

CITY OF VENTURA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Supplemental Information Packet

**Public Communications Received by 4:00 p.m.
October 30, 2023**

Meeting of October 30, 2023

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PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Gail Davis

From: Livable Ventura [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2023 4:47 PM
To: City Attorney
Cc: City Manager; Council
Subject: -EXT-

October 24, 2023

Dear City Attorney Heglund,

As you heard from our public comments at the end of the City Council meeting on October 23, we are requesting the motion to study a height overlay for the parking structure on Harbor Boulevard be vacated until the item can be properly noticed, discussed by the council and residents, and then be properly voted on.

In a probable Brown Act violation, the topic of the parking lot overlay was not agendaized for the October 16th meeting. In addition, the aforementioned study was not a GPAC recommendation, was not on the most recent survey, was not brought up at the Planning Commission hearing, was not mentioned in any staff report, and was not cited as an area of interest on the map (see below page 61) presented Monday night.

https://www.cityofventura.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/38082/06_Land-Use-Designations-and--Map

The motion was made and seconded but never read aloud by the City Clerk, thus leaving room for misinterpretation by both councilmembers and the assembled audience. In addition, without any discussion, this study would be done at City expense with no stated purpose or benefit provided.

Please remedy this situation by having the Parking Lot Overlay presented in a lawful and public manner that follows established City Council protocols.

Sincerely,

Carol Spector for Livable Ventura

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Gail Davis

From: Ronald Gibson [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2023 8:56 AM
To: Council
Subject: -EXT- Fw: Ventura councilman Mike Johnson sues city, alleges open meeting law violations

Hopefully no one on our city council is foolish enough to do this sort of resolution.

[Richmond, California council meeting explodes over resolution blaming Israel after Hamas attack \(msn.com\)](#)



MSN

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Ronald Gibson [REDACTED]
To: Home Email [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 08:03:41 PM PDT
Subject: Re: Ventura councilman Mike Johnson sues city, alleges open meeting law violations

Bummer, VC Star requires you to be a subscriber,

On Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 07:22:55 PM PDT, Home Email <md.paris1@yahoo.com> wrote:

<https://www.vcstar.com/story/news/local/2023/09/25/ventura-councilman-sues-city-alleges-open-meeting-violations/70909455007/>

Sent from my iPhone

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Gail Davis

From: Darren [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2023 4:18 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: -EXT- <https://www.cityofventura.ca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/32724/Correcting-the-Record-on-Building-Heights-and-Historic-Structures-08-26-2022>

Please, no tall parking on Beach.
Put parking downtown.

Darren Borgstedte
[REDACTED]

Ventura, CA 93002-1806
[REDACTED]



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-EXT- Height overlay

Gina Pitrello [REDACTED]

Thu 10/26/2023 9:51 PM

To: Plan Ventura <planventura@cityofventura.ca.gov>; City Clerk <cityclerk@cityofventura.ca.gov>; Council <council@cityofventura.ca.gov>; Permit <permits@cityofventura.ca.gov>; City Manager <citymanager@cityofventura.ca.gov>

Please do not allow the height of the new structure that will be created in place of the parking structure on harbor, to exceed the height limits that have been in place.

If you go as tall as the crown Plaza it will be a huge mistake and an eyesore.

We have a quaint town and the residents that choose to live here would like to keep it that way. isn't this something that we as the taxpayers get to vote on?

I am not comfortable with a handful of council members deciding huge issues like this.

I do think that it would be really nice to have little shops on the ground floor and parking above.

That would be nice and not as tall as the albatross next door.

that is my opinion and any clarification would be appreciated

Thanks for your time

Gina Pitrello

Ventura
[REDACTED]

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From: noreply@cityofventura.ca.gov
Sent: Friday, October 27, 2023 2:39 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: -EXT- Online Form Submittal: Public Comment Form

Public Comment Form

Disclosure:

Providing your name/contact information is optional to participate in a Public Meeting. However by providing, it will allow staff to follow-up with you on your item. All emails submitted to any Legislative Body are Public Records. Copies of forms submitted are posted online, with name and contact information redacted. You may only submit one comment form per agenda item. You may submit more than one form per agenda to address additional topics.

Submission Deadlines:

Submit your Comment Form at least 2 hours prior to the scheduled/posted start time of the meeting, as stated on the posted Agenda. If submitting a comment during a meeting, please submit before the Agenda Item concludes, during a Live Meeting, to be considered part of the record. Select the Legislative/Hearing Body below to ensure your comment is emailed to the correct body.

Select Legislative/Hearing Body City Council

Meeting Date 11/6/2023

Select a Topic: Public Comments

Name Shelly Omweg

Address *Field not completed.*

Phone Number *Field not completed.*

Email Address *Field not completed.*

Recommendation *Field not completed.*

Written Comments Was disturbed to watch the 10/23 Meeting and a item not included in GPAC or PC review for the General plan, the seemingly undiscussed, noticed or included in the agenda, a change to the downtown beach parking overlay to match the height of the Crowne Plaza. I'm fully in support of Livable Ventura's request to suspend this activity until it can be properly noticed and individuals with interest in and impacted by this are able to attend and comment before a vote,

BEFORE a study is authorized. Are we only going to be satisfied once all ocean views, existing citizens and YOUR constituents' enjoyment of our beach town are completely and irreversibly destroyed?

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Gail Davis

From: fernrose069 [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 27, 2023 4:39 PM
To: Council
Subject: -EXT- Proposed permanent closure of Main Street to vehicles

I read the article today in the reporter regarding possible permanent closure of downtown Main Street to vehicles. I'm writing to ask you to please not do that.

Sent from my Galaxy

I'm a 72-year-old woman who must use a walker to get around. And with that Walker I can only walk about a half a block at a time. I have been so disappointed all this time not being able to drive up to my favorite shops on Main Street and patronize them. I'm not been able to do that since you closed the street because the public parking is way too far away for me to walk or way up a hill that I couldn't possibly negotiate. Could this be an ADA issue?

I'm so disappointed because I can't go to any of these shops anymore and it was one of the reasons I love living in Ventura. Also I would much rather give my money to these mom and pop shops then Walmart or Target or any of the other big stores.

Please reconsider closing the streets and thank you for your time. Most sincerely fern rose

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Agenda Item No. 3

**Discussion on Council Goal to Improve
Conditions of Streets, Sidewalks, ADA
Ramps, and Bike Paths**



**VENTURA
PORT DISTRICT**
Established 1952

October 30, 2023

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Ventura
501 Poli Street
Ventura, CA 93001

RE: City Council Agenda Item 3

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers,

I am writing on behalf of the Ventura Port District Board of Port Commissioners, Ventura Harbor visitors, residents, and business tenants to share our concerns regarding the continuing deterioration of the City's streets within Ventura Harbor. This is the No. 1 complaint from our business partners. With 1.9M cars and trucks traveling the road network within Ventura Harbor each year, the reconstruction and resurfacing of our streets needs to become a priority.

The road network within Ventura Harbor is in poor condition with significant cracking and potholing in Spinnaker, Navigator, Schooner, and some potholes forming in Anchors Way. Although Public Works does eventually patch potholes, winter rain events generally result in significant erosion of the asphalt patches. The conditions of some of these areas are very significant with the potential for vehicle and bicycle damage from hitting one of the potholes. Last year's winter storms also once again revealed that there remain drainage issues associated with the culvert under Harbor Blvd. at Spinnaker Drive which resulted in significant flooding of Navigator Drive that extended into the parking lot of the Holiday Inn Express and seemingly also impacted drainage along Olivas Park Drive resulting in flooding there also.

Given the serious degradation of Spinnaker Drive, and in following up on prior Board direction, I request that the City:

- Prioritize street reconstruction and resurfacing in Ventura Harbor
- Include Spinnaker Drive in the City Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan
- Reconstruct and repave Anchors Way Dr. and Schooner Dr. to address the impacts of the VenturaWaterPure project
- Evaluate the culvert at Harbor and Spinnaker and consider improvements to reduce flood risks to city streets and adjacent parking lots

We are aware of the need to consider funding for projects such as these. However, the vulnerability of these roads and adjacent infrastructure are of ongoing concern.

Therefore, we would request the City plan for repaving Spinnaker Drive, including the pursuit of outside funding. This could be through a US DOT RAISE grant, Caltrans Active/Sustainable Transportation grant or Coastal Conservancy grant for Spinnaker Drive. It appears that one or

more of these could be useful mechanisms for funding improvements to Spinnaker that would not only address needed repairs but also make possible the proposed Class IV separated bicycle lane along the street and further improve access to Ventura Harbor.

<https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants/raise-nofo>

Active Transportation Program (ATP) | Caltrans

Coastal Conservancy Grants – California State Coastal Conservancy

Thank you for your consideration of these concerns and we ask for your attention to our requests.

Sincerely,



Brian D. Pendleton
General Manager

CC: Bill Ayub, City Manager
Phil Nelson, Public Works Director
Board of Port Commissioners