COUNCIL MEETING OF
August 22, 2006

PUBLIC HEARING

SUPPLEMENTAL #1 TO ITEM 13B

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: Supplemental #1 to Council Agenda Item No. 13B

I. After the posting of the agenda, it was discovered that the proposed ordinance attached to City Council agenda item 13B did not contain the latest revisions to Section 61.12.140. The revisions to Section 61.12.140 added subsection (d) relating to the display of a fraudulent, forged, altered, or counterfeit Resident Registration Sticker. Additionally, the revisions added subsection (e) relating to forging, altering, or counterfeiting an Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit, an Oversized Vehicle Handicap Parking Permit, or an Oversized Vehicle Resident Registration Sticker. Section 61.12.140 should read in its entirety as follows:

"Section 61.12.140 Violation of Article

(a) Any person who violates any provision in this Article is guilty of an infraction and will be subject to citation, towing, or both.
(b) Every person who displays a fraudulent, forged, altered, or counterfeit Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit or Permit number with the intent to avoid compliance with this Article is guilty of a misdemeanor.
(c) Every person who displays a fraudulent, forged, altered, or counterfeit Oversized Vehicle Handicap Parking Permit or Permit number with the intent to avoid compliance with this Article is guilty of a misdemeanor.
(d) Every person who displays a fraudulent, forged, altered, or counterfeit Oversized Vehicle Resident Registration Sticker with the intent to avoid compliance with this Article is guilty of a misdemeanor.
(e) Every person who forges, alters, or counterfeits an Oversized Vehicle Parking Permit, an Oversized Vehicle Handicap Parking Permit, or an Oversized Vehicle Resident Registration Sticker is guilty of a misdemeanor."

II. Enclosed please find public correspondence received after Council Agenda Item 13B was prepared.

Respectfully submitted,

JEFFERY W. GIBSON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

By: _____
Ted Semaan, Manager
Transportation Planning, Development
Engineering and Records Division

CONCUR:

_____
Jeffery W. Gibson
Community Development Director

NOTED:

_____
LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager

Attachments: A. Public Correspondence

ATTACHMENT A

Crump, Jill

From: Richard Klein [dklein624@earthlink.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 2:22 PM
To: Torrance traffic dept
Subject: FW: RV parking

Richard Klein
dklein624@earthlink.net
EarthLink Revolves Around You.

----- Original Message -----
From: Richard Klein
To: Torrance traffic dept
Sent: 8/22/2006 2:18:00 PM
Subject: RV parking

Sirs:

We want to go on record as strongly favoring banning overnite parking of RVs on our streets. The laws are going to have to be strictly enforced by the Police department to be effective, however.

We also think the one year grace period is far too long. We would say one month is more like it (with special case-by-case extensions if some people have difficulty finding a spot to store their unused (or underused) RVs).

We will appreciate having our opinions taken into account (in lieu of a referendum of some kind).

Richard and Diane Klein
4327 Vista Largo
Torrance 90505

Richard Klein
dklein624@earthlink.net
EarthLink Revolves Around You.

Crump, Jill

From: Heidi Ashcraft [hashcraft@ashcraftdesign.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 2:13 PM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: parking of trailers and RV's

The proposed ordinance seems to be o.k. except the one year grace period is too long. There should be a case by case evaluation as to why the owner needs more than 2-6 months to find appropriate parking the their vehicle. There is a huge danger in parking these vehicles
on residential streets when pulling out of driveways, especially.
In addition to the safety issues, they are an eyesore to every neighborhood.

I hope there is already an ordinance in place that will not allow people to then park the vehicle in their front yard!

Heidi Ashcraft
310-542-5194

Crump, Jill

From: tomlin551@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 1:56 PM

To: scotto@torrnet.com

Cc: cddtraffic@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; Tbrewer@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com

Subject: oversized vehicle parking

After reading in the Daily Breeze about the RV/oversized ordinance (which is coming to your attention at tonight's council meeting) which will allow a one year grace period, a possible year extension, 96 daily permits per year we feel this is as close to nothing to solving this problem as you can get. It is next to impossible to enforce all of this what with paper work and investigating.that will need to be done. What about boats and empty trailers parked on the street? The best ordinance is no overnight parking of any oversized vehicle on the streets of Torrance..
Tomlin Family of North Torrance

Crump, Jill

From: john mc govern [jj.mcgovern@worldnet.att.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 1:17 PM
To: Bsutherland@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: Fw: RV's and Boats Must Go!!

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Dear Mayor Scotto and City Counselors

We moved into our Torrance Residential Neighborhood 22years ago. it was beautiful, quiet and a wonderful place to raise your family.
Our residential neighborhood now resembles a parking lot
with RV's, boats,and commercial vehicles everywhere. It has become a total shambles, reminiscent of third world blight.
The owners of these eyesores very cleverly park these vehicles in their driveways; having no space to park their regular large vehicles they fill every inch of curb space.And in quite a few instances block the sidewalks, overhanging the the remainder of the vehicle that doesn't quite fit into their driveways. Pedestrians are forced to walk
in the street to get around these obstacles, thereby creating a
danger in the evening twilight hours to the pedestrian.
Why should a minority be allowed to despoil our environment

I , and my fellow neighbors request that an ordinance be passed,
and that our neighborhood and all of Torrance be returned to the
city that we can be proud of .

John & Jackie Mc Govern
2738 Loftyview Drive
Torrance 90505

Crump, Jill

From: Garland & Holly McGovney [garlandholly@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 1:13 PM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: RV parking on city streets

My name is Garland McGovney; a 34 year resident of Torrance and my vote would be not allow RV parking on city streets. This law should take effect immediately with no grace period since there is already a similar law on the books. Also I think 96 daily permit is way over what anyone would need; it should be the same as out-of-towner (14 days in a calendar year). I don't think the city should get involved with supplying storage space; let the private community supply the storage spaces. I don't see why RV would have to be registered with the city; seem like a sneaky way of collecting new taxes. Finally, what ever law the city come up with I hope it enforced better than the current lawt.

Thanks you for your time,

Garland McGovney
22727 Susana Ave
Torrance, CA 90505

Crump, Jill

From: Janice Bigelow [jkbig1@pacbell.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 12:42 AM

To: fscotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; tbrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; bsutherland@torrnet.com; gdrevno@torrnet.com

Cc: cddtraffic@torrnet.com

Subject: Opposed to RV Parking in Torrance

Mayor Scotto and Torrance City Council members,
Since we will not be able to attend the Torrance City Council meeting on Tuesday, August 22nd, my husband and I wanted to inform you of our opinion of the current RV issue. We are not owners of an RV. We do agree with many of the anti-RV articles that have been printed in the editorial section of the Daily Breeze. Within the last month, two large recreational vehicles suddenly appeared on a street in our neighborhood located in the Country Hills housing tract in south Torrance. They were parked near a small shopping center and not directly in front of residences. Unfortunately, these large vehicles were parked on either side of the shopping center driveway entrance making it impossible to safely pull out into the street. This same shopping center contains Lamp Post Pizza where many children come after scouting or sports activities. It is not uncommon for these young people to play in the parking lot or sidewalk near the pizza parlor. These two vehicles made it very difficult to see the children playing nearby. We have no idea who owns the RV's, but they were moved backward or forward every 72 hours...just enough to obey the letter of the law if not the spirit of the law. Suddenly, Monday morning, after parking for approximately 4 weeks in the same location, both RV's were moved. We don't know if this is a temporary or permanent relocation.
It is a difficult decision to impose new restrictions on the citizens of Torrance. However, RV owners are a minority. After conversations with friends and neighbors about the RV debate, most agreed with us that these large vehicles do create driving hazards and we do not want them parked on the streets where we live.

Jan and Don Bigelow
2861 Sunnyglen Rd.
Torrance, CA 90505

Semaan, Ted

From: Koenig, David

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 10:46 AM

To: CDD Traffic

Subject: RV Parking

I would like to take this opportunity to once again voice my opinion in regards to the RV parking issue scheduled for tonight.

I sent a detailed e-mail last time this went to City Council, and I don't believe I need to go into great detail again over the same issues. I would just like to say that I am not in favor of restricting RV parking within the city limits. We currently have laws in place to deal with extended parking, and adding sections to the Municipal Code are unacceptable to me.

Thank You,

David Koenig
2817 W 227th St
Torrance, CA 90505

Semaan, Ted

From: sprokkereef@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 10:53 AM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: Oversized Vehicle Ordinance

Hello -

I just wanted to express my support for the ordinance and hope it passes leaving room for daily visitors to park and better looking streets.

All the best -

Michelle Sprokkereef
2416 W. 239th Street
Torrance

Check out AOL.com today. Breaking news, video search, pictures, email and IM. All on demand. Always Free.

Semaan, Ted

From: Carol Lopez [nclopez@earthlink.net]

Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 8:46 AM

To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com; scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com

Subject: 72 Hour RV Parking Time Limit is Appropriate

To Mayor Scotto and members of the Torrance City Council,

We have 3 young children and purchased an RV a little over two years ago. We have enjoyed taking a number of trips with our children and last summer began an annual tradition of a camping trip with extended family members. On our most recent trip we camped in Sequoia with 4 other families. Included in this group were my husband's parents who came from New York to enjoy this trip with 4 of their children's families including 10 grandchildren. Having an RV has opened up opportunities for fun family time that the kids will remember.

We do have our RV in a storage facility but in order to prepare for these trips we have our RV parked in front of our home for 2-3 days prior to a trip and for 2-3 days after a trip in order to clean it up. The current 72 hour time limit that is being enforced is appropriate to accomodate these needs. No change to the current law is required.

I understand that there are people who abuse this law and who keep their RV's parked on the street by simply moving them every few days. This practice is obviously not in keeping with the intent of the law. However, if a more restrictive law is put in place the responsible RV owner who is already complying with the intent of the current law will be further restricted and the RV owner who is not complying with the intent of the current law will find a way to circumvent the new law.

Furthermore, in all of the articles that I have read, I have not seen any statistics as to what % of RV's are actually causing a problem in their neighborhoods. Is it 1%, 40%, 90%?. Are we generating restrictive legislation simply to deal with a small minority of people who are abusing the intent of the law? There are al\ways people who are not going to be good neighbors whether it be about RV's, not keeping their house in good repair, having unsightly items in their yard, etc. Not everything can be legislated. At some point the rights of others become obliterated in order to control a few.

Again, I urge you to leave the current 72 hour time limit in place and do not impose further restrictions.

Sincerely,

Carol Lopez

Carol Lopez
nclopez@earthlink.net
EarthLink Revolves Around You.

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 9:15 AM
To: CDD Traffic
Subject: FW: Citygram

For the record
-----Original Message-----
From: Citygram
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 9:01 AM
To: Herbers, Sue; 'tsemaan@torrent.com'
Subject: FW: Citygram
FYI
-----Original Message-----
From: Robert Marenche
To: Citygram
Sent: 08/17/2006 6:03 PM
Subject: Citygram

Date: 8/18/2006 1:03:46 PM
Please note the following comments left on CITYGRAM:

Reply By: No Reply Necessary

Name: Robert Marenche
Address: 4911 Halison St.
Address2: Torrance, CA 90503
Phone: 310-940-5121
Email: marenche@earthlink.net

Comment: I think motor homes are an eyesore. They should not only be banned from street parking but also from the driveway if they are visible from the street.

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Semaan, Ted

From: King, William A [William.A.King5@boeing.com]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 10:52 AM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: On-street parking of Oversized Vehicles

Dear Torrance City Council.

I am writing to let you know that I personally have experienced a dangerous situation with oversize RV's and Commercial vehicles being parked on our residential street each and every day.

On two occasions I have almost struck children or hit automobiles exiting driveways that the view was obstructed by these oversize RV's and Commercial vehicles.

One day the children or the vehicle will not be so lucky that I am paying attention, and an accident will occur with loss of property and perhaps even of life.

Please impose restrictions on these vehicles and have the owners store them at storage yards instead of our public streets.

Sincerely,

William A. King Jr.
20346 Anza Ave. Unit 11
Torrance, C90503

Semaan, Ted

From: Sunshine, Brian
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 8:56 AM
To: Gibson, Jeff; Semaan, Ted; Herbers, Sue
Subject: FW: R.V. PARKING ON THE STREETS IN TORRANCE

This came through Public Works, I am forwarding for the record.

Brian

-----Original Message-----
From: Kay, Carol
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 8:00 AM
To: Sunshine, Brian
Subject: FW: R.V. PARKING ON THE STREETS IN TORRANCE

Hi Brian

This email came through our web site. Is there somebody I should forward it to?

Carol

-----Original Message-----
From: Susie Phillips [mailto:sphillips@shermanonlaw.com]
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 3:05 PM
To: PublicWorkInfo@torrnet.com
Subject: R.V. PARKING ON THE STREETS IN TORRANCE

I AM A CONCERNED PERSON REGARDING PARKING OF RV'S IN FRONT OF YOUR HOME....

1. Parking on the street in front of your home is not your property, it is the cities

2. In neighborhoods were R.V.'S are parked and children get behind them
   it is very hard to see if a child suddenly runs out behind one

3. Just because Torrance is middle class doesn't mean we have to trash
   the street and the front of our homes with R.V.'S

4. In pulling out of a driveway it also hard to see around them to get
   into the street

IF YOU CAN AFFORD THE GAS FOR AN R.V., YOU CAN AFFORD STORAGE

TORRANCE THINK, DO YOU WANT MORE HOMEOWNERS IN YOUR CITY CARING ABOUT THEIR PROPERTY AND KEEPING THEIR HOMES UP OR R.V. PEOPLE PARKING ON CITY PROPERTY AND USING THEIR R.V. FOR A WRITE OFF ON THEIR TAXES AS A SECOND HOME.....

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME IN READING MY E-MAIL

Semaan, Ted

From: Citygram
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 9:01 AM
To: Semaan, Ted; Herbers, Sue
Subject: FW: Citygram

-----Original Message-----
From: John Bean
To: Citygram
Sent: 08/18/2006 5:23 AM
Subject: Citygram

Date: 8/18/2006 12:23:04 PM
Please note the following comments left on CITYGRAM:

Reply By: E-Mail

Name: John Bean
Address: 40072 Temple Court
Address2: Murrieta, CA 92563
Phone: 951-461-4469
Email: JBeanMBean@msn.com

Comment: Please distribute to: Torrance City Council Members
Subject: Parking of RVs on Torrance City Streets First, let it be clear, parking RVs on neighborhood streets does not reduce property values.
That's a myth! If anything, it attracts more affluent buyers who want to be able to park expensive RVs and boats beside or in front of their homes. Because the RV owners are more affluent, they take better care of their homes, increasing property values. RV owners are willing to pay a premium price to live in an RV friendly city. People who use the scare tactic of "RV parking reduces property values" are untruthful or misinformed. They are most likely people with nothing to do so they t

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Crump, Jill

From: Riebsomer2@aol.com

Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 11:53 AM

To: scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com; cddtraffic@torrnet.com

Subject: RV Parking

Dear Mayor Scotto and Council Members,

The current 72 hour limit for RV street parking is fair and allows RV owners time for loading, unloading and maintaining RV's, and should be tolerable for neighbors. I agree that large RV's should not be allowed to park long-term (unlimited) parking on the street. I am against further restrictions (parking permits, no street parking, a 24 hour limit, etc). If a neighbor has a complaint about excessive parking they should talk with their neighbor, or call the Torrance Traffic Division to have the RV cited. Enforcing existing laws is all that needs to be done.

RV's parking is not the only problem in Torrance. There are many junky cars, campers, trailers, old boats, etc. that are parked in driveways. They are never used, just parked as if in a junkyard. This causes overflow parking on the streets of the vehicles they do use. Multiple vehicle ownership is another problem effecting street parking. Lets not penalize only the RV owners.

RV's are not contraband. They are lawful to possess and are a registered vehicle that pays registration fees and gas taxes that allow them the same privilege of using the streets as other vehicles.

I am an RV owner. I pay to store my RV. I have the right to bring my RV to my home for loading, unloading and maintenance. 72 hours is sufficient time, anything less would be unacceptable. Let's not penalize everyone for the inconsiderate few who use our streets as a parking lot. Let's not waste anymore time and money on an issue that has already been addressed. Enforce the existing laws!

Sincerely, Kim Riebsomer

Crump, Jill

From: tom-dona [tom-dona@pacbell.net]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 12:11 PM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: Re: RV's

Thank you for putting my email in the official records.
I live at 2537 Ridgeland Road in Victoria Knolls. It use to be a beautiful street, uncluttered until the neighbors daughter and husband had to move back home. His RV is parked weeks at a time in front. He now has to move it every 3 days and is really pissed about it. His work truck is parked in front every night. They also have 3 other trucks. The garage is so cluttered that it cannot fit a vehicle. He wants to cement over the grass so he can have the RV sit there. The one weekend he tried it out, I guess to see if it fit I almost hit a little boy on his bike and my husband almost hit a women walking her baby. We drive very slow out the driveway but imagine a 10 foot tall block wall all the way to the sidewalk, you can't see a thing until it's to late. I'm really afraid I'll eventually hurt someone. I told them about it but they don't care. What is the liability to me if I hurt someone? What is the width limit on a driveway? Is there one?
I appreciate this opportunity to register my fears over the RV situation.
Sincerely,
Dona & Tom Folk
2537 Ridgeland Road, Torrance 90505

Crump, Jill

From: Claire Tehan [clairetehan@verizon.net]

Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 5:20 PM

To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com; scotto@torrnet.com

Subject: Recreational vehicles must go

To Members of Torrance City Council:

I would like to offer my opinion regarding recreational vehicles parked on Torrance City Streets; that opinion is a result of living on a narrow hill street in the Hollywood Riviera where one of my neighbors parks his RV. This street is Via Los Altos, which is fairly heavily traveled with cars coming up the hill from PCH and cutting through to Calle Mayor. The RV blocks the visibility of drivers who are coming up or down the hill as well as from a side street (Los Miradores)which does not have a stop sign. It is dangerous, especially to those drivers who are unfamiliar with the narrow twisting roads, as well as the residents who must navigate around this vehicle. This huge vehicle is unsightly and a visual blight. I urge you to recommend that these RVs not be allowed to park on residential streets.

Sincerely,

Claire Tehan Ravizza
210 via los Altos

Crump, Jill

From: Robert Compher [bobcomph@verizon.net]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 8:13 PM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: RV ordinance

Torrance needs this ordinance.

Crump, Jill

From: unix fan [unix_fan@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 8:36 PM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: RV ordinance feedback

Greetings Traffic folks:
I'm a Torrance Resident living in Seaside Heights. My $0.02 on the proposed RV ordinance:

This is a reasonably good ordinance.

Pros:
Removes any trace of doubt about whether the public streets can be used as someone's personal additional storage or living space.
Cons:
1. Seems like an excessively long time (one year) to start enforcement. 3-6 months at most is better.
2. 96 daily permits a year is too many. The white zone is for loading an unloading, know what I mean? 96 daily permits equates to 48 trips with a permit for loading and unloading at the beginning and end of the trip. You could cut this number in half and still be *way* more than anyone will ever need. I hope others think this is too much and voice that opinion.

Additional Comments:
There has to a commitment from the Police / Parking Enforcement that the ordinance is enforceable and will be enforced. It should be self funding as it is a source of revenue.

While I largely agree with the proponents of this ordinance, there is one key point on which I *may* differ.
I believe that an RV owner should have a right to park their RV on their own property. Notice that excludes protuding into the public sidewalk. But if they park it in their back or sideyards (or even in front but parallel to the street) I think they should be left alone. I think the focus of the ordinance should be on getting RVs off *public* sidewalks and streets.

Thanks for your time.

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Scotto, Frank

From: Martin, Christine [CM120535@ncr.com]

Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 9:40 AM

To: fscotto@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; GDrevno@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; BSutherland@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com

Subject: Proposal to Ban Large Vehicles on Residential Streets

Dear Mayor and Torrance City Council Members,

Parking large vehicles, especially RVs, on our residential streets should not be allowed. They should be stored off the street or in storage facilities. They create a hazard, obstructing views when backing out driveways or even crossing the street. Please pass an ordinance that prohibits parking them in our neighborhoods. Keep Torrance residents safe.

We live on a narrow winding street. When our neighbor parked his RV in front of our house or the house next door, we were unable to safely back out our driveway. We were lucky but we should not be in that position again. Our street traffic includes a municipal bus and residents taking their children to the nearby elementary school. These large vehicles should be banned from our street.

The latest proposal by the Community Development Department is much too generous with daily permits. In our winding streets the RVs should only be allowed on the street for cleaning, loading, and unloading. Issuing permits for non consecutive days would allow for this. Please do not grant permits for out on town visiting vehicles, even temporarily. They are much too hazardous on our narrow street.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,
Bob and Chris Martin
973 Calle Miramar
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Scotto, Frank

From: dave roelen [droelen@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 8:49 AM
To: FScotto@tornet.com; TBrewer@tornet.com; GDrevno@tornet.com; PMcintyre@tornet.com; PMNowatka@tornet.com; BSutherland@tornet.com; hwitkowsky@tornet.com
Subject: RV and Adolph Ave. Parking Problems

Mayor Scotto and Councilmembers,

First, congratulations to all newly elected members! The City is now headed in the right direction.

I have followed the RV issue with much interest and believe RV's should NOT be allowed parking on public streets. Commercial vehicles should be equally consider in any ordinance.

Our street (Adolph Ave.) has become a parking lot for vehicles from nearby apartments. Commercial vehicles belonging to individuals running businesses from 242nd street apartments and from Newton Street create a major blight and parking problem for Adolph Avenue residents. These non-RV's are also a problem.

The previous mayor and city staff seemed impotent to resolve our parking issue ... we hope this City Council will work with us to eliminate this problem.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dave Roelen

Scotto, Frank

From: Paul Murray [murraypaultec@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 1:31 PM
To: fscotto@torrnet.com
Subject: RV Parking

I hope when you consider whether RV's should be able to park on city streets, you also consider that large towing related vehicles may also be affected.

The RV's that are causing problems are likely violating an existing law. The police could do their part to enforce the laws that exist without the need to create new laws that will cause hardship to responsible owners.

Thanks

Paul Murray

Scotto, Frank

From: Brewer, Tom
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 5:59 PM
To: Scotto, Frank
Subject: FW: Should Mayor Scotto be allowed to participate on proposed RV ordinance?

From: CranKings@aol.com [mailto:CranKings@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 8:32 AM
To: hwitkowsky@torrnet.com
Cc: pmcintyre@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrent.com; tbrewer@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrent.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com
Subject: Should Mayor Scotto be allowed to participate on proposed RV ordinance?

Mr. Sotto owns a towing business based in Torrance near the corner of Western Ave and 223rd St. His business regularly parks tow trucks greater than 20 feet in length on city streets near the business. These parked vehicles are not being used for the conduct of business in the course of providing services. They are parked overnight and on weekends.

Since this is obviously in violation of the proposed RV ordinance and may have a financial impact on his business (finding alternative places to park these vehicles), should he be allowed to discuss and/or vote on this issue?. This is in addition to the towing conflict that he previously disqualified himself. I have pictures of the trucks being parked. Drive by 223 rd Street just west of Western Ave. after 5:30 and you can see for yourself.

Norman W Bauer
4808 Macafee Rd.
Torrance Ca 90505

Scotto, Frank

From: Ellen Kosuda [cerelia@earthlink.net]

Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 10:54 AM

To: TBrewer@torrnet.com; GDrevno@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; BSutherland@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; fscotto@torrnet.com

Subject: RV Ordinance

Dear Torrance City Council Members:

I am writing to you now because I unfortunately did not find out about the RV ordinance debate until it was too late.

I am greatly encouraging you to pass a city ordinance that would ban RV parking on public residential streets. Currently, my direct next door neighbor has been illegally leaving her out-of-state RV parked in front of her home for weeks at a time. Even months. It has already been towed once, and she is extremely tardy about moving the RV within the 72 hour time limit. After her RV was towed the first time, she angrily berated my elderly father (who is hard of hearing and has a serious case of glaucoma) about the RV being towed. She falsely accused me of calling the city to have it towed, which I did not do. Later, she found out it was another neighbor down the street who called about the RV sitting there for more than three months. She is highly uncooperative and stubborn. I spoke to her personally and she would only say to me "I need it there."

In addition, when she parks her RV in front of her house, the RV totally blocks my ability to see the street while pulling out of my driveway. This is a serious issue. Twice I have narrowly missed an accident. I am totally unable to see cars rounding the corner from 175th Street to the street we live on, Faysmith Avenue. Autos rounding the corner cannot see me, and I cannot see them. I pray that the hazard her RV causes will not lead to something worse.

Please do something about having these RVs parked in a safe and reasonable place. A designated parking lot is definitely much more acceptable than an oversized vehicle parked in a narrow spot that blocks the ability to clearly see the street.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Ellen Kosuda
17412 Faysmith Avenue
Torrance CA 90504
(310) 515-2574
email: cerelia@earthlink.net

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 7:22 PM
To: 'RMoine@aol.com '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RVs in Torrance

Thank you for your email. It will become a part of the record.

Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky

-----Original Message-----
From: RMoine@aol.com
To: Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com; HWITKOWSKY@torrnet.com; PMCINTYRE@torrnet.com; PMNOWATKA@torrnet.com; SCOTTO@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com
Sent: 08/21/2006 12:03 PM
Subject: RVs in Torrance

Dear Council members,

There is no need for additional laws penalizing RV owners in Torrance.
There is a very easy solution. ENFORNCE THE 72 HOUR PARKING LIMIT ALREADY ON THE BOOKS. (to be done regularly by the city and NOT by neighbors). A sticker of proof of Torrance residency would be fine.

Please do not make this complicated for those of us who go out most weekends and bring our RV home a day or two before and store it again a day or two after. We all need a bit of uncomplicated grace period.
Even changing the law to 48 hours on the street would be doable.

A concerned resident,
Rachel Moine

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 7:32 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: FW: RV Parking on Residential Streets

fyi

-----Original Message-----
From: Russell Vakharia
To: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: 08/21/2006 6:47 PM
Subject: RV Parking on Residential Streets

Dear Hope,

As long time residents of Torrance, we would like to state that we are strongly in favor of severe limitations on RV parking on residential streets. We live near Lage Seco park and consistently see RVs parked for extended periods on streets and have even seen people living in them at times. We understand that RV owners, including some of our friends and neighbors, are concerned about such restrictions, but we see no way around this. Many cities in Southern California have implemented such restrictions, with good reason. Thank you.

Tiffany and Russ Vakharia
23615 Ladeene Avenue
Torrance 90505

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 7:20 PM
To: 'tom-dona '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RV's must go

Thank you for your email. I do agree with it. It will become a part of the record.

Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky
-----Original Message-----
From: tom-dona
To: scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; tbrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Gdrevo@torrent.com; bsutherland@torrnet.com
Sent: 08/21/2006 11:53 AM
Subject: RV's must go

Hello all,

My husband and I moved to Torrance 5 years ago and have been so happy here. We chose 2537 Ridgeland Road in Victoria Knolls because of the wide beautiful uncluttered street. It's not that way anymore I'm very sad to say.
Directly to my left is a house with a RV that just sits there. He now moves it every 3 days back and forth and he's pissed that he has to do that. Sometimes he doesn't use the RV for 2 months at a time. His work truck is also a large truck that is parked on the street every evening, then they have an additional 3 vehicles. The garage is so full of junk it has no room for a vehicle. He now is planning on cementing the grass area to keep it there. He parked it on the grass to try it out for a fit I guess and in that one weekend I almost hit a little boy on his bike and my husband almost hit a women walking a baby. We couldn't see a thing, it's like a 10 foot tall block fence when it's there. I'm not a senior citizen but our driving is impaired if he parks it there.
Please help us and all the other Torrance residents that have a vested interest in our community and want to keep Torrance streets RV clear.
Sincerely,
Tom & Dona Folk
2537 Ridgeland Road, Torrance 90505

Semaan, Ted

From: Matsuda, Mark
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 2:43 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: FW: Parking Enforcement

fyi

From: Irvine, Rodney
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2006 12:44 PM
To: Matsuda, Mark
Subject: FW: Parking Enforcement

Mark,

Please forward this message to whomever is collecting comments/complaints on the RV parking issue in the City.

Thank you,

Rod

LT. ROD IRVINE
Adjutant to the Chief of Police
Office: (310) 618-5688
Fax: (310) 618-6316
Email: rirvine@torrnet.com

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From: CARMEN SIPPLE [mailto:CARMENBABY@msn.com]
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 1:41 PM
To: Irvine, Rodney
Subject: Re: Parking Enforcement

Mr. Irvine, I read, with great interest. the article in the Los Angeles Times this morning with regards to RV Parking in Torrance. I hope you make all my e-mails part of the *complaints and concerns* package gathered for use in discussing the restrictions of RV parking in Torrance, at Thursday's City Council meeting. I will not be able to attend dues to a preplanning trip to Mammoth Lakes, otherwise I would be in attendance. Although, I have a Redondo Beach mailing address I do live in Torrance, please keep my concerns as important as those mentioned in the paper. Since my house has an embankment, I have a beautiful view of the ocean. At times it's a beautiful view of the ocean plus a view of the RV's air conditioning units (ugly). The other issue I have is that most of the RV's come from PV (evidently they have restrictions on the hill. Few, if any, of the RV's parked on Calle Mayor (Hollywood Riviera) does not belong to the residences in our neighborhood.

Again, thanks for your help. Let's hope this issue is remedied soon.

Carmen Sipple
102 Via Mesa Grande
Redondo Beach, CA 90277
310 378-3068

----- Original Message -----
From: Irvine, Rodney
To: 'CARMEN SIPPLE'
Cc: Matsuda, Mark
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2006 1:15 PM
Subject: RE: Parking Enforcement

Ms. Sipple,

The police department does handle parking enforcement out of our Traffic Division. I have forwarded you message to Lt. Mark Matsuda, the Traffic Division commander. He will have one of the parking enforcement officers look into your complaint.

Sincerely,

LT. ROD IRVINE
Adjutant to the Chief of Police
Office: (310) 618-5688
Fax: (310) 618-6316
Email: rirvine@torrnet.com

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From: CARMEN SIPPLE [mailto:CARMENBABY@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2006 8:37 AM
To: topd@torrnet.com
Subject: Parking Enforcement

Who handles parking enforcement? I thought it was the police divison but I couldn't find any information on the Torrance web site. We hare having problems with RV's again. One in particular is a Winnebago 5MFA304.

Carmen Sipple
102 Via Mesa Grande
Redondo Beach, CA 90277
310 378-3068

Semaan, Ted

From: T Elk [tom_elkins@hotmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, August 20, 2006 11:59 AM

To: Bsutherland@torrnet.com; cddtraffic@torrnet.com; CranKings@aol.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; scotto@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com

Cc: tom_elkins@hotmail.com

Subject: RVs must go

30% of RVs parked in Torrance are not owned by Torrance residents (city study).
Why is the city of Torrance allowing itself to be a dumping ground for other cities?

Stop the parking of RVs on front yards.

RVs take up 3 or 4 parking spaces, and I think everybody knows that the city of Torrance has parking problems. Just try to find a parking spot during the weekends.

Every home/apt used to have 1 or 2 cars. Now every home/apt have 3 to 5 cars (many parked on the streets or in drive ways permanently).

RVs are extra wide and extra high making it hard to see around them when parked especially at corners.

I think RV owners should be given time to make arrangements for other parking/storage of their RV -- maybe 2, 3 or 5 years (whatever the magic number). RV owners should not be allowed to park in the city of Torrance forever.

I do not think allowing present RV owners to park forever in the city of Torrance while denying new arrivals the same rights would be correct.

tom elkins
20557 eastwood ave
torrance, CA 90503

Semaan, Ted

From: Sullivan, Patrick
Sent: Sunday, August 20, 2006 4:48 PM
To: Matsuda, Mark; Crump, Jill; Semaan, Ted; Caceres, David
Cc: Sullivan, Patrick
Subject: LA Times Article

http://www.latimes.com/news/local/los_angeles_metro/la-me-streetfight18aug18,1,2625237,full.story?coll=la-commun-los_angeles_metro

Torrance May Curb Street Parking of RVs

As officials in the Los Angeles-area city weigh the issue, owners of the vehicles and their irate neighbors express their views in a flood of e-mail to City Hall.By Deborah Schoch
Times Staff Writer

August 18, 2006

A new kind of civil strife is stirring along the tidy bungalow-lined streets of Torrance, spawned by some residents' efforts to keep recreational vehicles off the streets.

Anger-laced e-mails and letters are piling up at City Hall — 392 pages so far in a litany of neighbor against neighbor.

When one woman wrote that her family should be allowed to park its 38-foot-long Weekend Warrior on the driveway or on the street, a neighborhood leader responded snappily.

"You truly come off as a selfish boor that is only thinking of yourself," he wrote.

"This place is beginning to look more and more like a Third World country," another critic bristled. "GET THOSE MONSTROSITIES OFF THE STREET."

Several Torrance RV owners — some of whom paid $60,000 or more for their vehicles — retorted that they feel under siege.

"I had a neighbor turn against me as a result of your proposed new ordinance. You have 'pitted' a neighbor against me," one RV owner complained.

"LET'S ALL LIVE AND LET LIVE," implored another owner in an e-mail to the city, which may limit RV parking on residential streets.

The tug of war over property rights in South Bay suburbia has all the passion of such contentious issues as water allocations or endangered species laws.

RV owners say parking restrictions would infringe on their right to park their own property in front of their own homes.

Those without RVs counter that bulky trailers and motor homes are not only safety hazards but also eyesores.

Other area cities have rules to curb the practice of parking recreational vehicles on streets. Los Angeles passed restrictions this month, and the Lakewood City Council voted Aug. 8 to put some new rules before voters in November.

But those debates pale next to the vitriolic exchanges in Torrance, where the City Council could vote Tuesday on restrictions that will be made public in advance of that meeting.

"As a city, we are growing and creating an image as a 'prosperous, higher-end' neighborhood with family roots," said an e-mail from a woman who complained that RV street parking "makes us look like Trailer Park USA."

A historically conservative city about 20 miles southwest of downtown Los Angeles, Torrance is largely white, Asian and middle class, the bulk of it wedged between the beach cities, Carson and the wealthy Palos Verdes Peninsula.

Under current city regulations, drivers must move all vehicles every 72 hours, but some move them only a few feet at a time, effectively storing them on the streets, neighbors say.

Some puzzle over why the RV debate is surfacing now, when Californians and RVs have coexisted for decades. Clues can be found along streets like Macafee Road in south Torrance, where soaring house prices have made residents more conscious of the value and aesthetics of their homes — and less tolerant of RVs parked at the curb.

Like many streets here, Macafee is lined with one-story stucco homes dating to the 1950s and '60s — a time when the defense and aerospace industries were booming and young couples bought homes. Now, new families are enlarging the houses or sometimes squeezing new homes onto postage-stamp lots.

"We're very much in each others' lives, because that's how we're settled on the land," said Don Waldie, a Lakewood spokesman who writes extensively about the Southland's cultural history.

In the last few years as super-sized RVs with names like Prowler and Raptor have appeared in neighborhoods, some people have become irritated at having to peer around them, fearful of hitting a child darting into the street or a car hidden by an RV.

"They can ruin the whole outlook and ambience of the neighborhood. They belong in the desert," said Terry Bauer, 62, who has lived in her Macafee Road home for 25 years.

James Rudolph, who also lives on Macafee, paid $40,000 for a 37-foot Keystone Raptor.

"When you own property, I feel you should have the right to park it in front of your own house," he said.

He found that storage rates could top his $212 monthly payment for the RV. To ease tensions with neighbors, he drove the vehicle to Idaho this month and left it on land he owns there.

Fred Saunders, who owns a theatrical labor service, said he uses his 24-foot RV as his office and drives it to work sites. He said he sees no way he could put the vehicle in storage.

If a street parking ban is approved, Saunders vowed, he will pave his lawn and store his RV right on his property.

Joel Garreau, author of the book "Edge City" and a scholar of suburban trends, said residents may be looking to Torrance officials to impose the types of controls that community associations enforce in Orange County and

other areas with newer suburbs.

He and others speculate that as home prices rise, people who might normally seek more upscale cities are moving to or staying in Torrance, and some who long for second homes may buy RVs instead.

Torrance officials have tried to appease both sides in the disagreement.

A city study last winter found that RV storage space is scarce, with rates from $100 to $259 a month, depending on size. When some RV owners said they could not afford that, the city proposed "grandfathering" current owners, exempting them from new restrictions. Critics objected, so the City Council ordered revisions, which are to be posted on the city website, http://www.ci.torrance.ca.us .

Some believe that the RV battle helped unseat Mayor Dan Walker in the June election, which was dominated by complaints about traffic and density. The new mayor, former Councilman Frank Scotto, abstained from previous council RV votes because he owns a tow-truck company.

The Lakewood rhetoric was more muted than in Torrance. But resident Beth McDonough said she learned from a reporter that neighbors had nicknamed her family's bright red trailer "the hemorrhoid," and the label and a photograph appeared on page one of the Long Beach Press-Telegram.

McDonough cringed. She wonders who complained and why her neighbors did not speak with her directly.

In Torrance, Linda England said she has wrestled with the right approach. "If you report it to the city, you assume you can remain anonymous," she said.

And as cities encourage public comment by e-mail, debates can evolve in a civic cyberspace in which no one need talk to a neighbor.

England said she has suggested that the city set up a citizens commission so people could air disagreements and develop solutions. "Maybe we'd benefit from some neighboring classes," she added.

Semaan, Ted

From: Shirlpeha@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, August 19, 2006 7:44 AM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: Rv parking

I am totally against RV, trailers, boats etc. parking in front of homes. Also people who park their cars on the lawn.

Scotto, Frank

From: Itzmeharv@aol.com

Sent: Saturday, August 19, 2006 10:37 AM

To: fscotto@torrnet.com

Subject: Meeting

Mr. Mayor:

Tuesdays meeting about RV parking has created local news attention as you know. The Daily Breeze will be there, I know, to cover this event. I along with several others attending will still be asking the question as to how and what supporting data was use to form Section 1, articles (a.-j.) of the new ordinance. The public has never been informed, just told by the lawyer that we do not need that info and in most cases it is hypothetical. We still think that with so much involved and so many life styles that will effected, we need this documentation. It is only fair and just to have this presented at the upcoming meeting. Once again we ask how many bikers have been injured due to RV's, disrupted traffic events due to RV's, Haz Mat records on spillage and leaks, accidents involving line of sight, propane and gasoline explosions, etc, etc. Please have this documentation on hand, you and the council are going to be asked. All of the citizens and reader of the Breeze and other news media need to have these topics answers before this ordinance is past. You and the council owe the citizens these records.

Thank you again;
Harvey Hetrick 310 743 6148
itzmeharv@aol.com

Scotto, Frank

From: cacgmayday@socal.rr.com
Sent: Saturday, August 19, 2006 10:09 AM
To: fscotto@tornet.com
Subject: Oversized vehicles

Honorable Mayor and Council Members,
I live on Bluff Street in Torrance. I believe that an ordinance should be passed outlawing the parking of large vehicles on the street. It would be great if they could park them in an area like the Torrance airport.
I don't think it gives a good appearance when they are on the street. We have a lot of vehicles that park at the entrance to our street and it detracts from the area.
Cheryl Gutierrez

Semaan, Ted

From: WDorMatt@aol.com

Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 8:53 AM

To: askus@dailybreeze.com

Cc: CDDTRAFFIC@TORRNET.COM

Subject: IT SEEMS STRANGE=I WROTE A PIECE ABOUT PARKING IN TORRANCE==BUT

I STATED MY AND MANY IN THE AREA FEELINGS ABOUT RV PARKING AND STREET PARKING=AND IT SEEMS YOU HAVE A FIXED OPINION ALREADY ABOUT THE SUBJECT AS YOU NEVER CONSIDERED PRINTING MY ARTICLE=ONLY THE ONES THAT WAS AGAINST THE RV OWNERS! I STILL FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT ALL THE CARS/TRUCKS/TRAILERS PARKED ON THE STREET ,ON THE DRIVEWAYS BUT NOT IN THE GARAGES-THEY ARE PACKED FULL OF JUNK! SO MANY PEOPLE IN MY AREA HAVE 2-3 CARS PER PERSON-WHICH ARE PLOPPED IN FRONT OF OUR HOUSES, LEAVING PUDDLES OF OIL AND LEAVES=THE SWEEPER CAN'T EVEN GET CLOSE TO THE CURB===THE FEW RV'S IN MY AREA ARE PARKED ON THEIR PROPERTY NOT ON THE STREET! THERE IS ALWAYS A FEW ON LOMITA=WHICH IS NOT RESTRICTED PARKING AND NOT BY ANY HOMES==MAYBE THE GRIPERS COULD START ON THEM AND LEAVE THE OTHERS ALONE FOR A WHILE.
W.C.MATTHEWS=HOME OWNER COPYS SENT TO THE BREEZE/TORRNET.COM

Semaan, Ted

From: Marsha Cummins [cumminsmarsha@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 8:36 AM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: R.V Parking

Ted Semaan

Please convey to the City Council that we need to get these monstrosities off the streets of Torrance. Some in our neighborhood play the RV game move it every three days but never leave the block. We even have one person who parks in front of everyone else's front door not his. Please let's not Grandfather anything let's deal with this and get them off Torrance streets.

Sincerely

Marsha Cummins

Stay in the know. Pulse on the new Yahoo.com. Check it out.

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:16 PM
To: 'Lois A Phillips '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RVs Must Go!

-----Original Message-----
From: Lois A Phillips
To: Pat McIntyre; Hope Witkowsky
Sent: 08/18/2006 7:53 AM
Subject: RVs Must Go!

I did not include you in the original e-maiI but I do want to let the both of you know my concerns on this important issue.

Thank you,
Lois Phillips
----- Forwarded by Lois A Phillips/West/Aerospace/US on 08/18/2006 07:51 AM -----

Lois A Phillips/West/Aerospace/US

08/18/2006 06:50 AM

To
"Bill Sutherland" <bsutherland@torrnet.com>, "Gene Drevno" <gdrevno@torrnet.com>, "Paul Nowatka" <pmnowatka@torrnet.com>, "Frank Scotto" <scotto@torrnet.com>, "Tom Brewer" <tbrewer@torrnet.com>

cc

Subject
Re: RVs Must Go! Link
<Notes:///882564A70055340B/32547D7F59F9E7E38525613200556E77/BCA02CC1467E43AF882571CD00739678>

Thank you all for your replies but I did want to add just one more thought. I have read quite a few of the letters written to the Daily Breeze on this issue and my feeling is that if the decision is made not to allow the RVs to be parked on the sterets, I certainly don't think it is the city's responsibility to find or subsidize a place for these people to park their RVs. No one helped the RV/boat owners find or subsidize a storage facility that have already stored theirs for years.
I think that if you choose to own some type of recreational vehicle, before you buy it some thought must go into where you can store it when it is not being used. A lot of properties in Torrance are large enough and do have or can be modified to accommodate offstreet RV/boat parking.
If you are not one of these lucky people, you must consider what it may cost you to store it elsewhere.

Thanks again for your time and good luck with your decision, Lois Phillips

Lois A Phillips/West/Aerospace/US

08/17/2006 02:26 PM

To
Tom Brewer, Gene Drevno, Paul Nowatka, Frank Scotto, Bill Sutherland

cc

Subject
RVs Must Go!

I am 47 years old and I have been a Torrance resident all my life. I grew up in West Torrance and currently own a house a few blocks east of the courthouse. We already have a parking problem on our street with many people owning 3, 4, or 5 vehicles per household (this would be 2 working parents and children who drive but still live at home). We have at least 4 neighbors on our block who own large RVs. We also have a guy on our street that owns 2 big boats and ALWAYS has at least one of them parked in the street and the other in his driveway which makes him have to park more cars on the street in addition to his 2nd boat. A couple of the RV owners are responsible and park them elsewhere unless they are either working on them for a day or so or getting ready to take them on a trip. This is fine. The other 2 though, think that it is OK to park their large RVS on the street for months on end and get free storage/parking. When parking enforcement has been called in the past for violation of the 72 hours rule, it only causes fueding amongst neighbors. These large RVs and boats being parked on the streets is extremely unsafe because it causes huge blind spots for vehicles backing out of driveways and children crossing the streets not to mention the unsightlyness of them especially when there gets to be multiple RVs on the same block. Another issue is that when you have one of these parked out front (even if it is in front of the RV owners home) it blocks the views of the street from the front porches and windows of the other neighbors. Please help us get these monstrosities off our streets. Just as an FYI - we own a ski boat and pay for storing it elsewhere. We would never dream of parking it on the street. It just seems wrong and always has.

Thank you,
Lois Phillips

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:15 PM
To: 'Janice Reed '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: "RVs Must Go!"

Thank you for your email. I do hope you can attend our Tuesday City Council Meeting.

Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky

-----Original Message-----
From: Janice Reed
To: Witkowsky; Sutherland; Nowatka; McTintyre; Drevno; Brewer; Frank Scotto
Sent: 08/18/2006 11:59 AM
Subject: "RVs Must Go!"

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:14 PM
To: 'TechCoat '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: "RVs must go"

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Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky

-----Original Message-----
From: TechCoat
To: scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrent.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrent.com
Sent: 08/18/2006 1:55 PM
Subject: "RVs must go"

To: Mayor Frank Scotto

Council Members; Pat McIntyre, Paul M. Nowatka, Tom Brewer,

Hope Witkowsky, Bill Sutherland & Gene Drevno

Date: August 18, 2006

Subject: RV parking on city streets

Honorable Major Scotto and Council Members:

According to an article in the Daily Breeze, I understand you may pass an ordinance on the above referenced subject at the August 22nd Council Meeting.

I live at the corner of Adolph and Lomita, and for years Lomita Blvd between Ocean and Anza has been a parking lot for RV's. Every 3 or 4 days they seem to move a few feet, or they park across the street. When RV's are parked near the corner at Anza, it's extremely difficult to see around them for cars making right turns onto Lomita from Anza. Sometimes an RV will be parked close to the school crossing – another obvious safety hazard.

RV's should not be parked on any city street, except for loading and unloading. They are also eyesores and seriously detract from property values when they are parked along side a house or in the driveway, visible from the street.

Persons financially capable of owning a recreational vehicle must also have the means to pay for proper storage. They are usually seldom used and there are numerous storage facilities within 10 miles of any part of Torrance.

Finally, I ask: Do you ever see RV's parked in the street or at people's homes in Santa Monica or Westwood, or any part of west Los Angeles? It is your responsibility to do what's best for the vast majority of Torrance residents concerned about safety, property values and our quality of life in this great city.

Respectfully,

James F. Meyer

JFM/ds

James F. Meyer
23021 Adolph Avenue
Torrance, CA 90505
jim@techcoat.com <mailto:jim@techcoat.com>

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:12 PM
To: 'Pat Palyo '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RV Parking Ordnance

Thank you for your email. I do hope you can attend our Tuesday City Council Meeting.

Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky
-----Original Message-----
From: Pat Palyo
To: scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrent.com; Gdrevno@torrent.com
Sent: 08/16/2006 7:52 PM
Subject: RV Parking Ordnance

To everyone concerned:

Don't know what is proposed, but would like to again express my opinion.

I definitely feel we need to get them off the streets. (visibility hazard)
Create RV Parking Lots, and charge fees for storage.
Obtain permits to temporarily park for loading and unloading.

Thank you for addressing the issue quickly! Keep up the good work.

Pat Palyo
23117 Romano Pl
Torrance, Ca 90505

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:09 PM
To: 'Anthony Spadafino '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RVs must go

Thank you for your email. I do hope you can attend our Tuesday City Council Meeting.

Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky

-----Original Message-----
From: Anthony Spadafino
To: scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com
Sent: 08/16/2006 4:00 PM
Subject: RVs must go

I am writing in response to the RV parking on city streets. I am totally against this for the safety of everyone involved whether walking, riding

bikes, driving, etc. I have a problem with an RV being parking at the corner of Henrietta and Spencer or some times parked on Spencer and Vaccaro.
I personally have been involved in "near misses" and feel these RVs/boats should be requried to have off-street parking. With West High, Bishop Montgomery, Victor and Bert Lynn students walking in my neighborhood, I worry every day school is in session that someone will get hurt/killed when trying to cross Spencer Street at Henrietta. I personally try to avoid that intersection because of the safety hazard.

Recently we have been having other RV owners begin parking along Henrietta.
The RVs do not belong to anyone in our neighborhood and are using Henrietta as a parking lot for their RV. The one that has been their nearly two months has been playing games and moving the RV to the opposite side of the street every week or two. This supposedly makes it legal to remain being parked on a city street.

Please help keep the City of Torrance the great city it is known to be.

Safety should be the first thought that comes to mind when talking about RV parking on city streets.

I can be reached at 310-542-9884 if you have any questions.

Marybeth Spadafino

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http://search.msn.click-url.com/go/onm00200636ave/direct/01/

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:05 PM
To: 'CranKings@aol.com '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RVs must go

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Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky

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To: hwitkowsky@torrnet.com
Sent: 08/15/2006 9:46 PM
Subject: RVs must go

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Norman W Bauer
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Torrance Ca 90505

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:04 PM
To: 'baa1000@aol.com '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RV Parking

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Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky

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From: baa1000@aol.com
To: scott@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; tbrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; bsutherland@torrnet.com; gdrevno@torrnet.com
Sent: 08/16/2006 9:53 AM
Subject: RV Parking

Please do not allow the city of Torrance to discriminate against a certain group of people by passing an ordinance banning RV parking.

Reasons given for passing a ban range from safety to esthetic reasons.

Safety applies to any vehicle. How many residential streets in Torrance have wall to wall parking of SUV's, vans, and trucks that impair vision?
Personally, I have almost been hit twice on one such street, and not even one RV was parked on it!

Enforce the laws already on the books, e.g., 72 hour parking. Do not allow non motor vehicles, such as boats and trailers to be stored on residential streets.

Esthetically speaking, what is one person's "blight" is another person's "beauty".

To deliberately pick one group of people (RV owners) is a blatant act of discrimination.

Do not allow the city of Torrance to get involved in pitting one citizen against another.

Thank you

Barbara Arnold
2802 Onrado St.
Torrance, CA

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Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:03 PM
To: 'Itzmeharv@aol.com '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: Suggestion

Thank you so much for your email.

Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky

-----Original Message-----
From: Itzmeharv@aol.com
To: hwitkowsky@torrnet.com
Sent: 08/16/2006 9:24 AM
Subject: Suggestion

August 2006

Council member;

Please ask the traffic committee to continue thinking about inexpensive storage areas for the hundreds of RV's and trailers that are owned by Torrance residents. If the council is going to pass an ordinance against the existing 72 hour code they must have storage arrangements developed, even if it would be temporary storage. I know this issue has been brought up at previous meetings, but no serious discussions have taken place, that I'm aware of. If the add on that was added at the last meeting making it illegal to run electric and water across sidewalks goes through, will the city build several refill stations open 24-hours a day where RV owner can fill tanks and charge batteries etc.? Gas, propane, and dump facilities would also be required.
Is it fair to pass new ordinances that leave present owners stranded and facing ticket after ticket or tow after tow without any alternate plans?
There are many long range impacts that are going to take place. Please decide wisely and if possible send this proposed ordinance back to the traffic commission to develop these impacted areas before this ordinance is passed.

Thanks;
The Hetrick family

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 10:57 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: FW: Remember what can happen

fyi

-----Original Message-----
From: Itzmeharv@aol.com
To: hwitkowsky@torrnet.com
Sent: 08/15/2006 8:35 PM
Subject: Remember what can happen

August 2006

Council member;

Remember 9/11. We all have a tendency to forget that day. As a family man, who owns an RV you will be asking me to give up one of my most, if not the most precious family protection items. A fully loaded and prepared vehicle located close to my residence, in an emergency, natural, manmade or local refinery mishap, could keep my family from harm. We all live in world that has changed, we must be prepared for what most of us never dream could happen. Many people do not support the NRA and firearms, BUT where would we be TODAY, if some one would have removed our right to own a gun. Laws that protect us are great, laws that deprive us of our smallest rights could bury us. Remember 9/11 when making your decision, we should all be prepared. You as a council member are more responsible today than you have ever been. I have tried in the past meetings to ask the council to think about the life saving emergency benefits to a loaded RV, electrical generators for police if necessary, gas reserve for emergency vehicles, some of us have HAM, most have CB radios. Propane for heating and cooling, food, blankets, first aid kits, etc. available to neighbors, should we not be able to leave area.
Please think about 9/11, develop plans and ideas to utilize these life saving Rv's, not how to remove them. Register these vehicles, develop plans for them to be used in case of emergencies.
As do some church groups, develop a communications network to work and aide the local police.
Think about the extra beds and blankets and life saving supplies at the disposal of local medical authorities. THERE ARE MANY BENEFITS TO AN RV, both for fun and in an emergency.

THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX, AND REMEMBER 9/11, I BEG AND PRAY.

Thanks;
The Hetrick family

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 11:02 PM
To: 'ELLYED@aol.com '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RV on the street are dangerous

thank you for your email. I do hope that you will be able to attend our City Council meeting this Tuesday at 7 p.m. to give your views.

Sincerely,
Hope Witkowsky
-----Original Message-----
From: ELLYED@aol.com
To: scotto@torret.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; gdrevno@torrent.com
Sent: 08/16/2006 8:40 AM
Subject: RV on the street are dangerous

We live in the Hollywood riviera. The streets are narrow with children and others walking in these streets. The RV parked on Camino del campo and other large vehicles are very dangerous. Also when we try to get out of our drive way, we cannot see in either direction with the large vehicles parked on the street. Please find a special place to park these Rv's and other large vehicles. This is for the children and the adults who live on narrow streets with no sidewalks.
Eleanor and George Lindenbaum
141 vista del Parque
Redondo beach, ca 90277
310 378 4114

Semaan, Ted

From: Witkowsky, Hope
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2006 10:59 PM
To: 'Tim Dettman '
Cc: Semaan, Ted
Subject: RE: RV's MUST GO

Thank you so much for your input.

Councilwoman Hope Witkowsky

-----Original Message-----
From: Tim Dettman
To: Scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com
Sent: 08/15/2006 8:58 PM
Subject: RV's MUST GO

We know there has been much debate about the issue of RV's parked on Torrance streets and understand it will be discussed again at next Tuesday's meeting. We would like to go on record as strongly supporting an ordinance that prohibits all RV's from parking on city streets. They are dangerous to drivers and obscure the view of pedestrians crossing the street. They are an eyesore and sit in some locations for weeks and months at a time. Heavier traffic patterns on our streets have increased the dangers that these vehicles present. A recent article in the daily breeze cites the trend toward more baby boomers buying RV's and using them in retirement. This problem will only get worse with time. Other cities are taking a stand against this growing problem and we feel Torrance has an obligation to the vast majority of homeowners, who do not own RV's, by prohibiting them from parking on our streets.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful action on this very important issue.

Sincerely
Tim & Eileen Dettman
20510 Wood Ave
Torrance, CA 90503

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 2:46 PM
To: CDD Traffic
Subject: FW: Recreational Vehicles

fyi

From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 2:37 PM
To: Estrada, Joan E
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John
Subject: RE: Recreational Vehicles

Joan, Thank you. Your comments will be added to the record.
Paul

From: Estrada, Joan E [mailto:Joan.Estrada@Mattel.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 9:37 AM
To: fscotto@torrnet.com
Cc: TBrewer@torrnet.com; GDrevno@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; BSutherland@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com
Subject: Recreational Vehicles

Honorable Mayor,

I have lived at 2025 W. Sepulveda Blvd #6 for 22 years. I really feel it is unsafe for these large vehicles to be parked on residential streets. They are very hard to see around and if a child should dart out from behind one of them into the path of a moving vehicle, it could result in a fatality or very serious injury. They also take up valuable parking space which could be used for residents who need to park their cars every day. I know on Andreo between Sepulveda and Torrance Park, we have a resident who not only has a motorhome, but multiple other vehicles which will not all fit on his property. The gentleman moves the motorhome every few days and parks one of his other vehicles in the space so no one else can park insuring himself of being able to park the motorhome back in the spot a few days later. In my opinion, the vehicles should be stored off residential streets as they are not used on a daily or even weekly basis.

As you are very familiar with this area, you know that it has and is growing extremely rapidly. My building is on the corner of Andreo and Sepulveda, therefore, it is logical to park on Andreo. With all the multi family dwellings on Andreo, parking is impossible. Many vehicles sit in the same spot for weeks and even months. Recently, everyone was cited for anything from expired tags to whatever the officer could come up with. I had just parked the night before and was sited for parking in an intersection even though my car was completely clear of the sidewalk. In all the years I have lived here, no one has ever been cited for parking on that corner. They have been cited for parking on the opposite corner near the fire hydrant. I was going to dispute the citation, but just paid the $40.00. It is actually very comical to watch the owners of the cars that seem to be permanent fixtures on the street as they now go out and move their vehicles backwards for forwards every couple of days to avoid receiving citations. Large vehicles such as motorhomes, and trailers with boats, take up multiple parking spaces that could be used for vehicles that are a necessity to their owners. Parking is a premium and people in my building many times have to park on Gramercy or Cabrillo. There is a large public parking lot by the park, but overnight parking is not allowed. Now we are getting 48 new townhouses plus a senior complex to impact parking even more. It is sad when you have

visitors that they have to park a block or more away. I realize removing recreational vehicles from our streets, won't completely solve this problem, but it will help and it will, more importantly, reduce the risk of someone being injured or even killed by stepping out into a street that is very busy with traffic. I also am opposed to any type of "grandfather" clause,

ALL recreational vehicles should be off residential streets.

Thank you for your time and consideration

Joan Estrada
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Torrance, CA 90501
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Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 12:56 PM
To: CDD Traffic
Subject: FW: Attn: Ted Semann RV's must NOT go

FYI

From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 12:43 PM
To: SueWilma@aol.com
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John
Subject: RE: Attn: Ted Semann RV's must NOT go

Lois, your comments will be added to the record.
Paul
Mayor Pro Tem
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From: SueWilma@aol.com [mailto:SueWilma@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 10:24 AM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Cc: scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com
Subject: Attn: Ted Semann RV's must NOT go

As long time homeowners in the Hollywood Riviera we respect the desire to have limits on OVERSIZED VEHICLE parking on city streets. We have owned an RV for about 15 years since retirement and park in front of our home for loading and unloading only whenever we travel. We try to be considerate to our neighbors and take only the time necessary. No one has ever complained. We feel however that other OVERSIZED VEHICLES involved with construction work present more or as much a problem as RVs. Rebuilding and remodeling is constant with workers and large vehicles dominating street parking for weeks, months and years. We think this situation needs to be addressed also.

We became aware of this proposal with the April issue of the Hollywood Riviera Newsletter. We will be happy to register our RV if necessary and will comply with whatever regulations are passed, but we do not feel we abuse our right to park temporarily as needed. Perhaps an annual permit rather than requiring one for each trip we take would be more fair. Also, we feel that if "grandfathering" is part of the policy adopted by Torrance the Hollywood Riviera should be included.

Thank you for including this e-mail into the official record and considering it in making your decision.

Please e-mail to sue-wilma@aol.com a copy of the proposed ordinance on Aug 21 when it becomes available.

Lois Hendrix
e-mail: suewilma@aol.com
430 Calle de Aragon
Redondo Beach, Ca. 90277
(Hollywood Riviera)

cc: Mayor Frank Scotto, Council Member - Pat McIntyre, Council Member - Paul M Nowatka, Council Member - Tom Brewer, Council Member - Hope Witkowsky
Council Member - Bill Sutherland, Council Member - Gene Drevno

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 12:54 PM
To: CDD Traffic
Subject: FW: Upcoming recreational vehicle parking

FYI

From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 12:41 PM
To: Cartuco5@aol.com
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John
Subject: RE: Upcoming recreational vehicle parking
Thank you for your input. Your comments will be added to the record.

Paul
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From: Cartuco5@aol.com [mailto:Cartuco5@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2006 9:49 AM
To: scotto@torrnet.com
Cc: pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com
Subject: Upcoming recreational vehicle parking

To whom it may concern,
As a Torrance resident and a law abiding citizen I am very much opposed to the upcoming proposal to restrict the parking of recreational vehicles on city streets. I own a boat which I keep stored in another state, however it is necessary for me to bring it home annually to do the maintenance on it. I don't feel that it is fair to me as a tax payer to have to secure a second storage unit when I bring it home when I could keep it in front of my home where I have lived for 25 years to do the necessary work. Upon completion of maintenance I return it to it's home storage. Please consider those of us that have this need. I realize their are potential hazards but I do believe there is a solution that could work for everybody concerned.

Thank you very much,
Anton Tyminski

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 12:53 PM
To: CDD Traffic
Subject: FW: RVs must go

FYI

From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 12:39 PM
To: CranKings@aol.com
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John
Subject: RE: RVs must go

Norman, thank you for your input. It will be added to the record.

Paul

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From: CranKings@aol.com [mailto:CranKings@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 9:38 PM
To: pmnowatka@torrnet.com
Subject: RVs must go

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4808 Macafee Rd
Torrance Ca 90505

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 12:52 PM
To: CDD Traffic
Subject: FW: RV parking

FYI

From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 12:35 PM
To: Floyd Heideman
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John
Subject: RE: RV parking

Floyd, Thank you for your input, your comments will be added to the record.
Paul
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From: Floyd Heideman [mailto:heidemanfloyd@worldnet.att.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 10:50 AM
To: scotto@Torrnet.com
Cc: McIntyre, Pat; Nowatka, Paul M.; Brewer, Tom; Bsutherland@torrent.com; Gdrevno@torrent.com; Witkowsky, Hope
Subject: RV parking

Dear Mayor & Council Members:
Please consider the following as a means of resolving this highly charged issue of parking large vehicles in Torrance. This proposal suggestion make sound familiar to some of you as I have previously sent you this proposal last year when the same matter was under consideration by the prior council.
Respectfully submitted:
For consideration by all Torrance City Council Members:
1.) A reasonable ordinance proposal:
A major concern of affected vehicle owners is the issue of passing an ordinance that affects the entire city populace to satisfy the complaints of certain segments of the community. Perhaps the Council could look into passing an ordinance which will restrict parking enforcement of subject vehicles only to complaints filed by residents directly affected. I realize that no homeowner (or resident) owns the parking space(s) in front of his residence. However, most of us have a general respect for the resident which in effect gives him first call on the parking space(s) at his curb. May I suggest that you in some way allow subject vehicles be allowed to be parked in front of the resident's own address without new restrictions.
If such an ordinance on street parking were put in place, it would prevent a distant citizen from filing a valid complaint against a local resident vehicle owner. Perhaps the ordinance could provide that a valid complaint can only be filed by the resident of the street address in front of which the vehicle(s) is parked. Each resident would retain the right to file a valid complaint against anyone who parks such subject vehicle in front of his residence. If this is too restrictive, the ordinance could be liberalized by allowing valid complaints to be filed from adjacent and/or across the street from the address in which the vehicle is parked. That would give some added relief to close neighbors directly affected by such vehicle parking. Homeowner association groups could also be addressed in the ordinance providing further restrictions for the community they represent without extending their restrictions to outlying areas of the community.

2.) An alternative ordinance proposal:
A simple resolution of this parking issue would be to make the entire city of Torrance a **"no overnight parking; local resident exempt; enforced by valid complaint only"** city. Local resident to be defined as: "vehicle registered by resident

of this address." Valid complaint defined as: "complaint filed by resident at the address where this vehicle is parked." Such an ordinance to be applied to any and all parked vehicles would give local control of street parking without discrimination against any particular type of vehicle.
Since parking control officers have access to vehicle registration information, it would be simple to determine that an alleged violating vehicle was or was not registered to the resident address. Limiting the complaint process to the resident directly affected, i.e. the resident of the address where the vehicle is parked, would alleviate the police from answering complaints from unaffected residents. If this would be too restrictive a complaint process, the valid complaint individual could be redefined to the resident of an address within a certain specified distance (possibly 30', 50', 100' or other reasonable distance) from the parked vehicle. The advantages of such an ordinance would be: 1.) control by local citizens affected by parked vehicles, regardless of type; 2.) easy police compliance in enforcement; 3.) simplified requirements for placing parking restriction street signs; 4.) no need to further register or otherwise identify parked vehicles; 5.) no need for parking permits for either permanent or temporary time frames

Consideration of the above suggested provisions may serve as a sensible compromise between various factions of our community.
Sincerely yours,
Floyd & Margaret Heideman
827 Teri Ave., Torrance, CA 90503 (310)320-0936

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 2:48 PM
To: CDD Traffic
Subject: FW: RV's must go

fyi

From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 2:43 PM
To: The Gillilands
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John
Subject: RE: RV's must go

Thank you for sharing your thoughts. Paul

From: The Gillilands [mailto:Bgilliland@socal.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 5:48 PM
To: Frank Scoto
Cc: Hope Witowsky; Pat McKintyre; Paul Nowatka; Tom Brewer; Bill Sutherland
Subject: Fw: RV's must go
----- Original Message -----

From: The Gillilands
To: Frank Scoto
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 5:37 PM
Subject: RV's must go

----- Original Message -----
From: The Gillilands
To: http://cddtraffic@torrnet.com/
Sent: Sunday, August 06, 2006 12:26 PM
Subject: RV parking

In regards to RV parking, I find it outrageous that my neighbors have absolutely no regard for their neighbors and the growing problems with parking. I have a neighbor that purchased a 28 ' trailer two years ago and has this trailer parked at the end of the block of 180th. Place and Yukon. This trailer creates a safety issue because it makes a blind corner even worse. The issue is further complicated when North is in session because the students park on the opposite side creating a bottleneck. This trailer often times use it for an extension of their residents with power wires draped across the sidewalk. I have called and called the police, and they either cast a blind eye or the resident gets tipped off by someone in the department. The trailer has been here so long that there are weeds and spider webs growing underneath. It is obviously a violation of current city ordinance. There is going to be a serious accident and the blame will rest at the feet of the city for not enforcing a perfectly reasonable law. Laws aren't created to make life difficult, whether we like it or not laws are there for the common good in a civil society. When citizens and lawmakers ignore laws and ordinances, the social fabric unravels and the city starts heading down the path of a City like Lawndale. If these individuals want to live this way, I strongly encourage them to move there.
P.S.
In retrospect I think the RV ordinance is strongly enforced in Lawndale because the streets are too narrow and creates a *"safety hazard".*
Brent and Ruth Gilliland
3626 W. 180th. Place Torrance CA 90504

Semaan, Ted

From: ohnoitzmo1@juno.com
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 6:20 AM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: Fw: Illegal RV and other parking on Torrance streets
Attachments: MVC-008S.JPG; MVC-010S.JPG; MVC-009S.JPG; MVC-011S.JPG; MVC-012S.JPG; MVC-013S.JPG; MVC-014S.JPG; MVC-015S.JPG

Please enter this message into the official record. The message was sent to the current city council members yesterday.

Please note: forwarded message attached

To whom it may concern,

Please excuse formatting since message was drafted in another system.

Regarding the pending Council consideration on of a new ordinance related to parking and storage of oversized and overweight vehicles on Torrance city streets. Please review my comments and apply the pertinent parts to any new ordinance.
The situation may have been made worse by the city of Los Angeles passing an ordinance that prohibits overnight parking of certain RV vehicles.

1. THE PROBLEMS:

a) Residents and non-residents use Torrance city streets to store their oversized Recreational Vehicles for long periods of time in order to avoid paying for proper storage. One instance was observed in the 2800 block of Onrado Street where an owner has wired an electrical outlet in a fence within 3 feet of the sidewalk where he/she connects an extension cord and runs it across the sidewalk to an RV parked on the street for many days at a time. Please see attached photographs. Note that this vehicle has yellow chalk marks on the tires.

b) Residents park/store the oversized vehicles on the street and wait for parking enforcement to mark the tires before they will move the vehicles. Many vehicles are observed with numerous yellow chalk marks indicating that enforcement has observed repeated violations.

c) Huge RV's parked on the streets obstruct views of traffic and can cause accident and injury. A neighbor with a 40+foot long, 25,000 pound RV (61.6.19)almost hit me when his view was obstructed by his RV while exiting his driveway in his crew cab dually pickup truck.

d) The city does not enforce all of the existing ordinances. Vehicles have been observed parked in 2 hour parking limit zones for days and no citations have been written and the vehicles were not towed. There was an instance where a vehicle without license plates or any other temporary permits showing was parked in a two hour zone for more than five days and was reported to the city and the vehicle was not cited or towed but only a note was place on the windshield and it stayed there for more than a day.

e) People that own RV's feel that the city and the majority of its residents OWE them the right to violate existing laws because they have been in violation for long periods of time. This is not true and the general population is the loser.

f) Businesses that repair and sell RV's use the city streets to store oversize and overweight vehicles in violation of existing ordinances.

2. ENFORCEMENT

When a citizen calls parking enforcement to report vehicles that are in violation of the 72 hour limit (61.6.4) it seems to start an enforcement cycle that takes more than a week. The sequence seems to be that parking enforcement, after some delay, observes the vehicle and starts a minimum three day wait before returning to mark a tire and the pavement with chalk. When enforcement returns after three days there is sometimes a notice placed on the vehicle. The city attorney representative at earlier city council meetings stated that citations could not be issued for overtime parking because necessary signs were not posted at Torrance city entrances. However, the attorney and a representative from the police department said that the city could tow vehicles for illegal or overtime parking without the signs being posted.

Officer Heslep of the from the Torrance police parking enforcement stated that there are only five (5) parking enforcement personnel for the whole city. It seems that when policemen are asked to enforce a parking ordinance they refer people to the parking enforcement department and say they don't do regular parking enforcement.

Action Needed for enforcement:

a) Post necessary signs at city entrances so that citations can be issued to vehicles that are in violation.

b) Do not grandfather existing vehicles, residences or owners or their replacements to a status for perpetual exemption from laws and ordinances.

c) Do not burden the city or any of its departments or employees to find offstreet storage for nonconforming vehicles.

d) Order the police chief to dedicate all necessary personnel and resources to enforce the existing (61.6.4 and 61.6.19)and proposed ordinances (6.3.1) and authorize budget for additional personnel if required. Enforcement must be done in a timely manner so that the time limits in the ordinances can be enforced. Lax enforcement promotes scofflaws. Refer to previous council minutes and written correspondence where enforcement seemed to be poor.

Best regards,
Mo

RELATED CITY ORDINANCES:

SECTION 61.3.1. ENFORCEMENT OF CITY TRAFFIC LAWS.
The officers of the Police Department or such officers as are assigned by the Chief of Police shall enforce all street traffic laws applicable to street traffic in this City.

SECTION 61.6.1. APPLICATION OF ARTICLE.
(Amended by O-2057)
a) The provisions of this Article prohibiting the stopping, standing or parking of a vehicle shall apply at all times, or at those times herein specified, except when it is necessary to stop a vehicle to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer, or traffic control device.
b) The provisions of this Article imposing a time limit on standing or parking shall not relieve any person from the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions of the State Vehicle Code or the ordinances of this City, prohibiting or limiting the standing or parking of vehicles in specified places or at specified times.
c) Whenever the City Traffic Engineer determines upon the basis of a traffic study and engineering principles that the limiting or prohibiting of stopping, standing or parking of vehicles on any city street is necessary, he may designate any city street or portion thereof accordingly, and shall install appropriate

signs giving notice thereof. He may designate any city street on which vehicles cannot stop and are subject to TOW AWAY for violation when appropriate signs are posted giving notice thereof.

SECTION 61.6.4. PARKING VEHICLES IN EXCESS OF SEVENTY-TWO (72) HOURS.
(Amended by 3226)
No person shall park or leave standing, or cause to have parked or left standing, any vehicle on any street in the City for seventy-two (72) or more consecutive hours. This provision shall not be construed to authorize parking in excess of the regulatory time period otherwise provided in this Chapter and all amendments thereto.

SECTION 61.6.19. RESTRICTED PARKING DUE TO WEIGHT.
It shall be unlawful for any person to park any motor or other vehicle on any roadway in the city for a greater period than one (1) hour if the total weight of such vehicle and load thereon exceeds eight thousand (8,000) pounds.

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Semaan, Ted

From: Gibson, Jeff
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 11:47 AM
To: Semaan, Ted; Crump, Jill
Subject: FW: RV Ordinance
Attachments: 05-0207_rpt_atty_6-13-06.pdf

Fyi.....

From: Unangst, Patricia
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 9:56 AM
To: Gibson, Jeff; Jackson, LeRoy; Fellows, John; Giordano, Mary
Subject: FW: RV Ordinance

I'm sure you all have this info about LA

Patricia D. Unangst
Workforce Investment Network
1 Civic Plaza, Suite 500
Carson, Ca. 90745
(310) 518-8130
(310) 518-8214

-----Original Message-----
From: Ana Bozic [mailto:ana.bozic@lacity.org]
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2006 11:10 AM
To: Ana Bozic
Cc: Dolores canizales
Subject: RV Ordinance

Hello,

Finally, the overnight rv parking ban has been approved by City Council. It is expected to go into effect on 9/15/06. Permits for loading/unloading will be available at police stations at a machine that is automated. Cost will be $10 per day.
City ordinances take approximately 44 days to take effect, unless they include an emergency clause. That's 30 days for public notice and two weeks for the City to publicize the action.
Please find the attached copy of the ordinance.

Sincerely,

Ana Bozic, MPA
Community Advocate
Councilwoman Janice Hahn
15th District, City of Los Angeles
638 S. Beacon Street, Suite 552
San Pedro, CA 90731
(310) 732-4515
(310) 732-4500 fax
E-mail: ana.bozic@lacity.org

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY
ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO
CITY ATTORNEY

REPORT NO. R06-0192

JUN 13 2006

REPORT RE:

A DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING DIVISIONS N, O AND W OF CHAPTER VIII OF THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT OR LIMIT PARKING OF OVERSIZE VEHICLES ON CERTAIN CITY STREETS

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Council File No. 05-0207

Honorable Members:

This office has prepared and now transmits, approved as to form and legality, an ordinance adding a new Section 80.69.4 to Division N, Chapter VIII and amending Sections 80.76.2 and 89.60 of Divisions O and W respectively, of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, to prohibit or limit the parking of oversize vehicles on certain City streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Department of Transportation and the Board of Transportation Commissioners for review and comment.

Should you have any questions, please contact Assistant City Attorney Shelley I. Smith at (213) 978-8147. Either she or another member of this office will be available when you consider this matter and to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO, City Attorney

By Claudia Culling
CLAUDIA CULLING
Special Counsel - Municipal

SIS
Transmittal
M:GC:SS:Report re Oversize Vehicle ord

ORDINANCE NO_____

An ordinance adding a new Section 80.69.4 and amending Sections 80.76.2 and 89.60 of Chapter VIII of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to prohibit or limit parking of oversize vehicles on certain streets between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 22507 authorizes cities, by ordinance or resolution, to prohibit or restrict the stopping, parking, or standing of vehicles, including, but not limited to, vehicles that are six feet or more in height (including any load thereon) on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof, during all or certain hours of the day; and

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 22507 also authorizes cities to issue a permit or permits that exempt residents and their guests from the prohibition or restriction of the ordinance or resolution;

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Division N of Chapter VIII of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to add a new section 80.69.4 to read:

SEC. 80.69.4. PARKING OF OVERSIZE VEHICLES

(a) No person shall stop, stand or park, when authorized signs are in place giving notice of the restriction, any oversize vehicle, defined as a motor vehicle in excess of 22 feet in length and over ~~6~~ 4 inches in height, between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. The registered owner of the oversize vehicle or other person having control of the oversize vehicle shall also be in violation of this section if he or she has knowledge that the oversize vehicle had been so parked and the person parking had the express or implied permission to operate the oversize vehicle.

(b) The Council may authorize, by resolution, the streets, or portions of the streets, upon which the parking of oversize vehicles shall be restricted between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Upon Council action designating streets with oversize vehicle parking restrictions, the Department of Transportation shall cause appropriate signs to be erected in those streets, indicating the parking limitation prominently on the sign and stating that motor vehicles with valid permits shall be exempt from the restrictions.

(c) Notwithstanding the above, the parking of oversize vehicles, as defined in Subsection (a) of this section, shall be allowed for the limited purposes of loading and unloading, provided that the oversize vehicle properly displays a valid permit that has been issued in advance by the General Manager, Department of

Transportation, or his/her designee. The permit for loading or unloading shall be issued for a fee of $10.00 per day and for a period not to exceed three consecutive days. This loading or unloading shall be limited to the area in front of the residence from which the loading or unloading will occur, or in reasonable proximity to the front if the front of the residence is not available for parking. An Oversize Vehicle Parking Permit shall not guarantee or reserve to the holder an on-street parking space.

Sec. 2. Section 80.76.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to add the following in numerical order:

SEC. 80.76.2 CIVIL PENALTIES

SECTION	DESCRIPTION
80.69.4	PARKING OF OVERSIZE VEHICLE

Sec. 3. Section 89.60 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to add the following tiered penalty provisions in numerical order:

SEC. 89.60 AUTHORITY

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FINE	WITH LATE PENALTY	WITH SECOND PENALTY
80.69.4	PARKING OF OVERSIZE VEHICLE FOR FIRST VIOLATION	$50	$100	$110
	FOR SECOND VIOLATION WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS OF FIRST VIOLATION	$75	$150	$160
	FOR THIRD AND SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS OF FIRST VIOLATION	$105	$210	$220

Sec. 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

I hereby certify that this ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, at its meeting of _____.

FRANK T. MARTINEZ, City Clerk

By _____
Deputy

Approved _____

_____
Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legality

ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO, City Attorney

By Shelley I. Smith cc
SHELLEY I. SMITH
Assistant City Attorney

Date 6/13/06

File No. CF 05-0207

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 11:55 AM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: FW: RV's Must GO!

FYI

From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 2:40 PM
To: Robert Vose
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John
Subject: RE: RV's Must GO!

Robert, Thank you for your input. Your comments will be added to the record.

Paul

From: Robert Vose [mailto:RVose@pvld.org]
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 2:33 PM
To: scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com
Cc: Karen.vose@honeywell.com; Dana Hackett (E-mail)
Subject: RV's Must GO!

If people can pay $250,000 for an RV, they can pay to park it at a storage facility; not on city streets!

Rob Vose
23309 Falena Ave
Torrance, CA 90501

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 11:55 AM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: FW: Raise the standard !

FYI

From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 2:39 PM
To: Young, Barry
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John; Browne, Michael
Subject: RE: Raise the standard !

Thank you for your input. I have forwarded your thoughts to mthe Police Department also.

Paul

From: Young, Barry [mailto:b.young@honeywell.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 2:15 PM
To: scotto@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrent.com; Gdrevno@torrent.com
Subject: Raise the standard !

Torrance Leadership,

I walk & jog for exercise around by home in Southwest Torrance & at work in Northeast Torrance.

Two distinct patterns exist in both neighborhoods .....

1) The same Cars/trailered cars , boats, RVs & campers sit in the same general area (many moved short distances) for YEARS & only leave for the periodic trip. Often you see electrical cords running across the sidewalks (safety) to the RV's while they are up on semi permanent wood blocks. I have lived in 2 other states & the neighborhoods wouldn't even allow campers in the driveways. There is no inalienable right issues here. There is currently an RV sales growth increase & the problem can only get worse. The last leadership team didn't seem to understand they were supposed to LEAD the zoning process for the benefit of the community .....not use it as an excuse. If everyone built "up" to the current zoning processes the area would sadly become just like west LA .... Tandem parking in multi unit apartment/condos & streets filled with cars etc. Rescind the tandem parking change that the developers "bought" a couple years ago!

2) People park across the sidewalks (I realize you can't legislate rudeness) ...BUT.... the building codes helps facilitate this. The driveway length for garages from front of lot is 20 ft (I also see this is not always followed) , but if garage is on the side of the lot it is often less than 10 feet .... And therefore people park across the sidewalk. Take a look at the 4000+ SF monster house being built at the corner of Vanderhill & Calle Mayor. The junk pickup truck is parked on the yet to be built driveway & is half in the garage. Unbelievably, The lumber for the job was laying in the street when it was delivered because there was nowhere else to place it.

When the prior leadership let growth spin out of control, councilperson Witkowski would often decry ……
"Everyone wants to live in Torrance"

High demand creates an opportunity to raise the standard not lower!

Whether I agree with you or not ….. I truly appreciate your efforts!

Barry Young
5004 Vanderhill Rd

Semaan, Ted

From: Herbers, Sue
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2006 11:55 AM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: FW: RV Parking

FYI

-----Original Message-----
From: Nowatka, Paul M.
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 2:46 PM
To: Kenneth & Laura Calderwood
Cc: Herbers, Sue; Fellows, John
Subject: RE: RV Parking

Laura, I was sad to hear you are moving out of Torrance. Where are you going to relocate? I can't even think of any place I'd rather live. We will hear the RV issue on th 22nd so no decision has been made yet.

PaulPaul M. Nowatka
Mayor Pro Tem
City of Torrance
310-618-2801

-----Original Message-----
From: Kenneth & Laura Calderwood [mailto:laurakenc@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 1:10 PM
To: letters@dailybreeze.com; scotto@torrnet.com; pmnowatka@torrnet.com; TBrewer@torrnet.com; pmcintyre@torrnet.com; hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bsutherland@torrnet.com; Gdrevno@torrnet.com
Subject: Re: RV Parking

I can assume that Norman Bauer does not own an RV, and I am compelled to write this letter on all his mis-information about people who park there RV's on the Torrance streets. Most of us RV owners are very considerate of other residence in our neighborhood and do not park where we block driveways,endanger children or senior citizen. If Mr. Bauer says this is happening he should contact the police and have them come out and they will write a ticket for the problem.
I am sad to say that after 40 years living in the city of Torrance I am moving and one of the reasons is what is happening to us RV owners. I have always been very proud to say I live in Torrance with one of the greatest Police Departments in the State of California. I am sure that the police and the code enforcement people are able to site those RV owners who Mr. Bauer say are causing the problem. I'm sure the city of Torrance could use the extra funds. I hope the new Mayor and city council will think about all of us who pay taxes and DMV tags to drive and park on our city streets. I sure hope the Council will think about the families they will hurt by this ordinance.

Laura Calderwood
16814 Atkinson Ave.
Torrance, Ca. 90504
310-538-2299

338 Camino de las Colinas
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

August 16, 2006

Mr. Ted Semaan

Transportation Planner
of the Community Development Dept.

3031 Torrance Boulevard
Torrance, CA 90509

re: On-street Parking of Oversized Vehicles

With one-side street parking (a very bad idea that was never needed and has only made coming out of my single width driveway a dangerous adventure with all the residents' vehicles creating a virtual wall against oncoming traffic visibility), the addition each year of a hugely oversized recreational vehicle, lengthwise and widthwise, greatly exacerbates the problem.

So far this year the monster has been parked two doors up from my home for a total of 19 days, in segments of 4-4-4-7 days, requiring the entire frontage, minus the driveway, of 60 ft. lot. Being at the rise of the hill in the middle of the block makes it worse.

However, from my observations any oversized vehicles are a nuisance--and ugly, too--wherever they are parked on a public street. The owners should make space available on their property (e.g., 424 Camino de las Colinas) or arrange parking elsewhere. It is available.

I appreciate your efforts to resolve this problem, and I realize that trying to please everyone is impossible. My opinion may seem extreme, but so is the aggravation factor.

Our block of beautiful homes in Hollywood Riviera has a terrible reputation because of the parking. If not put back to each side parking, how about changing sides every year or two? And how about a sign for street-cleaning restrictions, something we pay for but is never able to be done in front of our house.

Thank you for your attention.

Dorothy M. Karfs

Dorothy M. Karfs
Carl B. Karfs

AUG 17 2006

Semaan, Ted

From: WM. G KAMMERER [bmkamm@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2006 4:49 PM
To: cddtraffic@tormet.com
Subject: "RV's must go"

As two seniors who have lived in Torrance over 43 years we are requesting that our statement be placed on the official record with you as well as the Torrance City Council regarding "RV's must go". As former RV owners we always respected our neighbor's privacy, as well as, never parked our motor home anywhere that would imped anyone's vision. We also paid to have our motorhome stored in a private storage area until we sold it. We ask you that the Torrance City Council prohibit RV's, trailers and boats from parking on city streets.

Thank you,

Wm. & Marilyn Kammerer
5620 Rockview Dr.
Torrance, CA 90505

Semaan, Ted

From: Danieljamesinc@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2006 6:04 PM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: Fwd: R.V OF ANY KIND ON STREETS
Attachments: R.V OF ANY KIND ON STREETS

SEE ATTACHED.

Weigh in on recreational vehicles

On Aug. 22, the Torrance City Council will reconsider the long-standing parking problem concerning trailers and recreational vehicles.

A revised RV parking ordinance was developed by city staff from previous commission meetings and their inputs. The content of this proposed ordnance and accompanying recommendations will not be available to the public before Aug. 21.

Of course, a one-day lead time is not sufficient to evaluate and respond to this ordnance. This same council cancelled a June meeting concerning RV parking because a one-week meeting notice was insufficient.

The council may even pass an ordinance the evening of Aug. 22. Expediting the issue is commendable, but there should be allowance for community input on this volatile issue. It is not too late to do something about this. Please attend next Tuesday's council meeting to voice your opinion, especially, if you are:

- A parent of a young child endangered by these large vehicles.
- A senior citizen whose driving is impaired by these vehicles.
- A homeowner whose driveway access is restricted by RVs.
- A citizen concerned by the visual and community blight of these monstrosities.

Phone City Hall at 328-5310 and ask for the mayor or a City Council member. You can also write them at City Hall. The e-mail addresses are Mayor Frank Scotto, fscotto@torrnet.com; council members Pat McIntyre, pmcintyre@torrnet.com; Paul M. Nowatka, pmnowatka@torrnet.com; Tom Brewer, TBrewer@torrnet.com; Hope Witkowsky, hwitkowsky@torrnet.com; Bill Sutherland, Bsutherland@torrent.com; and Gene Drevno, Gdrevno@torrent.com.

Make sure you e-mail has a subject of "RVs must go," and include your name and address.

Ted Semann, transportation planner of the Community Development Department (310-618-5990), can answer questions and provide copies of the proposed ordinance on Aug. 21. You may have e-mail entries put in the official record by e-mailing to cddtraffic@torrnet.com. The time to act is now and quickly.

— **NORMAN W. BAUER**
Torrance

cc: ☒ Mayor & Council (7)
☐ Department Heads
☐ Executive Staff
☒ MARY G
☒ J. GIBSON
☒ T. SEMANN
☒ G. P

☐ Los Angeles Times
☐ Daily Breeze
☐ Press-Telegram
☐ _____

Date: 8/15/06

AUG 1

Semaan, Ted

From: CranKings@aol.com

Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2006 6:40 PM

To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com

Subject: More info for Peeropola on Crump recall

Here is the internet header info on the Crump recall email:

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Return-Path: <JCrump@torrnet.com>
Received: from rly-yi05.mx.aol.com (rly-yi05.mail.aol.com [172.18.180.133]) by air-yi04.mail.aol.com (v110.15) with ESMTP id MAILINYI44-7d144d287a531a; Thu, 03 Aug 2006 19:33:06 -0400
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for <CranKings@aol.com>; Thu, 3 Aug 2006 18:32:49 -0500
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by smtp2.torrnet.com (8.12.10/8.12.10/Submit) with SMTP id k73NVJPd022299
for <CranKings@aol.com>; Thu, 3 Aug 2006 18:31:19 -0500
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id <P8830A5Y>; Thu, 3 Aug 2006 16:31:06 -0700
Message-ID: <FF7110343589024F9BDEFEB1B5F0A01A0CEE4E02@cotmail.cot.torrnet.com>
From: "Crump, Jill" <JCrump@torrnet.com>
To: "Crump, Jill" <JCrump@torrnet.com>
Subject: Recall: On-street Parking of Oversized Vehicles
Date: Thu, 3 Aug 2006 16:34:47 -0700
Expiry-Date: Sat, 5 Aug 2006 16:30:59 -0700
MIME-Version: 1.0
X-Mailer: Internet Mail Service (5.5.2658.3)
Content-Type: text/plain
X-MessageScreenMessageID: 1154647879.908781.1476.2952658958
X-MessageScreenContentScore: Score of 0 assigned to Content
X-MessageScreenUCEScore: Score of 0 assigned to UCE
X-MessageScreen: Analyzed by IntelliReach MessageScreen(tm) http://www.intellireach.com
X-AOL-IP: 204.145.130.10
X-AOL-SCOLL-SCORE: 0:2:441027075:11005853
X-AOL-SCOLL-URL_COUNT: 0

Semaan, Ted

From: CranKings@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2006 5:29 PM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: Fwd: Recall: On-street Parking of Oversized Vehicles
Attachments: Recall: On-street Parking of Oversized Vehicles

Peeropola,
Here is the email I received on Aug3, 2006. , it had a time of 4:33:06 PM PDT.
(I am Bill Bauer
4808 Macafee Rd
Torrance Ca 90905 I talked to you on the phone and you requested this.

It was the third in a series from JCrump (the first two at 3:47:57 PM PDT and 3:58:18 PM PDT announced the meeting and this third was a recall)

The subject is incluced in the subject of this email and the contents were:
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Crump, Jill would like to recall the message, "On-street Parking of Oversized Vehicles".

Semaan, Ted

From: susanmcknight@kw.com
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2006 10:54 AM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: on-street parking of oversized vehicles

Hello,

I would just like to say that I think all oversized vehicles, especially recreation vehicles such as trailers and motor homes, should be completely banned. I live on Via Los Altos and my neighbor has an enormous motor home consistantly parked on the street. It has definately been a dangerous hazard on many occasions. When backing out of my driveway I have almost backed into on coming cars several times because I was not able to see if any cars were coming.
Also, as any Hollywood Riviera homeowner knows, the streets are very narrow and two cars can hardly pass each other as is. It is bad enough that there are regular sized vehicles parked on the street which makes it difficult when another car comes by. It is outright immpossible when there is a motor home parked there.
I would also like to add that Hollywood Riviera is one of the most beautiful areas to live in, but when there is an old ugly motor home parked in front of or near your house and hardly ever moves, it makes the area look terrible and downright trashy. Thank you.

Susan McKnight

MESSAGE

FOR M&C

DATE 8-16 TIME 3:12 A.M. P.M.

M Pat Adair

OF 182nd St. in Torrance

PHONE

FAX

TELEPHONED	✓	PLEASE CALL	
CAME TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	
WANTS TO SEE YOU		RUSH	
RETURNED YOUR CALL		SPECIAL ATTENTION	

MESSAGE Against RVs parked on street. She cannot see around them to get out of her driveway on such a busy street.

SIGNED

5802

MESSAGE

FOR M&C

DATE 8-22-06 TIME 10:25

MR. Jerry Schmoker

OF 2324 231st St

PHONE/ MOBILE FAX

TELEPHONED	✓	PLEASE CALL	
CAME TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	
WANTS TO SEE YOU		RUSH	
RETURNED YOUR CALL		SPECIAL ATTENTION	

MESSAGE RV Comment Against RV Parking on str Driveway OK Otherwise should have storage somewhere el

SIGNED tg

MESSAGE

FOR M&C

DATE 8-16 TIME 3:55

M Hilda Preston

OF 2440 Gramercy

PHONE

FAX

TELEPHONED	✓	PLEASE CALL	
CAME TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	
WANTS TO SEE YOU		RUSH	
RETURNED YOUR CALL		SPECIAL ATTENTION	

MESSAGE Against RV parking on street,

SIGNED tg

TOTAL CALL

FOR M&C DATE 8/17 TIME A.M. P.M.

M Margaret McAnelly

OF

PHONE/ MOBILE FAX

MESSAGE RV Parking — Supports ordinance to get RV's off city streets — neighbors own RV, 2 SUVs + a truck — 2 blocks view.

SIGNED

1154

- [x] TELEPHONED
- [ ] RETURNED YOUR CALL
- [ ] PLEASE CALL
- [ ] WILL CALL AGAIN
- [ ] CAME TO SEE YOU
- [ ] WANTS TO SEE YOU

MESSAGE

FOR Mayor

DATE 8-16 TIME 12:45 A.M. P.M.

M Gene Duport

OF Business owner & resident on Border

PHONE

FAX

TELEPHONED	Y	PLEASE CALL	
CAME TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	
WANTS TO SEE YOU		RUSH	
RETURNED YOUR CALL		SPECIAL ATTENTION	

MESSAGE Against RV parking on street. All his vehicles are parked on his lot & it is difficult to get out when RV's & other big trucks are parked close to his driveway.

SIGNED

5802

MESSAGE

FOR Mayor

DATE 8-16 TIME 12:47 A.M. P.M.

M Ralph McNamara

OF 4531 Narrot

PHONE

FAX

TELEPHONED	Y	PLEASE CALL	
CAME TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	
WANTS TO SEE YOU		RUSH	
RETURNED YOUR CALL		SPECIAL ATTENTION	

MESSAGE Comment on RV Parking. Should NOT be allowed to park on street. He has a neighbor who parks one 24/7 for last 2½ years.

SIGNED TG

5802

MESSAGE

FOR Any Council Person

DATE 8/16 TIME 10.20 A.M. P.M.

M Roy Smolinski

OF

PHONE (310-375-9671

FAX

TELEPHONED	Y	PLEASE CALL	
CAME TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	
WANTS TO SEE YOU		RUSH	
RETURNED YOUR CALL		SPECIAL ATTENTION	

MESSAGE PLEASE VOTE IN FAVOR OF REMOVING R.V's FROM STREET. CAN'T see to BACK OUT OF HIS DRIVEWAY PLUS THEY ARE EYESORE.

SIGNED SARAH

5802

MESSAGE

FOR Any Council Person

DATE 8/16 TIME 10.38 A.M. P.M.

M JOAN GRIMM

OF S.W. TORRANCE

PHONE

FAX

TELEPHONED		PLEASE CALL	
CAME TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	
WANTS TO SEE YOU		RUSH	
RETURNED YOUR CALL		SPECIAL ATTENTION	

MESSAGE 5 OR 6 TRAILERS & TOY HAULER'S. VERY DANGEROUS CAN SEE AROUND THEM, CARS ALMOST HIT THEM @ 235/238 WALNUT A MAN IS LIVING IN TRAILER.

SIGNED

5802

Aug 10, 2006

To city Council AND
Parking Control —

I am complaining in general over the lack of parking enforcement on the North End of El Prado — Calif. license # 5NTS985 The Driver of a SE 7 Burgundy Land Rover who works in Ste # 128 Katherman Co. has had several parking tickets and continues to park all day — On Aug 8 he got a ticket — He parked in front of our store again today — I confronted him about his constant violation and he said I was rude and to put is up my rear — He will park here every day and get maybe one ticket per month — Stop him or I will call for a citizen's arrest — I'm a WWII Vet 82 years old and sick of his smarting off —

Roger P. [illegible]
My Dad's House 1218 El Prado Ste 136
For 16 years —

Semaan, Ted

From: Lori Chong Eurich [lace167@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 09, 2006 11:08 PM
To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com
Subject: no overnight RV parking

Dear Ted S.

I strongly urge the Torrance city council to ban overnight street parking of over-sized motor homes. These are an eye sore and safety hazard and I feel it is the responsibility of the owner to have a place to put his/her vehicle. Please keep these monster contraptions off the streets now.

Thanks, Lori C. Eurich

Semaan, Ted

From: Mas Oshiro [moshiro1@socal.rr.com]

Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2003 12:42 AM

To: cddtraffic@torrnet.com

Subject: RV Parking

Dear Councilmembers and Staff,
I am a resident of Torrance and I am against allowing RV's to park on the city streets. It is a safety issue and an aesthetic blight on the neighborhood. Owners of RV's should park them away from city streets. If owners can afford to buy them, they should be able to be able to pay for parking them in a specific lot dedicated for RV's.
Thank you,
Mas Oshiro