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Sent: Thursday, June 8, 2023 2:33 PM
To: Spencer Brandt; Sydney Casler; Teslaa, Garrett; Brown, Bill; Henry Yang; Laura Capps; Niurka Ramirez; Kimberly Kiefer; Luis Valerio
Subject: Re: too many cars in Isla Vista

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Hi Spencer,

Yes, you've got quite an asset in that Jenna of yours, and let's hope she stays a long time. Isla Vista needs her.

We have also realized that a permit system might eventually be needed for IV. But the thought is overwhelming in its complications and enforcement capabilities.

I really do believe that with a few things in place to reduce the number of cars out here, a permit system would not be needed. As reiterated before:

1. UCSB needs to step up to the plate and offer REDUCED or free parking for staff, faculty, and students who drive here from elsewhere.
2. UCSB needs to reach out to their students and families to encourage, educate and PRESSURE parents and students NOT to bring their cars. Exceptions can always be made.
3. UCSB should offer an electric shuttle service from Santa Catalina at the end of El Colegio at Storke, to UCSB and back. This was a reality years ago, when Francisco Towers was privately owned. There is already a GREAT bike path from there to the Campus. Safe, apart and separate from El Colegio and fast, which many of the students use. Why the need to offer them electric scooters which clutter the spot at El Colegio and Camino Corto where they are stored, is beyond me. They need to be gone. Too often we have seen them thrown into the street, all knocked over for fun or simply looking awful.
4. You all need to reach out to City College and request that they also discourage their students from driving their cars out here only to park in IV and walk to Campus. For years, the CC students who lived in our building used the FREE bus to CC and back. The ride took 20 minutes and didn't stop anywhere else. Is it still out there? CC kids who also live out here can avail themselves of this service instead of everyone bringing a car.

ALSO , IN ORDER TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF CARS OUT HERE;

1. Parking out here should be an UNPLEASANT AND RESTRICTIVE experience.
No breaking the parking laws - ticket and fine and tow.
2. No parking in front yards - go after the landlords allowing this to happen. Make them return their front yards to how it is supposed to be in their original plans and warn others.
3. Reach out to property owners NOT TO CHARGE their tenants for parking in their own lots. Throughout the years when I would reach out to them over various situations, I was pleasantly surprised how many responded positively.
4. Once again, ask Law Enforcement to NOT ALLOW cars' tail ends to stick out into the streets. Dangerous for pedestrians and others. They used to ticket them for some years, and it made a HUGE difference.
5. Do not allow for Camino Majorca to be used for permanent resident or homeless parking spaces.

There will be some initial backlash, but in the end, the students " WILL ADJUST," and everyone will live a better life out here.

I know that many of you are working to solve this huge problem: I hope that some of these suggestions will be considered, good luck, and let us know how we can help.

Niurka - please give this message to each of the Supervisors on the Board. Thank you.
Sydney- please give this response to each of the CSD board members. Thank you.

Regards,
Constance Brown

On Wed, Jun 7, 2023 at 11:58 AM Spencer Brandt <spencer.brandt@islavistacsd.com> wrote:

Hi Constance, it's nice to hear from you. Really glad to hear you and Jenna are getting along well. We've been so impressed with her work! I really feel like we're making a difference. Like you probably, I also see the wave of dumping beginning as move-out approaches. We have hired additional contracted workers to address litter and dumping during the move-out season starting tomorrow and going through July 8th.

On Parking - I completely agree that not everyone needs a car in IV. If our Board was afraid of backlash we would not be moving forward on conducting a parking study that will make policy recommendations on parking restrictions and new parking lots. This will not be popular or agreeable for everyone, but it is an important undertaking to improve our quality of life. Often times we have heard that staff and faculty and students at ucsb may be parking in IV because it is free, as opposed to the fee-based spaces on UCSB campus. Our study is going to collect data to determine the accuracy of that and analyze all of the other situations your describe.

If a residential permit program is what is recommended by our Parking Study, we will need your voice to make it happen. That is because we will need to get approval from the CA Coastal Commission who has historically been very opposed to any policies that preference residents at the expense of visitors.

I appreciate your question about what UCSB is doing and have asked UCSB to provide us the educational materials/messaging that they have for on-campus students (particularly those at FT and San Joaquin) to discourage them from bringing vehicles. With new improvements to our transit system happening this August, it is the perfect time to advertise to folks to leave the car at home and ride the bus instead.

Spencer

On Mon, Jun 5, 2023 at 10:08 AM Sydney Castañeda <communityengagement@islavistacsd.com> wrote:

Constance Brown asked that I pass this email along to our Board.

Thank you,
Sydney

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From: **Constance Brown** <cbsunflower@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Jun 3, 2023 at 10:21 AM

Subject: too many cars in Isla Vista

To: <lcapps@countyofsb.org>, Henry Yang <henry.yang@ucsb.edu>, Sydney Casler <communityengagement@islavistacsd.com>, Brianda Negrete <bnegrete@countyofsb.org>, Kimberly Kiefer <kkiefer@ivparks.org>, Luis Valerio <lvalerio@ivparks.org>, TeSlaa, Garrett <gjt3809@sbsheriff.org>

Those of us who have lived here for decades have never seen so many cars jammed into this small community with such devastating effects:

1. They are routinely parked in red zones, and in front of fire hydrants.
2. They are so crammed into driveways that the backs jut out into the streets, blocking safe pedestrian traffic.
3. WORST OF ALL, THE TENANTS ARE PRESSURING THE MANAGEMENT COMPANIES TO ALLOW THEM TO PARK IN THE FRONT YARDS, AND/OR PRESSURING THEM INTO TURNING THE LANDSCAPED FRONT YARDS INTO PARKING LOTS!

There are solutions:

- 1..UCSB and City College should, as a matter of routine , contact students and parents to keep their cars at home! We are property owners and have for years told our tenants that we will allow only ONE car in our small parking lot per 1 bedroom apartment. and they need to share one car. They obliged, when educated, and many parents have been grateful to have us backing them to be able to say "no" to their kids when pressured.
2. The County should contact all property owners/management companies and tell them THEY CANNOT TURN THEIR FRONT YARDS INTO PARKING LOTS! Numerous ones are doing so illegally, but they know they can get away with it because NO ONE will stop them. "It's just IV." Even if you have to strengthen existing ordinances, or make a new one, WE URGE YOU TO DO SO.

The fundamental mission should be: NOT EVERY KID NEEDS TO BRING A CAR TO IV! And as a mom, grandma and long term teacher, I know that THEY WILL ADJUST! Unless you all are afraid of the temporary backlash you might receive or the votes you might lose while doing the right thing for the betterment of Isla Vista. And that would be a shame.

3. Ask the CHP to concentrate at the beginning of the year on ticketing cars that are parked in red zones or parked illegally, to send a message. They have done a great job this year, but the job is overwhelming, and they cannot be out in IV all of the time. Perhaps the Sheriff's department, through the Foot Patrol, could be given the authority to continue this task throughout the year. And given the manpower and the support they would need.
4. No red zones should ever be turned back into parking zones to make more room for cars.
5. UCSB should have a place where LONG TERM parking could be allowed.
6. UCSB should have more, not less parking on Campus for their students who live elsewhere, but drive into IV every day to park and walk to Campus. ISLA VISTA SHOULD NOT BE A DUMPING GROUND FOR THIS KIND OF PARKING.
7. There should be NO campers, RVs or cars used for individuals who don't reside here, work here or go to school here, but want to live here. We just don't have the room.
8. Camino Majorca should NOT be allowed for anyone to park on, under the Eucalyptus trees, except for people wanting to walk on the bluffs, surf or just enjoy the beauty of this area. We have seen too many people "living' there for months. And for several years now, the students living in the houses at that end of IV have begun using it as their permanent parking spots. I've talked to many of them.

Isla Vista has been TRANSFORMED into a cleaner, safer and more inviting community over many years of hard work. The culture has also begun to change for the better because of it. However, there continue to be new challenges that need to be addressed to keep it this way. We hope you will care, and work on solving these new challenges.

Regards,
Constance Brown

PS - BRIANDA. Would you please see that every one of the Board of Supervisors individually receives this message, and thank you.

Sydney , please do the same for each board member of the CSD, and thank you.

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Sydney Castañeda, MBA (she/her)

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From: David Walker (walkercreations@verizon.net) Sent You a Personal Message
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Sent: Saturday, June 10, 2023 12:56 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Deny Exxon trucking project - Upcoming Board of Supervisors Meeting

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Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

I urge you to deny this dangerous project as recommended by the Santa Barbara Planning Commission.

In addition to the significant and unavoidable risks of spills from trucking the oil, the purported benefit of producing oil from the offshore platforms and processing it on the Gaviota coast would bring with it unacceptable risks of offshore oil spills, air pollution and toxic fire and smoke risks that were not analyzed in the EIR, which focused narrowly on trucking impacts.

The recent oil spill off of Orange County underlines the severity of these risks. In addition, ExxonMobil's facilities were the largest sources of air pollution in the county and contained dangerous and toxic materials in an area that has burned by wildfire twice in the 6 years since the facilities have been shut down. We were fortunate that oil and dangerous gases were not present at the site during the recent Alisal fire, which burned onto ExxonMobil's property.

It is not just that the trucking routes are along sections of road with above average accident rates, there have been specific and recent instances of oil tankers on this route spilling oil into rivers and starting fires. In fact, on October 11 -- the same day as the Alisal fire -- an oil tanker crash near Orcutt caused a fire in Eucalyptus trees.

Thank you for denying this dangerous and unacceptable oil trucking project.

Sincerely,

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