

Midcoast Community Council

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To: Jim Porter, Director, SMC Public Works Dept

CC: Diana Shu, DPW Road Operations
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From: Midcoast Community Council/ Chris Johnson, Chair

Subject: **Capistrano Road Parking Bays fronting Oceano Hotel and Inn**

In October 2015 MCC brought up the issues of parking and crossings on Capistrano Rd due to various private modifications installed without public input: a constantly flashing pedestrian beacon and a gradual expansion of curb paint in the parking bays fronting Oceano Hotel and Inn (red no parking and green loading zones).

MCC requested that parking be restored within the bays except for fire hydrant access. Our position was, both then and now, that coastal access parking is at a premium and should not be removed unless for safety reasons. In 2015 the Fire District agreed and DPW directed Oceano to remove the unauthorized curb paint.

Now the Fire District is applying for a no-parking zone for the entire length of parking bays fronting the Oceano Hotel and Inn. Fire Marshall Mark Mondragon says that this simple solution would provide adequate space to connect and set up their equipment at each of the hydrant and auxiliary water connection points. He estimates that about eight parking spaces would remain but that those should also be designated no parking due to the potential for a large parked vehicle to extend into the travel way, impeding through travel due to the center raised median. Pavement width at the parking bays is 19 feet.

MCC requests:

- Consideration of compact car parking designation for the remaining approximately eight spaces instead of doing away with the parking altogether.
- Addition of way-finding signage at the entrance to the Harbor Village parking lot to direct visitors to the 90 designated beach user parking spaces there.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment.