

From: Mayor  
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2023 8:39 PM  
To: City Recorder  
Subject: Fwd: Proposed Trolley transport

This is the email re. the trolley sent to City Councilors.

From: Hogan Anthea <antheahogan@gmail.com>  
Sent: Monday, August 7, 2023 2:32:50 PM  
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As a concerned resident caring deeply about keeping the unique character and sense of conservationism that prevails here, I am writing this as an addendum to the online survey I have just completed about the proposed trolley service.

It is necessary for me to do this as the survey provides no space for responses detailing why the boxes checked are chosen.

1. The character of Yachats will be undeniably changed by the addition of a Disney World style trolley. Yachats is not a theme park like Disneyland, or a tourist attraction like San Francisco, or any other Californian-style beach destination with commercialized boardwalks and high-end shopping. Its charm lies in the opposite, a unique connection with the natural marine and geologic world. If coming here encourages people to park their cars and walk, so much the better for them, as most visitors coming here already know.
2. Maybe concentrating on creating more easily accessible disabled parking spaces and board walks would help facilitate this very welcome part of the visiting population.
3. Additionally, safe construction of more pedestrian pavements along 101 would encourage visitors to walk from nearby motels into town.
4. A trolley service of any kind, especially one that is going to encompass the route to and from Cape Perpetua, is going to cause traffic backups on 101 and take over connecting residential streets, including Ocean View Drive north of the river and Yachats Ocean Road to the south. Yachats residential streets are narrow and not built for trolley or bus vehicles, which adds to its existing charm. That fact could inevitably lead to the kind of road-widening mission-creep that should be avoided.
5. Also, anyone proposing any kind of trolley service should be considering nothing less than an all-electric vehicle.

I hope the points raised above will be helpful in debating this unwelcome proposal. That said, I do want you to know that all the time and care you put into creating and delivering the ongoing goals for Yachats, especially the water resiliency program, are welcome and very much appreciated.

Respectfully,  
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