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## **Boling: Chargers tax is not a good deal for San Diegans**

“I would like to see the Chargers remain in San Diego, but not at any price,” said April Boling, a board member and former board chair of the San Diego County Taxpayers Association. “The Chargers plan would raise taxes for a billionaire NFL owner to pay for a football stadium that would generate tens of millions dollars more a year in profits for the owner, yet the owner has little to no skin in the game. Stadium naming rights and personal seat licenses would backfill most, if not all, of his share of the \$1.8 billion project.”

Boling added: “Worse, the tax increase the Chargers are proposing would give San Diego the honor of being home to one of the highest hotel taxes in the country, to pay for a stadium and a convention center annex that Comic-Con and the Convention Center have publicly opposed. This is not a good deal for San Diegans. It is only a good deal for the Chargers and the team’s development partner, which wants to build a hotel on property it owns next to the new facility.”

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