Musk venture. He is a wealthy man whose companies can afford not to receive tax breaks.

Thank you,

Cynthia Jennings
32 28th St NW, Atlanta, GA 30309

Sent from Gmail Mobile

Coleman, Doris

From: andy friedberg <andy.friedberg@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:23 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: oppose data center tax breaks

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Ms. Coleman,
I hope this email finds you well!

Please share my comment with the board at your December 5 meeting.

As a Fulton taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. In the data center gold rush that Atlanta is experiencing, it is fiscally irresponsible to offer incentives. Tax revenues are precious and we residents expect you to act accordingly.

Thank you,
Andy Friedberg
730 Oakland Ave. SE
Atlanta, GA 30315

Coleman, Doris

From: Kristen Koehnemann <kriskoeh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:23 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No for X Corp

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Hello Fulton Co Dev Authority, vote "NO" on tax break for X Corp.

Thank you for representing the best interests of Fulton Co residents, like myself and my family.

Kristen Koehnemann
30310

Coleman, Doris

From: Caitlin McColloch <caitlin.mccolloch@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:22 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on tax break for X Corps

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Hello. I am a Fulton county resident and I urge you to vote "no" on a tax break for the X Corps (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

Thank you,

Caitlin McColloch

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Caitlin McColloch
469-406-6397
caitlin.mccolloch@gmail.com

"An individual has not started living until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity." - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Coleman, Doris

From: Ben Williams <bswilliams1108@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:05 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: NO to Tax Breaks For X and Musk

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Hello,

I am a Fulton county voter and concerned citizen asking the development authority to vote NO on providing tax breaks to X's generative AI equipment project. Given Musk's public antics and mismanagement of X/Twitter, we should not be giving him tax breaks to bring his often exploitative businesses here. He will likely break promises and exploit public funding and support for his personal benefit.

Thank you,
Ben

Coleman, Doris

From: Seth Herren <j.seth.herren@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:03 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Tax Break for X Corp

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Hi Doris,

I'm writing to urge you to please vote no on the proposed \$10M tax break for "X Corp" tomorrow. This is needless and won't create any jobs for Fulton County, while giving a break to the richest man in the world. These taxes could be used to better our city, something X has no intention of doing.

Thank you,
Jarred Seth Herren
170 Boulevard SE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Coleman, Doris

From: delargy.cm <delargy.cm@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 10:01 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote no on tax break for X

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

Apologies if you are not the person to contact, but I ask that you convey this message to the Fulton County DevCo board.

It has come to my attention that the board intends to vote on a \$10M tax break for X to continue operations at the data center on Jefferson. I ask as a resident of Fulton County that you vote no on this proposal.

Economic vitality and business are vital to a well-functioning county, city, and region. However absent a meaningful plan for doling out incentives, the Board's actions appear arbitrary, misguided, and ineffective. The fact that the tax break for X would only support 24 already existing jobs and create no new jobs, all the while reserving important urban space for hostile land uses like a data center, rob the authority of credibility to be acting in the best interest of the public.

Please vote no on this consideration.

Colin Delargy
City of Atlanta resident

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S21 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone

Coleman, Doris

From: Stella Chen <stellachen268@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:52 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Oppose tax break for X Corp

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Hello,

I am a resident of Fulton County at 620 Peachtree St NE, Atlanta, GA 30308 and I am fully against the proposed \$10M tax break to X Corp.

Projects like these do not serve the local community. Giving this corporation a tax break would immorally rob our county's residents of upgrades to public amenities. \$10M can be spent on a variety of extremely useful public improvements and amenities in the county.

I ask the Development Authority to please vote no on the tax break for X Corp.

Thank you,

Stella Chen

Coleman, Doris

From: Susan Rutherford <susaru@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:42 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Public comment for Dec 5 meeting: Please reject tax breaks for data centers

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Dear Ms. Coleman

Please share this email with the Fulton Development Authority board at their December 5 meeting.

As a Fulton County taxpayer, I respectfully request board members to reject both proposed tax breaks for data center projects on this week's agenda. The market for data centers in Atlanta is strong. We do not need to offer incentives. Please protect our tax revenues.

Sincerely,
Susan Rutherford
967 N. Ormewood Park Dr. SE
Atlanta, GA 30316

Coleman, Doris

From: Brooke M. French <bfrench@klhffamilylaw.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:41 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: DAFC tax breaks

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Ms. Coleman:

Please share this email with the Board at the December 5, 2023 meeting. I am a resident of Underwood Hills (city of Atlanta and Fulton County). I have lived in Atlanta for 23 years. I have two children in Atlanta Public Schools. As a Fulton County taxpayer, I respectfully request the board members REJECT both proposed tax breaks for data center projects. It is fiscally irresponsible to offer these tax breaks and incentives – these entities will work with Atlanta regardless of the breaks. Those funds are desperately needed in our schools and communities. We pay a significant amount of taxes to support our community – corporations should, too. Tax revenues are integral to our economy and Fulton residents expect you to reject tax breaks to corporations in this situation.

Thank you
Brooke French
1802 Springer Street

Brooke M. French

Attorney, Mediator, Arbitrator & Guardian ad Litem



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Coleman, Doris

From: Phillip Kelly <phillipwkelly@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:39 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote No on X Tax Break

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Hello,

I am writing to voice my strong opposition to the \$10million tax break proposed to be given to the X Corporation. We should be giving tax breaks to large affordable housing developments that include mixed uses which foster accessible local job creation, not the kind of proposal put forward by the company formerly known as Twitter, owned by the richest person in the world.

Thank you,
Phillip Kelly
612-703-1176
671 Grant St SE
Atlanta, GA 30315

Coleman, Doris

From: Chase Anderson <chaseanderson1990@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:38 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: vote NO on X

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please vote no on a 10 min dollar tax break for X, Twitter, Musk

Coleman, Doris

From: DeeDee <dsulmers@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:36 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: VOTE NO TO X CORP TAX BREAK

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Hello,

Please consider the following:

Fulton's Development Auth to vote *no* on a needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

This proposal gives a \$10mil property tax break in Fulton County to the social network belonging to the world's richest man (Musk) for computers in an existing data center, creating no new jobs (there are currently TWENTY FOUR employees in Atlanta) The potential tax revenue would fund local schools & more.

Atlanta needs to reject this ingrained culture of giving away tax inducements to major developments that offer little or no benefit to neighborhood residents (or to neighborhood small businesses for that matter).

This is disgusting - a tax break to a company that wont even exist in a few months. This feels like no one cares about Fulton country so please do better and vote NO on the tax break for Twitter.

Thank You.
D. Sulmers

Coleman, Doris

From: Robyn Turner <robyn.turner.atl@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:35 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please vote NO on tax break for X Corp (Twitter Inc)

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Dear Ms Coleman,

I'm writing to ask the Development Authority of Fulton County to vote NO on a needless tax break for the X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project.

This proposal would give a \$10 million property tax break to the social network belonging to the world's richest man for computers in an existing data center, creating no new jobs. This should be a no-brainer.

Atlanta needs to dismantle this ingrained culture of giving away tax inducements to major developments that offer little or no benefit to neighborhood residents or small businesses. We need equitable benefits for Atlanta communities when we use our public tools for development — not giveaways to billionaires.

Sincerely,
Robyn Turner
1535 Westwood Ave SW
Atlanta, GA 30310

Coleman, Doris

From: leigh hays <intownhays@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:24 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO on Tax Break For X/Twitter

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Please vote NO for tax break on X/Twitter. As a Fulton Co tax payer, I am tired of all the unnecessary tax breaks for corporations. It is time for companies to pay their fair share.

Leigh Hays
413 Sinclair Ave NE
Atlanta GA 30307

Sent from my iPad

Coleman, Doris

From: C Dylan Nurse <cdylannurse@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:20 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: X Corp (Twitter Inc) Generative AI Equipment Project

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Ms. Coleman,

I am a fulton county resident (1553 Pineview Terrace SW, Atlanta, Ga 30311); and would like to express my concern with the potential X Corp project that is currently before the Development Authority of Fulton County.

As has been reported in the AJC, Elon Musk is the richest man in the world, a tax abatement from Fulton county of \$10 million dollars would contribute to no jobs, and losing 24 X employees if Mr Musk chose to disinvest, would have nowhere near the \$10 million dollar break that they are asking for. I urge you to reject X corp's request, all similar requests, and ask that any future request for tax abatements for projects that fail to create significant opportunity for residents be rejected.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Dylan Nurse

Coleman, Doris

From: Travis Edwards <edwardsnassor@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:20 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Vote NO

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Hello, I am a constituent of Fulton County and have lived in the county for more than five years. I am asking that the Fulton Development Authority vote NO on giving a tax break to the X corporation.

The largesse of the company obscures and absconds from the citizenry who are feeling the crushing impact of inflation. I am asking that you please reconsider voting yes.

Fulton county resident,

Travis Edwards

Coleman, Doris

From: Edward Smith <zed.g.smith@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:18 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Please no tax breaks for X

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What a waste of limited resources for Fulton county. Please don't give in.
Sent from my iPhone

Coleman, Doris

From: smferguson@mindspring.com
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:17 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: Data Center Tax Abatement

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I want to express my outrage that a tax abatement is even being considered for the data centers by the DAFC.

Those centers are sitting on land which has already grown significantly in value, making an automatic profit for the companies. They are already successful as data centers and will only grow more so. Data centers are not significant employers and will only hire the skeleton staff needed to maintain the equipment, so the centers do not offer the City of Atlanta any benefit in terms of business tax revenue or jobs.

There is absolutely no justification for handing over the \$42 million that these data centers owe for using the benefits of this city. Atlanta's schools, parks, roads, public safety and the myriad of other services that these businesses rely on must be funded by those who benefit. The Development Authority of Fulton County is supposed to use its powers only to encourage development that would not otherwise happen. These centers chose to locate in the city and will profit handsomely by that choice. They do not need to shift the tax burden they chose to incur to the taxpayers of this city, nor do they have the right to deny funds that are needed.

The DAFC should never have even considered this request. It is motivated by sheer greed from profitable businesses that simply seek to avoid paying taxes. It is unconscionable.

Sharon Ferguson
1342 Northview Avenue NE
Atlanta, GA 30306

Coleman, Doris

From: Kelsey Blakely <kelseyblakely@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:05 PM
To: Farokhi, Amir; Coleman, Doris
Subject: Reject tax break for X

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Dear Ms. Coleman,

I Will keep it short. As a resident of Atlanta and Fulton County, I urge you to reject the \$10M proposed tax break for X (Twitter). First, X will not add to the local economy in any meaningful way (no new jobs, etc.). Second, how about we don't give tax breaks to billionaires with known fascist tendencies that don't care about the security or privacy of their platform, and cannot even keep advertisers because of extremism? It's just a bad look.

Thank you

Kelsey Blakely

CC Amir Farokhi

Coleman, Doris

From: Gillian Blitzer <ggblitz@ymail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2023 9:03 PM
To: Coleman, Doris
Subject: No Needless Tax Break for Musk

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Attn: Fulton County Development Authority;

Do not approve a tax break for X/Elon Musk.

As a Fulton County resident, home owner, and tax payer, I'm writing to express my concern that this authority plans to provide Elon Musk, an anti-Semitic, apartheid blood diamond trust fund baby, and total moron on the brink of total failure - a tax break that will not serve Fulton county residents. All this tax break will do is take money away from our futures.

Do better by your residents and provide innovative solutions to our county's issues. Not pandering to billionaires that have no interest in contributing to our community. Do not approve this "tax cut."

Respectfully,
G. Blitzer