

STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

YACHATS PLANNING COMMISSION PARKING STUDY

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PATRICIA HETTINGER, YFAP:

- Parking for staff in Commons parking lot – varies 6 or 7.
- Possible additional staff in summer session.
- Prefer staff parking in one area with access localized.
- Temporary parking for student drop-off (mornings) and pick-up 5:00-6:00.
- School age children arrive by bus in AM, picked up by parents in afternoon.
- YFAP does not experience a lack of parking currently.
- West Commons parking lot heavily used in summer – children using playground. A bit more difficulty then.

NATHAN BERNARD, Yachats Brewery and Dispensary:

- Originally had 9 spaces. Lost 5 spaces with Hwy 101 improvement project. Hwy 101 project a disappointment.
- Biggest issue for him is deliveries – large trucks must park straddling the sidewalk. No place for truck to off-load. He tries to minimize each loading time as best he can. Most deliveries Monday – Tuesday – Wednesdays, about 15 minutes each.
- Most of his Brewery patrons are walkups, but he does use nearby lot when smoker is and the Dispensary lot on occasion. Staff park in parallel spaces along Hwy 101 and Dispensary lot.
- Suggestion: find a way to use the Pioneer parcel for parking if possible.
- Some Covid changes good – outdoor seating has been a necessity at time and is heavily used now. People enjoy sitting outside.
- He has early plans to improve the smoker lot, possibly moving the smoker. But plans not formalized yet.

LAURA MULROMEY, C&K center:

- Main issue is truck deliveries. Occasional large tractor-trailers plus some smaller. Maneuvering room is the challenge, and large truck block south driveway entrance.
- Another issue is that people often park in their lot, then go to other businesses in town. Ties up their parking for patrons.
- C&K has 13 employees in shifts – park in parallel spaces on 2nd Street.
- In summer, no parking spaces available in lot – usually all occupied.
- Recommends possible improved signage – both on their parcel and in town in general

BILL ODENTHAL, Antique Virgin:

- Ended up with same number of spaces before & after Hwy 101 improvements – 4 spaces.
- Spaces in front of their building shared with adjacent tenant.
- No special problems with existing parking configuration & access.
- Main problem is people parking in their spaces to go to adjacent Brewery.
- They do use signs but doesn't always work.
- Patrons are mostly visitors on foot but patronized by some locals.
- Has produced a map of public restrooms to give patrons.
- No large truck deliveries.

DAVID LOTHROP, Underground Pub:

- Traffic has generally increases on adjacent Ocean View Drive in the last 2 or 3 years. But he has noticed a reduction in his business recently which he attributes to the rise in gasoline prices causing fewer viators to come.
- Had 5 outdoor tables in parking pace areas during covid – now removed.
- Has 4 spaces once his construction bin is removed – one is handicap.
- Employees generally park in Beach Street and 1st St. spaces.
- Patrons generally walk-in due to limited parking – use same spaces as employees and other available in-town spaces.
- Patrons often use post office lot during non-open hours.
- One main problem is truck deliveries – large tractor-trailers often park in Ocean View Drive – no other place to offload. Recent effort to combine deliveries with other nearby businesses that have same needs. 3 per week.
- Community events are a big factor – brings in more patrons.
- Has live music Saturdays.

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