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Topic State Of Emergency

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### Comments

It is disturbing that this commission finds a new way to contort statistics to cling to state of emergency powers. There is no easily accessible information on the feckless spending on testing. Many people aren't getting results for 7-10 days, and not self-quarantining in the wait. Meanwhile, county propaganda encourages healthy people to get tested, causing backlogs in results. The BCC answer? Spend more on the same ineffective system. Many of the tourists that enabled a spike are going home because it's the end of the summer. Commissioner Gerard has essentially expressed that they matter to her more than citizens. I'm sure we will never hear her make that connection. Her disdain for the community she serves is more than visible on her face, weekly. It's also audible when she speaks of allowing community commentary or when she laughs when viable questions or salient points are raised. She has to love putting the mask muzzle on the community. She clearly has no desire to hear us. Even when she pretends she does, it almost seems painful for her. Please try to stop being greedy for power and spending us into higher taxes. Try to be actual servant leaders to the taxpayers that pay your bloated salaries. People are finally paying attention; the days of running unopposed are long gone. Sincerely,  
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