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Sent: Tuesday, February 22, 2022 1:10 PM
To: Jeffrey Adams
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Subject: FW: Cannon Beach "Coastal charm" preservation.

Hi Jeff,

I am sending this to you as it's either code audit or TSP related.

Thanks
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From: Sage Niebuhr <sagemarie@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 22, 2022 10:38 AM
To: City Hall Group <cityhall@ci.cannon-beach.or.us>
Subject: Cannon Beach "Coastal charm" preservation.

To whom it may concern,

After taking the parking survey this past summer and reflecting on the emphasis towards preserving Cannon Beach's Coastal charm, I would strongly urge the city to consider restructuring its building codes. Over the last year I have seen countless tiny bungalows that probably needed to be torn down, replaced with giant boxes that clearly are just filling all of the space they are allowed to utilize. None of these boxes emanate coastal charm to me. Perhaps the council feels differently but I think if there were a survey taken on the matter you would find that most people who have lived here their whole lives would prefer to see the town remain the same and not become Los Angeles or Seattle, as that's where most of these people are coming from. Perhaps if you change the zoning regulations and limited the number of bathrooms and bedrooms allowed to be in any one given house then people would also be less inclined to build them to rent them out. I also think that more consideration should be taken in regard to the city's ability to process all of the literal human feces that is now here as well as if it can handle the amount of water consumption that will come with all of these new bedrooms and bathrooms. If all home are 100% occupied all summer and everyone in them is pooping and taking multiple showers a day I don't I think that our current resources can handle it. But I imagine those of you on the council have much more education than my bachelor's degree and also hopefully some level of common sense so all of this has been thought about in advance and you Are in fact prepared for the influx of poop and outflow of water that this coming toruist season will inevitably bring.

I would also like to suggest that the city finally please please please paint designated parking spots all throughout the town. As in the little grids (that even the town of Manzanita has) that designate parking spaces, especially in the

downtown area, for every space, not just 10 minute zones. You would also be well served to paint street lines, and at least center lane indications on most side streets to discourage the parking along the road in areas where it is impossible to park without being IN the road. I am surprised that the person you hired to figure out the parking problem in Cannon Beach a few years ago didn't suggest this and I'm surprised that it actually hasn't been done already seeing as how it seems very common sense. A raised parking structure in tolovana would also be beneficial and would definitely help with the current parking crisis. Perhaps it might block some views but I know a handful of people here in town that have had their views blocked by giant box houses without any care or concern from the city, and said boxes haven't solved the parking crisis, as a multi level parking structure would so that should be a non issue.

Lastly, I would like to express my sadness and disapproval of the fact that the city chose to put in a four-way stop at the tolovana exit instead of dealing with the major issue that has been happening at the Sunset Boulevard exit for the last five years. The traffic blocking the highway is absolutely unacceptable and especially considering odot is going to repave that section it is silly that the city did not look into extending the southbound exit so that it would accommodate for cars being able to get out of highway traffic instead of stopping it in its tracks. Coinciding with the repaving that is about to be done, widening the highway and creating an actual turn lane for the sunset blvd exit would have been extremely smart, mainly for southbound traffic but northbound traffic could have a similar designated turn lane as well... hopefully people with more influence than mine can get on board with that idea before traffic really is stopped dead in its tracks all summer long.

I appreciate your time and hope you will consider the time I put into giving you this input. It's difficult for me to care about this place anymore at all so writing such a letter really does seem futile but Barb Knopp reminded me that it's always better to do something than nothing and I agree with her. Plus, I'm sure my grandparents would appreciate my attempts to try to help the town that they loved so much.

I hope heads can be pulled from the sand and actual progressive change can happen someday.