

Letters to the editor: More money won't help Whittier City Council

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The only suggested "good" that can come from oil drilling the Whittier Hills is possible city revenue. However, there are no guarantees that the noise, dust, trucks, pollution, etc., will yield any set amount. The amount will be decided by the oil company only after the wells are dug and profits are guaranteed.

The track record of money spending by our city fathers has been poor at best. (Remember the moving of the Train Depot and the huge cost overruns on the Greenway Trail?)

What makes anyone think they will make better choices with more money? Giving more money to a City Council is a lot like asking a sailor on Saturday liberty if he can use a few bucks.

When will we just say "no more development" on what little open land we have left?

We need a citywide referendum on this and not leave it up to the council members who are a poor source of unbiased information on this very important issue.

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Drug cartel threat

It is highly unfortunate that President Obama is ignoring the growing threat posed by the drug cartels currently trying to overthrow Mexico's democratically elected government. If they succeed against Mexico, these cartels will then begin targeting Americans. Indeed they already are. Several Americans have been murdered on American soil by cartel members violating U.S. territorial sovereignty and Obama has done nothing.

It doesn't matter if

the victims were of Mexican descent. The fact is they were U.S. citizens and it is the job of the president to defend the life and property of Americans in America from violent assault by foreigners out to destroy freedom.

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