

MIDCOAST COMMUNITY COUNCIL
P.O. BOX 64
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September 18, 1995

Honorable Ted Lempert, President
Board of Supervisors
County of San Mateo
County Government Center
Redwood City, CA 94063

cc Grayden Simser

Re Coastside Opportunity Center Parking/Granada South Plaza

Dear President Lempert:

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The Coastside Opportunity Center was welcomed to the MidCoast - El Granada in July of this year. Now the Coastside Opportunity Center and the Planning Department are working on the parking impacts. Specifically the previously proposed parking on the Granada South Plaza - the tree island at the Capistrano/ Hwy 1 traffic signal.

Jeff Merz from the Planning Department, Grayden Simser from the Coastside Opportunity Center, and Barbara vanderWerf led a spirited discussion of the current plan and the need for more evaluation. Many ideas were expressed, and the Council wished the following items to be addressed (not an exclusive list):

- The property description appears to be uncertain, which precludes effective planning for the lot
- Investigate the Cultural Resources Inventory/ Survey - perhaps by Sonoma St Research similar parking restrictions applied to other MidCoast businesses, ie El Granada Hardware
- Review the impacts on Visual Resources for visitors and residents alike
- Investigate alternative parking locations: DPW yard, Harbor District overflow, etc
- See the "Big Picture" view of El Granada and this location

Capistrano is the northern entry to El Granada. Any substantial changes proposed should be seen in the context of the history, the present and how we can constructively shape the future of El Granada.

The MidCoast Community Council requests that the Coastside Opportunity Center, the Planning Department work cooperatively with the Planning Committee to investigate and address the needs of the Coastside Opportunity Center and of our residents.

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Very truly yours,

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Planning Committee

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