

TO City Council

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SUBJECT PUBLIC HEARING CASE # 1304-12

My view includes the street parking and traffic on Lime, Ocean, First, Atlantic, Alamitos, and Shoreline. I have lived in this area for 25 years, owned units in four of the older CIDS as member of governing boards and the East Village Association. The area has always been blighted by inadequate parking; there is almost never an empty space on the streets, day or night. The traffic on Ocean and Alamitos continues to increase.

The lack of adequate parking for residents of the area and the proposed building will be a severe handicap for inhabitants and commercial enterprises when many of us expected new construction to offer parking space rental for neighbors that would alleviate problems, be an inducement for renting the apartments, and increase the opportunities of successful commercial business, and tax revenue for the city.

My neighbors and I are acutely aware of the city council members' desire to discourage automobile traffic in favor of walking, bicycles, and public transportation (busses). However we see how impractical that is for Long Beach where local jobs, shopping, and bus schedules are inadequate, and bicyclists are increasingly using sidewalks rather than street bike lanes.

We beg the Council members to reconsider the parking requirement for new central city residential and commercial construction and request the following information for each member:

1. Do you live in a one-automobile home?
2. What transportation does the city provide for you?
3. Does the city provide daytime parking? After-hours parking?
4. Do you regularly use public transportation during working hours?
5. What form of transportation do you use for shopping?
bicycle, bus, taxi automobile?