

October 24, 2023  
City Council Meeting

Written Public Comments

# General Public Comment

## Jennifer Connally

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**From:** Janice Brownfield  
**Sent:** Monday, October 23, 2023 9:44 PM  
**To:** City Council Public Comment  
**Subject:** Public Comment Non-Agenda Item

"Food Waste" is one of four recycling and trash bins in front of and operated by each of the three Albertsons and one Vons grocery stores located in City Council Districts 3, 4, 5 and 6. Recycling food waste reduces air pollution and hot weather by diverting food from landfills where it emits methane. There is no information on the "Food Waste" bins or on the grocery chain's website as to the type of acceptable food scraps and different answers were provided to inquiries to the stores. Nonetheless, the bins reportedly are used by many people and processed daily, with the food waste being transported for composting. The bins may be particularly useful to residents of multifamily dwellings of five units or more that are without organic waste recycling bins from CR&R, the City's contracted waste hauler.

Bins for food scraps drop-offs could also be placed at properties owned by the City of Orange including the community organic garden in District 2 that is led by volunteers and where residents lease individual plots. CR&R could provide and pick up the organic waste bins or the food scraps could be used for on-site composting. It would also be helpful if the nonprofit Orange Home Grown Farmers Market in District 1 had a CR&R organic waste recycling bin. Food scraps could also be used at its Education Farm or other gardens for composting.

CR&R makes compost from organic waste collected and sends coupons to customers to receive two free bagfuls per household distributed at the Orange City Hall parking lot every year in April in honor of Earth Day. The City could provide CR&R bins in its parking lots, including at City Hall, for residents to drop off food scraps. Such is done in the City of Truckee, where large green dumpsters labeled "Food Waste" are in the parking lots at the town hall, general store, hardware store, and also at the community garden. Many cities in California and across the country have food scraps drop-off locations. In Los Angeles, residents can drop off food scraps at 10 farmers markets. In Orange County, New York, food scraps taken to four farmers markets are transported to local farms and community gardens for composting to replenish cultivated soils.

The food scraps collection program in Santa Cruz asks, "Are you ready to start diverting food scraps from the landfill but the multifamily (5 or more units) community you live in is still gearing up? No problem! Contact Waste Reduction Staff to gain access to a Drop Off Container."

**City Council**

Meeting Time: 10-24-23 18:00

**eComments Report**

# City Council

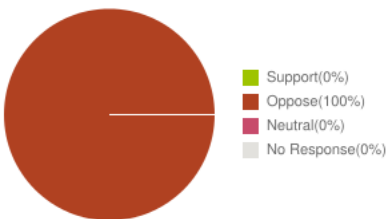
10-24-23 18:00

Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
<b>2. PUBLIC COMMENTS</b> At this time, members of the public may address the Council on matters not listed on the agenda within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council, provided that NO action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Public Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker.	2	0	2	0
7.1. Presentation of Economic Development Strategy.	1	1	0	0
7.2. Agreement with Dixon Resources Unlimited for Professional Services related to the Old Towne Smart Parking Program Development and Implementation Project.	2	2	0	0
7.5. Agreement with Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates for a citywide survey and analysis.	1	1	0	0

## Agenda Item: eComments for 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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### Overall Sentiment



### Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 9:51am 10-24-23

Oppose permit parking on Bedford. Oppose Permit Parking Opportunity areas.

I am a home owner and resident of the Vista Monterey HOA at 1910 W Palmyra.

We do not want permit parking on Devon or Bedford. Our HOA community has 141 units with at least two voters per unit. We will inform our community and neighboring HOA's that if the city council approves permit parking in our neighborhood, to VOTE for an opposing candidate during elections. The City's Permit parking program is discrimination based on housing. There are many local residents who live in townhomes or apartments that will be discriminated against if more permit parking is approved. All residents pay taxes for the maintenance of the PUBLIC roads. It is not fair to give single family home owners the power to ban other residents from parking on the public street. The single family home residents have garages and driveways that allow them to park up to 4 cars on their property. They don't need to park on the street like apartment and HOA residents do.

Please stop approving permit parking especially in high density areas. It is discriminatory and anti family. We all deserve to park our cars safely near our homes on public streets that our tax dollars maintain. We will continue to monitor this situation as we do not want permit parking in our neighborhood for the above mentioned reasons.

### Guest User

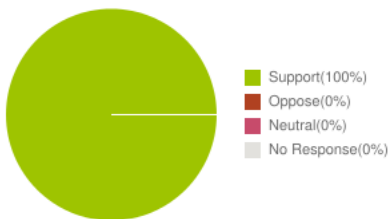
Location:

Submitted At: 9:03am 10-24-23

I am a member of the Vista Monterey HOA located on Palmyra Ave near Devon Road. The city traffic commission has approved two permit parking requests that are near our community without assessing the necessity of it or any type of physical review. Our HOA consists of 141 units with at least two voters in each home. There are four other HOA's direct adjacent and across from us as well as many apartments in the area. Many of them would be unhappy with the proposed parking bans on Devon and Bedford and we would do our best to let them know that this council is supportive of taking away the parking we pay for. We are not interested in parking bans when it is all residents that pay for the maintenance of the public roads. The single family residents have the capacity to park on their driveways and garages. The permit parking program appears to be based on keeping condo and apartment LOCAL residents out of the single family resident's frontage. This is discrimination and the city should be careful to not step into legal trouble. We ask that you remove the designation of neighborhoods west of Main St as a Permit Parking Opportunity area (area #1). We ask that you do not approve any permit parking on Devon or Bedford. We will be monitoring

#### Agenda Item: eComments for 7.1. Presentation of Economic Development Strategy.

#### Overall Sentiment



### Reggie Mundekis

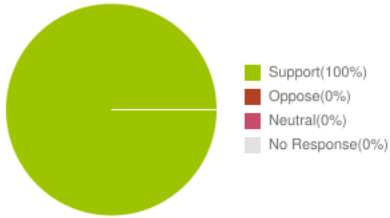
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Submitted At: 4:34pm 10-20-23

I thank those who have worked on the City's much needed economic development efforts and support their work.

Agenda Item: eComments for 7.2. Agreement with Dixon Resources Unlimited for Professional Services related to the Old Towne Smart Parking Program Development and Implementation Project.

Overall Sentiment



**Jordan Prell**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:51am 10-24-23

An idea: yes to paid parking in Old Towne, but make it free for residents.

**Reggie Mundekis**

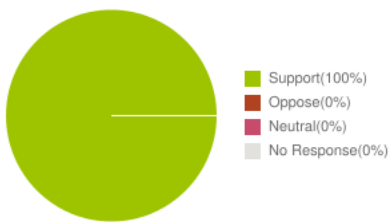
Location:

Submitted At: 4:37pm 10-20-23

I support this project to assist visitors in finding parking in Old Towne Orange. I also support paid parking in Old Towne Orange.

Agenda Item: eComments for 7.5. Agreement with Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates for a citywide survey and analysis.

Overall Sentiment



**Reggie Mundekis**

Location:

Submitted At: 4:39pm 10-20-23

I support the selection of this consultant because it is important to have a consultant with specific experience.