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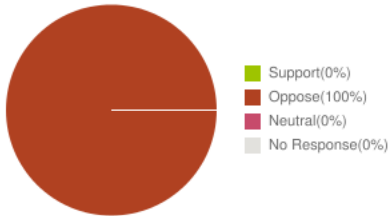
## eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
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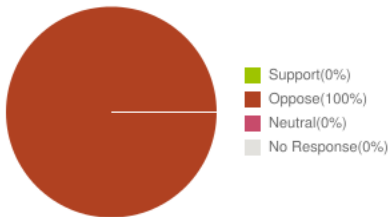
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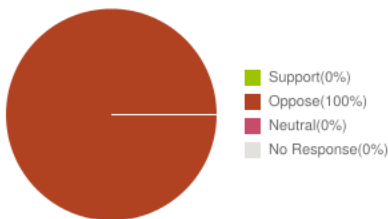
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#### Overall Sentiment



### Ken Garber

Location:

Submitted At: 9:48am 06-18-21

The city should contract with a different energy lawyer. Rivenoak's principal attorney, Valerie Brader, has impressive credentials and experience, but consider her clients and their public positions. She intervened on Enbridge Energy's side in its Line 5 pipeline tunnel application (MPSC case U-20763) for three different clients, including the Michigan Oil & Gas Association last August. On June 1 she filed an amicus brief in Governor Whitmer's federal lawsuit to shut down Enbridge's existing Line 5 pipeline (case 1:20-cv-01142-JTN-RSK). Ms. Brader's client's position: keep the pipeline open and the crude oil flowing. She represents Lambda Gathering, an

oil and gas pipeline operator, and she filed its May 28 pipeline application (MPSC case U-21091). Lawyers, of course, represent clients of opportunity. But Ann Arbor needs a lawyer who fights for the things we value: environmental protection (as we define it, not Enbridge) and rapid decarbonization. Ms. Brader is clearly not that person.