

Lisa Volpe

From: Lynda Padrta [lpadrta@ix.netcom.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 1:40 PM
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Subject: Parking on First Street

A few things for people to consider:

Parking is at a premium at the beach, it has always been at a premium, and it's the same everywhere. It is part of life when you choose to live by the ocean.

If your property doesn't provide enough parking for your lifestyle, then maybe you need to move somewhere that satisfies your lifestyle needs, like Ocean Walk or Queen's Harbor.

It is foreseeable that children will grow up and if they are given cars by well-to-do parents, that they will want to park the cars somewhere. No surprise or hardship there.

If someone encounters unsafe conditions in Neptune Beach, then one should contact the police or the city to report problems.

If someone feels unsafe in the neighborhood, then they should either research the neighborhood with police to determine if there is a problem or just imagined. Or move to an area where someone might "feel" safer.

I feel that oceanfront is one of the most unsafe areas east of Third because of the vagrants and homeless and unknown others who patronize the public beach (including intoxicated persons), especially at night when they are hard to see.

I have always worked with neighbors to "borrow" parking places when needed, never had a problem satisfying the need, even at events with up to 27 visitors.

There is a lot of parking available on Third Street and in other locations east of Third Street if you take time to get to know the neighborhood and identify the opportunities for parking.

If having a dinner party is desirable, and you don't have the parking, do like the restaurants do - hire a valet company, I understand they will work for tips.

We live with a huge variety of housing occupants in Neptune Beach. If you open up later parking for the "foo-foo" set's dinner parties, whose behavior may be mannerly and pleasant, you will also be opening up later parking for people with poor neighborhood manners. You can't give it to people who have elegant ocean side dinner parties, and restrict other tenants from having less elegant, poorly organized and poorly controlled events.

I am opposed to changing the rules regarding parking on First Street to extend parking until later in the evening.

Lynda Padrta
Neptune Beach, FL

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From: sanvickers@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 2:09 PM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Subject: parking on 1st street

In regard to the upcoming meeting regarding extending public parking on 1st street in Neptune Beach, we are supportive of extending the evening parking hours until 9 or 10 pm. We live on Palm Place and parking for guests is nonexistent. It would benefit everyone. At this point, we cannot have anyone over past 7:30 pm because of parking.

thank you.

Ramond and Sandee Vickers
1008 Ocean Front
Neptune Beach, Fl 32266

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From: James Jarboe [jjjarboe@neptune-beach.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 7:45 AM
To: 'David Sembach'; lvolpe@neptune-beach.com
Subject: FW: PLEASE COPY MAYOR AND COUNCIL AND CHIEF SEMBACH

From: Geynell and Jack [mailto:gcandjg@comcast.net]
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2010 4:53 PM
To: 'James Jarboe'
Subject: PLEASE COPY MAYOR AND COUNCIL AND CHIEF SEMBACH

WE PREFER THAT PARKING ON FIRST STREET REMAIN AS IT IS SINCE WE HAVE LATE NIGHT NOISE TOO OFTEN ON MARGARET STREET.

HOWEVER, WE CAN SEE WHERE SOME MAY WANT IT LATER. WE PREFER NO LATER THAN 9:30, AS WE HAVE CHILDREN WHO GO TO BED AS WELL AS SENIORS AND SOME SICK RESIDENTS WHO NEED EARLY REST.

WE MUST SAY ALL OF THIS NOISE AND DISRUPTION, PLUS THE 4TH OF JULY NOISE ,HAS BEEN QUELLED. MUCH MORE EFFECTIVELY WITH THE ENFORCEMENT AND POLICE PRESENCE PROVIDED SINCE CHIEF SEMBACH HAS BEEN OUR CHIEF IN NEPTUNE BEACH. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHIEF AND COUNCIL.

WE DO HOPE LATE PARKING WILL NOT BE PERMITTED!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

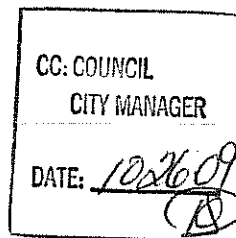
GEYNELL C. MOHR
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From: Jeff Bullock [nepsurf@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Saturday, October 24, 2009 1:59 PM

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Subject: Beaches Leader Opinion article

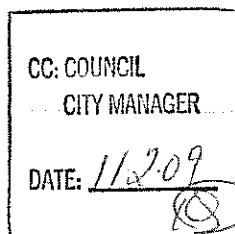
Honorable Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members,

I would like to offer my opinion in regards to extending the parking hours on first street to satisfy a single nearby resident.

Any change to the parking hours along First street should involve input from those residents whose property is on First street. Will those residents want the noise and inconvenience of having cars parked in front of their homes and the noise that goes along with that? I doubt it.

Jeff Bullock
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From: jason lubin [j.lubin@comcast.net]
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Subject: Parking on Fist Street (Neptune Beach)
Importance: High

Hello and good morning. I recently read the article regarding extending the parking hours until 10:00 on First Street and I would like to add my view. First of all, Neptune Beach is my home and I am proud to be a resident and I look forward to many awesome years in such a great place.

We currently live on Palm Place and there is NO additional parking except on several side streets and spots are very tough to find. If several people are having dinner parties or guests from out of town, there is a very slim chance that parking will be available due to the lack of spaces. Over the past five years, I have had to drive people back to their cars which were parked all over Neptune Beach since it was either too dark or raining. As I mentioned, I live on Palm Place and I purchased this house with complete understanding of the parking matter.

However, after reading this article, I agree 100% that the parking situation in Neptune Beach needs to be addressed. I am not suggesting that we have the hours extended in order to accommodate the bars scene rather an extension to accommodate for a gathering or dinner party. In my opinion, to extend until 10:00 or 10:30 really provides a **quality of life enhancement** since it allows our guest park in the vicinity of my home which is important.

This extension would not cost the city too much \$\$ and it offers their residents the ability to have parking closer to their homes. I hope you will consider and please let me know the process of possibly amending the current 7:30PM No Parking situation.

Many Thanks!!

Jason & Julie Lubin

The first item I purchased when I moved to Neptune Beach years ago was a sound machine. There is a machine of some sort in every bedroom, either a device that mimics waterfall sounds, or a fan to provide white noise. When we knowingly bought property in the most densely populated portion of Duval County, which has public beach accesses every few hundred feet, we knew that the responsibility was ours to make life in this paradise do-able.

I understand that the quality of life for Neptune Beach residents that live east of Third St. was improved immensely by a wise resident, now our mayor, when she passed a measure that placed a road block on First St. This separated the flow of traffic from the restaurant and bar area of Neptune Beach from the residential district. Apparently the traffic from that zone had turned First St. into a cruising venue all night from diners and partiers leaving the bars. This negatively impacted life for residents of 1st St. in terms of traffic noise until the wee hours of dawn. My gratitude for public servants with this kind of foresight is endless.

Around that time a ban was placed for parking on First St. between 7:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m., which is still in place today. Parking is allowed all night on the connector streets that run east/west, but not on the north/south running First St. First St. is 30 feet wide with fifteen feet of grass and sidewalk on each side to buffer property from the street. The east/west connector streets with all night parking are only twenty feet wide, with no curbing and no grass or sidewalk buffering property. Extra cars from

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properties stuffed with tenants whose cars outnumber the property's parking end up on those streets all night. This results in traffic congestion and blocked driveways for the property owners and tenants on the connector streets when extra parking for simple functions is needed by any residents in that area in the evening.

When citizens living east of Third St. partake in the simple act of hospitality, such as having friends over to watch a game, parking comes to a crisis level quickly. I live on an eleven foot wide one-way alley, and the implications of a having a simple dinner party are migraine inducing. My children's youth group has had functions here, but by the time we get everyone parked on far away side streets and safely to my house, we are exhausted. The implications of teenagers walking blocks away to their cars in the dark makes me lay awake with worry prior to the event.

During my son's 16th birthday party, I had to interrupt a nail biting ping pong tournament and a pool basketball game that had taken the party past its ending time to announce that cars parked on First St. would be ticketed after 7:30. The stampede out of the room to get to their cars left me with tread marks on my face that took months to fade.

When the taxpaying property owners on the alleys, First St. and the connector street want to engage in hospitality that involves anyone who is not an immediate neighbor or excellent bike rider, we are in a fix.

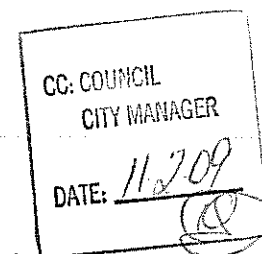
I gave a **small** wedding party for a friend's son and his fiancé last year. We had to call in every favor from any neighbor, park cars on top of each other, and have people carpool with strangers. Despite this we were still maneuvering cars around the alley and off of First St. for unsuspecting latecomers throughout the event.

When I looked at the empty barren 30 foot wide curbed, lighted First St. that night, with parking spaces galore, and 15 feet of grass and sidewalk on each side, it was as if I was a shipwrecked thirsty survivor 10 feet from unattainable water. Our taxes pay for the maintenance of that 60 feet wide structure. That is our street, citizens, so why can't we use it to park cars until a compromising 9:30 or 10pm? Moving the "No Parking Zone" up a few hours would provide relief for residents who want to have guests in their home, but still prevent people from using it as an all night driveway when there are too many cars for a property. A 10 pm parking curfew would also limit the restaurant overflow that is inevitable when you buy property a few blocks from that type of zoning.

Let's talk about it.

Lisa Volpe

From: Jay [bonefixer@att.net]
Sent: Sunday, November 01, 2009 5:19 PM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com; jweldon@neptune-beach.com; flee@neptune-beach.com
Subject: Parking on First Street



To whom it may concern,

Ann Von Thron's recent editorial in the Beaches Leader has prompted my writing this letter to you.

I live at 110 Magnolia St., between First St. and the Oceanfront. Street parking is extremely limited on my block, with only seven spaces available, all along the north side of the street, between driveways. There are five duplexes and three single family dwellings on the block, and each has adequate parking, but, naturally, overflow parking is necessary, and the seven spaces are first come, first serve.

If it were only for the residents and their guests, the street parking would be adequate for normal circumstances, but when special occasions or events occur, specifically at night, parking becomes nightmarish. Not only are the residents severely inconvenienced by their neighbor's visitors absorbing all of the parking (all seven spaces gone in an instant!), the visitors themselves are often dangerously inconvenienced as they canvass the neighborhood, blocks away in all directions, looking for available, legal street parking anywhere other than along First St. First St. is a mere half block from our home, yet guests who visit us for a birthday or anniversary party, will expend significant effort searching for parking, then walking back to our home, while First St., the logical choice for street parking, due, in part, to it's width and having sidewalks on both sides, remains desolate and completely clear. Without a doubt, our neighbors on North Street, Florida Blvd., Bay St., Pine St. or Oak St. are extremely encroached upon when my visitors take over the street parking that they have every reason to expect will be available for their use. There's a ripple effect that occurs when any above average surge in additional parking is needed for a residential event within four or five blocks of my home.

Of course if it's Thanksgiving Dinner or Christmas parties and festivities, and citizens all over Neptune Beach are attempting to simultaneously host their friends and family, parking woes are compounded exponentially. Meanwhile, First Street remains pristine, wide, well lit, and totally empty.

I differ with Dr. Von Thron only in her suggestion that parking be extended to a compromise time of 10:00 p.m. from the current 7:30 p.m. "move it or get a ticket" scenario. I believe that parking on First St. should be allowed 24 hours per day, just like it is on Magnolia St. Why should peaceful assemblies in Neptune Beach necessarily be terminated at 9:50 p.m.? That the no-parking curfew currently begins at 7:30 p.m. is beyond onerous!

With stiff upper lips, the citizens of Neptune Beach tolerate year round landscape trampling and side street parking violations by rude beach-going strangers who help themselves to the plentiful parking on First St. during the daylight hours. I would be remiss if I didn't at least give brief mention to the insanity of the July 4th crowds that invade the neighborhoods east of Third St. every year like marauding barbarians, indiscriminately lighting fireworks, drinking alcohol in the streets, and tossing their garbage in our yards. It's ironic that First St. parking is allowed at night on July 4th, when most parking on that night is used by people unknown to us or our neighbors.

Disallowing parking on First St. between 7:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. is a law that is profoundly unfair and

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unfriendly to the citizens of Neptune Beach because it creates unnecessary hardships for our visiting family and friends, many of whom are not physically able to park four blocks away and then hike back to our homes. Additionally, extending the legal hours to 10:00 p.m. is not a worthy compromise because the city has no authority limiting the right to peaceful assembly by enforcing arcane traffic or parking ordinances that create difficulties for all convening parties.

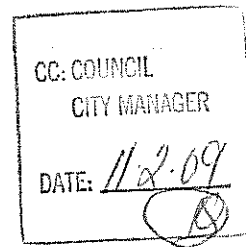
Sincerely,

John D. Underwood

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Neptune Beach
cell: 614-6061

Lisa Volpe

From: LHOULDNEPTUNEB@aol.com
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 8:54 AM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Cc: annvt@comcast.net; lawhould@yahoo.com
Subject: First Street - Extension of Parking Hours

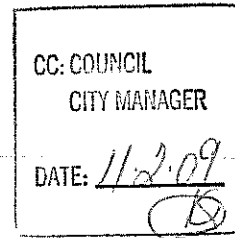


Dear Mayor Pruette:

I read with great interest the editorial in the Beaches Leader written by Dr. Ann von Thron regarding extending the parking hours on First Street. Steve and I have discussed this matter, and we also feel that moving the time to 10:00 p.m. would be beneficial to those property owners living east of Third Street.

As you know, we own homes at 222 Cedar Street and 111 Walnut Street that would be affected by this change. Please let Steve and I know if there is anything that we can do to help promote this idea.

Best regards,
Linda and Steve Hould



Lisa Volpe

From: Stephen Hould [lawhould@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 8:55 AM
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Cc: Linda Hould
Subject: First Street Parking

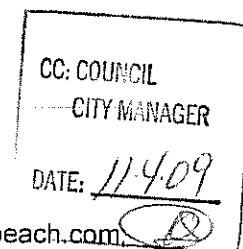
Good morning. I will not be able to attend the public hearing regarding extending the time limits for parking on First Street. However, I wanted to express my support for extending the time limits to allow additional time for parking and I urge you to adopt the proposed change. Steve Hould

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Sent: Monday, November 02, 2009 4:07 PM
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Cc: 'Bosco Bunch'
Subject: Parking on First Street



Mayor and Council Members

From my understanding, Ann VonThron has brought up the topic of parking on First Street and plans to speak tonight at the board meeting.

As a property owner, businessman, and Planning and Development Board member living on First Street, she has asked me to contact you.

I have lived and worked in Neptune Beach for almost five years and have experienced just about everything when it comes to people on First Street. I understand by living so close to the downtown area that there is a need for time restraints on parking. The last thing I want are people leaving the bars and or private parties late at night and waking me up. All of my vehicles have been robbed or vandalized just with people walking by - not to mention loud obnoxious behavior. It doesn't sound like I am making much of a positive motion to extend the hours of parking, does it?

I do agree with extending the hours to a later hour to be discussed. Ironically, about two years ago I was at a business meeting at the VonThron's and had to park on First Street. The meeting ran until about 7:35. Guess who was getting a ticket already - yes yours truly. When I told the officer that I lived on First Street he wished he hadn't written the ticket, but oh well here you go. Many of us on First Street in the middle of a social gathering have do the 7:30 shuffle with family and friends' vehicles. I am not sure what the answer is at this time, but I do feel it is worth discussing.

By sitting on the Board these past few years and by owning my own business for almost 25 years - I know that between two parties there is a compromise. Do both parties walk away completely satisfied? - most likely not, but hopefully everyone has said their piece and there was positive movement one way or the other.

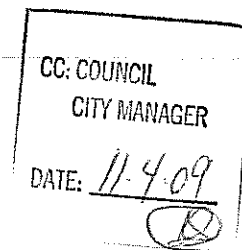
Thank you for your time.

Todd A. Bosco

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Lisa Volpe

From: phildostalik@comcast.net
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2009 7:39 AM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Subject: Parking on 1st Street



Hello,

I read with great interest Dr. Von Throns letter to the editor in the Beaches Leader concerning parking along 1st Street in our wonderful town. I must admit I agree with her and that we need to address the times that we can park along 1st Street. If I can be of any help please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely, Phillip Dostalík

117 Florida Boulevard

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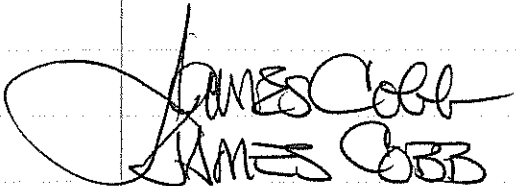
CC: COUNCIL CITY MANAGER
DATE: 11.17.09 ②

MAYOR

RE REVISION/RELAXING 1ST STREET
PARKING

AS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT (WE
PURCHASED 114 CHERRY STREET JUNE
1943] & LONG-TIME WOODLORD, I
HAVE SEEN THE POPULATION (RESIDENTS
& TENANTS) INCREASE EAST OF 1ST
STREET WHILE THE STRUCTURES
ARE BUILT OUT.

ANY REVISION/RELAXATION OF 1ST
STREET PARKING WILL BE A PRO-ACTIVE
AND MUCH NEEDED IDEA.


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Lisa Volpe

From: Lynne Womack [lynne1106@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, November 16, 2009 1:14 PM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Subject: Parking on 1st Street

CC: COUNCIL
CITY MANAGER
DATE: 11-17-09

Second email because the first email address may have been wrong.

Dear Mayor Pruette,

We would be very much in favor of extending the parking time allowed on 1st Street. We live on a small street (Rose Place) that has zero parking except in the driveways. However, other streets near us (such as Magnolia) have on-the-street parking that is unrestricted. Having no parking makes it nearly impossible for us to have more than a couple of people over for dinner.

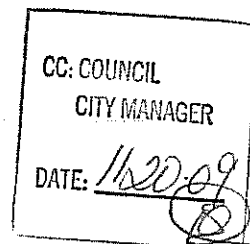
We recently read about other residents' concerns about the lack of parking for guests and we too would be very much in favor of a hearing to discuss this. While we would have concerns about unlimited parking on 1st, we think that a time extension to allow for longer parking in the evening would be a reasonable compromise and a benefit to the residents who are very "parking deprived." If a limit is still set so that there is no overnight parking, we think many of the problems associated with unrestricted parking on 1st street could be avoided. We would love to see parking allowed until midnight.

Best regards,

Lynne Womack and David Miller
101 Rose Place

Lisa Volpe

From: bettybuford29@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 5:50 PM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Subject: parking



Hi Harriet,

We are in favor of extending the parking on First Street from 7:30 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

This will give the residents and their guest ample time for visiting and we think the change is much over-due.

Betty and Harry Owens
1308 First Street
Neptune Beach, Fl 32266

Lisa Volpe

From: phildostalik@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2009 4:33 PM
To: Harriet Pruette
Subject: parking along 3rd St

My name is Phillip Dostalik and I live at 117 Florida Blvd. and here are my thoughts about extending the parking hours along 1st St.

I think that from sunrise to 10 pm. will NOT negatively impact the area.

If I can be of more help please feel free to contact me.

Sincerly, Phil

CC: COUNCIL
CITY MANAGER
DATE: 11/25/09

Lisa Volpe

From: sammysteeg@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2009 2:32 PM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Subject: First Street Parking

I have lived (and owned) on First Street, Neptune Beach for over 30 years. I can remember the loud music and rowdy night time behavior. Lets not regress - leave well enough alone.

CC: COUNCIL
CITY MANAGER
DATE: 11/25/09

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From: LT Keil [ltkeil@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Sunday, November 22, 2009 3:27 PM
To: Harriet Pruette
Subject: Parking on First St.

Hello Harriet,

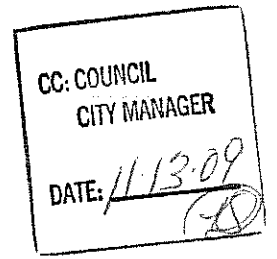
I just wanted to say that if the subject of extending the parking hours on 1st Street ever comes up, both Jim & myself would like to say we are for it. Being long time Neptune Beach homeowners and residents, we are always looking for additional short term parking and find 1st Street a safe solution. We are not recommending overnight parking but to possibly extend the ending time to 10 or 11pm.

Thanks!
Linda Keil
1106 2nd St. NB

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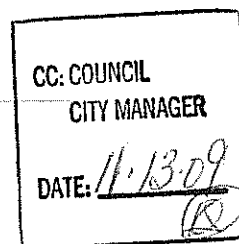
From: LS Browder [lsbrowder@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, November 11, 2009 4:46 PM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Subject: 1st street parking

In regard to the suggestion that parking restrictions on 1st street be changed, we strongly object to any change. The restrictions were put in not only to control the "bar scene" but to discourage people from staying on the beach all night.

Any extension of the allowable hours could be used by future councils to remove all restrictions

Larry & Susan Browder
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From: Roberts, Amy C. [robertsa4@duvalschools.org]
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2009 5:19 PM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Cc: Waddill, Meredith L.; Diane Wingate; Ned Jones; marshacoker@earthlink.com; Sandy Leidy
Subject: Parking on 1st Street

Dear Harriet,

Please consider relaxing the parking time limits on 1st Street in Neptune Beach from 6 a.m. until 10 p.m. It would real be most accommodating to ALL those living east of 3rd.

Amy C. Roberts M. Ed., BCBA
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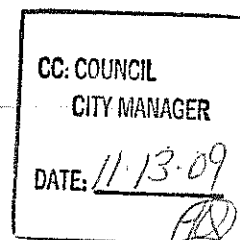
The potential of a child is the most intriguing thing in all creation.
 Ray Lyman Wilbur

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From: Robert Grovenstein [rgrovenstein@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, November 11, 2009 8:42 AM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Subject: 1st Street Parking



Harriet: Count my vote for unlimited parking on 1st Street, Neptune Beach. Parking is a problem for guests of residents, at all times. As you know I own property at 822/824 1st Street, and would like to see the problem corrected. Thanks. Reply received.

Lisa Volpe

From: Tina Bernardi [tinab03@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 6:13 PM
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Harriet, I am all for extending the hours of parking on 1st Street. When my family comes over we have a very hard time with the parking and I have to rush them out the door early with the limited hours of parking on 1st Street. So count me in as one for extending the time.

Another option might be to issue some type of passes to residents that can be used by our guests for either temporary extended parking or overnight for guests spending the night.

After this can we extend the hours for dogs on the beach too? Later in the mornings and earlier in the afternoons would be fantastic.

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