

Invite to Audience for May 26

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04/20/2020 8:45:36	Mike Boryk	7550 Wigley Ave Jessup, MD 20794			Yes		Maryland DNR and the Governor's stay at home orders allow for sustenance fishing. Rockfish or Striped Bass season opens on May 1, 2020. I trailer my boat and use the boat ramp at Ft Smallwood Park. The boat ramp is closed because of COVID. Many people in the area use the ramp. I believe that social distancing can easily be followed at a ramp. People do not come in contact with each other. Thank you!
04/30/2020 16:30:58	Christina Crance	17 N Cherry Grove Ave			Yes		Dear Council, I am extremely concerned by Mr. Pittman's incessant efforts to increase my taxes. Last year, as you know, he raised our income and property taxes despite the fact that Maryland is already an excessively over-taxed state. In these challenging times I implore all of you to not only stop increasing our taxes but to decrease them in Annapolis before those of us that are still fortunate enough to be earning and employed leave for more more tax friendly states. As a resident I cannot rebuild my finances in Anne Arundel County if you continue to act like my earnings are your personal piggy bank. The progressive tax proposed by Mr. Pittman would cause my family, and many that we know, to move. Why stay here if you are going to ruin us financially? My earnings need to remain mine to spend, donate, invest, and save. As my family makes financial decisions to trim our budget by not taking a vacation, shopping only at Costco instead of Whole Foods, no longer ordering take-out, and buying clothing on sale instead of full price so it is also required of you that you substantially trim your budget. Cut your programs. Tighten your belt. The Washington Post published an article in late January that stated "In the first 10 months of 2019, Northern Virginia gained an average of 19,500 jobs from a year earlier, compared to 5,700 jobs in the District and just 200 in suburban Maryland." This should trouble you. If this trend continues Maryland won't be able to recover. You won't have a working base to tax. What changes could be made to help the situation? The author goes on to say, "There are several reasons for Northern Virginia's advantage, but basically it offers...weaker unions, lower corporate and income taxes, and a generally more welcoming political climate." I would like to stress the lower taxes element of that sentence. Every dollar you take from me is a dollar I cannot invest in my family's future and I need to live in a city where I know I am working to better my family-not you. The Democratic leadership has continued to act like my earnings are their unlimited funding pool and I'm tired of it. I do not support or want your expanded social programs, your special projects, your Kirwan plan or your other budget-busting initiatives. I do not want any new taxes created. Increasing taxes would be irresponsible and cause the pandemic-related fiscal nightmare to last in Maryland indefinitely. We all want Maryland to recover but draining my savings to pay for your budget is unacceptable. Please, reduce our taxes at the county level, reduce our taxes at the state level, and reduce our property taxes so we have a fighting chance of coming out of this recession. We can't stay unless you do.
05/15/2020 14:09:15	Glenn Drake	1246 River Bay Road	Annapolis	21409	Yes		I support the bill
05/18/2020 13:13:13	Brooks Schandelmeyer	Stonecreek Rd	Annapolis	21403	Yes		Dear members of the Anne Arundel County Council, I want to say that I am grateful for the leadership of County Executive Steuart Pittman and County Health Officer Nilesh Kalyanaraman during this pandemic. Their steady hand during the Covid-19 pandemic made Anne Arundel County a model for excellence in contact tracing and preventing the spread of this wretched disease, that has already claimed the lives of 89,000 Americans in a few months, more than were lost than the entirety of the Vietnam War. With Governor Hogan passing the responsibility of leadership onto local governments, County Executive Pittman's decision to continue to listen to public health professionals and scientific data rather than conspiracy theories is a perfect example of good government. However there are organizations that are fighting this. Groups with limited ties to Maryland and Anne Trundle County but with financial backing from national figures and politicians are pushing conspiracies and debunked pseudoscience to convince local officials there is a groundswell of grass roots support for a carefree consequences be forgotten reopening of Anne Trundle County. There is not. They claim to represent the small business owners and workers of our community. They do not. These claims are nothing more than opportunistic bunk; pushed by grifters looking for notoriety, large businesses hoping to grow their stock, and politicians looking to step up the electoral ladder. Their push to reopen will cost lives, there is no exaggeration in that sentence. More people will die from Covid-19. I say this as a food service worker who is furloughed by these shut downs, my colleagues and I are not willing to get sick or get our guests sick from a lethal disease to score a political win for a potential future County Executive candidate currently sitting on the council. There is no such thing as relying too heavily on public health advice during a pandemic. I urge the members of the council to stand with Executive Pittman's cautious approach rather than a careless one. Thank you for your time. Brooks Schandelmeyer 1385 Stonecreek Road Annapolis, MD 21403
05/18/2020 14:19:09	Erin Lorenz	53 Gentry Ct.	Annapolis	21403	Yes		Dear County Council Members, This pandemic has been strange and difficult for us all. I have had great admiration so far for County Executive Pittman's leadership and am grateful for the measures in place to keep our county safe. As a teacher, I am one of the fortunate ones who have been able to maintain an income. I know most are not so lucky. I simply cannot imagine the struggle they are enduring, especially since many of them were already struggling before all of this. I support any and all measures that relieve the economic burdens of people in this situation that prioritize their safety. Many of my students are struggling because they cannot bring in as much income due to the restrictions. Having kept in contact with most of them throughout this crisis, I can assure you that none of these young people are prepared to risk illness for that income, even as they are eager to get back to work once it is safe. But also as a teacher, I mourn the lack of respect for genuine expertise. As best I can tell, no member of the county council has a background in public health - and only one of you has even a tangential relationship with the medical field at all. It is discouraging to see the dismissal for the work and education of people who have spent years developing their expertise in public health. I would not presume to tell lawyers how to do their jobs; I question the motivations of anyone willing to do the same especially at a time like this. Of course as an educator I want my students to learn to ask the right questions, and to maintain enough skepticism that they can evaluate a source properly. County Health Officer Nilesh Kalyanaraman is a proper source, and under his leadership we have made great strides in beating this disease. And unfortunately, we're not done yet. That is why it is beyond unconscionable to strip the County Executive of his emergency powers, and for reasons so absurd. I have seen nothing BUT transparency and clarity in his decisions, made with considering the expertise of public health experts. He has regularly held town halls to explain those decisions, and has participated in many others. If this is not transparency, I'm not sure what is. The idea that big box stores and churches are the same is nonsense, and any research about proximity and ventilation will demonstrate this. Manipulating the faithful's desire for community worship is an insidious political ploy, and as a practicing Christian I am incensed that this is being trotted out as some sort of rationale to score political points against a competent leader. It has been difficult to not attend church. I dearly missed the Easter celebrations. The big, church wedding I've been dreaming of since I was a little girl was cancelled. Instead, my husband and I got married in the church parking lot, because God is not confined to the walls of the church. In a time when we must overcome political differences in order to best support the most vulnerable among us, we cannot sacrifice public safety. We cannot ignore strong science in favor of emotional appeals from groups that do not represent our county. Please continue keeping Anne Arundel County safe. Find solutions for our most vulnerable, and let the County Executive do his job.
05/18/2020 14:25:15	Chelsea Bock	1385 Stonecreek Road	Annapolis	21403	Yes		Dear Members of the Anne Arundel County Council, As a citizen of Anne Arundel County and as an employee of the National Academy of Sciences, I am relieved that County Executive Steuart Pittman and County Health Officer Nilesh Kalyanaraman have been taking a strong, science-based lead when it comes to keeping our county safe. I am also well aware that pushing to re-open our county too quickly will likely result in a spike in cases and a greater loss of life. It is best for us not to let the approaching summer give us a false sense of security, because according to the National Academy of Sciences, there is no evidence that warmer temperatures will stop or slow the spread of the virus: https://sites.nationalacademies.org/BasedOnScience/change-in-seasons-may-or-may-not-affect-the-spread-of-COVID-19/index.htm . Unemployment and underemployment are terrible experiences, and I know this firsthand. But I voted for Steuart Pittman because he understands that the economy works for living citizens, not dead ones. Staying at home now - and working together to do so - will mean a safer environment, faster, for all of us. I implore the county council to keep using approaches that are based in science, not conjecture or impatience. Sincerely, Chelsea Bock
05/18/2020 14:44:41	John Zipp	5407 Chatham Rd	Brooklyn Park	21225	Yes		How do you want history to remember you? This illegal, unconstitutional lockdown must end! You are killing small businesses! We will never recover from this if we do not move into Phase 1. Pittman has no authority to do what he is doing and this must end! You know if the shoe was on the other foot and Steve Schult was the County Exec. still the Democrats on this council would call him a "tyrant" and "dictator" for over reaching his authority. It's time we stop this foolishness and get back to work. Do you want to be responsible for making the cure worse then the problem itself? They estimate that more people will die from suicide, drug overdose etc then COVID-19. Make sure you are on the right side of history and not this tyrannical power trip by our county executive. Save Maryland! Save our county!
05/18/2020 14:48:50	michael c danko	1033 nabbs creek rd	GLEN BURNE	21060	Yes		The numbers no longer support a continued shutdown. Your ignorance is exposed. OPEN MARYLAND NOW
05/18/2020 14:49:02	Corey Weigman	15 Fairway Island	Grasonville	21638	Yes		Open AACOI It is absurd to think businesses can sustain this. Take 24-Hour Fitness. They have 9000 members. With 9000 members at \$50 a month, they are losing \$450,000 every month they are closed. Maryland is putting businesses out of business. Nordstrom, Green Turtle, JC Penny have all said they will not be reopening. Businesses need to reopen NOW. For those that don't want to go out, don't go out. For everyone else, let them be. Maryland will be bankrupt and no one will be able to recover from this. Have you looked at our unemployment? Enough is enough.
05/18/2020 14:49:55	Shannon DeBlock	608 Yawl Court	Annapolis	21409	Yes		The county offices need to resume normal operations. I have a Board of Appeals case pending that I need heard as soon as possible. I have a disabled child and I need to have the outcome of my appeal decided for the well being of my family. Thank you!
05/18/2020 14:55:33	Christopher Shields	8220 Riverside Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		The Constitution has no fine print. The deaths in AA County are mostly in nursing home facilities. Isolate the vulnerable and allow the rest of us to move on with our lives. The cure cannot be worse than the disease itself.
05/18/2020 14:56:27	Nicole Stawson	6874 Baltimore Annapolis Blvd	Linthicum	21090	Yes		Reopen Anne Arundel County based on Governor Hogan's Safer at Home order. The overwhelming majority of deaths in this county are from Nursing Homes with a contained environment. 4 weeks is far too long for any review. The hospital bed usage and ICU bed usage has remained pretty flat for the past month. Businesses are going to be forced to close. The mental health of this county is steadily declining. People are out everywhere, anytime of day at places like Walmart, Target, Lowe's, Sam's Club, Home Depot and Walmart. Open AACO today consistent with Gov Hogan's order. Those who are elderly or compromised can choose to stay home.
05/18/2020 15:00:44	Julia Howes	4951 Chestnut Street	Shady Side	20764	Yes		The Anne Arundel Business community has been patiently waiting to reopen their businesses. Most have had to furlough their employees, stop receiving paychecks for themselves and begin using personal money to pay necessary bills such as rent/lease/mortgage and utilities. Some have applied for federal and state grants or loans without success. Some businesses have never had loans with their business and are now facing that as a real option in order to survive. They care so much about their employees, customers and the community as a whole. They have created safety protocols for their business, even when there is no clear guidance from the county or state. They want to reopen and begin the recovery process in a safe way. 10 people in a small business should be allowed, especially if hundreds are allowed in big box stores. Asking salons to only offer one stylist at a time is prejudicial and unsustainable. Most retail stores, especially those in Southern Anne Arundel, are small and could easily open to less than 10 customers. Some of them are not able to switch to e-commerce because of the products they offer. Also, businesses not included in phase 1 need to be able to plan. Can more information be provided to those businesses such as fitness centers, dance studios, museums, children entertainment and educational centers etc. Childcare is also an important topic that needs to be addressed with the State Department of Education- please give timeline for childcare centers open to again for those that are able to be back at work? Please let these businesses survive by allowing them to SAFELY REOPEN.
05/18/2020 15:04:54	David Brown	8423 Garland Rd.	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Fully open the county NOW!!!
05/18/2020 15:07:19	Brian Chaplin	73 Wileys lane	Pasadena	21122	Yes		The measures are unconstitutional to begin with but I went along with slowing the spread of the virus by staying home for a while and social distancing to flatten the curve and not overwhelm the healthcare system. They've moved the goalposts it's now political. Time to open the economy now.
05/18/2020 15:10:32	Kerry Gillespie	1234 Gloria Harris Court	Arnold	21012	Yes		I am writing to inform you that I support the council members who have called for an emergency hearing today. Mr. Volke, Ms. Fiedler, and Ms. Hare speak for most of my neighbors in Anne Arundel County. We do not have confidence in the ability of Steuart Pittman to lead us through this situation. We call for the reopening of Anne Arundel County! We do not find it feasible that the President of the United States and the governor and their health experts who are saying we are safe to reopen do not have more knowledge into the subject than Mr. Pittman. We do not find his 12 steps to be fair, equitable with other counties and states, or attainable. We reject Mr. Pittman's claim that "literally thousands of lives" were saved due to the lockdown, especially when in Anne Arundel County we have only seen around 130 deaths, and 65% of those were sadly residents of nursing homes. We do not find waiting four weeks to see a change to measure results on the 12 step plan to be reasonable! I reject the idea that Mr. Pittman can say what is best for myself, my family and my health, or that he has a legal right to do so. We call for him to be disallowed to continue this lockdown, we call for the county to be opened as under Governor Hogan's phase 1 so our businesses, restaurants, hair salons, and churches can safely reopen. We demand our Constitutional rights to worship within our church as we see fit be restored! We reject the idea that a business like a hair salon or barber shop can feasibly open with only ONE patron inside, and stand behind our fellow AACO residents who own these businesses that should be allowed to carefully open. We also stand behind our restaurants and small businesses who should also be allowed to open. Herding the majority of people into the small minority of large businesses like Target, Walmart, and Home Depot only encourages crowds and saturation of any virus that those shoppers might be carrying. Why not disperse the crowds while also allowing our small businesses to stay afloat and reopen their stores?? Reopen Anne Arundel County and take Mr. Pittman's perceived powers away to dictate an unreasonable, business killing, constitutional defying course of action! Thank you.
05/18/2020 15:12:04	Dawn Diedrich	302 Rayford Dr	Pasadena	21122	Yes		We have 8000 deaths everyday in the US from all causes. We are NOT exceeding that expectation per the 5/1/2020 CDC report. Hospitals are NOT overwhelmed and beds along with alternative settings and healthcare personnel ARE AVAILABLE IF NEEDED. There is a successful protocol available and needs to be initiated. We need to open up and get back to normal like. The collateral damage is more devastating than this virus. Start focusing on real GOOD HEALTH: food, exercise, sunshine, vitamins and supplements. Exposure is needed for NATURAL and herd immunity. The government needs to focus on protecting our RIGHTS, it's an individual's job to protect their own health. That begins at the end of your fork. https://ccovid19criticalcare.com/treatment-protocol/
05/18/2020 15:18:40	John Franklin Long, Jr.	343 Cool Breeze Court	Pasadena	21122	Yes		It does not make any sense to allow Walmart, Home Depot, Lowes, etc. and small businesses that only usually have 1 or two customers at a time have to remain closed. Also it is ridiculous to not allow people to site in the public parks, when they have said that it is safest to be out doors in moving air. Having the park rangers harass people for sitting on a bench or bringing their own chairs is not right. Open up, Open up now.
05/18/2020 15:19:09	Jaimie Hurst	205 Kentucky Ave	Pasadena	21122	Yes		As an anne arundel county small business owner I am appalled of the decision of the County Executive. I am an owner of a photography business that denied the request to do outdoor social distance sessions. During these sessions we would have zero physical contact with the families, seniors or individuals. All money would be handled by electronic payments. I feel that this type of session poses less risk than many other businesses that have been allowed to open. I encourage you to reconsider your decision and allow businesses that have already taken steps to keep everyone safe to open.
05/18/2020 15:23:26	Bonnie Brumwell Hoyas	389 Edgewater Rd	Pasadena	21122	Yes	Brumwells Flea Market	Brumwells Flea Market has been shut down since March 14. We are a seasonal business, coming off of 4 months of winter. Our reserve money is just about out. Our payroll is low with only 10 employees and family members. PPP wouldn't help our \$70K+ property taxes and insurance along with monthly equipment payments. My family, employees and 100's of vendors depends on this income to survive. We are a outside business with 20 acres of land, with enough space to keep distance between vendors. We can put in hand washing station and hand sanitizer. We are prepared to practice safe distancing. We need to open the market back up and get back to work. This hardship must end. I am hearing September or January 2021, to open, no one knows. If we can't open until next January that puts us unable to earn a living for a year, as we really open in March each year, due to weather. A whole year out of work on a business that is very well needed for all levels of income citizens. A lot of older and low income folks buy at our market to survive, such as fruits and vegetables, plants, grocery. Plus other treasures. I don't see how a Legitimate business can be shut down and be prohibited the right to earn a living. We as a business and citizen of the USA have the right to work. There may not be a vaccine in the near future or ever. I am sorry people have become sick and a small number has died, but the rest of the world can't stop living. Brumwells need to open now, get back to work and be able to provide 100's of people the right to earn a living and the right to purchase food and wares at a discount rate.
05/18/2020 15:23:38	Tracy Roy	1480 COLUMBIA BEACH RD	SHADY SIDE	20764-9590	Yes		Dear County Council, Thank you for serving us. I was very disappointed when churches were not open and other businesses. We as a people are smart and have had contingency plan for when we reopen. I feel like the majority of us understand this and we are aware of the high-risk people and the others who will not come out and that is a personal decision. That is why I feel like the road map that Governor Hogan has outlined is enough for our County. Thank you again Tracy Roy
05/18/2020 15:28:28	Christopher A. Beatty	179 Waldo Rd	Pasadena	21122	No	Hope Springs Church, Arnold, MD	We believe the spiritual well-being of AA County residents is essential to their overall health and well-being. The majority of our congregants are in support of opening churches within the framework of responsible social distancing. There is a considerably higher possibility of person-to-person transmission in places such as big-box stores and while standing in lines waiting for curb-side pickups. We feel confident that we can provide a clean, healthy, and safe environment for church services.
05/18/2020 15:31:42	Randolph Brady	862 turf Valley Dr	Pasadena	21122	Yes		As a resident of Maryland the governor has lifted some restrictions that I feel is infringing on my rights and the CE immediately restricted them again. I am demanding his infringements be lifted and he follows the governor's road map.
05/18/2020 15:32:24	Karen	1202 Holmewood Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		We are asking for our county to reopen with accordance to Governor Hogan's recent openings. Not opening hurts 99.5 percent of the people for the sake of .5 percent. It should be my choice to stay in or go out, and safely distance with masks while necessary. Our small businesses deserve a chance to begin recovery. Please represent us. Thank You

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05/18/2020 15:33:28	Timothy Grooms	411 Willow Bend Drive	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		Hello Council, This testimony is in regard to the bill to call for an end to the County Executive's emergency powers. It has become apparent that this County Council wants to play the big government game and dictate to people how they should live their lives. You know, the game that government knows best. The same goes for the County Executive, Steuart Pittman. Somehow, during this COVID19 pandemic, politicians think we will all end up doing criminal acts, such as re-opening small businesses that pay people so they can pay their bills and taxes. Yet, some of the bigger corporations are allowed to be open, and full of people not practicing proper protocol. This is not fair and makes no sense. People are hurting and you and the County Executive are harming people's lives. The statistics are overwhelming in who the virus impacts and you should be working on legislation to ensure that those most impacted (elderly and underlying conditions) are protected from the virus. That does not involve keeping businesses closed. That involves compromise and planning. Yet, it is party over people and we have seen that over and over with this current council and executive. With that, I want to see the County Council do what they can to take away the emergency powers of the County Executive and future CE's. Do your jobs and learn how to compromise on important legislation. This slight majority vote over the minority vote is only going to work until the next election. Don't let Steuart Pittman decide your fate. Be bold and learn to work with the minority party and come up with amazing legislation. Tim Grooms
05/18/2020 15:37:42	Beth Young	1611 wall drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Please open up the small business in our community!
05/18/2020 15:40:52	Mike Sutphin	1641 Foolish Pleasure Ct	Annapolis	21409	Yes		We need to get a serious reopening going , small businesses are in serious financial trouble along with many employees. If you look at states that are open or hardly closed with larger populations they are doing well business and health wise. Let's protect the nursing homes where the majority of issues have happened , let the healthy get back to work and freedoms we deserve. This was about flattening the curve for hospitalization numbers we can all see them it's public knowledge, we can't get much flatter it wasn't supposed to be about testing and asymptomatic or mild cases , we don't do this for influenza season nor should we. Thanks for considering our constitutional rights and our right to feed our families and work for a living!
05/18/2020 15:42:24	Lori Collins	288 Fairhaven Road	Tracys Landing	20779	Yes		I find that CE Pittman is wrong for keeping Anne Arundel hostage and won't follow Gov Hogan's recommendations! We are responsible adults and can follow the rules with social distancing. We are losing small businesses and restaurants more and more every day we are closed. Thanks
05/18/2020 15:43:55	Susan Deaver	8248 Silver Run Court	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I'm in favor of Councilman Volke's Resolution #1 to re-open small businesses and churches. It's a sad day in Maryland when I can go grocery shopping, buy liquor, go to Home Depot or Loews and then to CVS, but cannot attend church in person. A number should never have been placed on how many people can attend church. My right to attend church does not come from a governor or county executive - it comes from my Creator. Also according to Article 44 in the Maryland Declaration of Rights - there is no emergency that excuses lawlessness. These lockdown measures are not legal and should end. Susan Deaver Pasadena, MD
05/18/2020 15:46:34	Sara Lawrence	152 creek water lane	Arnold	21122	Yes		Thank you for your time to listen to your constituents this evening, this truly shows that you respect those who have voted and support you. I feel that our economy here in Maryland is teetering to a point where we have no turning back point. The physically vulnerable have been taken into consideration but our economically vulnerable population has been pushed to the brink. This includes our small businesses, which thrive on customer interaction and a constant cash flow. With PPP running low and bills piling up, we need to allow these economically vulnerable businesses to open and let our people decide what they feel is safe and what is not. We do not have the capability to fully control a virus, and we need to continue onto some normalcy before we make people suffer beyond just a low mortality rate virus- we are looking at mental and physical health for those who are going to have to pick up the pieces of the lockdown. This does not mean businesses do not take precautions, but we do need to allow people their freedom to move and have a life- which will in turn help support our local businesses. Small businesses is the life blood of the country, and very much so our local economy. All salons, barbers, stores, photographers, need to have some kind of relief- and we need to allow them to operate. Including gyms and child care centers so parents can provide for their children and families. I am self employed and at the end of my rope. I work in the event industry and have no income for the foreseeable future. We have to move forward before the damage is unreparable.
05/18/2020 15:47:44	Margaret Sigman	7951 East Shore Road	PASADENA	21122	Yes		Please open our county back up!!!
05/18/2020 15:52:37	Lloyd Ellison	8202 Green Ice Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Think you should be working on ways to open our countries safety with restrictions not how to stop people from losing their able to provide for their families!
05/18/2020 15:56:54	Laurie Dietrich	533 Munroe Circle	Glen Burnie	21061	Yes		I know what good you have done and can do for our District. Your name and reputation are stellar in the District. Please consider urging the County Executive and other County Council members to open up churches. How is it okay to be in store with 200 other people but not a church? I would also ask you to consider urging others to open up local businesses. Unfortunately, it may be too late for some to survive. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do.
05/18/2020 15:57:15	Lisa Murray	8223 Grainfield Road	Severn	21144	Yes		Councilman, I am a life long resident of Anne Arundel County and I am emailing you in support of opening our county (fully). I support our small business's rights to open and earn a living just as the "essentials" have been allowed to do! I prefer to not wear a face mask all the while respecting the personal space of others. Please help our county reopen. I do not, for one minute, believe this was EVER about the virus rather it is about control and tyranny within our nation. I will continue to voice my opposition to the socialistic nature of government being thrust upon the citizens of the United States of America. Hogan and Pittman do not represent me in any stance they have taken regarding COVID-19 rather I feel they have failed us as leaders and emergency managers. I have no confidence in either and will continue to put my family and community before their egotistical ways of suppressing our lives. This continued lockdown is destroying families, businesses, and the state economy! We flattened the curve long ago. You represent and work for us, it's time to do the right thing and open our county! Those who wish to remain locked down can stay home, however, the majority of people need to get back to work and building our community. Thank you! Lisa Murray
05/18/2020 15:59:08	Kay McIntire	510 Hilltop Lane	Riva	21140	Yes		It's time to follow the state orders NOT AACO Pittman. This is America and we are free to make our own decisions.
05/18/2020 16:01:30	Rhonda Borrer	2937 golden Fleece Dr.	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Please allow the small business owners to open up and stop the financial and emotional destruction!
05/18/2020 16:04:27	Ron Jordan	4200 audrey ave	Baltimore	21225	Yes		People need to be outside, kid's def need to be out side. The kids need their sport back so they can have fun with friend's etc
05/18/2020 16:12:10	Sarah Campbell	4956 Muddy Creek Rd	West River	20778	Yes		I learned today that the County Council plans to introduce a resolution that removes the county executive's emergency powers and would hamper his ability to adjust the timeline of "re-opening" the county. I'm disturbed that I had to learn via social media this was in the plan for evening as I don't see it on the agenda available to the public. Facebook is not my go to for county council agenda items and if the council would like to discuss something so controversial it deserves fair and public notice. Honestly, I was relieved that our County Executive took the time to consult with health experts and adjust our county plans for re-opening. We are not out of the woods and Covid-19 represents a dire threat to public health and our local economy. We should focus our efforts on giving businesses the financial lifelines they need to weather this storm, not encouraging them to open and put the business owners, their families and customers at risk. If mobs of people are taking leisurely trips to big box stores beyond getting their essentials then we have failed to effectively communicate the dangers of this pandemic. I've had several family members get Covid19 and it is terrifying. I honestly thought they might die and that we would not even be able have a memorial service. They describe it as unimaginably painful and terrifying. Feeling like you cannot breathe for weeks on end, having no appetite, no energy and then developed subsequent respiratory infections that required hospitalization. These are people with access to healthcare. What if they couldn't afford healthcare or didn't have access? Their outcomes would have certainly been more dire. This virus gives healthy asymptomatic people in their 20's and 30's heart attacks. Do you know people who have lost loved ones who died suddenly while jogging because of this virus? I do. It is not a joke and I don't want to ask any of my fellow citizens to die for the sake of "our economy". I don't want to ask our already burdened healthcare workers to increase their workload when people inevitably spread this illness by going out and about. I am deeply concerned people will develop and are developing a false sense of security around this illness. When people have to go back to work because their employer has reopened and now they are not eligible for unemployment who is going to take care of their children? What if these people are high risk? What if they have family members who are high risk? There are many considerations that need to be taken To keep our community safe beyond just our economic measures. This council needs to take very seriously the public health crisis that is this virus. Maryland leadership took strong and swift steps to mitigate this crisis. We should not backtrack and undermine what the state health experts recommend.
05/18/2020 16:12:23	Geralyn Horaneck	605 Candy Court	Annapolis	21409	Yes		We have flattened the curve and it is time to reopen Anne Arundel County! People are losing their livelihoods and suffering because of this lockdown. Suicides have increased. Alcoholism and drug abuse are increasing. Cancer is going undetected as well as other illnesses. People are suffering from depression and other mental illnesses. Is this acceptable collateral damage for you?? These people less important to you?? Studies and data are showing that people on lockdown are infected at a higher rates than essential workers. Governor Cuomo stated that over 60% of COVID cases were people locked down in their homes. The states of Florida and Georgia have opened and there are not spikes in infections. These are the facts!! If people want to stay home then that is their choice and they can. But, the rest of the population should not be quarantined because of this. It's time to reopen our county! You can either join us or watch us move forward. We are not going to sit idly by and watch everything that we have worked for destroyed!!
05/18/2020 16:12:56	Dana Adams	7800 Highpoint Rd	Baltimore	21226	Yes		Hello, my name is Dana Adams. I am a independent stylist who rents a separate room away from the 2 other independent stylists in the salon. I am well versed on safety & sanitation. I've been Barbicide certified since 2015 and pride myself on the cleanliness of my tools, combs, brushes, surfaces etc. With that being said I am still required to pay rent for this space even though I am not allowed to use it and I have not received unemployment even though I applied on the 25th of April. I can understand 1 client per stylist but 1 client on the premises is a ridiculous standard. We have been shut down for 8 weeks, with no money coming in & no relief from rent. We all have clients who are eager to see us, who care about us and our families well-being as they know this is a hard time for stylists, they are like family to us and know we haven't been making money, so they WANT to come support us & get services done, which is very hard to provide because of the 1 person on premises rule. We as stylists have been going over safety protocols with them to prepare them for changes & this new way of life, so to only allow 1 client on the premises at a time puts us in a horrible situation, not only financially but from a physical standpoint too, I now have to work 2 days a week and 12hr shifts to be able to share the salon space with the 2 other independent stylists. And dont get me started on the safety aspects of working alone. No one should be forced to work alone and we shouldn't have to choose between feeding our family/paying rent or safety. We lock our doors when alone in the salon but theres always safety in numbers and that has also been taken away. We need to be allowed to open, we need to be able to contribute to our families, we need to pay our bills, we need to start getting back to normal. Thank you for taking the time to read this, I hope to safely get back to work soon.
05/18/2020 16:13:39	Jenifer Lyn Burgoon	1220 Fairfax Ave	Churchton	20733	Yes		Small retail businesses need to open. They have been shut down for almost 2 months. Many do not qualify for government programs or unemployment. As a small business owner, we rely on our community to pay our bills. Why can we go into Home Depot, but not into a small antique store? They usually have only a few customers vs a big box store that has hundreds of people at one time. No reason to keep our businesses closed, especially since our numbers a low. With 17% of our county deaths are from citizens not in nursing homes. Open up Anne Arundel.
05/18/2020 16:15:41	Melissa Mehl	8614 Woodand Manor Dr	Laurel	20724	Yes		Please follow Governor Hogan's "Roadmap to Recovery" and start Re-Opening small businesses and churches consistent with the Governor's directives. Please let us have the freedom to choose whether to go out or not. Please help businesses recover.
05/18/2020 16:19:17	Lisa Purner	5513 baskin st	Churchton	20733	Yes		AA is a large county you need to find a way to open the lower part of the county. We are seasonal and depend on spring and summer revenues.
05/18/2020 16:20:49	Kimberly Stancliff	3499 Old Crown Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Small business owners in AA County are going down fast. It makes no sense that large stores, such as Walmart, Home Depot, etc., are allowed to remain open but small stores are not. A small property is more able to control the number of people on their premises so it makes no sense to bar them from opening. Salons should also be allowed more than one customer at a time, depending on the square footage of the establishment. To unilaterally say one customer at a time also makes no sense.
05/18/2020 16:23:55	Heather Snowden	1405 Foxwood Court	Annapolis	21409	Yes		Good Afternoon, My name is Heather Snowden and I would like to testify bin favor of the county council supporting the bill that overrides the county executive- First of all we as residents of AACO were not given a very specific / Clear reason as to why our county was not allowed to open under phase one guidelines nor clear time line when measures are going to be re-evaluated to enter phase one - furthermore - does the county executive honestly believe that a small business can survive in curbside pickup alone ?? Many of these places probably don't even have websites so how are you supposed to support how is a hair salon supposed to function with only one customer at a time ?? Churches should be able to open under the governors phase one plan - Our county staying closed is only going to assure that people will travel to the counties that are open under phase one and those counties will get the money while business slowly dies here in AACO until there are no small business left - so I respectfully ask the county council to pass this legislation and allow us to start phase one fully. Oh yeah and all keep seeing is how the numbers of hospitalization and ICU numbers are down - if we wait for number of cases to go down we will never open
05/18/2020 16:24:16	katherine I mann	182 Virginia Ln, Apt G	Glen Burnie	21061	Yes	Ms.	It is time to reopen the entire state. People are suffering greatly from this enforced closure. People that are at higher risk can self quarantine, it is ridiculous to force people to lose their ability to support their families for something with an extremely high recovery rate. More than half of the deaths have been in nursing homes, put extra precautions in place there. You are our employees, not the other way around. Open the entire state
05/18/2020 16:25:04	Andrew Conklin	329 Dorchester Rd.	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Mr. Pittman stated that hospitalizations were not dropping. The county data says they peaked on April 17th or 18th and have trended down since. With the majority of severe cases and deaths in AA County in nursing homes; affecting mostly those suffering from other severe complications and in palliative or hospice care, we know where we need to provide protection. To severely restrict the entire county, sitting back watching drug, suicide and abuse incidents increase and families and businesses go bankrupt is absurd. The entire point of restrictions was to keep the hospitals from being overwhelmed. That goal was achieved long ago. We are now well past the point in time when the cure became worse than the disease. We need to open the community, open the small businesses, get back to work and be able to earn a living again. Open Anne Arundel County now.
05/18/2020 16:25:17	Courtney Wilson	719 Masons Beach Rd	Deale	20751	Yes		I am a conservative republican who always aires on the edge of caution and show respect to our members of government even if I do not agree. However, I am concerned that the members of the government are not returning that courtesy. My main concern is the limitations that you have placed on churches. Limiting the church to 10 people only is a direct attack on the church congregation. What the council is doing is insulting. They know that constitutionally they cannot shut down a church. If a church is practicing social distancing and asking people to wear masks there is no reason why they cannot open. Keeping churches restricted is a way for the council to achieve their own agenda and has nothing to do with the health of local Marylanders.
05/18/2020 16:27:31	Barry D Pyle	735 Willowby Run	PASADENA	21122-6825	Yes		Dear Council Members, * The Covid-19 ICU beds, Acute beds, Total beds, positive cases, and death numbers in Anne Arundel County numbers do not justify continuing to impose draconian restrictions on the citizens of our county. * These continuing restrictions are hurting our kids, our citizens with serious medical issues that cannot be treated, those with mental and/or emotional issues, abusive households, our small businesses.....the list goes on and on. * Many of our small businesses are at a breaking point. I would have never dreamed that I would see a day in the United States of America that government would pick the winners and the losers, and destroy businesses in the process. * Please be honest with yourself, if you have been to Home Depot, WalMart, etc. lately, you know these restrictions allowing big business but punishing small businesses and churches make absolutely zero medical or scientific sense. We as a people are not stupid, and more and more people by the day are waking up to these facts. * The County Executive has no legal right or legal authority to restrict churches from holding services as we have just seen in a ruling in Federal Court for churches against the North Carolina Governor. As the Federal Judge put it so succinctly, "The Constitution does not have a Pandemic Clause in it." * The Constitution of the United States of America DOES NOT contain any Clause allowing for government to take away your individual rights whenever it deems necessary. In closing, I strongly urge you to reverse this violation of the Rights guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States of America and stop the suffering of our friends and neighbors by voting to, at the very least, adhere to the Phase 1 guidelines implemented for the State of Maryland. Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. God Bless America. Barry Pyle
05/18/2020 16:31:18	Doris Mason	3448 Marble Arch Dr	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Dear Council: Initially I was fully behind the closings of schools, businesses churches, etc.. It made sense. We did not know what we were facing. I personally know of five people that have had COVID-19, one of them passed away from it. Now that the curve has flattened, it is time for people to take charge of their own welfare. My biggest concern is places of worship being prohibited. Some may not see church as an essential thing but many of us depend on it as a stabilizing force in our lives. Please allow clergy and church congregations the freedom to monitor their own behavior. We have acted in a
05/18/2020 16:31:58	Amanda Bolyard	1703 bayview rd	ShadySide	20764	No	Salons	1 responsible manner throughout this time and fully deserve the right to attend worship services with our church families while following CDC guidelines. Thank you!
							1 customer at a time in the salon will not keep our doors open. I don't want to lose our small business

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Date received	Name	Address	City	Zip	Representing yourself?	Group name?	Remarks
05/18/2020 16:35:31	Darrin Michael Jacobs	8246 Bodkin Ave.	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I'm sure you are aware of the numbers however 134 deaths in AA county (half are from senior centers) does not justify the torment and deprivations that we are living with each day. What started out as a 2 week shut down to assure the Health centers can handle the flow has turned into months of quarantine and trying to find alternatives to provide for our families. Never in US history has the healthy been quarantined. So please start treating us like adults and reopen, at the very least, what the State has already approved.
05/18/2020 16:38:45	Tammy Sheetenhelm	5518 Berkley Manor Lane	Churchton	20733	Yes		The government and all of you are not "I this together". You are getting a paycheck. you have not lost your business that you put blood sweat and tears into. You are not draining your savings you do not have to depend on food banks to feed the family. You are not feeling anything. Every job is essential! It is essential to the parent supporting the family. If you are afraid of getting sick stay home. Open this county Now.
05/18/2020 16:39:35	Tami Cicale	784 N Lakeview Dr	Arnold	21012	Yes		I am respectfully writing to voice my extreme displeasure over the poor decisions Anne Arundel County has made in regards to re-opening AACO. I understand fully the need to do so safely but the decision to continue to delay our economy from trying to move forward is not rooted in science or data. The Governor has issued a slow phase opening and yet you have decided that we are still going to ride this shut down longer. I can't even begin to describe the devastation this has had on my friends who own small businesses while the large box stores are thriving. Explain why you trust big stores to operate more safely than small, independent businesses? Why are you choosing to ignore the mental health aspect of this? My son, 13, 7th grader was an active, thriving teenager who loved baseball and was an honor roll student. This lockdown has caused so much anguish and stress on him. We are doing everything we can to keep his spirits up. What about the kids who were already in a neglectful environment? What about their physical and mental health? Why is this not a huge concern? Our children need to breathe fresh air, interact with their peers, actively participate in group sports, and resume in-person school as soon as possible. It is time to re-open Anne Arundel county, to ensure that school can open in the fall and to start listening to your constituents. We want our constitutional rights and to be treated as free citizens. Safety is an individual responsibility. The government should work to ensure our rights, not overreach into personal safety. That is not your job! Please do your ELECTED job, please see to it that this county and all the people who love living here are treated like free citizens!
05/18/2020 16:40:16	Jean	1 Jessie road	Harwood	20776	Yes		
05/18/2020 16:41:02	John Huffaker Logansmith	508 Epping Forest Road	Annapolis	21401	Yes		Councilmen and Councilwomen, The current state of affairs is completely unsustainable for our small businesses. Per the Economic Development Corporation, 70% of Anne Arundel County businesses to have applied for financial support have not got it. If we cannot support our small businesses, and can only tell people to go to Home Depots and Targets that are more crowded than many religious institutions ever have been, then we need to get them reopened. Being more restrictive than Governor Hogan's own restrictions makes no sense. We were not that hard hit of a county. Given that, I would ask both the councilmember who represents me (Councilwoman Rodvien) and the council at large to support the measures that Councilmembers Voike, Fiedler, and Haire have announced that they will support. Put emergency legislative authority in the hands of the legislative branch - where it belongs - and loosen County restrictions at least as far as the standards that Hogan has outlined.
05/18/2020 16:45:41	Babette Maguire	3775 Glebe Meadow Way	Edgewater	21037	Yes		First, I am a nurse, currently working. The shutdown was designed to protect the Healthcare system from being overwhelmed. We have accomplished that in Anne Arundel County, and in Maryland. The shutdown was NOT designed to eliminate new cases. There will be new cases until there is a CURE. Our Healthcare system can handle new cases. The surge? Has Florida or Georgia, or any other open state seen a surge that has overwhelmed their Healthcare system? No. If we remain closed, we will collapse our economy. And THAT will, most definitely, overwhelm our Healthcare system as well as every other industry. Remaining shutdown will not eliminate this virus. It will only destroy US.
05/18/2020 16:47:56	Duane R. Dwyer	320 Kent Ave	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I have owned my own company for over 21 years. It is the hard work of small business that make your unbalanced budgets almost work. Government workers and politicians continue to be paid while businesses are shut down. The government has ordered the use of nursing homes for care facilities of Covid patients in MD and we wonder why the Covid cases are still high? Churches should have never been ordered to close, they are protected by the constitution. We need to be concerned about Financial health Religious freedom Mental health Making laws that protect us from this abuse of power in the future.
05/18/2020 16:49:11	Nicole Miller	7870 manet way	Severn	21144	Yes		Councilwoman Sarah F.Lacy and other members of the county council, please represent us, the people of this count. Open businesses so people can work. Stop the masks mandate especially for children. Our county excutive had gone too far asking two year olds to wear masks. Children often can not express their needs. They will suffer in silence behind these masks. Please restore our Constitutional rights to assemble and worship God which have been stripped from us. Open the Churches in Anne Arundel county. Sincerely one of your people you are to represent. Thank you.
05/18/2020 16:55:32	Ginny Wolfe	3511 Russell Thomas Lane	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		Please start Re-Opening small businesses and churches consistent with the Governor's directives.
05/18/2020 17:05:57	Kelly Gebhardt	3516 Jamestown Rd	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		I am concerned that continuing this "stay at home" initiative will cause more harm than good. My children (6 and 8) are healthy, normal children, but I have seen their joy and general demeanor disintegrate over the past few weeks. Has there been any thought on public MENTAL health? Just a few months ago, my kids were doing "active shooter" drills in school. If mental illness is such a threat, shouldn't we consider what this is doing to those people? They are out of work with no purpose and nothing to do... Please consider reopening the county and getting us on the road back to "normal" before we have another public health problem that won't go away with a vaccine.
05/18/2020 17:07:48	Susan Jones	691 Swan Drive	Deale	20751	Yes		In the past two months, Lowe's, Home Depot, grocery stores, HVAC companies, Walmart, Target, Ace Hardware, Dollar Stores and more like it have been open. These are the big box stores. Meanwhile the mom and pop privately owned hair salons, restaurants, small service business, yoga studios, and small retail establishments are going to go bankrupt because you won't let them open. This is not about trying to keep people safe. This is about the government trying to control. People need to work to support their families and pay their household expenses.
05/18/2020 17:08:35	Lisa smith	738 blackhorse trail	Severn	21144	Yes		Open Md.
05/18/2020 17:08:36	Shawn Smith	738 Blackhorse Trail	Severn	21144	Yes		
05/18/2020 17:10:36	Laura Taralseth	3598 Owens Meadow Way	Harwood	20776	Yes		What qualifies the county health director to make decisions regarding a infectious disease process that is affecting the entire country. He is an internal medicine MD with a broad scope of practice and no specialty in infectious diseases!
05/18/2020 17:23:00	Susan Austin	723 Galveston Court	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		I strongly urge the County Council to bring forth legislation rescinding County Executive Pittman's emergency powers and allowing AA County to move fully move forward in Phase 1 of the MD Roadmap to Recovery. Prior to Mr. Pittman's recent actions, the governor, with input and guidance from the White House and his own medical and science experts, deemed the state in a safe position to move into Phase 1. Mr. Pittman has provided no evidence, scientific or medical or otherwise, to discredit or disprove the credibility of the governor's decision to move forward. Additionally, Mr. Pittman is discriminating against churches by holding them to a different standard than other businesses who routinely have numbers of people within their facilities. This discrimination is wrong, without basis, and will result in lawsuit(s) similar to what we have all witnessed last week in NC. The citizens of AA County have been armed with sufficient information and guidelines to be able to keep themselves and their fellow citizens safe from the virus and should be permitted to resume their jobs and reopen their businesses, as delineated in Phase 1. To keep our county closed down will result in the permanent loss of MANY small businesses, exacerbate the already low morale in the county, and lead to greater financial ruin for many, including bankruptcies and home foreclosures. I urge you to act immediately to get our county moving forward. We've got to start now.
05/18/2020 17:29:13	William Reece	1046 Thomas Rd	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		It's time to stop using the virus as a political weapon!
05/18/2020 17:29:47	Stephen S Rider	3830 TWIN OAKS DR	EDGEWATER	210374219	Yes	1954	Relax the Covid19 requirements to match the state's guidelines.
05/18/2020 17:35:43	Jocelyn St. Hilaire	1560 Lodge Pole Court	Annapolis	21409	Yes		Councilman, I am a resident of Anne Arundel County and I am emailing you in support of opening our county (fully). I support our small business's rights to open and earn a living just as the "essentials" have been allowed to do! I am in support of children being able to go to summer camp and school this Fall- with no restrictions. I prefer to not wear a face mask all the while respecting the personal space of others. Please help our county reopen. I do not, for one minute, believe this was ever about the virus rather it is about control and tyranny within our nation. I will continue to voice my opposition to the socialist nature of government being thrust upon the citizens of the United States of America. Hogan and Pittman do not represent me in any stance they have taken regarding COVID-19 rather I feel they have failed us as leaders and emergency managers and have lied to the public. I have no confidence in either and will continue to put my family and community before their egotistical ways of suppressing our lives. Thank you for your hard work!
05/18/2020 17:39:01	Debra Jasen	1127 Holmespun Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I think it's a mistake to push to open churches at 50% capacity. I think it makes much more sense for churches to have outdoor services, with people in cars. Or have very small, well-spaced groups outdoors. Having indoor services increases the risk of transmission, as we have seen. (Of course, remaining virtual is still the best option.) Additionally, I think it's a mistake to have small businesses open at 50% capacity. I think there needs to be a much lower number of people in a small business at a time. I also think that it makes more sense to have a staggered opening of small businesses. For example, separate businesses into different levels of "essential," and open each group of small businesses (in order of most essential to least) a week apart. That will give us a better idea of how much transmission occurs with businesses opening. Masks and social distancing of at least 6 feet should still be required. We have seen what happens when restrictions are lifted, even partially. People suddenly gather in crowds, and remove their masks. We need to be very careful about this.
05/18/2020 17:48:06	Michael E Austin	723 Galveston Ct	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		I am in support of enacting legislation that revokes the County Executive's powers to unilaterally continue to shutter businesses and churches in the county. As for the churches, he is holding them to a different standard than other "big box" stores and as has been litigated in other states been declared unconstitutional. Does the county council really want to spend a fast waning revenue stream. The Governor looked at the state as a whole and determined that the State had met the criteria to begin phase 1. So is his science different that the health directors? Please vote yes to revoke any and all powers that does not give our representatives any say in those decisions. Respectfully, Michael Austin
05/18/2020 17:48:58	Bob Tuttle	14 sumac rd	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		We need to reopen AACo. People's lively hood, sanity, Families, Businesses and All around lives depend on it. Families are losing everything!!! Our county and county is sinking into despair. I believe the number of people with depression, anxiety and mental health, is higher than our Covid19 #'s. We can't just stay locked away. We need to live. Help our families, Please!!!
05/18/2020 17:49:08	Jenna Schreiber	275 iris Dr	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I am alarmed by the choice I see some of our Representatives making on our behalf. We consulted with specialist in public health and Infectious disease. The push to make every county open at the same pace, when it is clear we have not met the minimum benchmarks is irresponsible. In addition the push to open indoor church service when we have seen time and time again that, service, choir practice and funerals are super spreading events. This is a terrible stage one activity to open. We have proven (in our own nursing homes and meat packing plants) that having people indoors breathing the same air touching the same things is a high risk/high transmission activity. Viral biology also shows us this. I am advocating for services to be held outdoors. Being outside has shown to dramtaly reduce transmission. I know church makes people happy. We can serve them and save them. When counts get lower, if we keep up the good work they will, then open services at 50%. Perhaps have small services for high risk groups separately in a uv sanitized rooms. I would surge the county to enforce the 50% rule for all businesses. Big box stores should not get a pass while our small business owners have to play by the rules and protect the counties citizens. I would like to see our low risk small businesses, florist, card stores things of that nature open with safety practices in place. I am opposed to gatherings indoors, satons have also be noted by our federal leadership as a bad choice for stage one opening. I am asking my council member to use the advice and benchmarks from the specialists we enlisted. With John Hopkins and UMM in state we have some of the best resource available. Do not bow to constituent pressure. Use science based guidelines to move MD and Anne Arundel co. forward on a solid foundation so we do not have to back peddle in a few weeks. Our county executive should absolutely not be stripped of emergency powers. Given the road we are traveling down swift action may be necessary in the future.
05/18/2020 17:53:02	Christopher Blake	7840 Elizabeth rd	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I highly disagree with the decision of Mr Pittman! I believe his decision is unjustified. The governor implemented restrictions that A lot of citizens believe went on for to long. I think it's time to allow citizens and organizations to make the decisions to shop in store or curbside. If a group wants to practice religious beliefs with each other that should be their choice. Finally I think his decision is micromanaging and overstepping. Thank you for your time Christopher Blake
05/18/2020 17:54:26	Cyndy Seidl	1200 Iroquois Drive	Crownsville	21032	Yes		All this lockdown and distancing and wearing of cloth and surgical masks are not based in science. All this is done arbitrarily and with no competence or confidence. This virus was used to cause chaos and be disrupting and intentionally meant to destroy this country! Do you have any regard for life and livelihoods?!! One size does not fit all!! We are the USA!! Not brown shirts!! Fear mongering is blatantly shameful and will have consequences as well as other actions taken. Actions have consequences!! None of this should have happened!! Individuals! Able to make our own decisions!! We are Americans and that means freedom!!! The Constitution is the law of this country and doesn't get pushed aside or eliminated due to this mess. This was unnecessary hysteria. You will reap what you sow. Shame on all of you who are corrupt and selfish in the most evil way! America=Freedom!!! The law matters!!!
05/18/2020 18:07:46	Susan Woolridge	708 Wellerburn Ave	Severna Park	21146	Yes		Actions DO have consequences!! I am requesting County Executive to start opening small businesses and churches consistent with Govenor Logan's directives.
05/18/2020 18:13:55	Mamie Ambrose	675 Stone Wheel Ct W	Millersville	21108	Yes		It is very frustrating to not move forward with the governor's plan to safely open. In the beginning we were told it was about flattening a curve. Then it was about ensuring hospitals were adequately equipped. Then it was about hospitalizations and ICU admissions. That alone was frustrating. To watch the goal posts continuing to move with no end in sight. Finally, the Governor starts a slow opening and we the people of AA County were given even more ludicrous goals that needed to be in place before we opened in line with the governor. Pittman should not be the one and only decision maker on this. It should be a group of elected officials with the diverse opinions of their constituents. The governor's safe opening should be followed by all counties. We are tired and frustrated of having no end in sight. Small businesses are suffering and closing doors. Children's mental health is at stake. My own daughter has become a sad person over the past month. And what am I to tell her? Churches are being shuttered and religious freedom is stunted. Numbers are decreasing. Hogan has been very transparent about that. Yet here we are, healthy people being locked down, waiting some more with the timeline being 4 weeks for Pittman to review data. This is an outrage and will not be tolerated. Anne Arundel County must open and we will not tolerate a dictatorship. Please do the right thing and pass this legislation and open up this country. Our rights are being infringed upon.
05/18/2020 18:26:05	Richard Beyerlein Jr.	827 Ruxshire dr	Arnold	21012	Yes		If face coverings are required at all times to keep from spreading of Covid - 19 why than can't we reopen at 50% face coverings still required. Heck why not 25% with face coverings and social distancing. Close off public restrooms.
05/18/2020 18:46:20	Karen Smith	8187 Ritchie Hwy	Pasadena	21122-3928	Yes		As a business owner, we need to reopen and let those who choose get on with their livelihood and lives. The stores are packed all day every day. It should be a choice. If you feel that you are better off staying home, then do so...otherwise we need to get on with working to be able to pay Bill's taxes...etc. this virus had projected many more illnesses than we have seen. The masks are risky due to breathing in co2 and possibly creating bacteria which could cause upper respiratory illnesses. Especially having allergies during this season and cough and sneeze into your mask since you can't take it off, resulting in terrible hygiene and potentially harmful bacteria. I support getting on with our lives including church. We need faith and it's our right to our religions. Living in a bubble is not living. I would rather take my chances. There is a 99 percent survival rate for healthy individuals. Let's get our county back in business before we bankrupt all businesses. Thank you
05/18/2020 18:55:38	Amy Bland	184 Falcon Dr	Pasadena	21122	Yes		It is unconstitutional for one man to make such decisions as Pittman has made for our county. There seems to be no consistency as to what places are "safe" to have open. For example, why is it safer to shop at Walmart or some other grocery store with tons of other people touching carts and groceries that others have touched than to go to church and sit in a chair/pew at a safe distance from others in order to be fed spiritually? It seems to be that our religious freedoms are being purposefully attacked. Also, many other states and counties have reopened. Not opening ours is hurting our economy. Leave the decision to the people as to whether or not they feel safe leaving their homes. Too many rights have been removed on the name of "public safety."
05/18/2020 19:00:12	Tammy M Wonder	203 Winston Rd	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I understand the worry and reluctance to open. Small businesses are suffering. The businesses that just opened at Jumpers Hole Rd have not even been opened that long. I am making my plea for the VFWs. I am an avid volunteer and manage the hall rentals. Our Post will not make it much longer if some of these restrictions are not lifted. Maybe we can't open everything all at once. Let's start with something, perhaps churches, small restaurants, and our VFW. Thank you for your time. Tammy
05/18/2020 19:03:54	Patricia Shew	121 Ocean Parkway	Ocean Pines	21811	Yes		I live close to Ocean City. We have one hospital. We don't need hundreds of people down here like the last 2 weekends. There are no masks and no distance. Last weekend there were so many people here it looked like July 4th. We need tighter rules here to keep residents safe from what these people might bring with them.

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05/18/2020 19:05:07	TA Costello	573 A Highbank Rd	Severna Park	21146	Yes		Georgia has now been open for three weeks. Cases, hospitalizations, and deaths continue to decline. The lockdown is akin to sacrificing people to the rain gods to make the crops grow; it makes scientifically illiterate people feel good. There is no evidence lockdown or masks have saved even one life. God help our children for the hubris, ignorance, and cowardice of anyone in power who is responsible for this madness.
05/18/2020 19:07:46	Tabitha Harrison	1214 Montgomery Drive	Glen Burnie	21061	Yes		I am writing to share my support for the loosening of restrictions in Anne Arundel County. We as citizens have worked hard and been patient waiting for restrictions to lift and we deserve to AT LEAST be given what Hogan recommended. There has been substantial proof from various outlets, including states whom have already opened, that opening does not equal a spike in cases. Furthermore, even if it did, covid-19 is not nearly as deadly as it was initially thought to be. We get sick all the time and have never shut down before. Why are we doing so now? It doesn't make sense. The damage to the economy, small businesses and even larger business forced to close due to being deemed "non-essential", and the damage to mental health of citizens needs to end. We are adults and capable of making decisions. If one does not feel comfortable going into the store or church service, that is their right and choice. It is also a right that others who are comfortable be able to go where they need, or where they would like, when they need (or would like) to. Due to this shutdown, I have been unable to provide clothing for my growing children. All consignment stores and events that typically take place in the spring were closed and cancelled. Other clothing stores such as Kohl's are closed. I cannot buy clothes and shoes for them without the ability to try things on or at least quickly and freely (i.e. not be charged return shipping for mail) return what does not work. The current Anne Arundel County restrictions ensures that I still cannot stop provide these essentials for my family as they continue to grow. Kids grow fast! Also of large concern is the continued shutdown of churches. Places of worship are essential and very much needed in times of high stress. Not being able to gather and support one another is detrimental to health and is quite frankly a violation of constitutional and first amendment rights. We should be able to make our own choice whether or not to attend, distance ourselves as we feel fit inside the building and worship without restrictions. This is just as important for kids as it is for adults. My last area of concern are gyms. Gyms provide many people with a way to de-stress and care for the health of their bodies via exercise in a way that no where else can do. A walk in the park is not the same as various equipment pieces which are available to use at gyms. When you take this away, it is yet another way to damage the health of the people. Its these several actions discussed here that should scare people...not the chance of catching coronavirus, which is no more deadly than the flu. What's the best way to protect oneself against illness? Low stress, adequate stress relief tactics and strong immune systems. The answer to surviving covid-19 as a county, state, and nation is not going to be found in a vaccine by perpetual seclusion of oneself away from other human beings..it is found in self-care. You want to keep people safe? Save lives? Start learning and teaching your citizens how to improve gut health and thereby strengthen the immune system. Stop allowing pesticides and harmful chemicals into our foods, animals, soils, and air. That's the real threat to lives.
05/18/2020 19:22:20	Christine twigg	274 10th street	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Please re-open AACo. This is devastating to our economy and to our freedom. Re-open churches, businesses and restaurants and let the people choose.
05/18/2020 19:28:30	Louis King	7942 Meridian Dr	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I fully support a common sense reopening of our county. However, I do not support keeping healthy people inside, away from work when infections, and hospitalizations are declining. The governor decided to proactively close the state to prevent a surge. That surge never happened, after 8 weeks it is time to allow the low risk healthy population return to work. If PPE is an issue, the executive had eight weeks to stock pile, just as the governor choose to do, their is product- perhaps procure it. The timeline or reconsidering opening in four more weeks is either insanity or laziness. Our economy is how people feed and clothe their family, consider removing an entire quarter of a year for business and personal income. That is beyond devastating. In doing so, government would be harming citizens more then being helpful. Consider the majority of the very sad loss of life as occurred in nursing homes- mostly due to the policy of returning less serious sick back to their home. That is the reality. It is time to reopen our county with common sense measures only. Not the closure of business. If Walmart is allowed 100 people, then certainly many local business can hold 20-30 people. For the CE tax income is very important, while businesses close, and people are out of work, how will the county generate tax income to provide services that residents need. There is a growing humanitarian effort. The UN Security Council was briefed just weeks ago on the dangers that could result from the response to the pandemic. They were warned that the response could be more devastating then the actual covid pandemic. Please reopen our county.
05/18/2020 19:58:18	Mike and Helen McLaughlin	208 Solomons Ridge ct	Millersville	21108	Yes		As small business owners, Maryland citizens and taxpayers, we oppose Gov. Hogan's and County Executive Pittman's unconstitutional decisions to not allow restaurants to operate fully and completely. This is adversely impacting our business and ability to keep our doors open. Further, we oppose the unconstitutional limitations on churches to gather. These unconstitutional decisions are adversely impacting the people of Maryland. Your unconstitutional decisions and the damage you are causing are unacceptable. We ask you to reverse your decisions immediately.
05/18/2020 20:53:46	Joel Porcher	7715 Acrocomia Ct.	Hanover, MD	21076	Yes		Dear Councilmembers, I wanted to write you as an Anne Arundel County resident who is thankful to live and work in this great county. Thank you for your conscientious service on the County Council. I wanted to address an area of concern in relation to our County Executive's recent decision to keep our county closed with very few changes in relation to small businesses and houses of worship. His actions appear to be very inconsistent favoring large corporations like Home Depot and Walmart while small businesses that are owned by our neighbors and friends are being crushed under the load of these "temporary emergency" measures. Our friends and neighbors who view gathered worship as a sacred duty are given no reasonable guidelines to safely gather inside or outside of their houses of worship. It appears that large corporations that have the financial resource to stay solvent have been given preferential treatment while our local residents are given few options to continue to serve our communities safely and decades of their labors are in serious jeopardy. It is my opinion that our county executive has been given too much power for to long, and I am asking you to take the necessary steps beginning in your meeting this evening to return decision making to its normal function. Our county residents need balanced, charitable representation so that we can move forward in the best way possible. Thank you for your consideration, Joel Porcher
05/18/2020 21:20:21	Christina Herdman	715 kingfisher road	Deale	20751	Yes		It is not fair to Anne Arundel county businesses to be held back while neighboring counties are opening.
05/18/2020 21:35:07	Joanna Bache Tobin	609 Saint Mulberry Court	Annapolis	21401	Yes		Dear Members of the Anne Arundel County Council: I am writing to express my gratitude for the sensible and prudent approach that County Executive Pittman has taken in protecting the lives of our county's citizens as we have navigated the COVID-19 crisis. But I am now deeply concerned at the possibility that there are those who wish to ignore the science-based direction offered by Dr. Nilesh Kalyanaram and other public health officials that have guided Mr. Pittman's wise decisions and rush to re-open our community before it is deemed medically safe. There is no doubt that this is a difficult time, and the financial struggles that so many face are truly terrible. Much of my own work as a consultant has evaporated due to this crisis. But none of that changes the hard cold medical facts. This disease spreads extremely efficiently and effectively. And it kills. I also understand the real sorrow we all feel at not being able to gather with our friends and extended family as we are used to doing. Countless gatherings, many of them marking important milestones in people's lives, have had to be canceled. My own daughter is a senior at Annapolis High School. She and her classmates will never get back their prom, graduation, and other events that would have marked this special moment in their lives. But my daughter and her friends fully understand why things have to be this way. Even if they don't get sick, they don't want to be the reason someone else does. Finally as a parent and an educator, I would urge all who are in positions of public service and public trust to remember that the young people in our community are watching you, and learning from what you do. I have learned that while children don't always do what you say, they will do what you do. Our young people are in the process of learning how to care for themselves and for others, and they are taking their cues from the adults around them. If you, as our political leaders, choose to ignore what the public health professionals say, you will be sending the message, loud and clear, that we are only to follow medical advice when it is convenient for us. Otherwise it is to be ignored. Please consider your actions very, very carefully and continue to support our County Executive's adherence to medical advice. People's lives depend upon it. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Joanna Bache Tobin
05/18/2020 23:00:06	Alissandra Lechuk	9200 Stone Spring Lane	Pasadena	21122	Yes		We need to reopen our county. Our children have sacrificed and lost enough. This is taking a huge toll on mental healthy. Many businesses will not recover. As humans, we need to be responsible for ourselves and make choices to fit our needs and comfort levels. Everyone wearing masks is fine but we need the option to choose to leave our home. Parks need opened. Community pools need opened. Children have been house bound for months. They need to be outside playing and being children.
05/18/2020 23:03:40	Jeff Tucker	8375 Bodkin Ave	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Open AACO. You cannot close the county and state and not fund the people and small businesses. I my you are going to vote on our fait then you have to pay all! If not ailing to pay, Open our businesses. The numbers do not support total shutdown. I am very sympathetic to the loss of life but life is lost every day! 7500+ people die daily, you are crushing our businesses!!
05/19/2020 1:25:01	William Shoe	200 Ken-Mar Ave.	Pasadena, MD	21122	Yes		End this lockdown immediately. You are creating an economic disaster with an unconstitutional usurpation of power that does not belong to you. We The People are the government. You are our public servants. You have no authority to lockdown healthy citizens. Quarantine is only for the sick.
05/19/2020 8:53:30	legal citizen and taxpayer	AA county	Edgewater	21037	Yes		Please open the churches up no restrictions on number of people, our church is small we have 50 people maybe. we do not give up our constitutional rights when theirs an emergency, this is not the America I grew up in for sure.
05/19/2020 9:11:26	Tania Carreker	108A Henson Rd	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		Believe we need to continue being careful and clean. But with Walmart and other big Corp. staying open, it is unfair to not allow other businesses with the same services to not be open. Give the public a choice if they feel they want to open up their stores. Give our community hope again!! There will always be sickness, praying for our nation. Please do the right thing by the people who have voted our officials in office.
05/19/2020 15:59:44	Robert Barch	243 highlander drive	Glen burnie	21061	Yes		Please follow our Governors orders and open up our county before you destroy it any more what you are doing to this county is terrible
05/20/2020 1:56:50	Russell R Cadorette	774 Dividing Creek Rd	Arnold	21012	Yes		This proposed action is an ill-advised attempted coup of the County Executive's elected powers and sacred public trust. The Council members wasting this time to further their political agenda at the cost of the safety and health of the citizens of Anne Arundel County is despicable. Cease this exercise in self-aggrandisement and get back to work.
05/20/2020 7:59:53	Rebecca Brenia	99 Old Crossing Lane	Annapolis	21401	Yes		Mitigating then devastation of COVID 19 at the county level has two equally important parts: (1) minimizing the spread of infection, and (2) empowering people to safely re-engage in their professions and commerce. On point one, now that the county is contact-tracing COVID cases, you must have some idea about common modes of transmission. What are the most prevalent modes of transmission? At home? At work? In the community? Unknown? Please share your findings with the community so we can target our prevention efforts accordingly. Also, please tell us how the County Department of Health is using the \$101M received from the federal government to take targeted action to minimize the spread of disease in the county, especially how are you helping vulnerable communities to reduce the spread of COVID? Not identify the spread with testing- which seems to be going quite well- but actually reduce the spread. On point two, the time for arbitrary closures has long passed. Rather than forcing categories of business to stay closed with no regard for the health & safety conditions of those particular businesses, the county should set forth safety guidelines applicable to all consumer-facing businesses and allow any business that can meet the guidelines to open immediately. Furthermore, the county should work with any business who cannot meet the guidelines to determine if there is a way to resume operations of the business safely. Business owners in this county have invested their blood, sweat & tears over many years to add value to our communities. These prolonged closures are a government taking of their labor & capital without compensation, and I expect the county will soon see constitutional challenges to these arbitrary closures. If there are valid health & safety reasons for keeping businesses closed, explain them. But, please know, the time for generalities like "this is a science-based decision" has long passed. You are taking people's livelihoods and, at a minimum, you owe them a detailed explanation of the basis of your decisions. Thank you for your consideration.
05/20/2020 12:01:56	James	8005 Cuba Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Open to phase one immediately. This was never about a cure. It was about hospital capacity and readiness. We are more than ready and the numbers prove it. The emergency powers of the executive branch should only be for eminent threats for 30 days. Currently it seems the executive has supreme power over all as long as emergency order is in effect.
05/20/2020 13:07:55	Philip Heying	1219 Holmewood Dr	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Please allow churches to open. Why can other companies stay open, with hundreds of people in them and churches are limited to 10 people? It seems to me that, some counties and states, who were already in financial despair, are staying closed, so that they can go back to the federal government and ask for money later because they were "forced" to stay closed for so long in order to keep their constituents safe. Then those states and counties can say, "if the government doesn't give us this money, they must care more about their pocketbooks then peoples lives" I am also extremely against contact tracing. As Ronald Reagan once said, "the nine most terrifying words in the English language are: 'I'm from the government and I'm here to help.'" Please open up businesses now, at least 50%. Every business I have frequented have installed preventative measures. If people are afraid or at high risk, then they should take responsibility for their own actions and behave accordingly. But only 10 people in church?.. what could possibly be the justification for that requirement? I think most would accept a 50% capacity allowance until the numbers get better. AA county has not been hit that hard and I will happily go to the Eastern Shore or Carroll County to do some shopping if this unjustifiable lockdown continues. Why have the democratic county execs stayed closed and the republican ones opened? It may not be the reason, but it certainly appears as though the democrats do not trust their own people to protect themselves and want to exert more power than they're entitled to.
05/21/2020 13:30:53	Juliana Cook	816 Springdale Drive	Millersville	21108	Yes		Mr. Pittman, please follow the Governors order for Phase One reopening of AACO. If it is safe to wear a mask and spend our money at grocery stores and big box stores, it's safe for us to patron other locations. Science has proven that most people can survive COVID-19 and those who can't know how to protect themselves. Our small businesses can't survive this shutdown any longer and worse yet, their families will be impacted for years if they can't reopen. Each small business represents the life blood of at least one family and the families of the people they employ. Thank you for your time and please, please, please, reopen AACO now before we loose these businesses and jobs forever!
05/21/2020 18:19:26	Darnell Lynn	394 Kimwood Road	Arnold	21012	Yes		Open of Anne Arundel County and stop the madness. Get back to normal!
05/21/2020 18:19:56	Vicki DeLair	6422 s orchard road	Linthicum	21090	Yes		Businesses should be allowed to open across the board, all following along with the same safety stipulations. Walmart is not keeping people "more safe" than a small business would. In fact I am more likely to feel safe at a smaller place with less people than I do at the big box stores, many of which are not enforcing or following the safety requirements.
05/21/2020 18:20:12	Dr. Rachel Strass DOM, LAC, Dipl OM (NCCAOM)	4 Edward Dr	Pasadena	21122-3922	Yes		It's time to remove emergency powers from Pittman. Small retail businesses are going to go out of business if they can't have the same rights as large businesses. How many suicides do you want on your conscience? It looks like some Orwellian nightmare out there on the streets. We won't stop the virus this way, but we will stop the American Dream.
05/21/2020 18:20:12	Robert Trott	7945 east shore road	Pasadena	21122	Yes		open up anne Arundel county
05/21/2020 18:22:13	Mr & Mrs Edward R Kreinheder Jr	1517 Puffin Court	Pasadena	21122-6026	Yes		We support the legislation (Bill 41-40) to repeal the County Executive's emergency powers and make the reopening conversation public with input from your elected County Council members who are directly accountable to us, rather than unilaterally made in a fishbowl by an Executive and one advisor.
05/21/2020 18:22:20	Daniel Raymond	4010 Apple Jack Court	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I wholeheartedly support decisions made by County Executive Mr. Pittman. His decisions are obviously driven by science.
05/21/2020 18:24:18	Stella Crase	506 Epping Forest Rd	Annapolis	21401	Yes		I have lost 50% of my income(so far) because I am a school and youth sports photographer. I will never recoup the sales that I make seasonally, the unfairness of government picking winners and losers in this democratic society is a joke This is not a me size fits all solution but a self inflicted destruction of this state and the people of this state. Unemployment office is dysfunctional and more thought should have gone into how this was going to be handled. End this disastrous decision making now before more businesses disappear from our communities
05/21/2020 18:25:14	Zachariah Meade Turner Jr.	1331 St. Stephens Church Road	Crownsville.	21032	Yes		Let the small business open let our people back to work. Pittmanis living in another world. We need better leadership.
05/21/2020 18:27:53	Daniel Schlegel	3510 Martha's Vineyard Way	Edgewater	21037	Yes		Open small business in AACounty under the same restrictions as the big national retail companies. It is the right thing to do. Americans don't want to rely on the government for handouts to survive. We create and work for our own successes.
05/21/2020 18:28:27	Sean DeLair	6422 S. Orchard Road	Linthicum	21090	Yes		More people are dying and will die because of this lockdown, more than COVID19 ever will. We must reopen with reasonable social distancing so small business, better yet, all businesses can exercise their freedom that you're illegally taking from them during this time. This will be the first year that I and a number of my friends will be working to ensure anyone that has allowed this lockdown to continue will not be in office next session. Promise. ?. Have a blessed day friends!
05/21/2020 18:31:47	Jeffrey caruso	3404 Burgh lane	Edgewater	21037	Yes		
05/21/2020 18:37:11	Roxanne Fouts	311 6th Ave NE	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		Enough is enough Time to open stores and salons Fire Mr. Pittman

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05/21/2020 18:38:38	Elizabeth A Bringer	7410 Osprey Landing Dr	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		I am fully in support of the actions taken by our County Executive. He has made reasonable decisions based on the council of health experts and in the best interests of the citizens of Anne Arundel County. Although some of us may be suffering more than others, this is a time for us to make sacrifices for the greater good. I am appalled that such an action to oppose the County Executives decision-making authority is being proposed (Bill 41-40). It is reckless; does NOT represent the opinions of the majority of my friends and neighbors and puts our County in jeopardy! CE Pittman has acted in good conscience and with thoughtful consideration for the safety and well-being of the residents of Anne Arundel County. I am in TOTAL opposition to this legislation.
05/21/2020 18:38:58	Dawn Kreiner	1669 Grandview Road	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I could not agree with you more. Small local businesses need our help desperately. They are being neglected by the people they elected to represent them. Large retail chains do not really need our money. Small businesses need it more than ever. What is the point of "SHOP LOCAL" when we aren't allowed to. Shame on them. Thank you, fellow Republicans for taking this much needed action.
05/21/2020 18:42:12	Ronald Liberto	7410 Osprey Landing Drive	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		The County Executive has acted in the best interest of our residents during a very difficult and rapidly-changing environment. He continues to need the flexibility to do so and has shown NO signs of abusing his executive powers-- quite the contrary. The Bill being introduced to revoke his powers is simply political shenanigans by the minority party. Do not vote for this measure. Continue to allow the County Executive the ability to do his job in this emergency. He has done so well to date!
05/21/2020 18:43:36	Brad Thornton	8461 Meadow Lane	Pasadena	21122	Yes		More than enough time has been provided to hospitals to get the necessary equipment and tests they required, which was the original reason for the lock down. Pittman's emergency powers should be removed immediately as this is causing a hard ship on many, many small businesses as well as the welfare of regular hard working citizens. This makes no sense that many big box stores remain open, but a small business cannot open back up! Please remove Pittman's emergency power ASAP as he is not fit to clean a bathroom let alone make the type of decisions he is making. Thank you for your time.
05/21/2020 18:48:29	Linda Haas	326 N. Broadview Blvd.	Glen Burnie	21061	Yes		We do not know one person in our large family, which is spread over five states, or in our church, nor in our neighborhood who has tested positive for the virus. This pandemic is over. We the People are responsible to manage our own health needs, as we've always done. Please open the businesses and schools in our county, before we have more problems from the cure than from the virus. The voters in AACo. will remember the decision you make. Thank you.
05/21/2020 18:52:51	Michael Gardiner	417 Alan A Dale Hill	Sherwood Fore	21405	Yes		Dear Council Members, I respectfully request that you enact legislation to urge our County Executive to allow our County businesses to open in concert with the Governor's opening orders/protocols. Our small businesses and shops need to open and allow customers to enter and transact business. Our Citizens can take the proper measures to protect themselves if they choose to enter a place of business. Our small businesses are in terrible trouble and need to open. Without them our County is in big trouble as people depend on them for jobs and goods and services and tax revenues to keep our County government and schools viable. Our Governor's policies regarding Covid have been very conservative. We can not afford more restrictive requirements for our County. Thank you to the Council, County Executive and our County employees for your service and efforts during these difficult times. Sincerely, Michael Gardiner
05/21/2020 18:53:25	Robert Svehlak	925 Placid ct.	Arnold	21012	Yes		I totally support the effort to restrict the executive powers of the county executive in response to the coronavirus. He has way overstepped his power and is now depriving us of our constitutional rights and picking winner and losers (like our small business and Churches). Open MD...we have flattened the curve and need to get back to work!
05/21/2020 18:57:40	David Adamski	7802 Ruanne Ct	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Open all stores or close them all! No cherry picking as to who can be open.
05/21/2020 19:01:53	Robert T. Watkins	627 E. Marshall Ave.	Deale	20751	Yes		You go girl! I completely agree with your opinion. Let's be fair to every business, large or small.
05/21/2020 19:06:40	Robert DiAiso	1544 Farlow Ave	Crofton	21114	Yes		I believe the virus is a great concern but it should not be used as a means to create ARBITRARY rules to destroy small businesses, the owners, employees, and their families. People are now conscience of the danger and the risk so, at this time, it should be left to them to decide with what businesses they wish to associate. Right now there is more danger of an economic collapse than a medical infrastructure collapse. The only reason it has not hit is because the federal government is printing money to create inflation.
05/21/2020 19:08:23	Gary Charles Stringfellow	3278 Christand Dr	Annapolis	21403	Yes		TERMINATE THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S EXECUTIVE AUTHORITY TO CLOSE BUSINESSES WITHOUT BOARD APPROVAL. STOP THE LOCKDOWN.
05/21/2020 19:09:11	JAMES DUNKERSON	8565 KIM MARIE CT	PASADENA	21122	Yes		The lockdowns must end. They are scientifically unjustified. The masks are ineffective and almost everyone is using them incorrectly. Social distancing is not an issue with this virus, as transmission occurs via surface contact. The level of threat this virus represents has been incredibly overstated by bad methods of reporting deaths and incentives to report COVID-19 deaths. The media has blown a minor illness into a panic that has led frightened people to demand politicians make unreasonable and unconstitutional arbitrary rules and laws. This must end, as they have selectively crippled businesses and threatened lively hoods. The human race got along through far more dangerous pandemics than this one without these draconian and heavy handed measures.
05/21/2020 19:09:27	Mrs. Sandra B. Hawkins	1410E. West Shady Side Road	Shady Side	20764-9713	Yes		It is my opinion that small businesses and salons, etc. are being discriminated against.They should have the right to support their FAMILIES and earn money to PAY THEIR bills.They are not like Congress who receive their paychecks whether they work or not. People need to work!!
05/21/2020 19:09:41	Taylor hall	289 Berkeley drive	Severna park	21146	No	Blown 25 hair studio	
05/21/2020 19:09:47	Cynthia A. Taylor	8109 Sagamore Way	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I agree with Jessica Haires statement: " At this juncture, small businesses - photography studios, florists, salons, small toy shops, boutiques, and other retail stores- should be allowed to operate in the same manner that Target or Walmart or a liquor store can, with appropriate safety protocols in place. Capacity restrictions, mask requirements, and social distancing can allow these companies to reopen without sacrificing safety."
05/21/2020 19:13:31	Kelly Rosenthal	61 Slama Road	Edgewater	21037	Yes		Businesses should be allowed to open and treated equally. There is no basis for an extended closure. This arbitrary decision for an extended closure is taking away people's ability to earn a living and will cause irreparable harm to Anne Arundel County. Residents should have the authority to make individual decisions on how much or how little they want to go out in the community. This is NOT a one-size-fits-all solution. Everyone's situation is different.
05/21/2020 19:13:58	Sharon Gilligan	1915 Towne Centre Blvd #815	Annapolis	21401	Yes		Please take away Pittman's power and allow small businesses to open. Too many businesses are going to fail if they don't open real soon. We will also lose business since people will shop and obtain services in neighboring counties that are permitted to be open.
05/21/2020 19:16:20	Nancy Yull	6310 River Crescent Dr	Annapolis	21401	Yes		Bill 41-40 sounds reasonable. Hope you pass it. AACo needs to open up. I am an 84 year old resident of the county. I am willing to take responsibility for my own safety by wearing a mask, gloves and keeping distance. I would like to have the schools open in the fall. I would like to vote in person at the November election Thanks
05/21/2020 19:18:06	Pat Boteler	404 saddle ridge rd	Annapolis	21403	Yes		Small businesses are as important as big businesses. We should not penalize the small businesses when they have taken precautions to open their business.
05/21/2020 19:25:33	raymond devilbiss	420 Shady Lane	pasadena	21122	Yes		We need relief NOW.
05/21/2020 19:26:21	Richard Kraft	485 Old Orchard Circle	Millersville	21108	Yes		It's obvious that informed leadership is lacking when there is no coherent plan on opening ALL businesses if they do so in a safe manner consistent with the governor's mandate. Whoever is making these decisions obviously not only knows nothing about running a small business which can't possibly survive like their larger counterparts can if their doors remain shut any longer but those same decision makers also don't grasp the fact that when it comes to innovating and changing during a crisis, no one is better suited to this task than a small business - from creating and following safe practices to changing their manufacturing and services to products that can help with the pandemic. It's time to reopen SAFELY NOW for EVERYONE! and hopefully elect some different people in the fall.
05/21/2020 19:26:31	Anne D Schellie	1524 Severnecroft Road	Annapolis	21409	Yes		I totally support County Executive Pittman's decision to break with Governor Hogan's assessment, which makes perfect sense for rural MD, but not AACo. I think that the Governor has consistently supported the best interest of Marylanders, and I believe that the CE is seeking to do the same for the citizens of AACo. I hope that you will support his efforts. I am writing this in response to your email to me.
05/21/2020 19:28:29	Beverly S Altig	126 Spring place way	Annapolis	21401	Yes		
05/21/2020 19:30:11	Mike Huber	205 Bay Front Dr.	Pasadena	21122	Yes		The County's (and State's) list of "essential business" is arbitrary and also biased against much of "main street" small business. Ordinances that prohibit small business operations but allow similar operations by big business were likely born of overreactions by a panicked and bewildered government. They were enacted solely by decree. No deliberations nor voting by the people's representatives were accommodated. The "cure" is proving to be as costly as the disease. Let us not forget that the People's Consent is basic to democratic governance under our Constitution. Exactly who among the people have consented to the arbitrary deletions of business, commerce, and lifestyles?
05/21/2020 19:35:56	John Van de Kamp	40 Lawrence Avenue	Annapolis	21403	Yes		It is inequitable for small businesses to be kept from reopening. Our citizens are losing the businesses they have taken years to create. They should reopen now with safety and health precautions. If I can go to Giant Food with a mask, or Walmart, there's no practical or health reason I should not be able to support a small business like Frankin's Toys. These small businesses must survive. We can't be made to hibernate forever. They are the backbone of our community. I fully support Councilwoman Haire's efforts to save our community.
05/21/2020 19:37:10	Margaret Turnblacer	505 Hodges Lane	Severna Park	21146	Yes		We need to open everything now. Seniors and those with health conditions should continue to quarantine, but healthy people need to get back to work. Let each see person determine their own path. Protect the vulnerable and let everyone else get back to normal.
05/21/2020 19:39:56	Karen OConnell	138 Downing Drive	Severna Park	21146	Yes		I strongly disagree with county executive Stuart Pittman's handling of the re-opening of Anne Arundel County. It is TOO slow and he alone and one other person should not be making this decision. All representatives of the people (and the people) should have a voice. It is time for some common sense re-opening. We were told that we only needed to flatten the curve and not overwhelm the hospitals. That has been accomplished! Thank you for considering my concern.
05/21/2020 19:43:00	Ed Gosselein	268 Providence Rd	Annapolis	21409	Yes		I support Bill 41-40 to repeal the County Executives emergency power. Attached please find my May 16th letter to County Executive Pittman stating my opposition to his order and questioning his 12 metrics, some of which are undetermined or subjective. Both health systems have the capacity and resources to manage a surge if that were to occur, as does the state in general. This was reaffirmed to the health department. Also please note on the attached Dr. Marty Makary's opinion piece in the NYT last week stating the need to reopen and how to reopen. Dr. Makary is a renowned John Hopkins's surgeon a member of the AAMC board. Thank you. Ed Gosselein
05/21/2020 19:43:01	Carroll E. Riley	313 Magothy Brg Rd.	Pasadena	21122-4156	Yes		All this lock-down crap is killing our economy. To let some business to open and the rest keep closed must STOP immediately. I think we all have enough common sense to avoid catching the virus. Don't treat us like retarded children. If your destiny is to get Corona, you will.
05/21/2020 19:56:19	Deborah Frank	5240 4th St	Brooklyn Park,	21225	Yes		I wrote to my constituent service person James Kichin regarding just this matter. I represent over 1200 homes in Brooklyn Park. My neighbors are tired of being out of work. They want to return to work. They want to be able to leave the house and go to work, shop, get their nails done, get a hair cut. Do whatever they can to resume some sort of daily life possible. They are practicing safe distancing and wearing masks. They are doing everything possible to be safe and yet when the Governor relaxes the rules Pittman flexes his muscles to prove he can. That is not the way to win our votes. These people need to get back to normalcy or at least one step closer to it. Mr. Pittman is pushing it to the breaking point up here. Soon something is going to give and I don't think it will be in a good way. It might take us back too many steps to recover. Give it a trial period to see if it works. What will it take for him to realize he is wrong?
05/21/2020 20:01:21	RT Klamm	8119 Pinehurst Harbour way	Pasadena	21122	Yes		At this point what difference does it really make? The same mind set that would let you out of jail to prevent the spread will incarcerate you for creating potential perceived spread. Go figure?
05/21/2020 20:03:20	Steven Lee Poling	8257 Camion Court	Pasadena	21122	Yes		The actions of County Executive Pittman are unconstitutional. He has abused his position and is responsible for more suffering by many good, hardworking citizens of our county. WE THE PEOPLE of AA County have something called the BILL of RIGHTS. He is violating our rights and jeopardizing our livelihoods, our religious freedom, and our very sanity! Open up our county and let us be trusted to make prudent decisions for ourselves.
05/21/2020 20:11:50	Thomas Bowen	151 SILLERY BAY RD	PASADENA	21122	Yes	1950	It's time to start opening our county!!! We don't have government paychecks to live. We're suppose to be free, not living under marshal law by the county executive.
05/21/2020 20:13:16	Cheryl O'Flesh	1900 Bell Branch Road	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		You need to allow the public to decide where they are and are not going and where they feel they are and are not safe. It is not a dictatorship in this society.
05/21/2020 20:14:02	M Waits	105 Foxhound Drive	Glen Burnie	21061	Yes		Eradication of Covid-19 was never the goal of staying home. The hospitals here are well positioned to handle the current case numbers. I am absolutely concerned about the health and well being of my fellow citizens. I am also concerned about livelihood and mental health which are absolutely connected to that. This is a government of the people, by the people and for the people. Not of one person. Trust people to make their own choice on how much they want to go out and enforce the safety measures in place (like masks & distancing). What you've done is made us hostages.
05/21/2020 20:17:42	GINNA ROGERS- GOULD	1008 Landon Lanr	Arnold	21012	Yes		We support your efforts to open Anne Arundel County. We need to balance the covid virus response with the financial, physical, mental health and spiritual needs of our community. It is a matter of weighing the risks and benefits. I am not clear what data the county exec is following. How can it be so different than what the Governor has? For example, we should continue to provide support for those at higher risk, even to the point of allowing them to say no to going to work until they feel safe to venture out. And we should allow those at lower risk to return to their jobs and pre-covid lifestyle under the cdc guidelines of mask, hygiene and social distancing. It was the right decision to close the county until we developed our own data and figured out what was going on. It is now the right decision to follow the data and open up. I also like the idea of the County/State offering free testing for Covid and antibodies. Also nursing homes need to be given the tools to adequately protect their patients. The citizens are making their own common sense decisions anyway. For example, those who are looking for a haircut in Anne Arundel County are going to other counties to get their hair done. Politicians can only lead if people are willing to follow. And I am uncertain that the voters will follow the County Exec on this issue. Thanks for your hard work and efforts on our behalf.
05/21/2020 20:17:45	lisa schmidt	745 Bridge Dr	Pasadena	21122	Yes		This is nothing but a sabotage to the livelihood to so many. My 79 year old father was stuck in a nursing home on lockdown when he contracted Covid 19. And guess what? He beat it. What we weren't able to treat because of this lockdown was the cancer! Furthermore, he was released from the hospital while still positive & suggested that he come to my home for the remainder of his care. WTH? A Covid positive full care patient should be released to a home to be cared for by a family of 4 working adults & 2 minor children without proper PPE? So he was quarantined for 14 more days back at the rehab. Still was never tested to know for sure if he was negative, but we took him here anyway and he's no under Hospice care. My point is, if you are not going to contain known positive patients, then why in the hell is everyone on lockdown???? Hospitalize positive people to keep them from getting others sick. The ONLY people that have access to the proper PPE are the hospitals & they are the ones pushing them out the door once they are stable enough to be treated elsewhere and NOT testing them. Until you can figure out how to contain the virus by simply containing the people, then there is absolutely NO reason to have anyone, any business, school, restaurant, etc on lockdown! Your efforts are not helping this situation!
05/21/2020 20:23:20	Karen Hammond Williams	441 Fairlane Ct	Severna Park	21146	Yes		Each adult should be responsible and make their own choice to visit small shops.
05/21/2020 20:26:54	Barbara Hilliard	3 Fordham Ct	Millersville	21108	Yes		Please open up the small businesses. Makes no sense that big box stores are profiting and small businesses are going bankrupt- jewelry, card, toy stores, etc. quit playing politics

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05/21/2020 20:28:46	Jonathan Bailey	1090 Trails End Road	Pasadena	21122	Yes		We need to stay in step with the governor and open up small businesses in AA county before they all go out of business permanently. Keeping small businesses closed while big box stores can stay open makes no sense. One man without regard to science or reason is making bad decisions and needs to be stopped.
05/21/2020 20:40:05	Laura J Westervelt	1240 Ashby Court	Arnold	21012	Yes		I agree with Jessica we need to let small businesses safely open for business.
05/21/2020 20:40:27	John W. Spencer	828 RIVERSIDE Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I urge your support of Bill 41-20 to terminate the civil emergency proclamation of the County Executive on May 23rd so as to be fully compliant with the Governor's emergency orders. It is immoral to allow stores such as Wal-mart and Target to be open to hundreds while small businesses must remain closed. Similarly, why should higher paid desk workers be allowed to work from home while lower paid workers and servers are banned from working. Let's check out the latest research and focus on techniques what actually slows the spread of COVID-19. Check out Sweden, Taiwan, Germany, Austria, Denmark, Norway, et al.
05/21/2020 20:40:38	Robert T. Emmet	4883 Church Lane	Galesville	29765	Yes		My friends and neighbors were very disheartened by the sudden and arbitrary extension of the AA County closure last Friday. We had planned our weekend to attend Church and renew old conversations which is the life of our City. Everybody was dumbstruck Saturday and into Sunday as the bad news slowly spread. I strongly support Bill 40/41 and agree that the arbitrary and capricious closure extension is not supported by science or reason. A day not lived is two days closer to the end. Please vote for AA County Bill 40/41. Thank you, Robert T. Emmet, IEEE, PhD Galesville, Maryland 20765
05/21/2020 20:44:25	Gregory Rice	207 Springer Lane	Lothian	20711	Yes		I feel the county council should have the authority over the county executive to allow the county to follow the Governor's recommendation with the phasing of openings due to Covid.
05/21/2020 20:48:33	Jay Watson	1914 Yorkie Ave	Pasadena	21122	Yes		As stated by the Governor we needed to flatten the curve and now it is time to reopen businesses. I have waited 2 months to get my haircut because the person that does my hair is waiting on you to allow them to open.
05/21/2020 20:53:30	Robert Andrew Zupko	2777 Gingerview lane	Annapolis	21401	Yes		I am the owner of Robert Andrew salon& spa our payroll is \$253,000 a month and for the last 8 weeks 90 of our employees have been drawing Maryland unemployment we were expecting to hire 1/2 of our employees back last week after the Governors announcement on Wednesday however that lasted one day due to an arbitrary decision by the county executive and his health advisor. The modification that was made to the governors order has crippled us and we cannot open our business under these ridiculous guidelines. All cosmetologists are professionals licensed by the "State of Maryland" our schooling and testing by the board of The State of Md. has as large focus on health sanitation and safety I was reminded of the past two years that I served on the Md. State Board of Cosmetology by the fact that we spent "almost too much of our time" policing salon owners for violations mostly concerning sanitation. Within 5 days of the shutdown our industry has you can say banded together nationally. Manufacturers, distributors, salon associations, salon business consulting groups, have been having webinars and Zoom meetings to help us get up to speed on how to reopen better than we ever were. In other words kind of a wake up to everyone to not only service our guest hair, body,skin and nails technically but also in an more safe and sanitary way. The company Barbacide has a Covid 19 certification program that is recommended that every salon professional get certified before their salon reopens. I don't know of anyone statewide or national who isn't certified. In my salon and spa Everyone's certification is already laminated and posted waiting to open. That is only a small part of what salons already have in place to comply with Covid 19 guidelines for safety and sanitation. We are as sterile as some medical facilities. Definitely more than Walmart. Many states have already opened salons and we all have been discussing best practices, and compliance. I know personally from zoom meeting with my staff of stylists, nail techs, massage therapist, esthetician's and guest service personnel that when we are allowed to reopen and if they feel that we are not doing all we can as a company to keep the staff and our guest safe, they will refuse to come back to work the next day. That is how professional our industry is. It is a little ridiculous that the decision how to open salons is an arbitrary decision of one or two people. Our business has lost \$1.3 million in revenue by being closed these past 8 weeks. And we may be close to shutting down for good. Thank you Bob Zupko
05/21/2020 20:54:06	Torbjorn Bjerknæs	4585 Owensville Sudley Road	Harwood	20776	Yes		Please reopen small businesses and churches consistent with Governor Hogan's safety directives. Save local businesses.
05/21/2020 20:55:30	William R. Schinnerer	603 Cotterill Rd	Gibson Island	21056	Yes		Crazy to kill our County when so many people are suffering unnecessarily. See progress in other states and let Montgomery and Prince Georges struggle on their own.
05/21/2020 20:55:57	Patricia Grieb	8257 Camion Ct.	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I am beside myself with anger and disappointment over AA County Executive Pittman denying the good citizens of our county our Constitutional rights. Who does he think he is? He isn't a king or dictator. How dare one person decide he knows better about our health and welfare than we know? He has no right. Power belongs in the will of the people, and warning Mr. Pittman, we are a frustrated, angry suffering people. Many of us have lost jobs or had our income halved. All the platitudes offered in the liberal media do nothing to heal the crippling you have enabled. Shame on Mr. Pittman. Open up our economy before we are ruined. Many of us may be low on money and patience, but we are long on memory! Free the citizens of the formerly "Free State". Just because this is a blue state doesn't mean we aren't fired red with anger.
05/21/2020 21:04:29	Gary gogolinski	8301 Ipswich ct	Pasadena	21122	Yes	Mr.	Please open up Anne Arundel county. We are US citizens Americans and don't deserve to be treated like this. Give us the facts tell us the risks and let us decide just like we decide by our votes. You work for us we pay the taxes we pay your salary you need to listen to us.
05/21/2020 21:05:13	Susan Haines	259 Severn Rd	Millersville	21108	Yes		Why are liquor stores allowed to be open? Is liquor essential? Or maybe it's the lottery tickets that are sold there. I am certain that people that work in salons will be very careful and follow all of the health protocols. They need to protect themselves as well as their customers.
05/21/2020 21:08:31	Helen Floyd Kelley	1077 Deep Creek Ave	Arnold, Md	21012	Yes		Hello. I am active in my church but I wish to see churches stay closed except for <= 10. Congregational gatherings allow for too many opportunities to break safety protocol and leave churches with a formidable task of how to manage attendance if a 50% rule is enacted. I would like to see businesses with <= 15 employees open. All implies appropriate safety protocol is followed. I was disappointed when large stores such as Walmart, Home Depot, Costco were open and drawing crowds when smaller grocery stores and hardware stores could have been the suppliers of choice.
05/21/2020 21:09:50	KATHY KALEO	1785 Aberdeen Cir	Crofton	21114-1635	Yes		The great people of this country and state have a right to work and take care of their families instead of being forced to rely on the government to give us pennies on the dollar to survive. We are not children seeking safety from the apocalypse but adults who know how to how work and keep our customers safe. You have closed us down unconstitutionally and we demand our constitutional liberties back.
05/21/2020 21:11:25	Thomas Basil	843 Meadow Heights Lane	Arnold	21012	Yes		By what logic are churches limited to 10 persons? Most sanctuaries are large enough to hold hundreds while keeping social distance. It certainly appears as a highly arbitrary decree when so many large retail outlets host hundreds of patrons without restriction.
05/21/2020 21:12:28	Shawn Murphy	8028 Foxtail Ln.	Glen Burnie	21061	Yes		I wish to add my support to limiting the county executive powers regarding the COVID-19 response.
05/21/2020 21:20:16	James D. Schroll	565 Sunset Knoll Road	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I urge the County Council to defeat Bill 41-20. The County's current Covid-19 regulations seem, to me, to be very much in line with the Governor's current orders. Where the County orders are slightly more stringent, they are allowable under the Governor's orders. There is nothing in the preamble to this legislation that addresses or justifies reasons to support the legislation. Current experience around the country and the world suggests that reopening too early can have severe impacts on both the health and economy of the community. Please reject this legislation.
05/21/2020 21:24:43	Patti Johnston	1628 Carmoustie Drive	PASADENA	21122	Yes		I am voicing my opinion regarding the opening of small businesses in our county. It is ridiculous that large retail stores are able to remain open but small retail businesses can't. This decision makes NO SENSE at all. If you decide to continue this action please provide an explanation as to how a small business is unable to provide the same protections as the big stores.
05/21/2020 21:28:22	Melody Bean-Anderson	1703 RIVERDALE DR	EDGEWATER	21037	Yes		It is clear as a sole proprietor financial relief has been refused or delayed purposely. Yet county officials put reopening restrictions on small businesses strangling their financials after crippling it for months. Small business continue to suffer while corporations receive PPP loans and individuals whom receive W2s have already received stimulus checks. Let these small business reopen at full capacity in order to replenish their financials with out any government assistance. Yet we still have to pay the increased taxes yet we received no financial assistance during this pandemic
05/21/2020 21:32:37	Leona Schmol	435 ferry point rd,	Annapolis, MD	21403	Yes		It is absolutely critical that small businesses, restaurants, and churches be allowed to open taking necessary precautions to protect themselves and their patrons. Their doors cannot be shuttered indefinitely. Many are desperate and risk losing everything. We cannot allow this to happen or our entire economy will collapse. No single politician should be allowed to wield such power.
05/21/2020 21:34:49	Laurence Gill	5103 Kramme Ave	Brooklyn Park	21225	Yes		Bill 41-40 seems to offer the opportunity for the public discussion on the role of small business vs the mega-stores and the risk of exposure to Covid-19. Just watch the flow of people in and around the local Walmart and chance for transmission on a large scale.
05/21/2020 21:39:05	Philip James Dicke Sr.	109 Glenlea Drive	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		The shutdown of this county must end now. The ridiculousness of having large stores open and small ones closed makes no sense. Liquor stores are open but Group Meetings for those who are struggling with the demons of alcohol/drug addiction cannot attend meetings. People cannot get cancer screenings or joint replacements but Planned Parenthood is essential to keep taking the lives of the most vulnerable. Retirees like me are not eligible for anything and I am watching government employees at all levels (local, municipal, county, state and federal) stay at home, getting full pay and benefits. Extra \$600.00 a week for unemployment. Most of these receiving these payments never made that much ever before. Where is all this money coming from? Threaten county law abiding citizens with fines or incarceration but let convicted criminals out? Where is my incentive to continue to be law abiding citizen???? What is next, payments to illegal aliens and that is the correct terminology, not undocumented immigrants! And what is this about tapping the rainy day fund to pay rent???? What about those of us with mortgages?? That Fat Fund was hard earned by your predecessor and you Democrats cant wait to deplete it and then you will LIE about how sorry you are to have to raise taxes... We are not stupid! You are trying to make people dependent on your BENEVOLENCE when in fact you are just making them DEPENDENT!!!! It is evident that you, the county execs of Baltimore and Howard counties as well as the Mayor of Baltimore are nothing more than petty dictators taking advantage of this unfortunate situation to show you have some power.... You need to read and study the Constitution of these United States as well as Marylands Constitution and understand YOU WORK FOR OUR PLEASURE NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND!!! You need to understand that I AM NOT OBLIGATED TO OBEY UNLAWFUL ORDERS... Your Executive Orders REALLY MEAN NOTHING! HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN HOW LAWS ARE PASSED???? All of you presently in power should endeavor to understand that We The People and " I Will Not Comply" will be heard more and more if you do not learn that YOU SERVE US, not the other way around... Many years ago I took an oath to protect this country from ALL enemies, foreign as well as DOMESTIC! And that oath has NO EXPIRATION DATE!!!! Stop following and Start leading... We are all Americans, borne out of Struggle and overcoming impossible odds. Start acting like it!!!!? Yes people will social distance, yes people will wear masks. The majority of us are not as stupid as YOU THINK!! OPEN THIS COUNTY NOW.
05/21/2020 21:40:48	Donald Houghton	441 Lakeland Rd N, enter apt or suite	Severna Park	21146	Yes		The virus is real but these closures are BS! I'm immunocompromised due to a kidney transplant. I would rather die free than live under this oppression. Small businesses are the core of employment. Open them up so we can support them. It makes no sense that larger stores can open while small stores cannot. I'm a government employee that is not suffering economically but I fully support opening up everything. For those that are afraid of the virus, they will self quarantine. As someone who is immunocompromised, I will take precautions because I can make my own decisions on my health. Restore our liberties and stop trampling on our rights as free people!
05/21/2020 21:40:48	Mary	221 Beachwood Road	Pasadena	21122	Yes		We in Anne Arundel County are Adults who can make responsible decisions and see through the blatant hypocrisy. I understand telling citizens things like we have to wear masks, however, I do not understand the discrepancy with what is open and what is not.
05/21/2020 21:41:44	James Michael Bors	987 Round Top Drive	Annapolis	21409-4706	Yes		Open small businesses and allow churches more than 10 people--NOW! They can operate far more safely than big stores. The current county order makes absolutely NO sense and is only hurting good, hard-working God-fearing people in Anne Arundel County.
05/21/2020 21:42:34	Joseph Tyson	1520 Yellow Sand Lane	Odenton	21113	Yes		Please reopen the county. Thank you.
05/21/2020 21:43:24	Karon Mitchell	506 Riverside Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Please allow our local businesses to use COMMON SENSE social distancing and safety practices that have allowed the big box, and chain retail and grocery stores to operate. Give them a chance to prove they can duplicate the same standards with responsibility and the right to operate their businesses, while he allows them to earn a living plus pay taxes. Give them a chance.
05/21/2020 21:43:40	Chris Rosenthal	61 Slama Road	Edgewater	21037	Yes		There is no science behind the continued closures of small business in Anne Arundel county, Pittman and his advisors are responsible for the devastation of our small businesses and the thousands of lives that are being ruined. Is almost like they don't care- their jobs are unaffected. Continuing this insanity will result in a depression that will affect government and it's ability to provide services. End this NOW.
05/21/2020 21:56:22	Christin Shifflett	1005 Eagle Passages Ct	Davidsonville	21035	No	My Gym Children's Fitness Center	I am the owner of two small businesses in Anne Arundel County. I have always been compliant and followed the rules of business. In addition, I have always been profitable, paid bills and run a fair business. Since covid 19 I have lost more than 3/4 of my income. In addition, I have laid off all but 2 employees at the businesses. We have flattened the curve and done our part in what we were told to do. It is time to allow people to get back to work before we have bigger problems in our community.
05/21/2020 22:16:23	Tina Jones	113 n carolina ave	pasadena	21122	Yes		Pitman's power need removed. Citizens of AA County need to take responsibility for their own health. What government is doing is over stepping their role, hurting small businesses, hurting poorer people and making the big businesses more profitable. Enough is enough.
05/21/2020 22:17:29	chien vuong	919 densmore bay court	gambrills	21054	Yes		I am the owners of Vuong's martial arts and V.V. commercial center in gambrills. We've been in business for over 25 years. And every day that you keep our business is closed you bring us closer to going out of business. You need to open Maryland that are small businesses open.
05/21/2020 22:19:13	Donald Jones	17 Mansion Rd	Linthicum	21090	Yes		People need to be responsible for themselves. Government has over stepped their responsibilities. This has to stop. Open AA County. Quit making big business richer.
05/21/2020 22:28:35	Eric Chadwick	1707 Beards Creek Court	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		I own a 42,000 square foot building in Gambrills, Md with 16 tenant spaces. Only 10% of the businesses are open. One person should not dictate whether they open or not. If they can't open per Hogan's Phase In, we all now face a financial cliff. Some now are not returning to open because of the County Executive current decision making and have gone off that cliff. Therefore, I Support Bill 41-40 legislation to repeal the County Executive's emergency powers and make the reopening conversation public, with input from the elected County Council members. We personally, Mr. Pittman's decision has cost me a forbearance fee of \$28,000 that I will never get back. But I am paying it so my tenants can hopefully survive the bad decisions Mr. Pittman has made. We need to open this county up. Respectfully, Eric Chadwick Business Owner and Resident of Anne Arundel County since 1999.
05/21/2020 22:30:11	Kimberly Kandra	1723 Torrington Place	Crofton	21114	Yes		I am the owner of Kimmonlon Pilates, a small boutique Pilates studio in Gambrills. I provide Pilates classes to small groups of no more than 4 people in a safe and appropriately socially distant set up. Pilates studios are notoriously clean, in fact many of my clients are suffering from multiple sclerosis, Ehlers Danlos, Dysautonomia and severe Rheumatoid arthritis. We have already had many of the required safety measures in place because of their conditions. These clients rely on me for relief from their symptoms and pain. In some cases, I am considered part of their rehab or medical team. While this pandemic has been hard on all of us, many of my clients have been set back due to the inability to be in my studio for their one on one sessions. I ask that you consider reopening so that those clients who really need the physical support that I provide, can finally receive it. Thank you.
05/21/2020 22:40:02	Donald Jones Jr	113 n carolina ave	pasadena	21122	Yes		I am 72 years old. I am old enough to take care of myself. I don't need someone in government to decide how to take care of myself. It makes no sense to allow large stores like Walmart, Lowes, Home Depot, grocery stores and liquor stores stay open because they are critical and not allow smaller stores, open markets, flea market to be open. People can wear masks and social distance. Restaurants and bars should also be allowed to open following social distancing rules or outside seating. Take away Pitman's order and allow AA County to open.
05/21/2020 22:50:18	Darbi Jones	113 n carolina ave	pasadena	21122	Yes		Take away Pitman's emergency power. There is no emergency. Let AA County open. Enough is enough!
05/21/2020 23:01:07	Jeffrey Diehl	1431 Millwood Court	Annapolis	21409	Yes		Re Bill 41-40, I most heartily recommend approval. Logic and plain common sense clearly dictate that small businesses should be able to operate just as safely (perhaps even more so) than big box stores. The owners of these small businesses cannot continue to sit idly and wait indefinitely for some sort of what may never arrive. Meanwhile, what is arriving regularly and without delay are their bills. How are they to pay these bills without a source of income that the big box stores have been enjoying? They do not have the luxury of occupying a space in an ivory tower, living without a care in the world while peering down their nose at the unfortunate masses involved in the fray. By all means, these completely arbitrary decisions of opening one business while keeping another closed need to be brought before the entire council for discussion and not relegated to a single person, regardless of that person's position. Allow the voices of those small business men and women to be heard. Vote in favor of Bill 41-40!

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05/21/2020 23:07:11	Katherine M Lyng	2 Belvedere Ct.	Annapolis	21403	Yes		I am an independent stylist and suite renter at Sola Studios in Edgewater. I am a single mother of two elementary school children. I am the sole provider for my family and I receive no child support!!! We as stylists are professionals trained in mandatory and constantly performed sanitation practices. As suite renters we provide one in one service in isolated and privatized rooms. We should be able to go back to work immediately as we more than most have the ability to conform to the safety guidelines. Please let me provide for my family!!!!!!
05/21/2020 23:08:02	William Hankins	1507 Circle Dr.	Annapolis	21409	Yes		It is my strong opinion that the course of our government actions to protect citizens from COVID-19 has impeded the lives and livelihood of vast majority of the County's citizens far more than the coronavirus, particularly our small business owner and there employees. I urge all council-members to take action posthaste to reopen our economy and allow our citizens to care for and feed their family. The toll of anxiety, poverty, and drug abuse is far more damaging than coronavirus. Set the people free.
05/21/2020 23:15:41	Sheila Barlock	111 N Meadow Dr	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		It is time to reopen our county. We have done all that's been asked of us. We need to be able to worship freely, shop our local stores, and eat out in our restaurants. As an older American, it's up to me to make the decision about my safety. The government does not dictate to me what chances I should or shouldn't take to get my life back to normal. We flattened the curve and haven't overwhelmed our healthcare system - do your part and trust us to safely return to our lives.
05/21/2020 23:18:42	Autumn Dawn	106 Baltimore Road	Stevensville	21666	No	Arthur Murray Dance Centers	There are a total of 8 Arthur Murray Dance Centers in Maryland. I own two that are located in Anne Arundel County. One is in Arnold and the other in Gambrills. I am petitioning to reopen in the low risk phase one stage businesses that improve quality of life. We are electing our government officials "to serve us not to run our lives". We the people are very capable of making our own personal decisions and to smartly and responsibly lead our lives. You don't need or have to do any thinking on our behalf. In general, incompetent government executives usually forget that they were elected to make constitutional decisions that best serve their constituents and instead make unconstitutional decisions that actually hurt their constituents. That's bad!!! We saw and experienced plenty of such incompetent behaviors by government leaders, governors and executives during the coronavirus crisis throughout our country. As a result, small businesses currently suffer financially or close down for ever, millions of people lost their jobs, got behind in paying their mortgages or rent, families starve, and for what!!! Only because their government leaders -that they chose to serve them- are either incapable or unwilling to honorably serve their constituents, as they should. Not only that, while the people suffer financially and children starve, the living standards of these leaders are not changed or reduced and their paychecks -the tax money of their hardworking and currently suffering constituents- continue filling their pockets. Great leaders that the people respect and honor for generations are usually the leaders who "serve their constituents" rather than "ruling their constituents". The County Executive of Anne Arundel County along with other government officials have a unique opportunity during the coronavirus crisis to show their constituents their true colors and the kind of leaders they really are, servers or rulers. Be what you were elected to be!!! That is SERVERS !!! Respect your constituents and their intelligence and make decisions that will help them during the current coronavirus crisis. "The curve has been flattened and the hospitals are no longer overwhelmed." The "goal has been accomplished" and it's now the time to get back to a normal life. Your constituents are very smart and also very capable of making the right decisions in leading their lives while taking the right and necessary measures to protect others. Remember that yourselves -the so called leaders- have already made the unreasonable decision to keep businesses like liquor stores and Planned Parenthood open. Do you seriously believe that people won't contract the coronavirus when going to such places for shopping or for services??? If you do, you are then gravely wrong and you should not be holding positions of leadership. Believe it or not, the only mature and logical action to take is to trust the small business owners and allow them to open up their businesses. Small business owners are smart and care a lot for their customers. They can and will do a lot more than you yourselves could ever do to protect those customers. *OPEN UP ALL SMALL BUSINESSES IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY* IT IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO !!!
05/21/2020 23:26:30	Rania Carriker	69 Barrensdale Drive	Severna Park	21146	Yes		
05/22/2020 0:07:11	Jeff Wyvill	7057 Boston Ave.	Rose Haven	20714	Yes		I totally support Bill 41-40
05/22/2020 0:18:30	Jeff Wyvill	7057 Boston Ave.	Rose Haven	20714	No	Rose Haven Civic Association	As the President of the Rose Haven Civic Association we totally support Bill 41-40
05/22/2020 1:23:53	Steven Strawn	51 Murray Ave	Annapolis	21401	Yes		It was Lincoln who said You can fool all of the people some of the time and some of the people all of the time but you can't fool all of the people all of the time. Is Pittman trying to use the people who can be fooled all of the time to hold down the people who can be fooled only some of the time. Has he found out that it is easy to scare people but next to impossible to un-scare them and is he using this to great advantage? Is there a higher political aspirations at work here, or does he just care so much that he is blinded by the light? Let hope it the latter.
05/22/2020 4:13:11	Jaime Ansted	25 Milburn Circle	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I don't know if I am submitting this to the right place but this is for bill 41-20. Am I Worried about this virus? Absolutely. Do I want to protect people from not getting this virus? Absolutely. Did the people close their businesses to help flatten the curve? Absolutely. Did the people do their part to help flatten the curve and not overwhelm hospitals? Absolutely. Now that the curve has flattened and hospitals are seeing declines and states are opening back up, why is Anne Arundel County basically still shut down? Unfortunately, the virus is still here but the reality is that the people flattened the curve and didn't overwhelm the hospitals like what was asked. So people should be able to start opening their businesses back up in a safe manner like the State Governor suggested. Because certain stores and others (especially ones handling our food) were able to operate using safe guidelines during this virus outbreak, then our other Aaco businesses can as well. I, now, question the authority of our county executive. Is he for the people or does he just want to control them? Did he arbitrarily make the decision to still keep us shut down after our state Governor is trying to open up Maryland in a safe way. Does he consider voices that may have a different outlook than his? Or does he take his decision and just consult with the people that feel the same way as he does? There is a reason the states and our governor needed to start opening again. People and businesses can't keep doing this and at this point, he is destroying our county and people. People who are sick and/or worried should stay home but the rest of us know the risks and want to take precautions to help get our county's livelihoods back. I realize these are all difficult decisions and he is trying to help us with the virus but the bill 41-20 is needed so other voices can be heard. We can not base our county's need on arbitrary decisions.
05/22/2020 5:51:00	Donald H. Entzian	5706 IRON STONE ROAD	LOTHIAN MAR	20711	Yes		PLEASE OPEN THE COUNTY LET EVERY BUSINESS HAVE THE SAME OPPORTUNITY THAT THE WALLMART,TARGET,ECT HAVE. MR PITTMAN YOU ARE OVERSTEPPING YOUR POWERS REVERSES YOUR DECISION NOT TO FOLLOW GOVERNOR HOGAN TODAY
05/22/2020 6:08:55	Mark L. Plaster MD	4794, Bayfields Road	Harwood	20776	Yes		The treatment is causing more harm than the disease. Every shift in the ER I'm seeing the unintended, yet just as damaging, consequences of our "protective" measures that were intended to mitigate the effects of the coronavirus. Yes we are still seeing new cases of COVID. But now we are seeing delayed diagnosis of cancer, heart disease, and stroke, the major causes of death, by far, in the county. And even worse, if that's possible, is the sharp rise in behavioral health problems. Family violence, drug and alcohol use, and depression are all on the upswing. A vibrant village life is healthy for the young, old and everyone in between. Yes COVID will remain, possibly even increase to some degree. But we in the medical process can handle it. Continuing to break the back of our economic life will have lasting damage far beyond that of the virus. I urge our county council and County Executive to take off their blinders and see the whole picture. Reopen county life. And let our great medical community manage the consequences.
05/22/2020 6:29:52	Michael Paul Birch	111 Glenlea Dr	Glen Burnie	21060	Yes		It is time to re-open AA county. The curve is flattened. Small businesses are dying while the big stores are loaded to the gills. We cannot live in fear and be repressed by a county government that has clearly overstepped it's bounds.
05/22/2020 6:36:19	Jack J Ellis	898 Coachway	Annapolis	21401	Yes	Post Haste Mailing	You need to level the field, the science states it, do the right thing. Open the doors.
05/22/2020 6:45:11	Sheila Lawson	112 Beverley Avenue	Edgewater	21037	Yes		I've always maintained my opinion of the unfairness and mistreatment of small businesses during this crisis. If they follow safety protocols as these "so-called" essential businesses do, why can't they open? These smaller businesses may not survive waiting on Pittman to decide when the time is right to re-open. Just remember when it's time for re-election you may not have the backing of the businesses as well as the general public's support.
05/22/2020 6:56:03	John B Pence	1003 Clausen Lane	Arnold	21012	Yes		This arbitrary decision to maintain the lockdown is nothing more than voter suppression at all levels. The mail in ballots have the voters name and a bar code identifying the voter. A scanner can quickly identify the party of the voter and stop the ballot from being counted. I don't trust any of elected officials in this county or state. I will retire later this year and we will be moving out of the state. My vote means absolutely nothing any longer.
05/22/2020 6:57:59	alexander lopata	1132 valentine creek drive	crownsville	21032	Yes		Time to reopen with more sensible restrictions. The bill of rights is the law of the land and not a dictatorial decree by a county official.
05/22/2020 6:59:10	Wesley White	414 Morris Hill Ave	GLEN BURNIE	21060	Yes		I 100% agree In the big stores there are dozens of people there. They are not all at a safe distance.
05/22/2020 7:01:29	Sharon R Hull	783 Mago Vista Rd	Arnold	21012	Yes		Please strip Mr. Pittman's power to not follow Gov. Hogan's order and allow businesses to open. Thank you.
05/22/2020 7:02:09	DAVID LOW	1002 Allen Ave	WEST RIVER	20778	Yes		As the elected "experts" in our county it is time to open up the rural areas so our small businesses can get back to work. Focus your efforts to protect the elderly and those younger who may have medical issues. Get our healthy younger people back to work. Let small businesses open. Set up a county job opportunity website for those of us who have job openings. Even if only part time or seasonal. Stop the politics. Do your jobs by managing the needs of those who elected you. - RESULTS not EXCUSES!
05/22/2020 7:04:21	Kelly Gross	7650 Odaniel Court	Glen Burnie	21061	Yes		The corona virus is gonna be around for a long time we have to learn to live with it.The state needs to reopen and let life resume its circle of life.Bills need to be paid. The bill collectors still want their money and I need money to live! Reopen now!
05/22/2020 7:16:48	William M McDaniel	2748 Gingerview Lane	Annapolis	21401	Yes		AAC needs to open in accordance with Governor Hogan's plan. It is well thought out and safe. It is not based on arbitrary decisions.
05/22/2020 7:19:22	Howard Ward	467, Cardiff Court	Severna Park	21146	Yes		I am a small business and we are an essential company providing electrical service. Our business is affected by other businesses that are closed. I have not applied for any help, knowing there are other small businesses that need this more than I do. But we can. It continue down this path of staying closed!! Let's take care of our seniors and folks with pre existing conditions and open this economy back up before we lose many many businesses!! Thank You!! Sincerely, Howard G Ward Jr. HGW Electrical Constrution, LLC
05/22/2020 7:28:31	Erin brennan	5008 worthington way	Ellicott city	21043	Yes		To whom this may concern, I would just like to state that as a concerned citizen and a sole proprietor we are in desperate need for some restrictions to be lifted. We have taken all of the precautionary suggestions and requirements as a salon to ensure safety for our clients but having only one client with one stylist at a time unfortunately just means we have far less time in the salon than we are used to. In turn, meaning we are not making the money that is required in order to pay our bills, rent or mortgage on time or without severely digging into savings. Unfortunately for a lot of us we have been out of work since the middle of March. Just recently we were allowed access to unemployment and most of us still have yet to receive anything. We as small business owners are trying to stay afloat whether that be working 14-16 a day currently because we can only have one day in the salon a week. But this can't stay this way. It makes no sense how large chain stores are open but we cannot have more than one stylist and one client at a time. You do realize when people are shopping at walmart or target it's nearly impossible to stay six feet away from someone the entire time. At least in the salon setting we may not be able to stay six feet from our client, but we could stay six feet away from another stylist and their client. Right now it feels like a lot of picking and choosing at random. You have not said why or given us an explanation at all on why our small business must remain closed or shortened availability to our clients. Please review your own guidelines and why you have them in place and then reconsider letting us operate per Hogan's guidelines.
05/22/2020 7:41:02	Patricia Joan Gronkiewicz	484 Old Orchard Circle	Millersville	21108	Yes		The current situation in our County is untenable for several reasons. Each of us is having to develop and learn strategies for personal protection to be used for some time. However, to continue the closure of basic services and small businesses in AA County needs to be re-considered. Mr. Pittman's order appears to be an arbitrary decision, one not based upon medical, scientific, or logical information. I am asking the County Council to consider returning the decision to re-open our County to the overall Council...rescind the Executive Order allowing Mr. Pittman to arbitrarily close business/commerce. Thank you.
05/22/2020 7:46:21	Stanley Fletcher	3848 Glebe Meadow Way	Edgewater	21037	Yes	Stan and Joe's Riverside	Restaurants should have already been permitted the use of outdoor seating as well as limited indoor seating. Let's move forward, carefully and safely.
05/22/2020 7:51:59	Edwin Hirsch	704 Severnside Ave	Severna Park	21146	Yes		The economic, emotional and social stability of our County is now in a dark place. The easy path for our County leaders is to do nothing and stay in a safe space. Over the course of history, indecision has left millions dead on battlefields. We are now in a battle and each decision you make has big consequences. Time is a harsh critic and people will not quickly forget those who have caused harm to them, their families and their friends. The legacy of each person on the County Council is now being written - and each vote you cast will write your story. Of course wisely. Everyone is watching.
05/22/2020 7:55:10	Jennifer Wiley	3700 Tanglewood lane	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		It's time to open the county back up. The stay at home order was intended to slow the spread until the hospitals could get equipped to handle it. As far as we have all been told by Hogan we are prepared and read to address a surge in covid cases because of all of his hard work. It's time to let small business open and churches in a capacity that they can worship safely. Seems Pittman is drunk with power and needs to realize his constituents are watching and will definitely remember these decisions at election time.
05/22/2020 7:56:50	James Ruff	942 Waterview Drive	Crownsville	21032	Yes		Enough is enough. The stated goal of the shutdown was to "not overwhelm the medical system", specifically Hospitals. We have achieved that goal but seem to be moving the goal posts for political reasons. Setting aside the Constitutional arguments, applying a little common sense can go a long way. Can liquor stores, gun stores, clothing stores or any store stay open while practicing social distancing...yes. Can government services such as trash pickup, licensing, permitting, hearings, and even background checks be accommodated while practicing social distancing...yes. Roads, highways and even waterways can stay open while accommodating social distancing. Even parks, and beaches can pass the test. It would be difficult for barber shops, hair salons, gyms, and certain other service-oriented businesses to accommodate social distancing. But if they can, then they should not be prevented from staying open. Unfortunately, it would be difficult to apply social distancing in schools. But where there is a will, there is a way. Out of fear, we accepted the restrictions. In hindsight, we should have flipped the question around and asked what can stay open. I do not blame anyone for the decisions made to date. The branches of Government, Federal, State and Local, were simply responding to the available information. However, I will start placing blame if the restrictions are not lifted. Please reverse the approach and ask what can stay open rather than where we are today.
05/22/2020 7:58:38	James Robinson	691 Merrimac Ct	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		Please conform to the state guidelines Small bussines are safer then these large stores I am not a hairdresser but they cant make enough money to operate under the executives restrictions Personal trainer cant operate with one one instruction Crazy There are other things to be considered Increased drug and alcohol child abuse depression Lack of people going to the doctor for other problems caused by restrictions Open our churches People need there faith at times like this Personnel freedom is important and people can be personally responsible
05/22/2020 8:17:20	Walter Petrie	1240 Harbor Glen ct	Arnold	21012	Yes		Pittman needs to stop preventing companies from opening!!! I'm a veteran and stopping me and others from making my own decisions about what I can do is irresponsible and ridiculous I've cooperated for almost 2 months and I'm done
05/22/2020 8:18:37	Brunhilde J. Pilkins	8108 Quarterfield Farms Drive	Severn	21144	Yes		Pittman's arbitrary decision is not based on facts and has hurt many residents of Anne Arundel County. I am a Clinical Social Worker, at a Major Academic Medical Center and concerned about the mental health of our population. Due to restrictions on economic and religious activities. More people will die from this edict than the virus!
05/22/2020 8:23:19	BJ Pilkins, LCSW-C	8108 Quarterfield Farms Drive	Severn	21144	Yes		I ask that you strip County Executive Steuart Pittman of his emergency powers. Restore the balance of power between the County Executive and your elected Council. He acts against our Governor's recommendations. Allow people to exercise their own good judgement. Instead it is a "Virus Dictatorship" and he is merely a County Executive!

Invite to Audience for May 26

Date received	Name	Address	City	Zip	Representing yourself?	Group name?	Remarks
05/22/2020 8:28:24	Francis E. Gardiner, III	73 Bay Drive	Annapolis	21403	Yes		RE: Haire Bill 41-40 It is time for Anne Arundel County to re-open businesses per Governor Hogan's safety directives. County Executive Pittman's arbitrary actions are unacceptable and the council members need to do their job and put him in check. I assume the Executive has the luxury of receiving a government paycheck every two weeks - but unfortunately many of our small business owners and their employees do not have that luxury! Please act now!
05/22/2020 8:28:51	Amber Hammersla	1223 garret ave	Churchton	20733	Yes	Headhunters studio	I opened my salon studio just over a year ago in an already one on one scenario behind a closed door with stylists like myself trying to run a business alone. I shared a suite with my best friend & in light of all of this we have separated in TWO suites, thinking we could work - one on one with our clients alone, but no, we have been shut down yet again. As hairstylists we are trained in not spreading infectious diseases so we are already aware of protocol for sanitation! On top of that we had a strict locked door policy in place where we had to individually go let in one client at a time once our suites were thoroughly sanitized, wear masks the entire time, told all sick clients to stay home, hand sanitize or wash hands upon entering, etc. Hospitals operate at the same standards! You can freely walk around michales to buy glitter and yarn... touch the same keypad hundreds of others have without a single wipe of disinfectant, but in an environment where the service provider is educated on a regular basis of cleanliness & well-being you are not allowed? One on one isn't good enough! I work in a room behind a closed sliding glass door yet my facility (solo salon studios) is considered ONE entity and therefore the 28 studios are left jobless because not just one stylist can run the whole building. My old salon has 6 employees & they can't work? Not even spaced out, sanitized and following way more acceptable guidelines than any of these other stores! We are losing our homes, unable to pay bills, and it is crippling emotionally & physically. THIS NEEDS TO CHANGE. SMALL BUSINESSES MATTER & we make up a good portion of this economy. Photo for attention. We need to be heard
05/22/2020 8:30:15	Louise J Reiner	805 Coxswain Way	Annapolis	21401	Yes		I strongly support the move to repeal the County Executive's power to deviate from the Governor's Executive Orders on re-opening Anne Arundel County. The Governor has been careful enough for all of us. The County Executive should give up his pay for all the time he refuses to let others earn theirs!
05/22/2020 8:36:24	Marc W. George	414 Metropolitan Blvd. 253 Old Mill Bottom Road South	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I agree with Councilwomen Jessica Haire in that there has been inequity of allowing entities like Target, Walmart, Sam's Club, Costco, and Home Depot to operate when other establishments have been forced to close. I believe they should be allowed to re-open but with special operating procedures like those that the larger organization have established, especially social distancing. In particular where there is physical contact involved as in salons & massage parlors or re-use of physical objects like gym equipment.
05/22/2020 8:36:28	Timothy Brenza	2317 Seabury Dr	Annapolis	21409	Yes		While I respect the County Executives Covid 19 concerns, I strongly believe that we should follow the Governors State Guidelines, unless absolutely compelled not to do so. The response to the Covid19 situation has become far too decentralized, localized and haphazard. It just makes sense to have some checks and balances by allowing the Council to weigh in on deviations from the Governors recommendations. IF THE PEOPLE WILL LEAD, EVENTUALLY...THE LEADERS WILL FOLLOW.
05/22/2020 8:40:51	John Taylor	208 Bar Harbor Rd	Crofton	21114	Yes		This business shut down has to end now. The detrimental effects of the economic loss will be much worse than that of the virus. We need to live our lives not hide in fear.
05/22/2020 8:41:25	Diane R. Blake	1111 Thomas Swann Lane	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Many of my friends have small businesses in the area and are suffering from the county being closed -- masks and/or gloves and social distancing can work just as well if not better in a small store as it does in the large box stores who are making millions at the expense of the small merchants.
05/22/2020 8:52:09	Donna Leadmon	938 Waterview Dr. (POB 360)	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		I support legislation to strip County Executive Steuart Pittman of his emergency powers immediately, and to restore the balance of power between the County Executive and our elected Council. We MUST allow small business owners AND CHURCHES the opportunity to reopen with responsible safety measures in place so we will avoid irreversible damage to our private work force and economy.
05/22/2020 8:57:22	Stephen Carl	616 Bayside Dr	Crownsville	21032	Yes		I am in agreement with Councilwoman Jessica Haire's sponsored legislation And everything stated in the her email requesting the publics opinion.
05/22/2020 9:01:25	Janet Graves	8 Woodland Dr	Stevensville	21666	Yes	Evergreen Genes Inc.	Although I live in Queen Anne's County, I access many businesses in Anne Arundel county like Image Creators hair salon and Bay Area Community Church, many restaurants etc. The hair salons need to be opened to more than 1 customer at a time!! This rule meant they remained closed! Small business owners should be able to follow the CDC guidelines and customers wear masks. Churches could start opening for outdoor services. It's frustrating to have Anne Arundel county more restrictive than the city of Annapolis and the Governor's Phase I guidelines. Keep protecting seniors in facilities but let the rest of the county begin more openings.
05/22/2020 9:11:08	Justin Hudson	2904 ROCKINGHAM CT	Severna Park	21146	Yes		As a small business owner I know how hard it is to stay in business and make a profit during good times and you are destroying peoples lives by not letting them to open and run their businesses, some that have taken years to build. But it's OK for the "Big Box stores to remain open?"
05/22/2020 9:17:53	Patricia A Deltz	304 tanbark ct	PASADENA	21122	Yes		Please restore the decision to open Anne Arundel County up to the County Council.
05/22/2020 9:18:01	William Lawrence Barth	824 Buckingham Dr	millersville	21108	Yes		Out with Pittman. Get him out of office.
05/22/2020 9:18:30	Robert P. Schmick	309 Tucker Street	Severna Park	21146	Yes		Either close the Big Box stores or open the small shops.
05/22/2020 9:21:18	Shane Walterhoefer	3406 Hidden River View Rd	Annapolis	21401	Yes		We need to reopen the economy and get back to work. The data shows that if you are not in the elderly population, the chances of getting severely sick is very low.
05/22/2020 9:28:09	Lawrence and Paula Crippen	1159 Summit Drive	Annapolis	21403	Yes		We totally support this Bill. This is not a democrat - republican issue. Pittman is playing politics with his Power Grabbing. STOP PITTMAN!!!! we totally
05/22/2020 9:30:44	Kimberly Morgan	103 Jordan Taylor lane	Annapolis	21409	Yes		I have said from the beginning that closing small business, schools etc will have a much greater effect on mental health and the economy than the virus. Last I heard we are a free country. We have cars so instead of buying in Anne Arundel County people will just go to an adjacent county that is open for business. This is ridiculous. We must open. Save the partisan behavior for other issues.
05/22/2020 9:36:02	Edward p. Covert	981 Stonington Drive	Harwood	20776	Yes		Time to open
05/22/2020 9:39:11	Christopher Jensen	947 Bolling Spring Ct.	Arnold	21012	Yes		Stop the arbitrary, unconstitutional closure of businesses, churches, and other Anne Arundel County organizations. The affected businesses should come together and file suit if immediate changes are not made.
05/22/2020 9:42:08	Madeline Fickinger	708 shore road	Millersville	21108	Yes		Please open AACo. as per governor's guidelines.
05/22/2020 9:59:53	mark marsteller	981 Stonington Dr	severna park	21146	Yes	MM2 Enterprise lic	Responding to Jessica Haire request to open small business and repeal the county executive emergency powers. Pittman is going to run our county in the ground. He has basically single highhandedly stopped new building for our land owners and contractors.
05/22/2020 10:01:26	Melinda Jensen	602 Fairmount Rd.	Arnold	21012	Yes		Hello, I am requesting that ALL business in the county be allowed to re-open. The closures we sold to citizens as needed ONLY until the hospitals could prepare to accept the sick. We all know that was achieved long ago so any continued closure of ANY business can only be attributed to political objectives, including the goal of destroying the economy and small businesses. I continue to be hopeful that our leaders will be guided by integrity and I hope you will not disappoint us. When we have leaders who do not act for the good of the community, they need to be removed. The good of the community in this case is that all businesses in Maryland be allowed to re-open immediately.
05/22/2020 10:01:30	John Kenneth Glendenning	816 boatswain way po box 511157	Linthicum Hts. ;	21090	Yes		It is about time to stop most of the restrictions that have been imposed on us. The churches should be opened and retail stores should be opened with masks required and a restriction on the number of people allowed inside. that number should be half the maximum number allowed by the fire code. Ken
05/22/2020 10:06:54	william david worrall	981 Stonington Dr	annapolis	21401	Yes		To County executive Pittman and democrat council members- please provide your justification for shuttering small businesses and places of worship while keeping open the big box stores. I've been to the big box stores and it is impossible to social distance while shopping in the isles. How is going to church one a week for an hour or two, or going to a barber shop once a month, more dangerous than going to big box stores? You should be talking to the small businesses and churches you are discriminating against and ask them how they would intend to meet the intent of social distancing requirements- then take their advice and open them up. To the democrat council members- stop behaving like your rubber-stamped counterparts in Congress and show that you can think for yourselves.
05/22/2020 10:15:27	Catrina Grierson	6320 Johns Lane	Dunkirk	20754	Yes		hello my name is Catrina Grierson the owner of Hair Bizz in Deale of Anne Arundel County. I am very concerned of the initial decision of Anne Arundel County executive Pittman to reorder Anne Arundel after the announcements of Governor Hogan. I feel the long term impact of Anne Arundel community and residents mental health and economy are put at high stakes. My business has personally been effected between the orders of the county executive and Maryland state Governor after we have taken proper safety precautions. I ask to please to take in to account each Anne Arundel citizens and small business to come to common grounds of proper safety requirements and reopening standards for small business of your community.
05/22/2020 10:16:59	Kim R Roane	940 Waterview Drive	Crownsville	21032	Yes		I feel that as long as small Business respect the facemask order and social distancing there's no reason that these big box stores should remain open while small businesses suffer the guidelines need to be improvised I agree with amending.
05/22/2020 10:26:09	Patrick Cassilly	2 Fordham Ct	Millersville	21108	Yes		Stewart Pittman must be stopped. The man is enjoying his five minutes of fame at the expense of our citizens
05/22/2020 10:26:27	Paul William Friel	6227 MEDORA RD	Linthicum	21090	Yes		I support legislation to remove County Executive Steuart Pittman of his emergency powers tomorrow, and to restore the balance of power between the County Executive and your elected Council. The County Executive's application of restrictions to favor large corporate businesses over small business in the county is unfair.
05/22/2020 10:32:52	Michele Lanasa	313 Bay Front Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I support bill 2-20. Council vote is a fair approach. The entire county would be represented. Our voice would be heard. One man's decision for the county is equal to a blanket of despair. Sincerely Michele Lanasa
05/22/2020 10:35:08	Amy Taylor	1853 Carriage Dr	Annapolis	21401	Yes		Bill 41-40 I would like to go on record in support of this bill to strip County Executive Steuart Pittman of his emergency powers and require that the County Executive bring any deviations from the Governor's Orders for reopening to our Council for a vote. It is unfair to the community to have one person deciding the fate of our county, especially since we are no longer concerned about overwhelming our hospitals. This was the reason for the shutdown to begin with!
05/22/2020 10:40:56	Kerry Strom	786 Oakwilde Way	Millersville	21108	Yes		I am writing in support of small businesses and in support of reopening Anne Arundel County's economy. The goal posts keep getting moved at the cost of the county resident's jobs, livelihoods, businesses, and mental health. We closed to avoid a surge. We closed to flatten the curve. I work in a hospital (Medstar Franklin Square) so I see first hand that the surge was avoided. I see first hand that the curve has flattened. AA county now needs to reopen with some reasonable safety measures in place. Open our libraries! Open our schools! Open our neighborhood pools!
05/22/2020 10:48:21	Steven H Johnson	20 Tucker Street (former)	formerly West / 21401 (formerly)	Yes			In this time when nearly 150 people in Anne Arundel County have been killed by Covid 19, I would appreciate seeing compassion and concern from all Council members. It will take exceptional levels of teamwork from all parts of the county to see this through, especially when the President has put more time into being part of the problem than into being part of the solution. Resolutions drawn up in anger would best be set aside in favor of resolutions drawn up in sorrow and compassion and clarity of purpose. Thank you for listening carefully to all of AA County's citizens. (and ex-citizens, like me) Steve Johnson
05/22/2020 10:56:49	Kimberlie Allafi	2530 Ayr Court	Crofton	21114	Yes		I rent a 900 square foot studio in Gambrills MD which incorrectly has been deemed a "gym" for purposes of the attorney general collecting a ridiculous \$300 yearly fee from me. I do personal training in that space, by appointment only. The space is not open to the public to walk in to. Never has been. I've been shut down since March 16, along with big gyms, which is by no means the same type of business I operate. While it may not be advisable for me to do group training in a closed space, I am beyond confused as to why I cannot have a personal training client in there with me, one on one. It is less contact that a haircut. I don't touch my clients and we are able to safely operate with social distancing practices. Not allowing this business but allowing other businesses to operate that are less safe and less essential to HEALTH is ridiculous and goes against the point of the closures and the safer at home order. The way things are currently being handled lacks logic and judgment and these across the board decisions, made without considering differing circumstances, are ridiculous arbitrary and discriminatory.
05/22/2020 10:57:16	Raymond J Gauthier	Suite 4	Annapolis	21401	Yes	Owner of Lynbrook of Annapolis, Inc.	I am a 25 year Anne Arundel County business owner. Due to an arbitrary order my residential construction business was declared "essential" and allowed to remain open. My company from the very beginning posted and practiced safe working guidelines in our offices and worksites. With over 120 people working on our various worksites we have had complete compliance of the workers and supervisors. The only instance where we had a worker show up with symptoms we reacted very quickly, sent him home from the worksite, had him tested, contract traced and "Slowed the Spread" with only five positives and many, many negatives. I say all this because I find it unfathomable that other responsible business owners and employees aren't trusted to act in their best interests and the county sees fit to order them closed. This is a clear violation of their civil rights and is turning tax paying, law abiding good citizens into criminals. This is not the America I grew up in and the arbitrary orders have to be stopped. Emergency powers in a health emergency are necessary but only for a short period which I would argue is never more than thirty days after which the peoples' representatives need to take over and pass fair and reasonable responses. America is not a dictatorship of those who seem to think they know better than their fellow citizens. Allow our businesses to open. Trust your fellow citizens to act responsibly. Autocratic orders are unamerican and not necessary. According to the Maryland COVID dashboard hospitalizations have been flat and declining for the past 23 days, exceeding the CDC recommended fourteen day gating requirement. Slowing the Spread has been accomplished, remove the emergency powers and let the AA county businesses open as is their right to do.
05/22/2020 11:01:35	Brigitte Smith	846 Pat Ln	Arnold	21012	Yes		If you look at the county statistics infections and the population of our county we are at a very very low percentage of infection based on our total population. You are killing the small owners who have been the backbone of the county. People can not continue to survive even with government funds to help local business. Once businesses are open it is going to take some time for people to get back to business. We need to use this time to allow phase one of the governors direction and get back to business! Instead of waiting for government stimulus money allow us to make our own money in this county and invite our customers back.
05/22/2020 11:06:11	Cheri Tyler Jefferson	509 Lethbridge Ct	Millersville	21108	Yes		I do not agree with the proposed bill regarding emergency powers. The councilwoman failed to mention that the stores she mentioned as being questionable to be opened are stores that sell food. That is why I completely disagree with the need for her resolution. She did not give me all the facts. All the information is one sided. Not an honest assessment of the situation. So how can I support her/it. I don't
05/22/2020 11:06:32	Charles J. Nemphos	5174 Mountain Rd.	Pasadena	21122	Yes		I am writing in support of Bill 40-41. As a small business person on Mountain Rd. and a resident of AA County. I am perplexed that the county executive would not follow the Governors Phased in approach to reopening of business in our county. The People need to get back to work! Please Help the Small Business Owners and employees of our county. Vote for this Bill.
05/22/2020 11:11:16	Kim	7889 Pepperbox Lane	Pasadena	21122	Yes		It is time to get our lives back to some kind of normal and to do that you have to start letting the small businesses open their doors! Its just not right or fair to keep them shut down, let them open back up following the guidelines that the Governor outlined!!
05/22/2020 11:11:43	James Phillip Everhart Sr.	762 216th St	Pasadena	21122	Yes		When the pandemic started we were told that staying indoors would help to flatten the curve on infections requiring a hospital stay. Our local hospitals would not be able to handle the COVID-19 cases. The curve is now flattened and our county businesses and churches should be able to operate with some safety features in mind. Why am I able to walk into a Home Depot, Walmart, Food Lion, following a few safety guidelines such as distancing, face masks, hand sanitizer, but not attend my church where these guidelines could easily be followed? The First Amendment provides several rights protections: to express ideas through speech and the press, to assemble or gather with a group to protest or for other reasons, and to ask the government to fix problems. It also protects the right to religious beliefs and practices. It prevents the government from creating or favoring a religion. I am asking you to fix a problem, not kick the can down the road. Our small businesses and local places of worship should be allowed to open if reasonable safety guidelines can be followed. County Executive Pittman should not have absolute power to lead our county. The County Council working WITH, not FOR the County Executive allows for better ideas and recommendations for our Anne Arundel County. The curve has been flattened, please open up the county. "If you tell a big enough lie and tell it frequently enough, it will be believed." ? Adolf Hitler

Invite to Audience for May 26

Date received	Name	Address	City	Zip	Representing yourself?	Group name?	Remarks
05/22/2020 11:21:21	Michael Everett	8155 Solomons Crossing	Millersville	21108	Yes		I support the legislation to repeal the County Executive's emergency powers and make the reopening conversation public with input from your elected County Council members. All businesses should be allowed to operate in the same manner that Target or Walmart or a liquor store can, with appropriate safety protocols in place. Capacity restrictions, mask requirements, and social distancing allow all companies to reopen without sacrificing safety.
05/22/2020 11:30:10	Debbie Hart	1801 Crosspointe Dr	Annapolis	21401	Yes		It is past time to open our small businesses in Annapolis and Anne Arundel County. Hair salons, nail shops, churches etc are ready to responsibly and safely open their doors. I go to Safeway or Giant on a daily basis and there are at least one hundred people in those stores at any given time. Why is it safe to go there but we cannot get our hair cut or buy something at a boutique when those places are willing and ready to use more safety precautions than the big box stores? I actually had a Giant store employee come up to me and hug me a couple of weeks ago...oh the double standards and the irony! Please open Annapolis and Anne Arundel County now!
05/22/2020 11:39:22	Elice Shelton	2567 Forest Knoll	Annapolis	21401	Yes		I am appalled by the County Executive, Stuart Pittman's decision to punish churches and small businesses with his draconian restrictions. We are not children and are capable of making wise decisions and staying safe while doing so. Pittman's decision flies in the face of the Constitution, abridging our rights as citizens. We will not forget this discrimination against us, when it comes to election time.
05/22/2020 11:43:49	hess susan	6395 genoa rd	Tracys Landing	20779	Yes		Open ALL business now.
05/22/2020 11:47:08	Chris Shelton	2567 Forest Knoll	Annapolis	21401	Yes		Churches need to be able to meet. Worship(in person) is an essential part of a believer in Christ's Identity.
05/22/2020 11:49:52	Gary Hess	6395 Genoa Rd	Tracy's Landing	20779	Yes		Closings are ridiculous. Open all business now. Hurting the economy more than the virus.
05/22/2020 11:53:21	Susan Steele	406 Alan A Dale Rd	Annapolis	21405	Yes		Please allow public input on the decision to lighten Covid restrictions. It's not fair to allow big box stores to open and not small businesses. Protect our elderly facilities and allow younger people to pursue their livelihoods
05/22/2020 11:57:14	Eugene	4105985151	Pasadena	21122	Yes		We need to reopen now, the small business owners cannot survive if we don't.
05/22/2020 12:11:18	Michael Linynsky	Crownsville	MD	21032	Yes		I would like the council to consider repealing the County Executive's Emergency powers. After listening/reading Council woman Jessica Haire's comments, I do think that the County Executive is going to far. We all know that the CE is acting on what he thinks is best for us, but that is the idea of king, not an elected official. Even the Public Health Officer admits that choosing which stores were open was "arbitrary".
05/22/2020 12:43:11	mike thomas	1856 neumann way	Crofton	21114	No	lighthouse insurance services	We really need to get AA County running again. the small local shops are going to be destroyed if they can't be allowed to open at their option using the mandated safety procedures already in place for the businesses that are already open. Thanks.
05/22/2020 12:43:25	Robert M. Bauman	118 Round Bay Road	Severna Park	21146	Yes		I stand in support of Bill 41-40 to bring equal representation under the law back into County governance. The actions of the County Executive have exceeded his authority, both legally and morally, to selectively target small businesses and religious organizations to continue to be locked down in defiance of the national and state mandates to the contrary, let alone its violation of their rights under the US and Maryland Constitutions. The County Executive was elected to represent ALL the people of the county in concert with the County Council. His actions have shown his disdain for certain groups of his constituents that are arbitrary and capricious without reason or historical data to back it up. This has caused continued economic and emotional harm that mounts by the day with incalculable damage resting on the recommendation of one person, the County Health Officer, who is not even elected. But yet, all County employees are still getting paid, thus having no "skin in the game". Maybe if they were forced to suffer as the small businesses and churches are, you all would be singing a different tune. You have no legal authority to deny any of your constituents the God given right to their livelihood. Safeguards are in place. The reasons for the shut down in the first place no longer exist. The people should be represented by their elected Council to give some balance against this ill begotten, unilateral authority being exercised by the County Executive. Exercising dictatorial power for power's sake is a poor way to govern, unlawful and unAmerican. It should not be allowed to continue.
05/22/2020 12:46:01	Donald F Mack Jr	1808 Fox Creek Court	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		I have never understood the logic of what is essential and what is not. For example, Liquor stores were open during the shut down, even though they are typically in very small spaces. We need to start opening up the County to help our small businesses. There is no reason that common sense rules can be enforced that keep us safe. I am an equestrian and I am very familiar with the stress that deeming equestrian activities as non essential have put on horse farms in the area. They rely on lesson programs and summer camps to remain solvent. As a boarder I am deeply concerned that farms will be shutting down due to the financial pain caused by the pandemic and amplified by the extremely arbitrary direction provided by the horse council. Our county executive should understand that. We need to figure out a way to live safely with this virus because it will be around for awhile. Even vaccinations are not the final solution, since a vaccination is not a 100% guarantee.
05/22/2020 12:48:27	Beverly Svehlak	925 Placid Ct.	Arnold	21012	Yes		Mr.Pittman, We are at the point in AAC where the effects of the cure are worse than the disease. Focusing on the health safety of the elderly and on getting people back to work has got to be our focus and it seems we are moving at a snail's pace, even as compared to many of our neighboring counties. Our county's business people are resourceful and will find responsible creative ways to open their businesses safely. PLEASE TRUST THE PEOPLE OF YOUR COUNTY TO BE RESPONSIBLE AND RETURN TO US OUR GOD-GIVEN FREEDOMS AND RIGHTS! Most sincerely, Bev Svehlak
05/22/2020 13:04:19	Joyce Schwartz	236 Old Magothy Bridge Rd.	Pasadena	21122-4463	Yes		Yes, we should be open. Small businesses and restaurants are suffering. I think a lot of people want to make our country socialist. If you can go to big stores like Walmart, why can't you go to small business. Hair Cattery cannot open. How could they survive with one person in shop. Their salons are large. You easily would be 6 feet away.
05/22/2020 13:10:10	Ron Johnson	553 Beach	Annapolis	21401	Yes		Let's give small business a chance to recover before it is too late to do so!
05/22/2020 13:35:43	Susan Grant	2204 228th St	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Do NOT open small businesses! Good decisions have been made about what's essential and what is not. I don't know what's wrong with the county health official. Lives are more important than economy, and we have a government to HELP at times like these, to help those who have lost their livelihoods without killing customers! We need to avoid a new spike in COVID-19, because it will surely follow a too rapid opening. The fact that you have sponsored such stupid legislation, despite all the valid information freely available, means I will remember your name so I can vote for your opponent at the first opportunity.
05/22/2020 13:59:14	Walter R. Shock Sr	54 Benson Avenue	Millersville	21108	Yes		Our current County Exec has not done anything right to date. His constant pushing to make the county a "Section 8" sanctuary is not realistic. The failure to open businesses at this time --- typical Democrat activity. Would be more than happy to receive his resignation --- today.
05/22/2020 14:14:04	Sloane R Franklin	1641 Maryland 3, Suite 202	Crofton	21114	Yes		Bill 41-40. I have been a resident of Anne Arundel County for 23 years and a small business owner, in the County, for 12 years. I have sat back and watched this County slowly deteriorate. The last couple of months have been extremely hard on my business, as well as other small businesses. Although, I have a small nest egg to weather this storm, many of the other businesses do not. Enough is enough. Why do the large stores continue to operate, if the mom and pop stores do not? It is clear that the County Executive does not care about us small businesses This County should be opening up like most of the State. I ask you to support and pass Bill 41-40 and remove the County Executive's emergency power. It is the only prudent thing to do. If not, many small businesses are going to go bankrupt. I for one am looking to move my business to another county. I would hate to do this because Anne Arundel County has so much to offer. However, enough is enough. It is your hands. God speed.
05/22/2020 15:19:07	Mary Lou Byrd	15105 Marlboro Pike	Upper Marlboro	20772	Yes		
05/22/2020 15:38:51	HUGH & LUCILE SEBORG	1456 Crofton Parkway	Crofton	21114	Yes		My husband has a fingernail problem caused by his chemo medication. He has to go once a month to have acrylic nails put on. Now he cannot pick up anything because of the shops being closed for an extended period. The operator always wears a mask and he wears a mask so why are you not letting these shops open???
05/22/2020 15:51:43	Mary Sue Bumgarner	8334 Sail Ct.	Pasadena	21122	Yes		
05/22/2020 15:55:33	James Michael Voshell	4072 Curled Dock Lane	Odenton	21113	Yes		The time has come to allow small businesses and churches to re-open now. It's simply to allow Home Depot, Liquor stores, Target, Wal-Mart etc. to thrive while our business owner neighbors are being forced out of business. The goal was to flatten the curve--mission accomplished. Now we must move on. Protect the vulnerable, but move on. With all of this in mind, I support legislation to strip County Executive Stuart Pittman of his emergency powers tomorrow, and to restore the balance of power between the County Executive and your elected Council. Sincerely, jim voshell
05/22/2020 16:05:10	Dana Carson	8362 Forest Glen Drive	Pasadena	21122	Yes		
05/22/2020 18:04:08	Kathryn G Bellotte	3484 Olympia Road	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		I fully support keeping the county locked down more then the state overall. I see no reason to sacrifice the population to keep the big stock owners rich.
05/22/2020 18:04:17	Charles Snyder	13 Chesapeake Landing	Annapolis	21403	Yes		I am writing to let the County Council and the County Executive that I am in favor of opening up our County immediately and allow the small businesses currently closed to start business as usual.
05/22/2020 18:53:32	Dorothy Sample	1724 Severn Forest Dr	Annapolis	21401	Yes		I support Bill 41-40 requiring the County Executive to bring any deviations from the Governor's orders to the County Council for a vote.
05/22/2020 19:01:41	Flizabeh Huchins Sharland	1724 Aberdeen Circle	Crofton	21114	Yes		I support Councilwoman Haire's bill to extend Corona Virus policy beyond that allowed by County Executive Pittman's policy now in effect. Sincerely Elizabeth Sharland
05/22/2020 20:00:26	Carol Walters	299 Dogwood Road	Millersville	21108	Yes		I am trusting that Mr. Pittman has more info than the general public regarding the dangers of opening businesses too soon. Do you want to direct your Mom or Grandmother to go shopping and have a great time and forget about the possibility that they could bring covid 19 back to the rest of the family and friends and heaven forbid she would need hospitalization herself? I am so sorry for the shop owners whose businesses are in trouble, but I want to live a longer life with my friends and family. Let's wait a bit longer until our infection #s are down to a safer level.
05/23/2020 2:51:58	Patricia Szuba	2901 Rockingham Ct	Pasadena	21122	Yes		Open AA county. Small businesses are failing. And Stuart Pittman is failing us.
05/23/2020 6:20:55	Larry Bloom	252 Shakespeare Ct	Severna Park	21146	Yes		Please fully open the County and State. Our resources should be directed to protecting the most vulnerable, especially in our assisted living and nursing facilities. The draconian shut down orders are unconstitutional and proven to be ineffective. Look at Florida's model that is working. I am an essential worker and have practiced safe distancing while at work and when out and about trying my best to support the local businesses that have remained open. Many of these businesses may not survive if we do not open immediately.
05/23/2020 8:03:24	Mark B. Childs	24 Nutwell Rd.	Lothian	20711	Yes		I am fortunate to have been considered an "essential" business/individual during this tragedy turned travesty. I cannot imagine being forced out of work, forced to stay home, forced to have no income, forced to do anything that is harmful to a humans well being and survival. There is so much more to the "pandemic" than the health issues and we are allowing ourselves to be controlled in a manner desired by the people that are supposed to stand for our rights. What Stuart Pittman did to the citizens of our county, putting himself above all as a novice want to be politician that has caused considerable economic damage already, is unacceptable. He put himself in a position of supreme commander and subjected the ability of the people he is supposed to represent to more insanity and helplessness. Go for it Jessica, pull whatever power you can away so that folks can do what they want to do, live the way they want to live.
05/23/2020 9:06:53	Stephanie Snyder	13 Chesapeake Lndg	Annapolis	21403	Yes		As a small business owner / self-employed individual, I have been financially devastated this first quarter as a result of the stay-at-home enforcement. I also work part time as a commercial leasing agent and have fielded many calls from small business owners unable to pay their business rent, unable to obtain PPP for various reasons or to obtain other grants or loans. It's heartrending to hear their desperation and fear that they won't survive this crisis. What's worse, those in power don't seem to care! The State should reopen per the Governor's orders to halt the destruction of potentially thousands of small businesses.
05/24/2020 19:35:08	Michael Scavone	3441 Riva rd	Davidsonville	21035	Yes		It's so not fair how you man date this business or that business to open and close. You're screwing with people's lives. It seems you Democrats have marbles rolling around up there on your shoulders
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