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Subject: IV Master plan hearing comments

Dear Supervisors,

I am commenting on the IV Master plan, specifically, any part related to parking in Isla Vista. As a member of the community and avid beach user, I did not create the parking problem in Isla Vista (IV). Therefore, we do not feel we should be punished by any future "solutions" to the problem. There are a number of issues that cause parking issues in IV. In the past, there was an idea to have parking permits for IV residents and guests. I know the allure of extracting more money from students and their increasingly wealthy parents is attractive. But in this case, a general parking permit plan for IV is in direct conflict with the right of the public to access the beach. In the past, the Coastal Commission has ruled that a permit program restricts beach access. While it has been a few years, the merits of this decision haven't changed. Please do not waste public money and all of our time proposing the same failed approach again. We will vigorously defend the public's right to continue access to the beach in the IV region.

We feel that the best solution to the IV parking issue is a permit plan to prevent storage of cars on the streets for extended periods of time by students in the dorms or Francisco Torres. In this way, those cars would be gone and there would be no conflict with the thousands of beach users from neighboring Goleta and beyond.

Best regards,

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