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From: Modrick Lisa

Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2019 10:01 AM

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Subject: Re: Parking Changes on City Council Agenda

Hi Joel,

Below is an email request to LINK to City Council Meeting on Agenda Item regarding the Parking Changes.

Thank you for placing on public record for the Monday meeting,

Lisa

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From: Diane Alberts dianek@sdfreeds.com

Date: April 11, 2019 9:40:50 AM

Subject: Re: Parking Changes

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> Lisa, Thank you for visiting with me this morning regarding the proposed parking ordinances. As an owner of 5th & Main Furniture by Freed's. I was shocked to read the article in the RC Journal outlining the parking proposal.

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> The general consensus is that parking should be made available to downtown patrons. As a business owner, we buy city lot permits for our employees to prevent them from parking in front of our business, as well as our immediate neighbor, the VFW.

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> We lost 3 parking spaces when the turning lane was put on the 400 block of Main.

> We lost another 4 spaces when the parallel parking was eliminated on 5 th in front of our store.

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> Having read the proposed ordinance , it indicates that metered parking would be in the core downtown district. 430 Main Street is part of that district, in Zone 1 of the Business Improvement District assessed at the highest rate. We would expect to have metered parking because of our status as a core business.

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> The council just approved \$ 4 million in Vision funds for the downtown lighting project. It incorporates east of 5th to the School of Mines. This kind of monetary commitment seems incongruent with utilizing this entire area for permit parking.

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> Our business includes customers carrying out and picking up lamps, pictures, tables, rugs, etc. that can not be easily carried any distance.

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> We have just completed a year long exterior and interior renovation of our building.

> Please do not cut out our parking by allowing it to be permitted. Employees from neighboring businesses will park in each other's locations in an attempt to free spaces for their own customers. Metered parking would give us a fighting chance.

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> Thank you for listening,

> Diane Alberts

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