



CITY OF SANTA CRUZ
809 Center Street
Santa Cruz, California 95060

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (TPWC)

Regular Meeting

August 17, 2020

6:00 P.M. GENERAL BUSINESS AND MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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Transportation and Public Works Commission (TPWC)

6:00 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Absent with Notification

Statements of Disqualification

Oral Communications

Announcements

Presentations

Approval of Minutes

- 1. June 15, 2020 Transportation and Public Works Commission Draft Minutes**

Motion to approve the June 15, 2020 Transportation and Public Works Commission meeting minutes.

Consent

General Business

- 2. 100 Block of Olive Street - Parking Changes Appeal (Public Hearing)**

Motion that the Transportation and Public Works Commission consider the appeal of the Public Works staff decision to install designated single space markings “parking T’s”, a designated shuttle drop off zone, and additional red curb markings on the 100 block of Olive Street between Mission Street and Toledo Street, and at the close of the hearing, deny the appeal.

Information Items

- 3. Slow Streets Update**
- 4. CIP Update**

Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas

Adjournment



Transportation and Public Works Commission

Regular Meeting

Draft Minutes

6:00 p.m., Monday, June 15, 2020

Zoom Webinar

Call to Order 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Chair Peggy Dolgenos, Vice Chair Robert Orrizzi; Commissioners: Philip Boutelle, Candace Brown, Jonathan Coleman, Ron Goodman, and Shawn Orgel-Olson

Absent with Notification: None

Statements of Disqualification: None

Oral Communications None

Announcements 6:03 P.M.

Mark Dettle, Director of Public Works, gave an update on the status of the current City budget. He noted that the City is undergoing a 10% staff reduction, depending on negotiations. He advised the Commission that the City will likely go into a furlough, reducing staff's work week to 36 hours. If the furlough is not approved by the City, this may mean about 23 layoffs in the Public Works department alone.

Presentations: None

Approval of Minutes 6:04 P.M.

1. May 18, 2020 Transportation and Public Works Commission Draft Minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Brown moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodman to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2020 Transportation and Public Works Commission Meeting with the noted corrections to the numbering and motion of items 3 and 4 to include Commissioner names.

ACTION: The motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: Chair Dolgenos, Vice Chair Orrizzi, Commissioners: Boutelle, Brown, Coleman, Goodman, and Orgel-Olson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

DISQUALIFIED: None

Consent: None

General Business 6:07 P.M.

2. Future of Bike Share, Scooters, and Shared Mobility

Claire Gallogly, Transportation Planner, gave a presentation on the future of bike share, scooters and shared mobility for the City of Santa Cruz.

At 7:15 P.M. Chair Dolgenos opened public comment and the following people spoke:

Gina Cole
Piet Cannon
Sam Sadle
Stephen Svete
Dana Bagshaw

At 7:29 PM Chair Dolgenos closed public comment.

The Commission unanimously motioned to revisit options A and B of the Shared Mobility plan at a future meeting date.

ACTION: The motion carried unanimously with no official vote:

AYES: Chair Dolgenos, Vice Chair Orrizzi, Commissioners: Boutelle, Brown, Coleman, Goodman, and Orgel-Olson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

DISQUALIFIED: None

3. Slow Streets Recommendation

Commissioners Goodman and Brown gave a presentation on the potential Slow Streets program within the City of Santa Cruz during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

At 8:28 P.M. Chair Dolgenos opened public comment and the following people spoke:

Stephen Svete
Greg Larson
David Revell
Robert Oatey
Gina Cole

Chloe Ortiz

At 8:43 P.M Chair Dolgenos closed public comment.

MOTION: Commissioner Boutelle moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodman that the Transportation and Public Works Commission recommend that the City Council adopt a Slow Streets program to promote public health during the COVID-19 pandemic and, with the pending approval of the allocated \$200,000 from the Measure D budget, direct the Bike and Pedestrian Ad Hoc Subcommittee develop program guidelines with staff and outside City partners, and report back at the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 17, 2020.

ACTION: The motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: Chair Dolgenos, Vice Chair Orrizzi, Commissioners: Boutelle, Brown, Coleman, Goodman, and Orgel-Olson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

DISQUALIFIED: None

4. Direction of the Transportation and Public Works Commission 2020 Project Open House Meeting

Motion carried to cancel the October 19, 2020 Transportation and Public Works Open House and replace it with a regularly scheduled meeting on that date.

At 9:10 Chair Dolgenos opened public comment and there were no speakers.

At 9:10 P.M. Chair Dolgenos closed public comment.

MOTION: Vice Chair Orrizzi moved, seconded by Commissioner Orgel-Olson to cancel the October 19, 2020 Transportation and Public Works Open House and replace it with a regularly scheduled meeting on that date.

ACTION: The motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: Chair Dolgenos, Vice Chair Orrizzi, Commissioners: Boutelle, Brown, Coleman, Goodman, and Orgel-Olson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

DISQUALIFIED: None

Informational Items 9:12 P.M.

5. Resilient Coast Santa Cruz update

Tiffany Wise-West, Sustainability and Climate Action Manger, gave an update on the Resilient Coast program for the City of Santa Cruz.

6. Public Works Department Budget Update

Mark Dettle, Director of Public Works, gave an update on the current status of the Public Works budget.

Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports None

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas: 10:00 P.M.

CIP update

Adjournment 10:01 P.M.

MOTION: Commissioner Goodman moved, seconded by Commissioner Brown to adjourn from the June 15, 2020 Transportation and Public Works Commission meeting.

ACTION: The motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: Chair Dolgenos, Vice Chair Orrizzi, Commissioners: Boutelle, Brown, Coleman, Goodman, and Orgel-Olson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

DISQUALIFIED: None



TPWC AGENDA REPORT

DATE: 08/06/2020

AGENDA OF: 08/17/2020

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

SUBJECT: 100 Block of Olive Street – Parking Changes Appeal

RECOMMENDATION: Motion that the Transportation and Public Works Commission consider the appeal of the Public Works staff decision to install designated single space markings “parking T’s”, a designated shuttle drop off zone, and additional red curb markings on the 100 block of Olive Street between Mission Street and Toledo Street, and at the close of the hearing, deny the appeal.

BACKGROUND: In August of 2019, the City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department received an initial request from the property owner, Ada Ross, to restrict overnight parking, install single space markings, and other suggested parking restrictions at the 100 block of Olive Street (Attachment 1). Staff conducted a field review of the parking conditions on Olive Street and completed a layout to include designated “parking T’s” or single space markings, a designated shuttle drop off zone for University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) bike shuttle program, and additional red curb markings.

This review was concluded in March 2020 but posting the notice of change was delayed due to the current Covid-19 pandemic. Once regular work duties resumed, the public notice of change was posted as required for a 14 day period in June, at which time Alicia Kuhl officially appealed the proposed changes (Attachment 2).

DISCUSSION: Following staff’s review, staff determined the original request could be satisfied with the following changes to the parking configuration and could not determine sufficient evidence to deny the original request. The layout enhanced the red curb markings near the fire hydrants located on Olive Street, provided accommodation for the UCSC bike shuttle, and designated eight single space parking stalls while leaving the existing restrictions in place.

Existing Parking Constraints (Attachment 3):

- 2 hour parking limit except by permit 8AM- 6PM
- Two parking spaces designated for Zip-Car program
- Two parking lot ingress & egress driveways

Proposed Changes/Additions (Attachment 4):

- Single space markings “Parking T’s” total of eight designated parking spots
- Red curb no parking at dead end adjacent to fire hydrant
- Red curb no parking at corners near Mission Street adjacent to and across from fire hydrant

- Install designated UCSC bike shuttle parking
- No changes to existing constraints; they will remain in place

The appeals process has been followed by staff as described in Municipal Code 10.16.015. Staff posted the proposed changes Public Notice for the required 14 day at the site and mailed the required notice to adjacent properties within 300 feet of the proposed change (Attachment 5). During the 14 day period we received an official appeal and a number of communications in support and in opposition to the proposed changes (Attachments 6 & 7). Staff recommends that the Transportation Public Works Commission considers the appeal and deny the appeal at the close of public hearing, pursuant to Municipal Code 10.16.015 section (g).

10.16.015 TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES – CITIZEN REQUEST APPEAL PROCEDURE.

Any person who has requested the installation or removal of a traffic-control device may appeal the traffic engineer's decision to approve or deny the citizen request in accordance with the following procedure:

- (a) All citizen requests for the installation or removal of traffic-control devices shall be directed to the city traffic engineer in writing. After reviewing the request, the city traffic engineer shall approve or deny the request.
- (b) If the traffic engineer, in response to a citizen request, approves the installation or removal of a traffic-control device, the traffic engineer shall notice all affected occupants, business and property owners within 300 feet of the traffic-control device. This notice shall be sent fourteen days prior to the initiation of a work order for the installation or removal of such traffic-control devices. In addition the traffic engineer shall cause a copy of the notice to be posted at the site where the traffic-control device is to be installed or removed. The person who initiated the citizen request, and all affected occupants, business and property owners within 300 feet of the traffic-control device, may appeal the traffic engineer's decision to approve the installation or removal of a traffic-control device during this fourteen-day review period.
- (c) If the traffic engineer, in response to a citizen request, denies such request for the installation or removal of a traffic-control device, the person who requested such installation or removal shall have fourteen days from the date of the traffic engineer's written notification of denial to appeal the traffic engineer's decision.
- (d) The appeal must be in writing and submitted to the city public works department. The written letter of appeal must state that it is made from a decision or action taken by the traffic engineer to install or remove traffic-control devices. The appeal must be signed by the appellant or appellant's representative, and set forth the mailing address to which the traffic engineer may direct notice of public hearing on the appeal. If the final day for filing an appeal occurs on a weekend day or holiday, the final filing date shall be extended to the next following work day.
- (e) If no appeals are received during the fourteen-day review period, the traffic engineer may initiate a work order to install or remove the traffic-control device.
- (f) All appeals will go to the city transportation commission for a public hearing. The traffic engineer will notice the appellant, occupants, businesses, and property owners within 300 feet of the traffic-control device at least seven days prior to the public hearing scheduled for the city transportation commission's agenda. In addition the traffic engineer shall cause a copy of the notice to be posted at the site where the traffic-control device is to be installed or removed.
- (g) Upon completion of the public hearing, the city transportation commission shall either uphold or deny the appeal.
- (h) The city transportation commission's decision may be appealed to the city council in accordance with Chapter 1.16 of this code.

(Ord. 96-20 § 2, 1996).

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact, other than staff time to install required paint and signs.

Prepared By:
Brian Borguno
Parking Program Manager

Submitted By:
Mark R. Dettle
Director of Public Works

Approved By:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. ATTACHMENT 1 – LETTER FROM REQUESTOR TO THE TPWC.PDF
2. ATTACHMENT 2 – LETTER OF APPEAL.PDF
3. ATTACHMENT 3 – EXISTING CONDITIONS 100 OLIVE STREET.PDF
4. ATTACHMENT 4 – OLIVE STREET PARKING LAYOUT MAP PROPOSED CHANGES.PDF
5. ATTACHMENT 5 – STREET POSTING & POSTCARD MAILER.PDF
6. ATTACHMENT 6 – ADDITIONAL LETTERS OF SUPPORT.PDF
7. ATTACHMENT 7 – ADDITIONAL LETTERS OF OPPOSITION.PDF

6/24/2020

Hi Brian and members of the Transportation Public Works Commission,

My name is Ada Ross. My husband Peter Ross and I own the last house on Toledo, right across the empty lot from Olive St. We bought this house with the intention of moving into it when we retire (in a couple of years). Until we do – it is rented.

In July of 2019 we were informed by our renters that they are facing some problems with RVs camping on Olive St. They complained about noise, partying, evidence of drug dealing, fights and trash. Our renters, a family of 3 Santa Cruz natives who own a property elsewhere in Santa Cruz, but wanted to move to this school district, were concerned, and started keeping a log of what they witnessed and of their actions, such as calling police, vehicle abatement, etc. (see attached in this document).

Their concerns grew when they found out that one of the campers had posted their identity on Facebook as “false complainers” (see attached in this document). The picture on the post was of their daughter, and that worried them even more. They felt threatened and bullied, their daughter was afraid to walk unaccompanied in the area, and the noise and disturbance started to affect their lives. The distance from their bedroom window to the camped RVs is only 100 feet.

Once we received the complaint, we started a “campaign” to try to bring a change to the parking situation on Olive St. We were concerned about the growing “campground” so close to our property, and we found out that we are not alone: many residents expressed their dismay about the camping increasing and going un-checked.

We wrote letters to everyone on the City Council, talked to and sent letters to SCPD, Vehicle Abatement office, City Manager Office, District Attorney Office, CVS, Owners of CVS property & Public Works. We started organized the neighborhood to write letters to voice their concerns. Those letters from last year, along with letters we wrote to City officials, are all attached bellow.

Our renters, who intended to rent from us for 6 years, until their daughter graduated from High School, moved away after one year only. They could not cope with the disturbance and the harassment.

We regret that we could not provide them with safe and hassle free environment, and “quiet enjoyment” required by our lease.

A year later, here we are. The RV camping continues, but you (Public Works) are trying to help and bring a change to the parking configuration on Olive. We hope very much that you will succeed.

We understand and acknowledge that the homeless problem in Santa Cruz is enormous, and that there is no one, easy solution for it. We empathize with those who cannot afford their own homes, owning or renting. We wish that more of our tax dollars could be directed towards a healthy and companionate solution to this problem. However, camping on neighborhood streets is not the solution, and we will continue to fight the negative effects that this phenomenon is having on our neighborhood. We urge you to come up with a suitable solution as soon as possible, to stop the RV parking on Olive St.

Thank you,

Ada & Peter Ross.

Brian Borguno

Subject: RE: Olive St. at CVS Parking

From: Ada [REDACTED]
Subject: Olive St. at CVS Parking
Date: September 10, 2019 at 10:55:29 AM PDT
To: citypw@cityofsantacruz.com
Cc: Jon Bush <jbush@cityofsantacruz.com>, Ralph Dimarucut <rdimarucut@cityofsantacruz.com>

9/10/19

Re: Parking Laws changes to Olive St.

Mr. Dettle,

It is our understanding that our request for a change to the parking situation on Olive St. between Mission and Toledo is waiting for your department's decision.

At my meeting yesterday with Chief Mills he recommended that I reach out to you.

We own the last house on Toledo St, across an empty lot from Olive, where transients overnight parking (& day parking also) suddenly became a problem.

Our house was rented to a family of 3, who started to experience issues of excessive noise, screaming in the middle of the night, visible drug dealings – all happening a short distance from their bedroom window.

Several times they called the police when they witnessed a behavior which they were concerned about. Police came sometimes, and sometimes not.

The complains to the PD resulted in a bullying campaign against them, which lead to their decision to move out. The group (under the leadership of Alicia kuhl, a Homeless activist who lives in her RV with her partner and 3 small children) obtained the name of my renters – and the online posts began. My renter's name and her Facebook profile, including a picture of her daughter, was published on a Homeless Advocate Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SantaCruzCountyHomelessAdvocates/>

with accusations of “false complains” to Police, with threats and smearing, and downright incitements. One just has to follow the responses to the posts to understand why she was driven to moving out. She was scared out of her mind, for her daughter’s safety and her own. Additional posts “exposing” and harassing her Facebook friends who tried to come to her defense quickly followed.

The ongoing incitement resulted in an incident of a man jumping the fenced empty lot at 1:30 am on August 28th, reaching my property’s fence, and yelling at my renters: “I am a Boogie Man, I am gonna get you both, I am gonna kill you”. Police was called, the man was removed from the empty lot, but to our knowledge, nothing else came out of that incident.

We, home owners and tax payers, believe that having to live with this kind of threat and this poisonous environment is unacceptable.

Our renters have moved out only a year after moving in. They had moved to our house so that their daughter can attend the school of their choice, and were going to rent it for 6 years, until her graduation. We truly regret the fact that our responsibilities as landlords to this family, providing them with a safe home, could not be met.

We ask that you consider our request for a change on that strip of Olive St. We understand that in the current environment in the City, with the Homeless crisis and political wars, parking change to “no night” parking is the only chance we have to return to sanity.

Many of our neighbors are concerned about safety due to the night parking there, and several of them sent emails regarding the issue in support of a change. Jon Bush (SCPD) has copies of all the emails and other data we have collected in the past two months. He will be happy to share them with you if requested.

Thank you for your consideration,

Peter & Ada Ross

ATTACHMENT LETTER OF APPEAL.

From: Alicia Kuhl

Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 2:05 PM

To: Kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com <Kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>

Subject: Opposition to changing the Parking on Olive street

This is an attempt to break up the Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dweller encampment. It has been up and running for over a year, and if this tactic is successful it would essentially break up an encampment during shelter in place which is against the CDC guidelines. It is important to note that we are not being offered a safe parking alternative, and marking the spots is a direct attempt to make sure that RV's cannot fit any longer.

I would also like to point out that the signs themselves are deceptive.

#1 The sign says there are no current parking restrictions and there are. Currently there are signs posted that say 2 hour parking except by permit Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m..

Essentially this means that during the day the parking spots are readily available for people as well as the UCSC shuttle bus. However if they were to slot the spots, the encampment that Parks here at night time especially the RVs would no longer be able to do so.

#2 they have only placed a few of these signs on the street for public view, the signs are tiny they are hardly noticeable, I fear this is an attempt to lower the public opposition towards this maneuver.

In summary, there is no justifiable reason to do this! Parking is readily available for the community during the day, and the only reason they would do this is to stop us from being able to safely Park here in the nighttime. I believe this is a violation of breaking up encampments during a pandemic, it is a way to sideline the CDC recommendations.

I appreciate any help and assistance,

Thank you,
Alicia Kuhl

President of the Santa Cruz chapter of the California Homeless Union

 7/29/2020

100 Block Olive Street



Existing Parking Constraints:

2 Hour Parking Limit 8AM- 6PM except by Permit

Two parking Spaces for Zip-Car Program

Two Parking Lot Ingress & Egress Driveways.

Proposed Changes/ Additions:

Single Space Markings “Parking T’s” total of 8 designated parking spots

Red-Curb No Parking at dead end adjacent to Fire Hydrant

Red-Curb No parking at Corners near Mission Street Adjacent to and Across from Fire Hydrant

Install Designated UCSC Bike Shuttle Parking

No Changes to Existing Constraints, they will remain in place

Photos of Existing Conditions:







Olive St Parking Changes

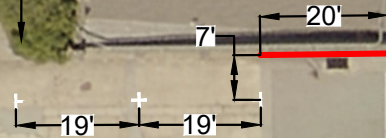
INSTALL "PARK WITHIN MARKINGS" SIGN AND POST.

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(E) ZIPCAR PARKING

Olive St

Mission St



INSTALL "UCSC BIKE SHUTTLE PARKING ONLY" SIGN AND POST.

INSTALL "PARK WITHIN MARKINGS" SIGN AND POST.

1700

Public Notice

PROPOSED CHANGE IN ON-STREET PARKING Olive St Between Mission St and Toledo St

EXISTING:

- 2 Hour Parking 8AM To 6PM, Except Saturdays Sundays and Holidays.

CHANGE TO:

- Parking tees delineating (8) parking spaces and (1) UCSC Bike Shuttle Parking Space.
- Existing 2 hour parking restriction shall not be removed or amended.



If you disagree with this proposal please contact Public Works by June 11, 2020:

City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department

809 Center Street, Room 201

Santa Cruz, California 95060

Kenny Jatho

(831) 420-5182

kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com

Olive St Parking Change

Dear Resident,

This letter is to notify residents of a change in parking restrictions on the dead-end Olive St segment between Mission St and Toledo St. Eight (8) marked, parallel parking spaces will be installed as well as one pick-up/drop-off space for the UCSC Bicycle Shuttle. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kenny Jatho at the City of Santa Cruz Public Works at kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com or **831-420-5182**.

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From: [arik florimonte](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: YES on Striping
Date: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 5:57:12 PM

Hi, Kenny - Thank you for reaching out. I am in favor of striping on Olive St, as well as Natural Bridges, Delaware, and Swift, & all locations where RV's are habitually parking on the street to sleep. If Santa Cruz wants to welcome these campers, we need designated sites with facilities, not ad hoc campgrounds without rules or proper sanitation.

Thanks,
Arik

On Mon, Jun 15, 2020 at 2:00 PM Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Arik,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this in response to the attached proposed parking change on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th?

Best,

Kenny Jatho

From: arik florimonte
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 11:37 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: YES on Striping

Dear Mr. Jatho,

My wife and I live on Modesto Avenue, and I am writing to express my support for better regulation of parking on the Westside. There are many streets near us which are heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping: Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, Swanton and Natural Bridges to name a few. These vehicles and their inhabitants essentially residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park.

These RVs (and trailers, and oversized vans) create a ton of garbage that they leave lying around everywhere, or dump in the greenspaces in the area. Many RV residents urinate and defecate on the streets and sidewalks. (We often see their waste in gutters and on sidewalks when we walk on the above-mentioned streets, and sometimes even on Modesto and its side streets.) We are also very concerned that many of these RV dwellers have taken to dumping their waste down the storm drains when it's time to empty their tanks. We have witnessed this, and you can smell it when you walk by.

If Santa Cruz wants these RV's to have a place to live, then find a parking lot or another controlled space for them to reside that offers sanitation facilities. It's not fair to tax-paying residents, to business owners, or, and perhaps most importantly, to the local environment and the waters of the Monterey Bay Marine Sanctuary.

Please stripe the streets and then most importantly, ENFORCE the striping!

Sincerely,

Arik Florimonte

Brian Borguno

From: Art Swift
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2020 9:45 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Support for Overnight RV Parking Ban

Dear Brian:

As a taxpayer and homeowner in Santa Cruz for the last 26 years, I am writing to support a total ban of overnight RV parking in residential neighborhoods.

Best regards,
Art Swift
Homeowner and Taxpayer.

From: [Big Joe 77](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: In Support of Proposed Changes on Olive St
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 8:20:31 PM

Dear Mr Jatho,

It has come to my attention that city stakeholders (residents) on/near Olive Street support a more restricted parking ordinance.

As such, I support them so I support the proposed ordinance.

Any displaced transients living in vehicles can easiliy be shifted to areas better able to meet their needs...like the parking lot at City Hall.

Sincerely,

From: _____
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: I support the re-striping and parking enforcement along Olive Street
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 4:52:57 PM

Dear Kenny Jatho,

I hope you are doing well. I am emailing for voice my support for re-striping and parking enforcement along Olive Street. The area is highly impacted and this would undoubtedly help the neighborhood.

Sincerely,
Brad Edwards, LCSW

From: [Brian McCauley](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: I support Olive St. parking changes
Date: Monday, June 15, 2020 10:42:32 AM

To: Kenny Jatho and City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department

I support the proposed changes in parking for Olive St. near CVS. It's not appropriate for this street or other local streets to be used for permanent vehicle dwelling, unsupported by infrastructure. Please support the neighborhood by returning street parking to its intended short-term use and restricting RV parking.

Brian McCauley

From: [Carol Polhamus](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Yes on striping
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:56:16 PM

RE: YES on Striping

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, Garfield Park, Olive Street and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets.

Your assistance is appreciated. Thank you.

Carol Polhamus

Sent from my iPad. Please excuse spelling mistakes and brevity. Thanks!

From: [Carol Polhamus](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street, Garfield Park RV overnight parking
Date: Friday, June 5, 2020 8:23:49 PM

Hello

I am writing to support the exclusion of overnight RV parking on Mission/Olive Street, and at Garfield Park residential areas. I think the city and county should consider finding a place for RV residents to park, but allowing overnight RV parking in residential neighborhoods is a recipe for disaster. Thank you for what you are doing to restrict it.

Sincerely,
Carol Polhamus

Sent from my iPad. Please excuse spelling mistakes and brevity. Thanks!

Brian Borguno

From: Carrie Haber
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 12:56 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Proposed Change in On-Street Parking: CVS On Mission Street

To whom it may concern,

For a little over a year now, the local CVS has been having major issues with RV campers that were once filling their parking lot and are now filling up the side street (Olive Street). I had complained to the store manager about safety concerns when I have been approached for money and then insulted when I ignored the panhandlers. Also, junkies were using the power outlet to charge their phones on the outside of the store (one with a needle sticking out of his arm). I stopped bringing my daughter with me whenever I had to pick up a prescription and started to order other things online so that I would not have to go to that store. Other neighbors have also stopped going there because of the constant harassment of the homeless population that seems to live there now.

The store manager let me know that the management at CVS is not able to do much about activity on the street but had been addressing things that were happening in the parking lot. Please pass this proposal to change the parking restrictions on that block of Olive Street so that the manager and concerned residents of Santa Cruz like myself can ask the police to help keep the public safe.

FYI, I even witnessed a man going to the bathroom in the gutter next to one of this RVs - this is a public safety issue.

Thank you,
Carrie Häber

Brian Borguno

From: Casey Main
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 10:32 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Olive street RV parking proposal

To whom it may concern. I am writing in opposition to the current proposal for RV parking to be sanctioned on Olive street in my neighborhood. The RV's that currently park there have added an element of crime, petty theft, drug sales & usage, blight, up to & including trash, needles, waste water from these RV's & health & safety issues not only to the RV dwellers themselves but also to those of us who live in all of these neighborhoods. It is Santa Cruz counties responsibility to provide parking for these RV's & disenfranchised population within our community. They have the land, funding, & responsibility to address this issue. They also have the capacity to do this in a safe & efficient manner that maintains the health & safety for these individuals & our entire community as a whole. At a time when our essential services & general fund are being stretched beyond their means the county must take the initiative to provide for these disenfranchised populations within our community. Please consider maintaining enforcement of parking rules & allow for the appropriate course of action to take place.

Respectfully
Casey K Main
Sommer N Main

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Chris](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street "re do"
Date: Friday, June 12, 2020 2:20:39 PM

Hello,

This was mentioned on NextDoor today, and this letter may be late, but from what I saw on the notice hopefully I can add to the list of people who are thrilled something is being done! I go to CVS very often and the entrance on Olive Street is very nerve-wracking with open doors on motorhomes while lawn chairs are scattered around to sit on in the street.

One day I drove down Olive to enter and there were 3 Police cars, and an officer yelled at me: "turn around- NOW!"

This is no way to live. CVS is one of my favorite and useful stores on the west side. I am all for adding trees or making smaller parking places to keep motorhomes away.

Chris Jordan

From: [Christie Cochrell](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: YES on Striping
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 9:13:05 AM

Thanks much, Kenny, for the clarification. I was led to believe by Santa Cruz Westside Neighbors that this was happening on Delaware as well. But I do still support the changes on Olive!

All the best,

Christie

<http://writingwithlight-bonnard3.blogspot.com/>
<http://ourgreenscooter.blogspot.com>

On Mon, Jun 15, 2020 at 4:46 PM Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Christie,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,

Kenny Jatho

From: Christie Cochrell
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 12:48 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: YES on Striping

Dear Kenny Jatho:

We are writing to express our support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park.

It feels especially unsafe to have to walk or bike past these vehicles and their occupants while trying to avoid being infected by the Coronavirus, since there is no social distancing around the swarm of RVs, and no one is wearing masks or being respectful of others' needs. Both sides of the street are currently unsafe.

Please stripe the streets.

Your assistance is appreciated. Thanks much,

Christie Cochrell and John Feneron

<http://writingwithlight-bonnard3.blogspot.com/>
<http://ourgreenscooter.blogspot.com>

Brian Borguno

From: Christine Labagh
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 11:49 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Cc: Christine Labagh
Subject: YES on Olive St striping

Brian,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping, this is especially problematic on Olive St and the surrounding area. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, in particular, CVS. It is not safe for the neighborhood, nor for the environment, to have RVs parked all over the neighborhood. There is trash and waste strewn about, it's difficult to see around such large vehicles, and there are often questionable behaviors occurring in and around the RVs.

Please paint parking stripes on Olive St and the surrounding area. Additionally, I would strongly encourage you to extend this process to Delaware Ave, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Dr.

Thank you for your assistance.

Christine Mantua

Sent from my iPad

From: [Christine Labagh](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: YES on striping
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 1:10:25 PM

Kenny,

I support the proposed striping plan on Olive St. I also would like to see it near Natural Bridges.

Thank you,
Christine

Sent from my iPad

On Jun 16, 2020, at 11:54 AM, Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Christine,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,
Kenny Jatho

From: Christine Labagh
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:27 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: YES on striping

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy

burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Thank you,
Christine Mantua

Sent from my iPad
<Olive St Proposed Parking Changes Layout.pdf>

Brian Borguno

From: Christopher Wellise
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 3:07 PM
To: Kenny Jatho; Brian Borguno
Subject: Re: Parking at Westside

Kenny and Brian,

Our hope as residents on the West Side, is that your approach on Olive Street is to be extended to Delaware Ave. Many of us have lived here for several years and are trying to raise families in safe environments. RV and truck parking and overnight camping has become commonplace. I have come out of my gate on Delaware Ave on more than one occasion, to find piles of clothing, trash and human waste. RV's that park in the area often have multiple people coming and going throughout the day, behavior indicative of illegal activity. It is time for the City to enact parking regulations that support the safe parking for visitors to our community while discouraging illegal overnight camping and RV parking. Please consider adding marked spaces along Delaware Ave. that are enforceable, similar to what you are doing on Olive Street.

Your service, and help keeping our community safe and healthy is appreciated!

Best regards,

Chris Wellise

On Tue, Jun 16, 2020 at 1:10 PM Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Christopher,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com

Best,

Kenny Jatho

From: Christopher Wellise
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 2:38 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: Parking at Westside

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I am writing to express my strong support for the creation of parking spaces on the Westside through creating car-sized painted markings. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. We are seeing massive amounts of trash and debris in these areas as well as, unfortunately, human waste. I have also witnessed questionable behavior happening around RVs near my home on Delaware Ave. where I live with my family. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets.

Your assistance is appreciated.

West Side resident.

Chris Wellise

From: [Curtis Galloway](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Support for proposed parking re-striping
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 2:42:13 PM

Hi Kenny. I am writing to express my support of adding painted parking space markers on the Westside.

I've already been collaborating with a neighbor to address RV parking on Olive Street next to CVS, and there are many other streets like Delaware, Mission Extension and around Natural Bridges which I know are also impacted by this issue. The large number of vehicles parking in these areas has created a burden on neighbors and nearby businesses which I think the striping would help to mitigate.

I'm in favor of this project and would very much like the city to proceed with it.

Thanks,
--Curtis Galloway

Brian Borguno

From: Dana Wherity
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 10:32 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Support SC City Public Works Dpt proposals

Dear Brian,

I live at 212 Olive Street. Our family has been negatively effected by the excessive parking, living, loitering and drug use. I have lived here 15 years and feel unsafe in my own neighborhood. I'm writing to let you know that I support the City Public Works Department's proposed changes to on-street parking for Olive Street.

Thank you,
Dana Wherity

From: [Dennis Webb](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Cc: [City Council](#)
Subject: Support parking enforcement on Olive Street
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:05:34 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho:

I am emailing to urge you to support the proposal to enforce parking restrictions on Olive Street. I live in this neighborhood and have walked Olive between Mission and King, but not recently since the street is filled with campers who leave trash, human waste and needles all over the place. Since the street is so close to heavily trafficked areas, but yet tucked out of sight from most passers-by, it has become a haven for people looking to behave badly where fewer people can see them. Since it is an easy place to park your car or camper while you break the law, the street attracts all kinds of nefarious activity. I have seen two drug deals go down while walking by with my pregnant wife this year.

I feel bad for the residents of this street - not only are there a bunch of people behaving badly in front of their homes all day and night, but there is no parking left for residents. Imagine coming home from work only to find someone passed out with a needle in their arm, in your only parking spot, or a camper with its generator on and a sewer line draining into the storm drain.

Toledo Street and Anita Street should also be considered in any changes since they are immediately adjacent and are subject to the same problems.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Respectfully,

Dennis Webb

Brian Borguno

From: Diana Chase ·
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 8:09 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Olive Street parking proposal

I support the Olive Street neighbors in their effort to discourage RV parking in their neighborhood. I occasionally shop at the Mission Street CVS and observe some of the bad behavior there. Also appear to be no sanitation arrangements for the RVs.

But I don't think any of us in Santa Cruz would want to similar occurrences where we live.

Respectfully,
Diana Chase
Santa Cruz city resident

Brian Borguno

From: Didi Dayton ·
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 6:46 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Olive street parking proposal - Support

Hi,

I'm a homeowner on Olive street and I support the parking proposal. I don't like to use the CVS even though it is on my street, because the parking lot does not feel safe.

Didi

Didi Dayton

From: [Don Honda](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street restriping and enforcement of parking regulations
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 5:05:41 PM

Dear Sir,

I am in favor of restriping and enforcing parking regulations on Olive Street off of mission next to CVS. The people there have been a nuisance for well over two years and taking full advantage of the city's leniency. There are opportunities for them to find a safe parking space. They just do not wish to because it involves a background investigation and it appears that most of these people have a criminal history . Well that's too tough for them ! They have been disruptive in the neighborhood and police have been called multiple times.

Please go ahead and submit an application to have this done.

Thank you,
Don Honda

Brian Borguno

From: Ella Harley
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 6:01 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Olive street parking

Hi,

I have been a resident of Anita/Olive street for 39 years. We have a very nice couple blocks of families that have known each other for a long time and consider each other family. I'm writing to encourage the city to place parking restrictions on Olive street at CVS. I don't want people living at the end of our street for multiple reasons and would like the city to step up and make the changes needed so that CVS doesn't turn into an RV Park. Thank you for your time and help.

Ella Harley

Sent from my iPhone

Brian Borguno

From: Ethan Miller
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 12:42 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Cc: Ethan Miller
Subject: RV Parking near CVS

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

As a resident of the City of Santa Cruz (I live on Kalkar Drive), I'm dismayed to see so many RVs illegally parked on our streets. To my knowledge, it's illegal to park an RV on the street for more than 3 days. My wife and I have considered purchasing a travel trailer, but one of the considerations is our ability to park it on our own property. Why should residents be unable to use the street for parking while non-residents are able to do so?

There are two steps the city should take:

1. Delimited spaces on streets such as Olive and Delaware. If your vehicle doesn't fit, you don't park there.
2. Designated parking lot for RVs. This lot should be available to anyone who (a) maintained a residence - house or apartment - in the City of Santa Cruz for 12 out of the previous 24 months or (b) has regular employment in the City of Santa Cruz.

I want to ensure that community members have a safe place to live in their vehicles - we owe it to contributing members of our community. I feel no such obligation for those who just show up here because it's a nice place to live; evidence shows that we have many such people whose RVs are clogging our streets.

If the City wants to allow RVs to be parked on our streets, the City should allow residents to do so as well. It's not fair to taxpaying residents that visitors get privileges that we ourselves don't get.

Thank you.

Ethan Miller

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

Brian Borguno

From: Gail Michaelis-Ow
Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 1:46 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Needed Parking Changes to Olive Street in Santa Cruz

June 11, 2020

Brian Borguno, CPP
Parking Program Manager
City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department
809 Center St. Rm 201
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: Needed Parking Changes to Olive Street in Santa Cruz

Dear Mr. Borguno,

I am writing to support changes to the allowed parking on Olive Street such that the parking has a time and size limit. I am writing as a Westside neighbor and as one of the owners and the manager of 1700 Mission Street, where CVS is located. We have been in contact with CVS, and they are also supportive of the proposed changes to parking on Olive Street.

Without the proposed changes, Olive Street attracts a number of long-duration RVs parked there. These RVs take spaces from potential customers and local residents. They also attract other RVs, some of which illegally park in the CVS parking lot for long periods of time and are difficult to deal with because many towing companies are not equipped to tow RVs and/or charge a large fee to tow such vehicles.

The proposed changes to parking on Olive Street will allow customers and local residents to use the street for short periods of time, as is appropriate for the neighborhood. While we are sympathetic to those looking for longer duration RV parking spots, Olive Street does not have the infrastructure or amenities to allow safe, healthy, and hygienic long-term RV parking. Thank you for your time and consideration, and thank you for helping improve parking on Olive Street.

Sincerely,

Gail Michaelis-Ow Mission Professional Building

Brian Borguno

From: Gene Manako
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2020 7:34 AM
To: Brian Borguno; Kenny Jatho
Subject: I support the proposed changes to on-street parking on Olive St

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to voice my support of the proposed changes to on-street parking on Olive Street between Mission St. & Toledo St. I support the proposed changes.

Gene Manako

From: [George Mead](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: I support restriping and parking enforcement on Olive Street
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 8:13:57 AM

Kenny,

I support the proposed restriping and parking enforcement on Olive Street.

Sincerely,

George Mead

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: [GUY BROWN](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Support of Painting parking Spaces on the Westside
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 11:27:19 AM

Yes.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 16, 2020, at 10:37 AM, Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Guy,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,
Kenny Jatho

From: GUY BROWN
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 5:41 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Cc: Donna · Susan Loop
Subject: Support of Painting parking Spaces on the Westside

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park.

There are no water or toilet facilities in these areas and most of the users of the oversized vehicles are relieving themselves in nearby areas, regularly not picking up their trash. Also, many are drug users as evidenced by the disposed syringes, small plastic bags.

Please stripe the streets.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Guy and Donna Brown

<Olive St Proposed Parking Changes Layout.pdf>

Brian Borguno

From: heidi kozlowski ·
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 8:27 PM
To: Brian Borguno

I agree with the new parking proposal regarding RV parking at Olive and CVS.
This area is NOT a campsite at all, nor does it have the capacity to be a safe and environmentally safe campsite.
There are a number of campsites available , some free!, in Santa Cruz county that have water, sewage, garbages etc.

From: [Hilaria Torrez](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Yes on Striping
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 3:22:01 PM

Yes it is thank you for your attention and time to this matter.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 16, 2020, at 10:44 AM, Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Manuel,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,
Kenny Jatho

From: Hilaria Torrez
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 4:23 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: Yes on Striping

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, Garfield Park and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Manuel Gutierrez Garcia

Brian Borguno

From: James Schwartz <
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 5:37 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: CVS on Mission RV situation

I am writing to register my opposition to continuing to allow RVs to park full time in the parking lot at CVS on Mission street.

I live on the west side of Santa Cruz, and I use CVS for my prescription drugs, as well as shopping there for necessary household items.

It is extremely uncomfortable to try to park there and walk in and out of the store with the unpredictable presence of the homeless population that has set up in the parking lot, and make it their full time residence.

After a lifetime of working hard and paying my taxes to support my city, I'm afraid I can't quite understand the 'demand' that we must support these folks in this way. Where is the fairness in that?

Many of them are aggressive and thoughtless. The whole situation feels terrible.

Please do something about this.

Thank you for listening.

James L Schwartz

From: [Jean-Claude Le Duc](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Yes on Parking striping
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 12:13:06 PM

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to lack of striping (Delaware, Mission Extension, Natural Bridges, are a few). The large number of oversized vehicles residing on these streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets.

Sincerely,
Jean-Claude Le Duc

From: [Jim Reichmuth](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: YES on Striping
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 2:22:15 PM

Kenny,

I support this wherever in Santa Cruz it is being proposed. So, yes.

Thank you,

Jim

Jim Reichmuth

On Tue, Jun 16, 2020 at 10:09 AM Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Jim,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,

Kenny Jatho

From: Jim Reichmuth
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 8:03 AM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: YES on Striping

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Jim

Jim Reichmuth

From: [Johnathon Turner](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Westside Striping
Date: Sunday, June 21, 2020 7:50:32 AM

Hello Kenny-

I appreciate your response and the graphic you have included. I attended the Farm Apprenticeship at UCSC in 2018, and took the shuttle from Olive street on occasion. There were occasional RV's parked in the shuttle spot, and I believe that the striping will benefit the productive citizens and students of Santa Cruz.

I am also very happy to have Brian Borguno's information. We on the deep westside have a HUGE issue with the unsanctioned RV parking along Delaware, Natural Bridges Dr, Shafer Rd, and Mission St extension. It's a very unfortunate situation, complex too, yet I know that myself, living on Chace st, and many of my neighbors, particularly those with children, are feeling frightened and unhappy with the current situation -- I counted 40 vehicles being lived in the other evening on those streets. I know some of these folks have no where else to go -- and that needs to be addressed, yet as a productive citizen of Santa Cruz I feel I need to raise my voice about how scared and uncomfortable we are about this uncontrolled situation so close to our families and houses.

I know this may not be your department, I guess I'm just getting warmed up for my email to Mr. Borguna.'

Thanks for listening.

Kind regards-
Johnathon

From: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 10:12 AM
To: Johnathon Turner
Subject: RE: Westside Striping

Hello Johnathon,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no

other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,
Kenny Jatho

From: Johnathon Turner
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 7:08 AM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: Westside Striping

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside -- particularly Delaware, Natural Bridges Drive, and Mission St Extension -- which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. It's as if there's an unsanctioned (and **sometimes scary**) RV park on these roads. . The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. **Please stripe the streets.**

Your assistance is appreciated.

Kind regards-

Johnathon Turner

From: [jonathan.boudreau](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT the new parking requirements on Olive St. in Santa Cruz
Date: Saturday, June 6, 2020 9:06:30 PM

I wanted to say thank you for changing the parking requirements on Olive st. in Santa Cruz. I fully support this move in the right direction.

There has been multiple problems with people camping and leaving trash, human waste, and needles behind.

Sent from [Outlook](#)

Brian Borguno

From: Julia Zaborna
Sent: Sunday, July 26, 2020 1:13 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Olive/Toledo

Hello Brian,

My name is Julia, I live on 202 Olive street (right at the corner Olive/Toledo) I am writing this email to express my full support for the proposal regarding parking on Olive street.

I believe this proposal will make our neighborhood much safer.

Best regards,
Julia

From: [Julianne Angus](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 11:41:24 PM

Hello,

I just wanted to submit my support of the parking changes submitted for Olive street. I would like to add that keeping a zip car space or two or three would be nice. Also, would you know is the zip car space has been removed on Swift street?

I'd also want to ask if you are the correct person to talk about parking on Grandview Street. If so, the new hotel is almost finished On the corner of HWY 1 and Swift/Grandview and I'm wondering if there will be a fence put up on the Grandview side "driveway" or will there be an exit there? I'm concerned for traffic and I'm also concerned for parking being taken up on the street. I'm the HOA President for Baywood at Northshore and I know concerned residents will be asking.

Can we ask for some sort of restrictions here? Signs for resident parking only? No hotel parking? At least where the street curves and is technically Swift street? We have plenty of overnight parking going on, along with people who live in their cars parking here on a daily basis.

I feel like we should curb the hotel excess parking from using the street now before it becomes a huge issue later. I'm sure the people who live on King Street and the surrounding area feel the same. We were getting Humble Brewery patrons parking here and weekend bikers before Covid - 19 hit. I feel as though once restrictions are lifted we'll have them back here parking again. Not a bad thing but plenty of residents around us use the street instead of their driveways or garages . It just seems like pretty soon our visitors, friends and family won't have anywhere to park.

I apologize for not looking up the proposal again but I'm fairly certain they had no driveway access at the place I'm describing on the proposal/plans. Construction wise it seems as though the plan is to have access. If patrons of the hotel will be using Grandview/Swift street for access to the hotel there will be issues. The corner area has low visibility as it is, and added traffic won't help.

Thank you for your time, I'll wait for your response,
Julianne

Brian Borguno

From: Karen Menehan
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 10:52 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Olive St changes

Hello. I live on Santa Cruz's West Side and I support changes on Olive St. to mitigate RV parking.

Karen Menehan

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Kerry](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Support for Re-striping and Parking Reinforcement Olive St
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 4:28:23 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I support re-striping and parking enforcement on Olive Street.

Thank you.

Kerry O'Malley

From: [K M FitzPatrick](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive street between Mission and Toledo
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 7:32:05 PM

Mr Jatho -

I approve the parking / living restrictions for the enclave of Olive St. The rv that lives there with her children are a constant nuisance to those who live nearby and shop at CVS and other local Mission St shops.

Thank you,
Kristi FitzPatrick

From: [laura rose](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Parking restrictions in city streets
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 4:20:37 PM

Hello, I support not having people camp in RVs outside of places where other people live, ie in front of someone's house.

There are trash and wastewater issues around RVs in unofficial parking spots in the city. Just last week at olive street, a guy had parked at the cul de sac by CVS, and put a lazy boy style recliner chair beneath a tree, and was hanging out there.

Seems inappropriate for the folks living there. I wouldnt want that going on outside of my house.

Thanks,
Laura Rosensteel

From: [Laurie Radovan](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Please add striping and other parking restrictions
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 11:56:01 AM

Hi Kenny,

Thank you for your reply and the contact information for the parking program manager.

I am a Mission st CVS and Wells Fargo atm customer and I support your plans for Olive street.

I do want to mention that although this would be a step in the right direction, the city of Santa Cruz needs to do more to protect our neighborhoods from the onslaught of people living in RVs and other vehicles. It is completely out of control and is destroying the environment and our quality of life.

-Laurie

Laurie Cole Radovan

On Monday, June 15, 2020, 4:37:59 PM PDT, Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Laurie,

Thank you for contacting me. There are no proposed parking changes on the west side except for the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,

Kenny Jatho

From: Laurie Radovan
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 3:47 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: Please add striping and other parking restrictions

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I was so pleased to learn that the city has plans to add striping to some of our local streets to try and get a handle on a very out of control situation in our neighborhoods.

I want to express my support for painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles.

Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, Garfield Park and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences.

I would also like to ask the city to consider limiting the parking in these newly striped spaces to 2 hours and I would also encourage the city to charge for parking in all of these spaces. This way visitors could be contributing to our city's bottom line while accessing our natural resources.

Please do what you can to help improve the situation in our neighborhoods.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Laurie

Laurie Cole Radovan

From: [Linda Kennedy](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: CVS parking
Date: Saturday, June 13, 2020 7:58:04 AM

Dear Mr. Jatho

The parking for RV's at CVS may be an improvement to what is going on now.
But why can't you put RV parking in the Capitola Mall by Sears that has been empty several years?
Or the Adventist land on SJ/Soquel Rd that is never used.
Or the county fairground.
You have seen what these vagrants have done to Delaware, the railroad tracks by Costco, the area behind Ross, etc.
I don't want any further trashy people and their trash at CVS. It is abusive to the citizens.
The government wants these people to have hospitable housing with facilities and has given states, counties and cities grants, loans and such to deal with this. What you purpose doesn't provide this.
Our underserved are not just city residents why don't you purpose a solution by putting RV parking in Soquel, Aptos, capitola, Live Oak and consider RV campsites in Lighthouse Field and provide amenities and charge RV guests like KOA camp grounds.
It is scary going to CVS and the poor clerks have to deal with this daily.
With COVID on the uptick we do not need more unsanitary communal living .
Thank you,
Linda Kennedy

From: [Malka Nagel](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Yes on striping
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 1:04:27 PM

Yes. The one on Olive.

> On Jun 16, 2020, at 11:50 AM, Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

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> Hello Malka,

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> Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

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> If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno - bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

>

> Best,

> Kenny Jatho

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Malka Nagel |

> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:53 PM

> To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>

> Subject: Yes on striping

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> E: YES on Striping

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> Dear Kenny,

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> I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets.

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> Your assistance is appreciated.

> Malka Nagel

> <Olive St Proposed Parking Changes Layout.pdf>

Brian Borguno

From: iggyisc
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2020 10:55 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: I support the parking ban near CVS.

It's not fair that an RV can pull up in front of your house park and live there on the street. Mark Agnello 158

Sent from my iPhone

Brian Borguno

From: Mary Hesketh >
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 6:58 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: CVS on Mission and RV parking

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to express my concern about the RV and van parking on Olive St. by the CVS on Mission. I have a couple of areas of concern. The first is that I don't feel safe if I park anywhere near these vehicles. There are usually people loitering around them who look threatening and it is not hard to imagine that there is theft going on, by the number of bicycles and other items around. I don't know how to put this, but it just looks like bad stuff is going on there, like drug use and criminality. I avoid this CVS if at all possible, because it doesn't feel safe to me. I am also concerned about the sewage from these vehicles. Where is that going? If they have trash, where is that going? Olive St. isn't a campground, with facilities for human or household waste. I would like to see the city disallow the forming of informal campgrounds next to public spaces or retail stores that I and other citizens of Santa Cruz would like to use.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mary G. Hesketh

From: [Melissa Freebairn](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street Parking Issue
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 4:35:54 PM

Good Afternoon,

I am writing in the hopes that you will enforce parking laws already in effect on Olive Street and not allow it to be an illegal RV Park. In Santa Cruz County, we have a safe parking program for homeless RV dwellers through the AFC. This ensures they have access to facilities and parking spaces that are safe for families.

I don't believe it is safe for children to be living in an RV steps from Mission Street and next to a CVS parking lot. You are setting a dangerous precedent regarding parking standards in the City of Santa Cruz by choosing selective enforcement of that area. Many local residents have to pay to park in front of their own homes, while those from outside areas are encouraged to harass local neighborhoods, steal bikes, do drugs, engage in prostitution and leave trash all over.

I am providing local homeless resources with the numbers for the safe parking program below.

<https://www.afcsantacruz.org/safespaces-program.html>

If people aren't utilizing these services, you should be able to verify if they have applied or not.

Thanks for your consideration!

Sincerely,
Melissa Freebairn

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Michelle Overbeck](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 9:48:35 PM

Good evening!

I am in full support of restriping and parking enforcement on Olive Street. Please consider my support, I have lived in Santa Cruz for 37 years and care about our community.

Best regards,

Michelle

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Nancy Barrick](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 4:05:06 PM

Hello,

I am in support of re-striping and parking enforcement on Olive Street.

The campers and other vehicle dwellers is an eye sore.

On one occasion I drove by and they where all bar-b-q'ing and playing loud music as if they where in a park.

Please get rid of them.

Best regards,

Nancy Barrick

From: [nancy_maynard](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Yes to restricted parking
Date: Friday, May 29, 2020 8:10:49 PM

On Olive between Mission and Toledo
Nancy Maynard

Brian Borguno

From: Della Santina, Nicole
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 8:43 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: RV parking at Olive/CVS

I don't feel safe going to CVS on the Westside because of all of the RV parking. Where do they go to the bathroom it's probably a biohazard zone. I used to walk there from my house and I used to work there and eat my lunch at the curb. I would never work there or eat my lunch outside now. I pay property taxes, they don't why do they get to run the town? Enforce parking regulations. Who doesn't want to live in SC for free?
-Nicole Della Santina

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Brian Borguno

From: PAMELA KEARBY
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 12:57 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Cc: pamelakearby
Subject: Proposed Parking Proposal for Olive Street/CVS location

I want to voice my strong support for my neighbors and friends who live in the Olive Street location near CVS on Mission Street. Please consider clearing out the area of broken down RV's and segments of our society that expect that they can live freely on our streets. We don't have the tax base to support their mostly criminal behavior and it is hurting our hard working people who contribute to live here.

I am tired of contributing (by taxes) to this community and not be able to enjoy the beauty of it due to our free loaders. I cannot walk safely on the beautiful river walk path, Garfield Park is becoming a dump; Delaware Street is a dump. I walked by the side door of Restaurant Avanti (Mission Street side) on my way to Starbucks this week.....there was litter, clothing and human feces on the sidewalk and side door. No workers should have to clean that up.

There doesn't seem to be RV's in the almost empty Capitola mall parking lot...why are we allowing it on the West side? Please help those neighbors. The rattle of the big mouthed few who expect something for nothing should not prevail.

Sincerely,
Pamela Kearby

Sent from my iPad

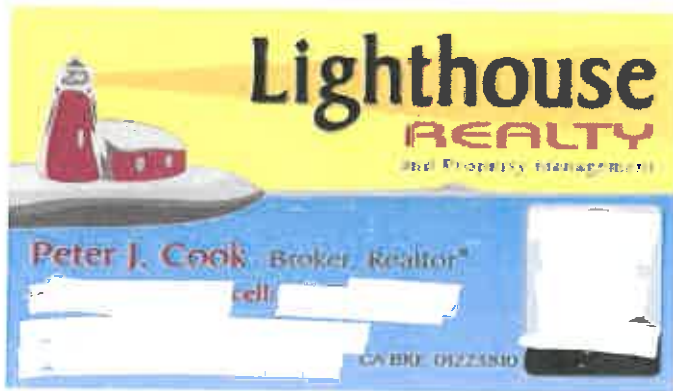
From: [Peter Cook](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RE: YES on striping !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 1:10:43 PM
Attachments: [Toledo_06_07_20_v2.pdf](#)

Hi Kenny,

One of my clients is developing that lot and there will be a new driveway onto Olive. See attached plans are currently submitted to planning. It seems like factoring this in to the parking plan now would save a little headache later??

Feel free to call me,

Thanks.



From: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 10:39 AM
To: Peter Cook
Subject: RE: YES on striping !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Hello Peter,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,
Kenny Jatho

From: Peter Cook
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 5:32 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>

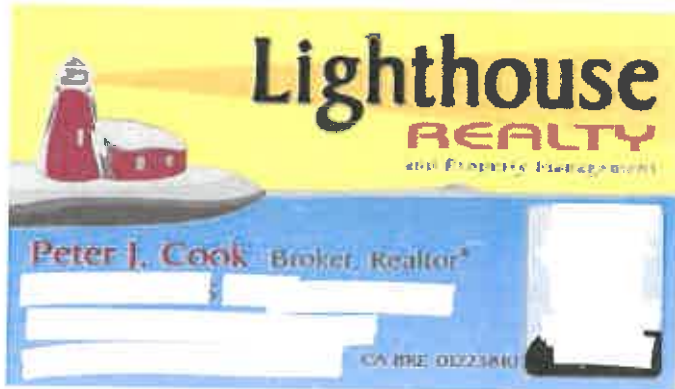
Subject: YES on striping !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dear Kenny,

My family supports painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. AROUND GARFIELD PARK, Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. Dumped sewage, trash strewn everywhere and unsightly vehicles in disrepair is terrible for our neighborhood. Please stripe the streets ASAP. We cannot continue to host an unsanctioned campground with no bathrooms or facilities, it is totally unacceptable.

Please remember that much of the impetus for the recent recall came from ex-Councilmember Glover proposing more RV parking on city streets.

Sincerely,



Brian Borguno

From: Radomyr Bezghin
Sent: Saturday, July 25, 2020 6:52 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Olive/Toledo

Hi,

My name is Radomyr, I live at 202 Olive St, Santa Cruz, and I am a UCSC student. I think proposed changes would improve this neighborhood. I often used the bike shuttle, and during the Winter quarter, it had a lot of issues finding parking spots.

Although I am personally sorry for people who "live" there, they create a mess and make a lot of noise during the night. It became an unsafe spot in the area.

Thank you,
Radomyr Bezghin

Brian Borguno

From: sallyo
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 12:09 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Unsafe conditions Olive Street

I am a woman in her early 80's who wants to express fear To walk in my neighborhood I have owned a home here for 38 years.. CVS..it is not only unsafe but UNSANITARY..... my car has been broken into twice, my decals on my wheels have been ripped off.. So HELP!!!!!!

From: [Scott Bradley](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: No overnight camper parking in Santa Cruz
Date: Monday, June 15, 2020 1:08:14 PM

Hello;

I fully support this. Please make it happen.

Increasingly, people living in their RVs are parking overnight on Santa Cruz city streets in residential neighborhoods and at city parks. Neighbors are tired of the issues created by these transient RV dwellers, including trash, noise, illegal dumping, drug issues, and others. We need the City of Santa Cruz to implement and enforce **NO OVERNIGHT RV PARKING** in the neighborhoods (except on private property). Appeals are underway from homeless organizations to pressure the city to allow this permanently. **We need neighbors to speak out now in order to prevent our city streets, parks and neighborhoods from becoming free RV campgrounds.** Areas significantly impacted include **Olive Street (CVS), Swanton Boulevard (Natural Bridges), Delaware Avenue, Almar, Pendegast (adjacent to Garfield Park), Fair and Swift Street.** Please sign this petition and let the city know this is not OK with us, and that we want laws enforced to prevent this, including time limitations and space striping. We would like the county to provide overnight RV parking space in an area where neighborhoods will not be impacted.

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Thanks
Scott

Brian Borguno

From: Mr. Martini ·
Sent: Sunday, June 21, 2020 7:32 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Overnight parking on Olive Street

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

To whom it may concern,
I am concerned about the high number of motorhome/campers parked on Olive Street at the CVS. Recently, I received a parking ticket in front of my house on Toledo Street for exceeding the two hour time-limit. I am in support of the 2-hour limit that our community has voted on and bought my permit. But, what is extremely frustrating is that while pulling that ticket off of my car window, I counted over 5 motorhome/camper-type vehicles that had been parked there for days/weeks on end. It's crazy to receive that ticket when 50 feet away there are people literally living out of their cars that never move. And, what's even more frustrating is the amount of trash and concerning behavior in my neighborhood due to that situation. My friendly neighbors were forced to find a new place to live due to the high volume and open drug use happening next to their house. They worked in the area and their kids went to Mission Hill and loved the location but were fed up. I know they reached out to the city for help a number of times but nothing was ever done so as renters, they decided it was easier to relocate. Other neighbors of mine are also fed up including myself. I am a fortunate first-time homeowner and will not be moving. I am a taxpayer and contributing member of this community asking for help. Please restrict overnight camping in my neighborhood.

Thank you,
Scott Martini

From: [Mr. Martini](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Question - Olive St. Parking
Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 11:11:47 AM

Hello Mr. Jatho,

I live on Toledo Street near the corner of Toledo/Olive and I'm wondering where the new 8 parallel parking spaces and pick-up/drop-off spaces will be located. There is a divide on Olive Street between next to CVS, will the parking spaces be located on the Mission Street side or the Toledo Street side?

The parking near the corner of Toledo/Olive streets can get tight for residents due to the countless CVS shoppers that park there to avoid dealing with Mission Street. Not sure what/if anything can be done about this and maybe these new spots will help. But, I am concerned about the high number of motor home/camper vehicles that park on Olive Street by CVS. Recently, I received a parking ticket in front of my house for exceeding the two hour time-limit. I am in support of the 2-hour limit that our community has voted on and bought my permit. But, what is extremely frustrating is that while pulling that ticket off of my car window, I counted over 5 motor home/camper-type vehicles that had been parked there for days on end. It's really frustrating to receive a ticket when 50 feet away there are people literally living out of their cars (I'll spare the comments about trash and concerning behavior that has comes with that situation). My hope is that these new parking spots will be on the Mission Street side of that divide and help the situation that our neighborhood has been frustrated with for a long time now. If not, what can we do about that?

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing back from you.

Scott Martini

From: [Ada Ross](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: YES on Striping
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:54:33 PM

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. We own a rental unit on Toledo St, right at Olive St and CVS. We had significant problems with the RV population there, harassing our tenants, who had to vacate the apartment after giving up on any change... This was back in August of 2019. Since then, we acted to bring a change to the parking regulations on Olive St. We involved Chief Mills in this issue, and we've been in touch with Brian Borguno from Public Works, and we finally see some results: Striping marking at Olive St. We still don't know if this will actually go through or not. We have been paying quite a price for this problem, as our unit is situated right across a narrow street from CVS. We organized the street to help achieve a solution, and we all hope that it will come to being..

Your assistance is appreciated.

Please feel free to contact me at anytime!
Thanks, Ada and Peter Ross

Brian Borguno

From: Shoshona Taylor ·
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 10:20 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Cc: Ada Ross
Subject: RV overnight parking (specifically Olive street)

Hello,

My name is Shoshona Taylor. I used to live on the corner of Olive and Toledo street. Once the Ross camp closed down little by little the RVs came and over took Olive street next to CVS.

It became so unbearable with fighting, trash, drug dealing etc. I had to call the police and the abatement team on a regular basis, as did my neighbors.

It effected us more because it was right out side the window of my bedroom. I was walking to CVS and there was a party going on and I politely asked them to keep it down and introduced myself by my first name (which is very unusual). That person told Alicia Kuhl (whom I didn't know who she was at the time). After that I got threats, pictures of my daughter were circulated. We were so upset and scared and tired of all the noise and drug deals and trash that we moved.

I loved that house and our neighbors, but after a year of not sleeping through the night we are on the quiet street of Surfside.

I've heard many stories of this happening and something needs to be done. So, please consider no overnight parking in neighborhood areas. I was born and raised here and that was unacceptable.

Thank you for your time,

Third generation Santa Cruz local and 19 year local nurse working hard for my community, Shoshona Taylor

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Silvia Leon](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Garfield Park RVs
Date: Monday, June 15, 2020 6:38:51 PM

Yes, it is.

On Mon, Jun 15, 2020, 2:03 PM Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Silvia,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this in response to the attached proposed parking change on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th?

Best,

Kenny Jatho

From: Silvia Leon [
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:44 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: Garfield Park RVs

RE: YES on Striping

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, Garfield Park and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets. This is much needed. As most Garfield Park residents, don't feel safe in our own homes, because of all the RVs and day quatters.

Concerned,

Brian Borguno

From: Susan Loop
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 12:17 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Yes to Parking SPACE Striping!

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Dear Mr. Borguno,

I know we are all trying to do our best during these COVID times to stay safe and healthy. We are thankful for the hard work and coordination of our city workers, essential workers and healthcare heroes. I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces stripes on the Westside in the Natural Bridges area and on Olive Street. As you know, the Natural Bridges State Park area along Swanton Blvd, Delaware Ave, and Natural Bridges Drive has been a mecca for the people living in dilapidated RVs and cars for the past 3 years. The streets and dirt paths are littered with trash, human feces, and needles. People are congregating outside their cars. Cooking and fires are taking place in the park's dense brush posing a severe fire danger to all. It is difficult as a family to walk, bike, and access Natural Bridges State Park while dodging dogs, stuff on the sidewalks, and debris.

Please paint the stripes to limit oversized vehicles and car camping in the Natural Bridges area and on Olive Street.

Best,

Susan Loop
Quintana Ct

Brian Borguno

From: Ada Ross
Sent: Monday, June 15, 2020 1:37 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Fwd: Rv parking Santa Cruz

on behalf of Ada Ross

Begin forwarded message:

From: Terry Edwards
Subject: Rv parking Santa Cruz
Date: June 13, 2020 at 8:13:06 PM GMT+3
To:

Hello,

I am a long term resident in Santa Cruz. I would like to have all RV parking banned in Santa Cruz. They live in our neighborhoods free from taxes and cost of housing. This is unfair to the residents of Santa Cruz.

I believe that people with RVs should stay in campgrounds where RVs are welcomed.

Sincerely,

Terry Edwards

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Tamera Smith](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Yes on Striping
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 2:42:29 PM

Hello Kenny,
Olive street is of concern, so I was glad to hear that parking spaces the size of passenger cars will be painted there. I am also concerned about the trash, open fire cooking and overnight camping that is occurring on Delaware, Mission Street Extension and near Natural Bridges. Is it possible that those areas will be striped or monitored more closely for vehicles in violation of the overnight camping laws, littering or for the vehicles being in disrepair/ not registered? I understand that there are those who are seeking a place to live, but this solution is not ideal. Thanks in advance for your help, Tamera Smith

On Tue, Jun 16, 2020 at 10:34 AM Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Tamera,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,

Kenny Jatho

From: Tamera Smith
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 6:53 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: Yes on Striping

RE: YES on Striping

Dear Kenny,

I am writing along with my neighbors to make known my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few. The large number of oversized vehicles and their occupants residing on the streets has placed a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences, not to mention those who wish to access Natural Bridges State Park. Please stripe the streets.

Your assistance is appreciated

Tamera Smith

Visual Arts teacher and Westside Resident

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Tamera Smith

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Tamera Smith

Brian Borguno

From: Tessy Paikeday
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 4:03 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: YES please Stripe!

Dear Brian,

I am writing to express my support of painting parking spaces on the Westside. There are several streets on the Westside which have become heavily impacted by oversized RVs and other oversized vehicles due to a lack of striping. Olive St., Delaware Avenue, Mission Extension, and Natural Bridges Drive are a few.

Oversized vehicles residing on our streets places a heavy burden on neighboring businesses and residences. The people living in these vehicles are often in need of social services, and social service providers cannot reach them when they are inside their cars. The vehicles are often in disrepair and pose a safety risk to the residences and businesses they park in front of due to unsafe cooking facilities, dogs being run off leash and litter and human waste being discarded on sidewalks and walkways. Please stripe the streets. I am in favor of striping on Olive St., Delaware Ave., Mission Extension and Natural Bridges Dr., to name a few. We need to get this situation under better control.

Thank you in advance!

Brian Borguno

From: Todd Kramer
Sent: Saturday, June 20, 2020 10:00 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: RV's parking on city streets

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Hello there,

I saw the post on Nextdoor regarding the RV's parked on Olive St near CVS on Mission St and support the change in parking enforcement.

As well there is a HUGE problem on the far westside along Delaware Ave and Natural Bridges Dr. (the neighborhood I live in). Right now there are at a minimum 30-40 RV's, vans, cars, trailers parked there. No Kidding! It is unfortunate that there are so many people without a permanent residence in our county however this does not excuse their behavior and lack of respect for the area. They literally campout on our street for weeks and even months at a time leaving trash, fluids and running generators day and night. It is an eye sore and a nuisance to the folks that pay big bucks to live and enjoy this area. There are several of these vehicles with "tow" markings on them dated 4/23 and it is now 6/20/20. They regularly remove the markings and the green "move" tags and or ignore parking tickets and on that note how does the city regulate the parking enforcement that says no parking from midnight to 6am?

A couple of days ago I actually saw some police presence and a vehicle was towed AND one of the "residents" of a vehicle was screaming at the top of her lungs and acting erratic. This is standard behavior for many of these folks and it is truly sad and unfortunate. They clearly need help! However that does not mean that we should have to be burdened by their behavior and unsightly living conditions.

How about turning that strip of Delaware/Natural Bridges Dr into paid parking or 4 or 8 hour limit and mark and ticket those who do not obey the regulations?

This needs to be addressed ASAP!

Thanks for taking the time to read my email and hopefully respond.

Todd Kramer

Brian Borguno

From: Yesenia Cardona-Muller
Sent: Saturday, June 13, 2020 8:26 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Olive street parking restrictions

Good morning,

I would like to write in full support of proposed changes to the area to regulate parking. I'm a west side resident who uses CVS and have first hand knowledge of the problems in the area. There is persistent trash and urine and feces smell.

Thank you,

Y Cardona-Müller

Brian Borguno

From: Yvonne Feistman <
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 7:13 AM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Support for Olive St.

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

To whom it may concern,

Im writing to support the re striping of the parking spaces on Olive street.
Please consider how the residents in the area are impacted by the increased noise and garbage generated by the residents of recreational vehicles.

I ask the city to please find a place for these people to park which does not impact businesses or residential housing.

Thank you,

From: [Zeenat Hassan](#)
To: [Kenny Jathe](#)
Subject: Opposition to proposed change to Olive Street parking
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 3:16:10 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[2020.06.10 Opposition to proposed parking changes. final.pdf](#)

Hello,

Please see the attached letter of opposition to the Public Works Department's proposed change to parking on Olive Street.

Sincerely,

Zeenat Hassan

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June 10, 2020

Via email to kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com

Kenny Jatho
City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department
809 Center Street, Room 201
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: Opposition to proposed change to Olive Street parking

Dear Mr. Jatho:

Disability Rights California (DRC) is a nonprofit organization that advocates for the rights of people with disabilities. We submit this letter in opposition to the Public Works Department's proposal to delineate parking spaces on Olive Street between Mission Street and Toledo Street. The proposed delineations appear to be too small to accommodate a recreational vehicle (RV). They effectively prohibit RVs from parking on Olive Street, resulting in the dispersion of people who live in their RVs from one of the few overnight parking locations available to them. The proposed changes will be especially harmful to people with disabilities who live in RVs. We therefore urge the Public Works Department not to proceed with the proposed changes.

Although the City of Santa Cruz does not explicitly prohibit people from using their RVs for shelter, it has imposed so many unnecessary restrictions on overnight parking that it has become extremely difficult to locate a safe place to park overnight and rest. AFC's Safe Spaces program provides some relief, but is inadequate to meet in full the needs of the City's residents who live in their vehicles. The Safe Spaces program has substantive requirements that exclude potential participants from the program, and its application process

can be burdensome for people with limited resources. Those considerations aside, there simply are not enough spaces available for every person in Santa Cruz who lives in their vehicle. Accordingly, it is important for the City to preserve overnight parking spaces so that people who use their vehicles for shelter but are unable to participate in Safe Spaces can still live and work in the City.

Protecting overnight parking spaces is especially important for people with disabilities. DRC has represented a number of Santa Cruz residents experiencing homelessness, many of whom use their vehicles as housing of last resort. Having some type of shelter is crucial for people with disabilities because the alternatives—congregate shelter or sleeping on the street—can have life-threatening effects on a person’s already compromised health. Being able to shelter in a vehicle overnight allows a person with a disability to rest and manage the effects of their disability. This is especially important during the COVID-19 pandemic, when sheltering in place is necessary to control the spread of the virus.

The proposed parking changes contradict CDC guidance on allowing people experiencing homelessness to shelter in place. On its website, the City maintains a list of Frequently Asked Questions about COVID-19 and homelessness. One of the questions asks: “Is the City towing/what is the City doing about [people experiencing homelessness] living in cars?” The document responds: “Police are citing vehicles, and towing only for unusual circumstances or if an officer deems a vehicle a hazard or nuisance. While citing has not stopped camping it has reduced it. *If [people experiencing homelessness] are using vehicles to shelter-in-place CDC guidelines discourage dispersing them [emphasis added].*”¹ The proposed parking change will do exactly what CDC guidelines discourage: It will make a safe parking site unavailable to people who live in their RVs, forcing them to disperse.

People who live in their RVs have been using Olive Street as an overnight parking location for over a year. The sudden change in parking rules effectively disbands a long-standing encampment without providing adequate notice or alternative shelter. This action raises Due Process

¹ City of Santa Cruz, *Response to COVID-19*, Included Linked Document Entitled *May 13th 2020: COVID-19 Homeless Resources FAQ*, <http://www.cityofsantacruz.com/community/city-newsroom/response-to-covid-19>.

concerns. In addition, it conflicts with public health objectives by forcing people who live in their RVs to relocate when they should remain in place. The Public Works Department has not put forth a compelling reason for the proposed changes, and certainly not a reason why these changes need to happen during the pandemic. In light of these facts, we urge the Public Works Department not to proceed with the proposed changes. They are unnecessary and, more importantly, violate the rights of people experiencing homelessness to shelter safely in their vehicles during the pandemic.

Sincerely,



Zeenat Hassan
Staff Attorney 2

Lili Graham
Litigation Counsel

From: [Tristia Bauman](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Opposition to Parking Changes on Olive Street
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 4:54:27 PM
Attachments: [Letter to Santa Cruz RV Parking 6.10.20.pdf](#)

Hello,

My name is Tristia Bauman, and I am a senior attorney at the National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty. I have attached a letter expressing our opposition to proposed changes to parking on Olive Street, which will effectively eliminate one of the only locations where people living in RVs may lawfully and safely park. The change violates CDC guidance and it will harm unhoused and housed residents in Santa Cruz. I am available to discuss this matter.

Sincerely,
Tristia

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June 10, 2020

Sent via email

Kenny Jatho

City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department
809 Center Street, Room 201
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: Opposition to proposed change to Olive Street parking between Mission and Toledo

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I write on behalf of the National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty (“Law Center”) to express our opposition to proposed changes to parking on Olive Street between Mission and Toledo. The proposed change will reduce the number of lawful places where people who live in RVs are able to park and safely shelter in place during the COVID-19 pandemic. By reducing the number of places where people who live in RVs may safely park and shelter in place – without offering any alternatives to individuals and families living there – the City of Santa Cruz threatens the health and safety of its vehicle residents and the public at large.

The Law Center is the only national legal advocacy organization dedicated solely to ending and preventing homelessness. We have over 30 years of experience in policy advocacy, public education, and impact litigation. We have published numerous reports, including *Housing Not Handcuffs 2019: Ending the Criminalization of Homelessness*, which includes a section about the negative public health impacts of policies that displace homeless people from public space. We have also compiled best practices and other resources for communities working to address homelessness and curb the spread of the deadly coronavirus, which you can find on our website at <https://nlchp.org/coronavirus/>.

Even though Santa Cruz struggles with a lack of affordable housing and a resulting homelessness crisis, the City has not taken adequate steps to ensure that people who live in vehicles for lack of other housing options have sufficient safe and lawful places to park. Proposed changes to parking on Olive Street between Mission and Toledo would add to the patchwork of regulations that make it practically impossible to safely and lawfully park a vehicle home in the City of Santa Cruz. This is a step in the wrong direction, and an especially harmful act during the COVID-19 pandemic.

RVs are often housing of last resort for people who are too poor to afford traditional housing, such as families with children, seniors, and people with disabilities. Olive

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Street between Mission and Toledo, a non-residential area that does not have through traffic, has been one of the few places in the City where people who live in RVs can stably and safely park, which they have done without incident for over a year. Now, the City seeks to suddenly displace this group of people from that location. Worse yet, the City seeks to displace them during the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, and without offering the people living there any adequate alternatives for parking and maintaining safe shelter. This will create serious risks of harm to people who will no longer have access to a safe, lawful place to park their only available form of private shelter, and who risk losing those private shelters as a result.

This action runs directly counter to guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the “CDC”) which on multiple occasions has **advised that cities not displace people experiencing homelessness from their private shelters and outdoor communities during the COVID-19 pandemic.** In its *Interim Guidance for Responding to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) among People Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness*, the CDC states: “Unless individual housing units are available, do not clear encampments during community spread of COVID-19. Clearing encampments can cause people to disperse throughout the community and break connections with service providers. This increases the potential for infectious disease spread.”¹

The rationale for this guidance extends equally to vehicles as to tents because safe, stable places to access private shelter, even if the form of shelter isn’t optimal, is invaluable to protecting public health during the COVID-19 pandemic. Indeed, a growing body of research has underscored the importance of following CDC guidance to preserve not only the health and lives of people who lack housing, but to protect the health and lives of the public at large. One example is a study released by medical practitioners, public health professionals, and social scientists at University of California at Berkeley’s School of Public Health in April 2020, entitled “For the Good of Us All: Addressing the Needs of Our Unhoused Neighbors During the COVID-19 Pandemic.”² The study, based on a review of scientific evidence, concludes that helping unhoused people to properly shelter in place – even if those shelters are vehicles - will help to “flatten the curve”, decrease the demand for services from hospitals, and enable communities to lift shelter-in-place orders sooner than if people experiencing homelessness are not sheltered-in-place.

The City of Santa Cruz should be following, not flouting, public health guidance during the pandemic. We oppose the proposed changes to parking on Olive Street. The change will create significant harm to vulnerable people who live in RVs. Moreover, the change violates CDC guidance, and it unnecessarily risks public health. We urge you to abandon this misguided proposal. I am available to discuss this matter with you, and I can be reached at tbauman@nlchp.org and 202-638-2535 x. 102.

Sincerely,

¹ Center for Disease Control and Prevention, *Interim Guidance for Responding to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) among People Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness* (2019), <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/homeless-shelters/unsheltered-homelessness.html>.

² Colette Auerswald et al., *For the Good of Us All: Addressing the Needs of Our Unhoused Neighbors During the COVID-19 Pandemic* (2020), <https://publichealth.berkeley.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/For-the-Good-of-Us-All-Report.pdf>.

Tristia Bauman
Senior Attorney

From: [Abbi Dale](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: APPEAL regarding Olive St Markings
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:47:13 AM

Hello Kenny,

We spoke on the phone last week in which I made an official complaint against these markings and said I would follow-through with a letter.

Here is why I am making this complaint:

- 1) This street is a non-residential street with no car access to the other side.
- 2) The complaints that are being made are being led by an anti-homeless campaign. If proof is needed during the hearing, they can be presented. Most of the complainers live over a mile away.
- 3) There is ample parking in mostly empty parking lot at CVS and on the streets.
- 4) When people have complained and made a police call, when the police come, all they end up doing is waking up people who are quietly sleeping to find out there is no illegal activity.
- 5) Even if there were any illegal activity, people should be cited accordingly instead of taking away their right to peacefully, quietly sleep.
- 6) This is a safe place for people to sleep.
- 7) Olive St has been kept clean except for the few incidents in which the vehicle owners have woken to find nails under their vehicles and what looks like someone emptied a sharp container full of needles near an RV during the night. What is interesting is that the picture showed up within hours on one of their anti-homeless campaigns.
- 8) People have a right to sleep.
- 9) Many people sleeping there are children, elderly and people with disabilities.
- 10) People living there support one another, help each other, help keep it clean. It is a peaceful, quiet area. Every time I have stopped there in the late evening, I find it very quiet, peaceful, clean and everyone quiet inside with lights turned off. It is their sanctuary, their right to quality of life.
- 11) During the weekday day, people observe the 2 hour limit and during the weekends, the 72 hour move your vehicle.

I could probably come up with 10 more reasons but these are the ones that come to mind.

Bottom line, this is not necessary and only targeted towards people who live quietly and peacefully in their RVs.

Sincerely,
Abbi Samuels

[Pronouns:](#) she/her/hers

From: [Aisling O'Farrell](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Against painting of parking spots/restriction of RVs
Date: Friday, June 19, 2020 2:02:05 PM

I'm delighted to hear that this is only being proposed on Olive Street, but I am against this plan for Olive Street. I am on that part of Olive Street all the time (that's my local CVS) and there are absolutely no issues with the current way that people park there. There are always dozens of spaces for shoppers in the lot, and the RVs that do park there are not blocking anyone from getting in and out. Making a parking spot for the bike shuttle in the general area might be appropriate, but other changes such as changes in signage aren't necessary.

Thanks for your response, I appreciate it.

> On Jun 16, 2020, at 10:25 AM, Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

>

> Hello Aisling,

>

> Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

>

> If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

>

> Best,

> Kenny Jatho

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Aisling O'Farrell []

> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:26 PM

> To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>

> Subject: Against painting of parking spots/restriction of RVs

>

> I write strongly against the painting of small parking spots that would force RVs out of their current safe parking spot. The city cannot continue to operate under the assumption that making life painful for homeless will somehow magically make them not-homeless. Safe parking is vitally needed in Santa Cruz and removing yet another place for RVs will cause more harm than good. It is also a violation of people's ability to shelter in place — and given just how many homeless people are disabled or have compromised immune systems, painting spaces now is not only cruel and pointless, but also a health hazard.

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> As you can tell from my email address, I am University staff, specifically at an off-campus location on Delaware that is often used for parking by RVs. I also live in an area where people often sleep in their cars. I have never had any issue with RVs parking at my workplace nor by people sleeping in smaller cars near my home, because in spite of what some people in this city seem to believe, someone sleeping in a motor vehicle doesn't suddenly open a portal to hell that unleashes violent crime and squalor. It's just someone chilling in a car. Live and let live.

>

> — Ash

> <Olive St Proposed Parking Changes Layout.pdf>

From: [Ann Miller](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Branch safe parking
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 11:59:54 AM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

Please protect the safe parking for those who are living in their RVs. There are so few places they can park without being in a residential area or creating other problems. We need far more safe spaces for those who are just one step from being in tents on the street. Please help them to remain living safely in their homes. If it ain't broke don't "fix" it !

Sincerely,
Ann Miller

From: [Barbara Carey](#)
To: [Kenny Jathro](#)
Subject: Parking spaces
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 1:38:13 PM

Dear Mr. Jathro,

I disagree with the City's proposal to create parking spaces that are too short for RVs on the block-long non-residential street off Mission Street.

Sincerely yours,
Barbara Carey

From: [Barbara Fields](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV parking
Date: Friday, June 5, 2020 5:21:56 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

It has come to my attention that there is group that is coming up with a proposal that will restrict overnight parking of Recreational vehicles on non residential streets. I find this action very unfortunate and short sighted.

Until the City of Santa Cruz has designated an area where RVs that are homes can park overnight safely, these residents have a right to park on the street overnight. I have heard our Chief of Police Andy Mills say they will not arrest people who are sleeping in their cars/RVs that are parked on our streets. They have a right to sleep in their vehicles and they have to park somewhere.

I hope you will reject the proposal and effort to restrict the parking of RVs overnight on our city streets, especially non residential. I hope our city will find a space, parking lot, or location that can accommodate our residents who live in their vehicles. This is the humane thing to do.

Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,
Barbara Fields

From: [branedells.](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV parking proposal/anti-homeless silliness
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 2:15:52 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I am emailing you to register my disapproval of the proposal to prevent RV parking at the de facto safe-sleeping area off Mission. It seems the proposal fails to adhere to current CDC guidelines, and I can see not one redeeming feature of it.

Thank you,
Brandon Dellis

From: [Caitlin Brune](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Please maintain existing overnight parking for RVs at the end of Mission Street
Date: Monday, June 15, 2020 10:42:07 AM

Yesir.

Caitlin M. Brune

We plant seeds that will flower as results in our lives, so best to remove the weeds of anger, avarice, envy and doubt. that peace and abundance may manifest for all. ~ Dorothy Day

On Mon, Jun 15, 2020 at 10:10 AM Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Caitlin,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this in response to the proposed parking change on Olive St next to CVS?

Best,

Kenny

From: Caitlin Brune
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2020 5:10 PM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: Please maintain existing overnight parking for RVs at the end of Mission Street

Dear Mr. Jatho,

Greetings. I'm a city resident in favor of abiding by the CDC guidelines for supporting a pragmatic, responsible public health response to COVID-19 that also safeguards the rights and dignity of people experiencing homelessness. I want to affirm my support for the continued permission of nighttime parking of RVs at the quiet end of Mission Street, near Natural Bridges, in order to provide safe, dignified accommodation for folks struggling to

make ends meet within our local housing market.

I'd be happy to discuss my rationale further, if that's of interest.

For now, simply appreciating your leadership - especially during this unusual and prolonged period of uncertainty, ambiguity, and complexity - and supportive of a humane, dignified next step in providing safe shelter for those who call Santa Cruz home.

Gratefully,

Caitlin Brune

Caitlin M. Brune

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From: [CARMEN](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Not shortening parking spaces
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:39:25 PM

As a citizen and home owner in Santa Cruz I implore you, Public Works, not to deprive RV homes of parking spaces by shortening spaces. The freedom the RVs have to park There does not infringe on others need to park.

Carmen Berteaux

Sent from Xfinity Connect App

From: [Carol Long](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Do not break up houseless encampment off Mission St.
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 6:38:36 PM

PLEASE HELP PROTECT ONE OF THE FEW SAFE-PARKING SPOTS FOR PEOPLE LIVING IN THEIR RVS - CONTACT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT **BEFORE JUNE 11**. For over a year, several people experiencing homelessness have been parking their RVs at night on a non-residential block-long street off Mission Street, in accordance with posted parking signs that restrict parking only during the day. Though unofficial, this is one of the few places in the City that people can safely park their living vehicles. There has been no trouble. However, apparently in response to an organized campaign by anti-homeless groups, the City is proposing creating parking spaces on the street that are too short for RVs.

You are the person in charge of this action. Please follow CDC GUIDELINES AND DO NOT TAKE THIS ACTION.

Carol Long

From: [Carolyn Smith](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street Parking
Date: Friday, June 12, 2020 5:33:40 PM

I just read about the proposed parking changes for Olive Street and disagree. This is a public street and the fact that it is already one way and has limited access is inappropriate as it basically privatized the throughfare. I believe the parking problems they are experiencing is due to the light traffic as a result of the traffic pattern which I disagreed with when implemented when CVS/Longs was built. It forces residents who want to go to CVS to access via Mission which is dangerous or out of the way if you are already on this side of Mission. Public streets are public and should be available to the public. I believe this is an issue with downtown as well. If a problem exists for long term or inappropriate vehicles parking on the street than that should be addressed with permit parking for overnight use (when business is closed) and reasonable timed use but as long as the streets are public they should be available to the public. Privatizing public streets is not the answer.

Carolyn Smith

From: [Christine Barrington](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Please Do Not Restrict Parking for RV's
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 11:35:24 AM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I am writing to you today to request that the city of Santa Cruz not place new restrictions on the Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dwelling encampment off Mission St.

Life has become so hard for low-income people in Santa Cruz, in northern California, actually. It is prohibitively expensive to live in these areas and while it is not ideal, parking in an RV on a non-residential street is a reasonable last ditch effort to live safely while the community attempts to find ways to provide safe, affordable housing to those who truly require it. I am seeing this done along El Camino Real in Palo Alto where one can observe nearly a mile of RV's parking at night. It is shocking to see how the people who clean and service these wealthy communities now have to live, but at least they can. It is my understanding that the people parking in this area of Santa Cruz have not caused trouble. Please allow them to continue.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Christine Barrington

From: [Coral Brune](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Parking plan
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 9:51:17 PM

Dear Mr Jathro:

I write because I disagree with the city's plan to restrict parking on Olive Street. It was fine the way it was and RVs have no other choice nearby to park at night. It is fine the way it is except maybe some of the confuson could be changed by making signs along there more clearly stated.

Sincerely,

Coral Brune

From: [craig_reinarman](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: homeless/RV parking
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:38:38 PM

To Whom It May Concern,

I strongly oppose re-striping the parking spaces on Olive St. to prevent RV's and camper vans from parking there over night. I support the right of those few live-in vehicles to park where they have been successfully parking for nearly a year, without notable problems.

Sincerely,

Craig Reinarman

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Craig Reinarman
Professor Emeritus of Sociology & Legal Studies

From:
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: vehicle dwellers
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 12:54:34 PM

as a santa cruz resident since 1968 i stronly support legal parking in non residential areas for people who live in a vehicle. living in a vehicle is far superior to living on the street in the open. please do not limit legal parking for RVs on non residential streets. thank you, c. hawley

From: [cyndy crogan](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Branch Parking
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 7:42:50 AM

Dear Kenny,

I am writing to ask you and the city of Santa Cruz not to change the Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dweller encampment's ability to park their RV's safely during the night in this area. I do not agree with the proposal to alter the parking provisions of this area. Homelessness is not a crime and we must start dealing with it rather than continually push these people around like herds of animals. We are in a serious pandemic and causing people to move is a violation of the non-eviction order enacted by the Governor of California.

I oppose these proposed changes to cause the eviction of these people and their R.V.s

Sincerely,
Cyndy Crogan

From: —
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Please do not restrict the Mission Street RV parking
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 9:58:55 PM

Mr. Jatho,

Please do not change the parking on Mission Street to restrict RV parking.

Our jobs have been sent overseas for pennies on the dollar, leaving very few available jobs in the US and California at a living wage. (One local example of loss of jobs is Plantronics, who laid off 250 people at one swoop. Those folks most certainly were making a wage that would afford a mortgage - and I'm sure many lost their homes to foreclosure, being unable to secure a job at that level of income.)

Further, after the 2008 market crash houses that were foreclosed were held by banks for years, being released recently to wealthy parties in other counties to buy their second or third vacation home here in Santa Cruz.

The result is what we see now, good people that can not find work, and when they do, there is no affordable housing.

Please don't punish these people further by removing the Mission Street parking.

Thank you,

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From:
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Let RVs park without hassle
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:24:54 AM

Hello Kenny --

I'm writing to encourage you to ****not**** break-up the practice of allowing RVs to park overnight on a non-residential street off Mission Street. First of all, there's no credible alternative for people to use. An RV is a greater degree of housing security than a homeless shelter, and being in an urban environment closer to services makes more sense than insisting they all spend their time in wilderness camp sites.

Second of all, it's still a pandemic, and dispersing a crowd like this contravenes the CDC guidelines, without any justification that we're serving the greater good in some way.

Thanks for the work you do, I'm sure your position is not an easy one to hold in times like these.

Cheers -- Dave

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From: [David Mintz](#)
To: [Kenny Jathe](#)
Subject: RV Parking
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 7:25:18 PM

Hi

We live by this area. We have helped homeless people for the three years we have lived here. We understand that there are serious issues and reasons why people are without homes. People, especially at this time, when the County and the City and the State have not come up with any comprehensive solution MUST NOT make it harder for people - damn it is hard enough. So, please, please, please do not make it harder for RV people to find a safe place to stay at night. Please do not make it harder by changing the parking situation on Olive.

We need a real and comprehensive solution - sets of solutions actually. Making it harder for people is not a solution. I serve breakfast daily at Housing Matters as a volunteer. I volunteer to find people housing - it is not easy.

So, please do not change the parking lines or anything else at this time. IF you need someone to help assure that the area is kept clean, then let me know and I will gladly help.

David and Jan Mintz

From: [Diane Cohan](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Dear Ms. Jatho
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:02:11 PM

I lived on Tanner Heights for 50 years until I just no longer felt safe due to the traffic on my hilltop; and the increasingly aggressive and thoughtless behavior of interlopers who also set my place on fire 5 times so I moved to Scotts Valley in 2011. Even my Rottweiler, Poo Bear, was becoming weary of the constant challenge to our safety.

All that to let you know I do not condone bad behavior; *and recognize it when I see it* ...If the people who shelter in vehicles are being respectful of the neighbors and not engaging in thievery or excessive noise, I so hope arrangements can be devised to allow them to sleep safely at night; and be treated as we would wish to be treated.

Our country is in shambles...and the inequities have been building exponentially during my lifetime. No never mind the horror that is the monster in the White House who has thrown us so off course these past 3 years.; and exacerbated any and all inequities possible.

I am not immediately affected by this issue; but I was born on West cliff Drive 75 years ago; and will always care about Santa Cruz and wasn't Chief Andy wonderful on national TV ?

Please find a way to implement your role with kindness and equity. Take care, Diane Cohan MA MPA LMFT Licensed Private Investigator and Therapist to law Enforcement.

From: [Diane Warren](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Homeless
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:42:02 PM

Dear K. Jatho,

Please do something helpful for the people who can no longer pay rent here. I believe that the City of Mountain let people have a parking lot to park in. Then they are not disrupting neighborhoods and the City could make it legal, even if temporary, as in if affordable housing exists, maybe the need for an RV would be less. You might want to see if they have been local residents, although all homeless people deserve a break. People who can't afford can't afford rent.

The people who have found legal overnight parking - please don't take that away and provide nothing else.

We have many problems in the world. Let's see if we can solve them humanely.

Thank you,
Diane Warren

From: [Dick Vittitow](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Parking for Recreational Vehicles
Date: Monday, June 15, 2020 2:32:36 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho, Thank you so very much for your efforts at clarification. I had read an article about a parking lot where Recreational Vehicles park and that the City was going to issue a no parking order. When I wrote the note, I was then confused about which parking lot it was, but apparently quite a few RVs park there and it could well be the Olive St. lot. I know that a number of RVs now park at the lot between Center and Cedar across from the Farmer's Market. My hope is that the City would continue to allow RV parking at all public parking lots at night if possible. First, as you know, I am very concerned about the increasing homeless in Santa Cruz and there being few alternatives in housing for them. It is my understanding that for many SC residents RVs are their last hope for housing before having to go on the streets. Anything you and the City can do to secure parking for the RVs at night would be very helpful and hopeful. Thank you for your inquiry. Sincerely, Dick Vittitow

On 6/15/2020 1:52 PM, Kenny Jatho wrote:

> Hello Dick,
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> Thank you for contacting me. Is this in response to the attached proposed parking change on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th?
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> Best,
> Kenny Jatho
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Dick Vittitow
> Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 8:45 AM
> To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
> Subject: Parking for Recreational Vehicles
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> Dear Mr. Jatho - Thank you for your dedicated work for the City and its people. I urge the City not to restrict the parking of recreational vehicles overnight in designated city parking lots. Their secure and safe parking means a great deal to them, and it also means a great deal to those especially like us who live on Union Street. We really value that the recreational vehicles have at present safe and secure public parking spaces where they can park and that they are not pushed to have to park overnight on public streets like Union Street in downtown. Right now our public street in front of our homes has spaces available at night for our visitors and we truly enjoy the quiet and peace we experience after 9:00 in the evening when the cars that have parked for downtown shopping have left. It is my feeling that the City of Santa Cruz has really worked hard on the issues associated with housing for the homeless but we have not been very successful. Recreational vehicles are one effective response for the homeless who most often cannot afford any other housing alternatives which on the whole have become so affordable. Please allow us as the people of Santa Cruz to extend with our hearts and spirits a supportive and effective parking alternative for recreational vehicles. We have the choice, they don't. Thank you. Dick Vittitow,
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From: [Dorah Rosen Shuey](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Disagree with parking change near Mission St CVS
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:06:33 AM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

Thank you for working during shelter-in-place. We hope that you and yours are well!

We are writing to express disagreement with changing the parking situation on Olive St or any streets in the area near the Mission St CVS, such as Toledo St. We used to live at 1320 Bay St, very close to this short street. Our family had no problems with the people who park their RVs and vans there. In fact, we were happy for people to have safe places to park since they have to live in their vehicles due to the huge disparity between wages and housing costs in Santa Cruz. We still are glad that this is a little pocket of safety and urge you to keep it that way!

We have since moved and are in another neighborhood that has a few places where people can park legally overnight in their cars. But the spaces aren't big enough for vans or RVs.

At this time of economic disruption and job losses due to shelter-in-place it would be especially cruel to get rid of places where people can stay overnight in their vans. Our family implores you to keep things as they are- do not reduce the size of the parking spaces or change the parking times!

Sincerely,
Dorah & Geoff Shuey
Ayla, Kezia and Bishop

From: [Drew Lewis](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#); [Gail Nekunam](#); [Gail Page](#); [J. Rosella Myers](#); [City Council](#); [Satya Orion](#)
Subject: RV Parking Restrictions
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 9:08:03 PM

Dear Kenny Jatho,

I think that it is very counter productive to harass people trying to survive by living in an RV as opposed to living in a tent on the street.

I think that the City of Santa Cruz should make every effort to allow, permit and assist people living in RV's to find a safe place to park their RV's.

If these people are driven out of their RV's through harassment and other actions by the city and start living in tents and relieving themselves in the bushes (since most public rest rooms have been locked) what do you think the level of public health will be then?

Many of the great plagues of the past were a result of people being deprived of adequate sanitation, housing, hygiene, clean water and waste removal systems.

Let's not bring back the horrors of the past with really counter productive policies that are politically motivated.

Sincerely,

Drew Lewis

From: [Elisa Breton](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 10:04:04 AM

Dear City of Santa Cruz Public Works,

I live on the west side of Santa Cruz and saw the public notice regarding a proposal to alter parking on Olive Street.

I am voicing my OPPOSITION to this proposal. As is, spaces are open to residents during the day and their need to park is not impacted. This proposal seems intended purely to stop the nighttime camping as most campers will no longer be able to legally park. This area provides safe space for those members in our community with few other options. Please reconsider this proposal.

Thank you,

Elisa Breton, MD

From: [Eva Brunner](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Branch safe parking
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 8:54:52 AM

Dear Mr Jatho -

For over a year, several people experiencing homelessness have been parking their RVs at night on a non-residential block-long street off Mission Street, in accordance with posted parking signs that restrict parking only during the day. Though unofficial, this is one of the few places in the City that people can safely park their living vehicles. There has been no trouble. However, apparently in response to an organized campaign by anti-homeless groups, the City is proposing creating parking spaces on the street that are too short for RVs.

It appears that now the City of Santa Cruz plans to restrict parking of RVs at night by redrawing the lines to make it impossible for RVs to fit in the spots. If this tactic is successful it would essentially break up an encampment during shelter in place which is against the CDC guidelines. It is important to note that we are not being offered a safe parking alternative, and marking the spots is a direct attempt to make sure that RV's cannot fit any longer. I wholly disagree with this tactic and with not providing an alternative.

Sincerely,
Eva Brunner
Santa Cruz

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Eva Brunner

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From: [Eve-Marie Mcgrath](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: The non resident block
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 7:25:16 AM

I would no longer be alive without parking for an Rv . it took me 10 years after a head injury, car accident and a total mistake by CHP officers and believing the person who caused the accident that it was the other way around. I was too had injured to know what was happening but I lost the positive trajectory of my life at that point. There was nothing that could be done about a police report that was wrong and the accident was so obvious no one knew that the police had gotten it wrong till it was too late and there was nothing that could be done. Without parking I'd be gone. I now have a job and a home it took me 10 years. Please don't take away the parking.

From: [gail williamson](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Please Preserve Safe Vehicle Parking on Olive St and Create More
Date: Friday, June 5, 2020 11:06:12 AM

Mr. Kenny Jatho,

We need many more permanent and safe parking spaces for persons whose homes are vehicles. Please do not acquiesce to the haters and NIMBYists.

Displacing people from their homes will lead to greater spread of Covid-19 and is against CDC guidelines.

I appeal to you to cease any ticketing, towing or harassing of the less fortunate members of our community on legal, moral and compassionate grounds.

gail williamson
Santa Cruz City

From: gail_williamson
To: [Kenny Jatho](mailto:Kenny_Jatho); [Brian Borguno](mailto:Brian_Borguno)
Cc: [Drew Lewis](mailto:Drew_Lewis); gail_nekunam; [J. Rosella Myers](mailto:J_Rosella_Myers); [City Council](mailto:City_Council); [Satya Orion](mailto:Satya_Orion)
Subject: Re: RV Parking Restrictions
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 2:32:31 PM
Attachments: [Olive St Proposed Parking Changes Layout.pdf](#)

Mr. Jatho, Mr. Borguno,

I strongly object to striping the parking spaces on Olive Street, which is clearly a response to various hate and anti-homeless groups in our community. The striping is meant to make it impossible to park an RV, causing several citizens to lose a living space.

I encourage the city to do something positive for the less fortunate, e.g., opening up many more unrestricted parking clusters throughout the city for vehicles, and placing trash receptacles and sanitary facilities near these spaces. Our tax dollars should be used for the benefit of all citizens, and not for harassment of residents without homes.

gail_williamson

Santa Cruz City Resident

On Jun 16, 2020, at 10:21 AM, Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

Hello Drew,

Thank you for contacting me. Is this email regarding the attached proposed parking layout on Olive Street that had been publicly posted from May 29th through June 11th? There are no other proposed parking changes on the west side at this time.

If you have other concerns regarding RV parking or parking changes feel free to contact our Parking Program Manager Brian Borguno – bborguno@cityofsantacruz.com.

Best,
Kenny Jatho

-----Original Message-----

From: Drew Lewis

Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 9:08 PM

To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>; Gail Nekunam

; Gail Page

; J. Rosella Myers

; City Council <citycouncil@cityofsantacruz.com>; Satya Orion

Subject: RV Parking Restrictions

Dear Kenny Jatho,

I think that it is very counter productive to harass people trying to survive by living in an RV as opposed to living in a tent on the street.

I think that the City of Santa Cruz should make every effort to allow, permit and

assist people living in RV's to find a safe place to park their RV's.

If these people are driven out of their RV's through harassment and other actions by the city and start living in tents and relieving themselves in the bushes (since most public rest rooms have been locked) what do you think the level of public health will be then?

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Let's not bring back the horrors of the past with really counter productive policies that are politically motivated.

Sincerely,

Drew Lewis

From: [Gunilla Leavitt](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Parking spots on Olive Street
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:00:53 PM

Please let Olive Street remain free of marked parking spots. Saying that parking is currently not restricted is patently false; the street has 2 hour parking except by permit Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Please let this non-residential street stay as it is. There are precious few streets where you can park an RV or a truck overnight, and chasing them off this one as well will do no one any good.

Regards,

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//Gunilla//

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"If it jams, force it.
If it breaks, it needed replacing anyway."

From: [james.sirigotis](#)
To: [Kenny Jathe](#)
Subject: parking spaces off mission
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:14:49 AM

please do not displace folks who live from their RVs by creating parking spaces that don't fit RVs or banning overnight parking. they are not hiring anyone by parking on that street at night (it is not residential), and on top of that this would effectively be breaking up an encampment during the pandemic (which is illegal).

active and concerned community member,
james

From: [Jane Doyle](#)
To: [Kenny Jathe](#)
Subject: Safe parking for those living and sheltering in their RVs.
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:30:27 PM

I'm a resident of the Westside, not too far from CVS. I shop there regularly, at various times of day, often coming in my car. Not once have I found any trouble parking in the lot. I see the RVs and am happy that the owners have a safe place to park.

As I understand it you plan to mark parking spots on that street that will be too small for the RVs. Why? What other than a mean spirited attempt to make life difficult for people who already face many difficulties prompted this decision. Please change your plan. While you may never have been without housing and are among those with "housing privilege" many people have been. My experience was many years ago but it remains a strong memory.

On the chance that this decision wasn't yours but came from someone above you please take my message and the others you have probably received to the source of the directive and work to change it to something more compassionate.

Sincerely, Jane Doyle

From: [joan.peterson](#)
To: [Kenny Jathe](#)
Subject: EV
Date: Friday, June 12, 2020 3:07:54 PM

Hello,

My girlfriend and I had an idea that maybe you could change the signs to say 2 hour parking only ... up to 10 pm.
Then the RVs couldn't hang out until after CVS is closed.

Good luck with that,

Joan

From: [John Hall](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Proposed parking change on Olive St. at Mission St.
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:26:13 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I am in touch to OPPOSE the parking changes proposed on Olive Street between Mission St. and Toledo St.

The parking regulations there are working fine and there is no justifiable reason to change them. I drive along that street often, when I shop at CVS. There is nothing broken, and thus no need for change.

The city has an extreme budget shortage, as you know. Now is not the time to be wasting resources even in small [but necessary] ways.

Thank you for your consideration, and please let me know what decision is reached, so that I can take this matter to the appropriate commissions and city council, if necessary.

Thank you,

John Hall
Santa Cruz voter

John Hall

From: [kaki_rusmore](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Protect safe parking for those living in vehicles
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:15:24 PM

Dear Kenny and other City Staff and Council,

I have seen several places where people living in their vehicles parked safely turned into parking zones that seem specifically designed to make it impossible for these people to survive. Until everyone in Santa Cruz county can have housing indoors at a reasonable price, people living in their vehicles will be a reality, and a much better one than people living in the street.

I understand the City of Santa Cruz is planning to change the parking signs in the area of the Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dweller encampment. This safe parking area has been up and running for over a year without serious issues. I would like to remind the City that to break up an encampment during shelter in place is against the CDC guidelines. I also understand that the people there are not being offered a safe parking alternative. The RVs using these spaces are within the present rules, and abide by the daytime parking restrictions.

Please, spend your time and energy finding more safe places to park, more housing for the homeless, and more truly affordable housing for the rest of us.

Thank you,

A fully housed person,
Kaki Rusmore

From: [Karen Brown](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive st
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 7:55:37 PM

Please continue to allow parking with RV's on Olive St, Santa Cruz, CA

Thank you.

Karen Brown

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad](#)

From: [Kate Alm](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street parking
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 1:28:51 PM

Please, don't change the RV friendly parking on Olive St.
Thank you,

Kate Alm

From: Kenny Jatho
To: ["Keith McHenry"](#)
Subject: RE: Dear Kenny Jatho, I am writing to protect the safe parking for disabled people, and women and children living in RVs at Olive and Mission Streets
Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 2:19:00 PM

Hello Keith,

Thank you for contacting me. Your comments will be reviewed by the Transportation and Public Works Commission when deciding how to proceed with the proposed parking change on Olive Street.

Best,
Kenny

-----Original Message-----

From: Keith McHenry
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:50 AM
To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>
Subject: Dear Kenny Jatho, I am writing to protect the safe parking for disabled people, and women and children living in RVs at Olive and Mission Streets

Dear Kenny Jatho,

I am writing to protect the safe parking for disabled people, and women and children living in RVs at Olive and Mission Streets. It has come to my attention that there is an organized campaign of complaints by a small number of people who seek to drive those who cannot afford housing out of the community. The people living quietly along the commercial section of Olive should be supported by the city and their safe parking area on that section of Olive should be allowed to continue living there peacefully. I would encourage the city to investigate this campaign of hate and intimidation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Keith McHenry

Santa Cruz

From: [Ken Ketch](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: SAFE-PARKING SPOTS FOR PEOPLE LIVING IN THEIR RVS -
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 3:57:47 PM
Attachments: [Screen Shot 2019-04-05 at 12.11.28 PM.png](#)

Kenny,

I am writing to advocate for leaving the current arrangements for safe parking for people living in their RVs on the side street off of Mission.

There needs to be some place where these people can safely park their RV's overnight.

Ken Ketch



From: [Khalila Alldis](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Branch parking area
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:24:36 PM

Please do not break up the Olive Branch parking area. It is far better to have homeless persons living in an RV than on the street, and during these times it is even more imperative to show compassion and support than it is to establish more rules. There is a larger economic and social problem that needs to be understood and addressed. thank you,
Sincerely, Janis Alldis

From: [Kris Grabow](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV safe parking
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 8:54:20 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

Please protect the safe parking for people living in RVs. I think it's better to try to make hard lives easier, rather than making hard lives harder to make easy lives easier. Especially during the pandemic, all that can be done to help people stay safely housed is better for them & for us all. Contagious means people are connected, & everyone's health is related.

Thank you, Kris Grabow

From:
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: safe parking
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 11:32:44 AM

PLEASE do not break up the Olive Branch safe parking vehicle encampment.

At this time, more than ever, people need safe and reliable spaces to sleep/to exist. We all are aware of the exorbitant cost of living in Santa Cruz and, often through no fault of their own, many have lost secure housing.

It is my understanding that the overnight RVs have caused no problems, I implore you to see the humanity in allowing safe sleeping to happen in this area.

We all have a responsibility to help one another. It goes far beyond catering to wealth or to those who see people of limited means as an eyesore in their neighborhood.

NIMBY is selfish and unjustifiable.

Sincerely,

LaVerne Coleman

From: [Leslie Goodfriend](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Safe parking on Olive St
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 7:47:54 AM

Please do not disrupt the people who are parking along Olive St. in RVs. During this pandemic it is crucial to allow people to have a safe space to shelter in place.

People need a safe space to park at night. Please do not change the parking restrictions on Olive St.

Thank you, Leslie Goodfriend

From: [Linda Ellen Lemaster](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Parking for RVs and other wheel-based forms of urgent housing
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:39:53 PM

Please consider INCREASING the numbers of spaces allowed in the City of Santa Cruz for vehicular parking overnight.

Can you picture small groups of overnight parking organized and managed by the people involved, but with structural support from the City? I can. And I believe the City needs to do EVERYTHING in its power to protect this low-overhead model of housing.

Both tourists and people in transition or living 'on the move,' like students and seasonal workers, as we have in this region, need housing models which they can afford. And some people are living full time in this minimal arrangement, and need to be protected from greater harm.

Many disabled people I have met have been forced into this very compromise for basic shelter (relying on their vehicle for protection) because the City has not been able to integrate special needs and low-income housing into a helpful system for those most limited economically.

I understand the neighborhood distress, but a little bit of organizing and a pinch of education for the public could ease some of the "fear of the unknown" that drives people to panic. I am talking about conventionally houses as well as wheel-housed folks: we've been stuck too long already at the discomfoting politics of "pass the buck."

Transparency, and an actual, palpable, genuine concern for ALL kinds of neighborhoods learning to get along, if demonstrated among City employees and electeds, would go a long way toward resolving the fear-based apprehensions that seem too often to overshadow civic dialogue.

Small programmed locations which have the City's blessing can lead to even better arrangements once the vital dialogue is allowed to be heard.

Inclusion is important.

Include EVERYONE in locating more savory locations! Integrate the spaces with overall emergency and helping programs, support services, and basic safety.

Allow linkages that incorporate welcomed feedback. Don't make too many rules, but be ready to actually incorporate and monitor those spaces needed.

I was once a part of "the very first" homeless shelter program evaluation" team to work in the Bay Area, when we reviewed all the early shelters that either served the public or used public resources.

This was early in the 1990s: the one BIG thing we discovered back then was this: there were ZERO accommodations for disabled people who became homeless (not even a single bathroom ramp) in the City.

We have staff support today who are better trained, and most programs now serving a homeless population have more complete and viable policy standards.

But still - where can we put disabled people?

And hospital releases after a mere week or so?

I know of an infant born at Dominican Hospital who died when three days old, after her family was put back onto the streets of City of Santa Cruz. Had I been her mommy, you would have been sued along with the hospital for negligence.

In the world of shelter, a disabled person has no way of determining whether an offered couch or cot or corner might be safe for their particular limitations ahead of being there! Not legal. Similar dilemma for families with small children.

As you've noticed, there are a lot more people going through transitions, or otherwise stuck ENTIRELY outside of the helping systems, who really need to be on The Map of existing! Others just need uninterrupted sleep. These are not things the sheltering systems we have here can help with on initial contact.

And we do NOT have much better of a ratio between disabled people (as defined EITHER by federal ADA laws OR by the County's HMIS standards, and shelter access/accommodations.

We need to keep people in their homes, even those homes some believe are inadequate; rather than set up the City for excessive hospital admissions and worse.

And we need to take responsibility — finally — as a City, for the people here who are at risk or frail. Making their lives harder under those circumstances will not protect any of us, please do not TAKE AWAY this very minimalist level of population management. We need to ALL be focusing of creating more bridges for the numerous sheltering gaps.

Everyone seems to expect somebody ELSE to fix the systemic lapses. But we need the shelter parking program as part of a stop-gap until the housing crisis has been managed and access to more adequate housing is possible.

Please keep me informed by email about this citywide concern.

yours truly,

Linda Ellen Lemaster
facilitator, Housing NOW Santa Cruz

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Lori Zink](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: I oppose painting parking lines on Olive (off Mission)
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 11:57:52 PM

Dear Kenny Jatho.

I was sad and surprised and confused by the poster with your name on it on Olive, close to Mission. I forgot to contact you. It's still before midnight, so I'm just in time.

I'm sad because I can't think of any reason to paint parking lines here, except to keep away some people who have to live in their RVs and go there to sleep at night. These aren't tourists on vacation! They are our neighbors right here in Santa Cruz. Families who just want a safe place to get through the night. Their cars are their homes! This is a horrible thing to do anytime. And we're in a pandemic! They're following the rules sheltering in place. What are you thinking?!

At first I thought you must be caving to pressure from some of the people people who safe houses to sleep in— but they get all upset and complain when they have to look at their neighbors who don't have that.

Then I thought about how small this sign is— like you don't even really want to hear from people who don't like your plan.

That's why I'm surprised. Why doesn't the city have rules about making an honest effort to get the word out?

And then the part that confuses me is that your poster says there are No parking restrictions! Did you look around? This is a permit zone! You have to have a permit to park more than 2 hours on a weekday. That's the definition of a restriction!

If this is really about making a better space for the shuttle bus, then do that, for the hours the bus is running. Write tickets for vehicles that block it. The buses don't run at night, so why kick out the RVs?!

Let the people sleep in peace.

The adults, the kids, the elderly. They're just like you and me— except their bed is on wheels.

Do the right thing.

Goodnight.
Lori Zink

From: [Lorna Grundeman](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Re: Camper parking on Olive St.
Date: Monday, June 15, 2020 4:14:54 PM

Thank you for your response, Kenny.

Sent from my iPad

> On Jun 15, 2020, at 2:04 PM, Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com> wrote:

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> Hello Lorna,

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> Thank you for contacting me. Your comments will be reviewed by the Transportation and Public Works Commission when deciding how to proceed with the proposed parking change on Olive Street.

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> Best,

> Kenny

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Lorna Grundeman

> Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:03 PM

> To: Kenny Jatho <kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com>

> Subject: Camper parking on Olive St.

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> Please do not change the size of the parking spaces on Olive St. This is an attempt to break up one of the very few safe places for people living in their RVs, to stay during the Covid-19 pandemic. Also, please reject any other attempts to break up the people's community on Olive St.

> Thank you,

> Lorna Grundeman

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> Sent from my iPad

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From: [Louise Leong Illustration](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Parking restrictions for RVs
Date: Sunday, June 7, 2020 10:51:48 PM

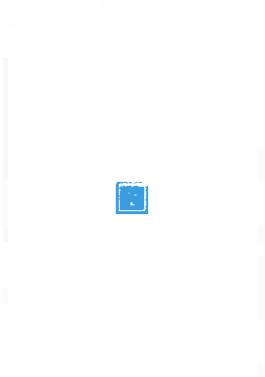
Dear Mr. Jatho,

I disagree with the proposed parking delineations on Olive Street off of Mission Street where unhoused people living in their RVs have been safely parking there without trouble. The proposed parking lines would be too small for RVs to continue parking there without being cited. As one of the few safe places that RVs can park overnight, this move by the city would further criminalize homelessness and housing precarity.

People who camp in their vehicles need safe places to park at night. Receiving citations or fines puts more financial burden on people who are already strapped for cash in vulnerable housing conditions. If someone is unable to pay their ticket then a judge is able to put warrants out to arrest them. Their vehicle could become impounded and people end up on the streets or left behind in jail, waiting to post bail. Stop criminalizing poverty. Please reconsider this proposal.

Sincerely,
Louise Leong

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Louise Leong
prints and objects of amusement

From: [Lynda Francis](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Closing of RV park for homeless
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:45:05 AM

I would appreciate it if you would re-think this closure so that the city does not put people who are at risk at further risk. Thank you. Lynda Francis

From: [Lynda Leigh](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV parking
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 10:52:51 AM

I object to making any changes to the RV parking off Mission St in a non residential area.

This is an attempt to break up the Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dweller encampment. It has been up and running for over a year, and if this tactic is successful it would essentially break up an encampment during shelter in place which is against the CDC guidelines. It is important to note that we are not being offered a safe parking alternative, and marking the spots is a direct attempt to make sure that RV's cannot fit any longer.
Sincerely, lynda leigh

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Be kind

From: [Maia Gendreau](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV parking off Mission Street
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 4:14:46 AM

Why harass and move people parking their RVs when there have been no problems?
Please allow them to stay where they are especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thanks, Paul Gendreau
Homeless Persons Health Project

From: [Matthew Nathanson](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Changes to Parking on Olive Street
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 10:44:13 PM

Dear City of Santa Cruz:

It has come to my attention that you are proposing to alter the parking regulations on Olive Street in Santa Cruz in such a way as to make the parking spaces too small for motor homes or campers that have been parked in that area. Given the complete lack of affordable places for people to live in our city, and given the lack of safe places for people to park their vehicles when they are living in them, it seems a mistake to eliminate yet another spot where our fellow Santa Cruz residents can be. Please reconsider this action.

Respectfully,

Matthew Nathanson

From: [meg s](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: proposed changes to Olive Street parking
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 11:12:21 AM

Good morning Mr. Jatho,

I am a resident of Felton and an employee of Santa Cruz County. I am writing to express my disagreement with the plan to create specific delineated parking spaces on Olive Street that would make it impossible for those currently living in RVs to park legally and safely. Particularly at this time, when shelter-in-place orders are still in place, it is a public safety issue to deny such parking to those who do not have houses or apartments in which to live.

I can understand that there are downsides to having RVs parked along a residential street, but I do believe that the public safety element outweighs any irritants or inconveniences.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
meg

Meg Sandow

From: [Micah Posner](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Cc: [Peter Gelblum](#)
Subject: don't restrict RV parking
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 4:39:06 PM

Dear Public Works Department staff,

Please do not disrupt the lives of people who are living in RVs by making the parking spots shorter. Making it impossible for people to sleep is cruel and unusual punishment. It violates the spirit, and, potentially, the letter of the constitution.

If we harass them too much for living in their RV's they will be forced onto the streets, which is a worse outcome for them and for those of us with homes.

Micah Posner

From: [Miriam Stomblor](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV parking
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:17:31 AM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I am writing because I am concerned about a proposal to limit RV parking on Olive Street between Mission and Toledo Streets.

It is my understanding that, for over a year, several people experiencing homelessness have been parking their RVs at night on this non-residential block, in accordance with posted parking signs that restrict parking only during the day. Though unofficial, this is one of the few places in the City that people can safely park their living vehicles overnight. I know several women who live in their vehicles and it is extremely difficult for them to find safe spaces. Also to my knowledge, there has been no significant trouble with this RV parking. However, the City is proposing creating parking spaces on the street that are too short for RVs.

If this action is successful, it will essentially break up an encampment during shelter in place, which is against the CDC guidelines. It will also expose the vehicle dwellers to additional uprootedness.

I am opposed to the City removing parking options for those who live in their vehicles unless it simultaneously provides new safe and adequate alternative overnight RV parking options for each and every displaced vehicle.

Thank you for your consideration of my views.

Miriam Stomblor
Santa Cruz City Resident

From: [Monica Larenas](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Parking changes proposed on Olive Street
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 4:32:59 PM

Dear Kenny Jatho,

I urge you to do what you can to ensure that any parking changes on Olive Street do not eliminate parking available for those who need a safe places to sleep in their vehicles.

I am distressed that our city has few safe, sanctioned areas for sleeping in vehicles as more and more people must surely be pushed into homelessness due to the economic upheaval caused by the pandemic.

Santa Cruz can be more humane.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Monica Larenas

From: [Nlouise Wolfe](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Please don't change the size of parking spaces - Olive Street
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 8:34:02 PM

Dear Kenny Jatho,

I am very concerned that there is a plan to eliminate the possibility of RV's continuing to have safe parking spots at night on the non-residential block-long Olive Street (off Mission Street). I understand that, in accordance with posted parking signs that restrict parking only during the day, these vehicles depart during the day so that others can park there. (Currently there are signs posted that say "2 hour parking except by permit Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.") Though unofficial, this is one of the few places in the City of Santa Cruz where people can safely park and sleep in their living vehicles.

I know that being un-housed is a major issue in our city, even more challenging during this time of the pandemic. This change, which would essentially break up an encampment during shelter in place, seems to be against CDC guidelines. I believe we can serve as a humane and generous city. I had not heard of any actual problems resulting from the current nighttime safe parking in this particular area.

Please do not bow down to the voices in our city which tend to negatively and fearfully stereotype all homeless families.

Sincerely,

Nanlouise Wolfe

From: [Natalie Beebe](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV parking in the non-residential part of Mission Street
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 9:43:00 AM

Dear Kenny Jatho,

my name is Natalie Beebe, I live in Aptos.

I am reaching out to you today to voice my strong disagreement with the proposal to create regular car size parking spaces on Mission Street where people living in RVs currently park at night.

Yes, those are homeless people who park there at night, but it is important that we don't take that away from them! Creating slotted parking spots will force them to leave but they don't have anywhere to go.

Unfortunately, we do have very many homeless people in Santa Cruz and sometimes it does create issues - crazy people on the street harassing passer-bys, carbage, some low level crime, etc. But the RV parking on Mission Street is not part of the problem. It is only humane to allow that one of the few last resorts for them

Thank you for your understanding.

Natalie Beebe

Aptos, CA

From: [Nicholas McConnell](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Opposed to parking spaces on Olive St.
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 8:53:16 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

With the extreme shortage of affordable housing in Santa Cruz, overnight parking for RVs is a necessity for community members without any other options. Creating parking spaces on Olive St. that exclude RVs is an unnecessary and harmful act against people who call Santa Cruz home. Furthermore, it will lead to increased density of RVs or other encampments elsewhere in the city, undermining social distancing endangering residents.

Before the coronavirus, I rode to Olive St. every morning to catch the bike shuttle to UCSC. I have never experienced an issue with RVs or their inhabitants. They should be left in peace.

Sincerely,

Nicholas McConnell
UCSC

From: [Nita nita](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: homeless support for parking
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 8:40:37 PM

Dear Mr. Kjatho,

I understand that there is a move afoot to ambush safe parking that has been successful and without incident off Mission. I think this is meanspirited and aggressive action that is unnecessary, since it is a non residential area, and there are no complaints. It is so difficult to function safely as a person without housing and if one is fortunate enough to have a vehicle, it is a way to, at least, marginally get by.

Please do not take action that would disrupt this one option for people having to live in their vehicles. This is not the compassionate and empathetic way I want our community to function. Thank you for doing the right thing and maintaining safe parking.

Sincerely,
Nita Hertel

From: [Paulette Forest](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Disagreement with Proposal regarding parking for homeless on Mission Street
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 2:07:44 PM

6/10/2020

Dear Kenny Jatho at Public Works Dept.,

This is to let you know that I disagree with the proposal to eliminate RV overnight parking on the non-residential block-long street off Mission Street. This is one of the few places in the City that homeless people can safely park their living vehicles.

I disagree with your attempt to break up the Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dweller encampment. It has been running without incident for over a year. Marking the spots that are too short for RV's to be able to park there would be eliminating the space for RV's to park there overnight. To do this during a pandemic and during shelter in place is especially inhumane and is against CDC guidelines.

Furthermore, you are not offering any safe parking alternative for these folks that rely on this parking area for overnight parking. This is clearly a violation of CDC guidelines regarding breaking up encampments during a pandemic.

For all these reasons, I highly oppose and disagree with your proposal to create shorter parking spaces on this particular area off Mission Street in the city of Santa Cruz.

Thank you.
Paulette Forest
Ordained Interfaith Minister
Hospice Chaplain

From: [Pegatha Hughes](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Protect public parking at night
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 5:37:37 PM

To K. Jatho,

Please do not restrict safe parking spaces for vans and RV's in Santa Cruz. It is unfair and unjust!

Sincerely,
Pegatha Hughes

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Pegatha Hughes

From: [Peter Gelblum](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Proposed parking change on Olive Street between Mission and Toledo
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 5:22:14 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I write on behalf of the Santa Cruz County Chapter of the ACLU of Northern California in opposition to the referenced parking change, which would prevent RVs that poor people use for housing to continue to park in one of the few safe places available to them in the City. Several such vehicles park regularly on this short block, which has no homes and no outlet. It appears that the only motivation for this proposed change is the unfounded fear, hatred, and disgust that some people - who do not live on the block, on Olive Street, or even in the neighborhood - have for homeless people. Particularly in light of the pandemic, it is unsightly, immoral, and unfair to deprive people of a place to park their homes. It is also a clear violation of the spirit of CDC and state guidelines that recommend against disbanding homeless encampments, and the practice of other nearby cities to stop ticketing and towing vehicles that people use for shelter - their only shelter. See e.g., <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/homeless-shelters/unsheltered-homelessness.html>; <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/homeless-shelters/unsheltered-homelessness.html>; <http://ladot.lacity.org/coronavirus/parking-rules-what-relaxed-and-what-enforced>' <https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/city-of-oakland-service-modifications-suspensions-closures-in-response-to-alameda-county-public-health-order-to-shelter-in-place>

There does not appear to be any valid or supportable reason for the proposed change. There are no houses on the street, so there are no residents who need these spaces to park their own vehicles. There is ample car parking in the mostly empty parking lot at the adjacent CVS and on the surrounding streets. My understanding is that there have been no health or other problems caused by the people who park there at night, so that they have a quiet, safe place for themselves and their families to sleep. Many people who regularly sleep in their vehicles on Olive Street are particularly vulnerable and in need of a safe place - children, elderly, and people with disabilities. This leads us to conclude that the only reason for the proposed change is to further marginalize and injure the most vulnerable residents in the City, and we strenuously object.

If this same change - striping or restriping in a manner that would make it impossible to park an RV - is being considered elsewhere, such as the Delaware Avenue/Natural Bridges area, we object to such changes on the same grounds.

Thank you for your consideration,
Peter Gelblum
Chair, Santa Cruz Chapter

From: [Philip McManus](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: for some, parking is essential for shelter
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:54:33 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I understand that the City is planning to revise parking restrictions on a non-residential block-long street off Mission Street that is currently being used for overnight parking by some people who live in their vehicles. It seems odd, and alarming, that the City would consider such a move under the current shelter-in-place orders. It would appear that that would even be a violation of the national CDC's guidelines and represents an additional risk factor for our community. But even in the absence of shelter-in-place orders, we need to find ways to accommodate all the members of our community, including the large number who struggle to survive amid the sky-high cost of housing in Santa Cruz. I am not aware of any problems caused by the existing parking arrangement. If there are any, I encourage you and City staff to work with those who are living in their vehicles to resolve them. Please do not make their lives more difficult by further restricting parking in that area.

Sincerely,

Philip McManus

From: [Randa Solick](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RVs and homeless
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 6:00:37 PM

Please make those parking spaces designated for RVs long enough for RVs. I understand they're too short for them in your proposal. And it's against the Covid laws to get people more homeless , rather than giving those people a safe place to park. Thank you.

From: [Reggie Meisler](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Regarding safe parking at CVS off mission st
Date: Saturday, June 6, 2020 10:08:51 PM

People understand what this proposed formalization of parking spots will do. They know the spots will be too short for RV parking, which constitutes most of the people who park there. This informal camp sweep through the predatory abuse of regulations is unconstitutional and if you go through with it, rather than being inconvenienced with peaceful parkers, you may find yourself contending with an angry mob of homeless activists.

I encourage you to do the right thing and leave these people the fuck alone.

Reggie

From: [Robin Kopit](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Parking for people living in vehicles.
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 5:02:56 PM

Hello Mr Jatho,

I received this notice below. Mostly I don't follow up on this stuff and half the time I don't agree with the petitioner, but . . .

It is my wish that Santa Cruz allow people living in their vehicles to park in certain areas. Increases housing stock, takes pressure off rental market. I think Santa Cruz should make it official. Sell permits that are affixed to the vehicle, offer services so people don't dump their trash and liquid on the street, and they can take a shower. Make it worth it, make it pay! There are a lot of mobile houses here,. Since there aren't enough other houses we should try to accommodate. I spend a lot of time with homeless on account of I live near the river. I'll help!

I'm not a Santa Cruz progressive. What a joke. Forward the 19th century! ☺

Robin Kopit


Dear fellow progressives - PLEASE JOIN THE ACLU AND HELP PROTECT ONE OF THE FEW SAFE-PARKING SPOTS FOR PEOPLE LIVING IN THEIR RVS - CONTACT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT **BEFORE JUNE 11**. For over a year, several people experiencing homelessness have been parking their RVs at night on a non-residential block-long street off Mission Street, in accordance with posted parking signs that restrict parking only during the day. Though unofficial, this is one of the few places in the City that people can safely park their living vehicles. There has been no trouble. However, apparently in response to an organized campaign by anti-homeless groups, the City is proposing creating parking spaces on the street that are too short for RVs. Public Works has asked anyone disagreeing with the proposal to contact Kenny Jatho, at kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com or 831-420-5182. IT'S BETTER TO EMAIL THAN CALL. Please help by contacting Mr. Jatho before June 11. See below for more details.

From: [Roland Saher](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: parking for RVs
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 9:58:48 PM

Please do not further restrict the right to park an RV! It would be inhumane and is not necessary.
Roland Saher

From: [Ruth Valdez](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Protect
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 10:02:29 PM

Please help protect the people living in their RVs in one of the last safe parking places. There have been NO problems. Be part of the solution. Why punish them?

 Military now gets 57% of our budget



From: [Sandra Brauner](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Request to Retain Parking for People Living in Their RVs
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 6:42:57 PM

To Mr. Jatho:

It is beyond comprehension that the Public Works Dept. is even considering a proposal to create parking spaces (on a certain street off Mission) that will be too short for RVs. Forcing people who currently have no brick-and mortar residence— and therefore no other place to stay at night except their vehicle—to lose a parking spot during a pandemic that is NOT yet over is quite simply unconscionable. At least these people are not in as dire straits as those who end up in makeshift encampments with no hope of hygiene or social distancing. We Santa Cruzans are, on the whole, caring people, and expect our public officials to reflect that quality in their decisions.

Thank you

S. Brauner

From: [Ringler](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: We have to park somewhere
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:30:38 AM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

I disagree with restricting parking on a non-residential street off Mission St. Homeless who are lucky enough to have four walls around them should be given a safe place to park. If they are blocked from staying there, they will just move to another neighborhood. Why make them move from a place that is not a problem?

Help support the vulnerable people of Santa Cruz. Many are locals and have lived here most of their lives only to be pushed out of their homes by greedy landlords who care more about making money than supporting all members of our community. Luckily they are all not that way. We need our city workers to stand with all Santa Cruzans, not just the privileged,

Thanks for listening, Sarah Ringler

From: [Scott Shulimson](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Need For Safe Parking
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 5:37:44 PM

Mr Jatho,

I am writing because I'm concerned the city will further restrict available spots for people to sleep in their cars. The homelessness issue is obviously not just a Santa Cruz issue, we all need to be compassionate and provide safe places for those down on their luck. Please don't further limit Santa Cruz options by restricting parking on Mission st.

Thanks
Scott Shulimson

From: [Shelly D'Amour](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive Street RV parking
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 4:41:10 PM

I support the continuation of existing parking that can accommodate RVs on Olive Street. There is no real reason to make the proposed change other than to push people away who are living in the RVs. The existing situation seems to work well. People should be able to park overnight in RVs, in a safe place.

Don't do this. It is mean-spirited, to say the least.

Shelly D'Amour

From: [Sierra Opbroek](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Message in opposition to Mission St. parking space proposal
Date: Monday, June 29, 2020 11:14:11 AM

Hello,

My name is Sierra Opbroek, and as a 7 year resident in Santa Cruz, I am writing to express opposition to the proposal to create parking spaces on the non-residential block off of Mission St. near CVS.

The people who use this area to park their RVs overnight should not lose that option, particularly when a safe alternative is not offered. Houselessness is already egregiously criminalized, and the creation of these parking spaces would further the message that unhoused people are not welcome. Parking is not a crime. Having to/choosing to live in a vehicle should not be a crime. Hoping for a safe, undisturbed place to sleep should not be a crime.

I believe this may be after the deadline that was put forth for the community to respond, however, it has come to my attention only recently, and I felt it was important to reach out. If you are not the ideal person to reach out to on this matter, I would appreciate being forwarded in their direction. Thank you!

Best,
Sierra Opbroek

From: [Siko Bouterse](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Regarding Parking off Mission St - pls keep as-is
Date: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 12:01:02 PM

Dear Mr. Jatho,

Please continue to keep the large RV parking spaces available in their current location off Mission St. I am a mother of a newborn and a 10 year old, living on the Westside of Santa Cruz, in the Circles. There is no shortage of parking for the community on the Westside at present. Our family feels strongly that we need to make space for everyone in our community, including those without homes. Especially during this unprecedented pandemic, it's important to allow RVs a place to park so that people have somewhere as stable as possible to shelter, keeping the spread of Covid-19 to a minimum in our community.

Thank you for listening,

Siko Bouterse

From: [Stacey Falls](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: I object to changing the parking on Olive Street
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 9:51:19 AM

To Whom It May Concern:

I object to changing the parking configuration on Olive Street. It seems like an attempt to break up a safe parking site for people who dwell in their vehicles. Right now, while we are required to shelter in place, it is essential that people who live in their vehicles have a stable, secure location to shelter, especially because the City has no other safe parking zones.

There is no justifiable reason to do this! Parking is readily available for the community during the day, and the RV parking in the evening has not created any problems. As someone who gardens at the nearby community garden, and who regularly shops at the CVS next to this zone, I have never seen any excess litter or evidence of illegal dumping. I have not heard or witnessed any disturbances. I often just see people in their cocoon of warmth and light, sheltering comfortably. It is cruel and inhumane to take that away from people in the middle of a global pandemic.

Sincerely
Stacey Falls
Santa Cruz resident

From: [Stephen Zunes](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV parking
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2020 9:17:39 PM

I wish to express my objection to proposals to discontinue the right of RV owners to have safe parking spots at night on the non-residential block on Olive Street. Though not official, it is one of the few places f Santa Cruz where people can safely park and sleep in their vehicles.

Being unhoused is a big issue here, even more so during the pandemic. This proposal would essentially break up an encampment during shelter in place, which would be contrary to CDC guidelines. I am unaware of this practice causing any problems.

Please do not succumb to the anti-homeless hysteria coming from some quarters

Stephen Zunes

From: [Susan Shane](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Olive St. ProposalDear D
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 7:44:00 PM

Dear Kenny— Please do not proceed with the city’s proposal to change parking regulations and markings on Olive St. Homeless people have a hard enough time as it is, especially during COVID times. Especially during a time when enforcement by police and others needs to be looked at holistically— what are the pros and cons? Give the people who park their vehicles overnight on Olive St. some grace. We are all struggling. Don’t make it worse for a particularly hard-hit portion of our population.

Susan H. Shane

From: [Suze Yenchick](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: RV parking
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:36:36 PM

Mr. Jatho,

I'm writing about the effort to end overnight RV parking on a non-residential block-long street off Mission Street.

This is one of the few places in the City that people can safely park their living vehicles. There has been no trouble.

Please continue to allow this, as we need someplace for people to safely live who don't have a home in this very expensive community.

Thank you,
Susan Yenchick

From: [Sylvia Caras](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Cc: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: residential parking regulations
Date: Sunday, June 7, 2020 8:17:28 AM

Please put on a public agenda changing the parking on Olive St. There are national orders to not disarrange homeless situations. Especially without offering acceptable options. And more broadly, parking is a community concern and rules that target one neighborhood without an overarching policy seem discriminatory.

Sylvia Caras
Santa Cruz

From: [Tom Donohue](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Preserve safe parking for RV & car dwellers
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:56:37 AM

Hello Mr. Jatho,

I am writing to ask you to abandon the proposed change in on-street parking on Olive St. between Mission and Toledo St. As a housed resident of the City of Santa Cruz, I strongly disagree with this proposal because this would create a crisis for the peaceful residents of our city, who are unable to afford the exorbitant cost of housing, and as a result, have no option but to live out of their vehicles at the present moment.

These people are human beings, just like you and me, and they have already been traumatized, victimized and abused by the cruel economic reality that exists here in our city. To further push them out of the one small spot where they are able to coexist peacefully would be a cruel and inhumane act on the part of the City of Santa Cruz. Please do the right thing and allow these people to stay, so that they can continue living in peace, and have the breathing room they need to get themselves back on their feet again.

Thank you,
Tom Donohue

From: [Whitney Wilde](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Homeless parking
Date: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 1:26:02 PM

Closing that parking area for the homeless goes against everything Governor Newsom is trying to do during COVID.

Unless you plan on moving it to another, better location?

Whitney Wilde

From: [Willow Katz](#)
To: [Kenny Jatho](#)
Subject: Oppose creating parking spots too short for RV's in Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dweller encampment
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 11:18:52 PM

Oppose creating parking spots too short for RV's in Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dweller encampment

kjatho@cityofsantacruz.com

Mr. Kenny Jatho, Public Works Department,

I strongly disagree with the city's proposal to create parking spaces on the street that are too short for RVs.

Please protect the Olive Branch safe parking vehicle dweller encampment on a non-residential block-long street off Mission Street, in accordance with posted parking signs that restrict parking only during the day. Parking is readily available for UCSC shuttles and the community during the day.

Please do not create parking spaces too short for RV's. This would create more dangerous conditions for people experiencing homelessness who live in their RV's and park here at night. There has been no trouble or reason to prevent them from sleeping here.

Sleep is a basic human need and human right.

This is particularly essential during the COVID-19 pandemic, when people's health is already threatened.

We are in a public health crisis and need to protect our unhoused community.

Please stand up for the human right to sleep.

Thank you.

Willow Katz
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Brian Borguno

From: Aaron J. Clegg
Sent: Sunday, August 2, 2020 9:14 PM
To: Brian Borguno
Subject: Don't change Olive St Parking by CVS

Dear Mr. Borguno,

I have lived at the corner of Olive St and Toledo (202 Olive) for seven years. I always vote.

Over the last few years, I have seen a few people sleeping in vehicles there, and it has never bothered me.

This past spring, there was a marked increase, and some RV's and campers came out. I'm not sure if it has to do with COVID-19.

These campers are my neighbors just as much as the neighbors in houses. I have never seen any trash left by them. If anything, they clean up others' litter.

One morning I heard some yelling, and I saw one of those campers preventing a homeless man from stealing a shopping cart from CVS.

If parking needs to be changed for some parking safety reason, by all means. But if it is a veiled attempt to get rid of campers, I oppose it.

I have not been persuaded by anyone, nor do I know any of these people. I'm just speaking to what my experience of the situation is.

Thank you,
Aaron Clegg.