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Subject: Public Comment Regarding Safe Parking

Date: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:00:00 PM

Dear Members of the City Council:

I understand you will discuss amending the Lompoc Municipal Code for Safe Parking Programs. I am unable to attend tonight's meeting, but I have a brief comment:

While I understand that Safe Parking programs are necessary, I ask the Municipal Code REQUIRE a Conditional Use Permit before granting any organization permission for such a program.

My concern is if any business/organization is allowed to participate, without regards to their neighbors, it would dramatically decrease the quality of life for nearby residential neighborhoods.

I don't see an issue if largely commercial areas, such as the Wal-Mart, Albertsons, or the Vons Shopping centers are allowed to use part of their properties into Safe Parking areas; however, if the doctor's office one block from my home were to participate, it would be a disaster! My neighborhood is already suffering from increased crime, noise, trash and other problems caused homeless who park their cars and RVs nearby.

Allowing a nearby business to encourage even more of these vehicles would only increase problems, lower my property value, and decrease my quality of life even further.

Please require those who want to participate in Safe Parking programs to obtain a Conditional Use Permit before operating.

I thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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