

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Erik Zandvliet  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2017 7:41 PM  
**To:** Liza Tamura; Martha Alvarez  
**Subject:** FW: Valley Drive Neighborhood Traffic

**Comments for Agenda Item 14.**

Erik

**From:** Andrea Miller [mailto:ampinkquark@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2017 9:36 AM  
**To:** Erik Zandvliet <ezandvliet@citymb.info>  
**Subject:** Valley Drive Neighborhood Traffic

Erik - I am strongly opposed to being limited to a left turn at westbound 6th and Valley. We are pitting neighbor against neighbor by doing this. When I am coming north on Ardmore to go to my home on 7th Street, it makes the most sense to cross the greenbelt at 6th and then continue to 7th Place via 6th Place and Crest. Now my options will be to use 5th Place or go all the way to Manhattan Beach Blvd and make a u-turn wasting gas and time.

Can't we see if the additional stop signs help?

It seems a better option is enforcement of the speed limit on 6th Place by increased patrols or speed bumps. There are already too many restrictions to the routes we can take due to construction projects, etc.

Andrea Miller  
7th Street

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## Mary Kirchwehm

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**From:** Andrea Miller <ampinkquark@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2017 9:53 AM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** Valley Drive Neighborhood Traffic Management

Dear Council Members - It is my understanding that the City Council will be reviewing traffic control measurements proposed for my neighborhood at their meeting next week. While most of the measures seem reasonable enough, I am strongly opposed to the suggested "left turn only" at the intersection of 6th and Valley.

If this were to be put into effect, it would mean that every time I am heading north on Ardmore to my home on 7th Street, instead of being able to turn left on 6th Street and proceeding to my garage on 7th Place via 6th Place and Crest, I would be forced to either use 5th Place or go all the way to Manhattan Beach Blvd to make a u-turn to get back to 7th Place.

I believe this suggestions arose due to complaints from those whose homes back up against the 6th Place Alley. Instead of creating additional air pollution in our city, it seems this issue could be resolved through a combination of the other proposals listed, increased enforcements of the speed limit on 6th Place, and/or speed bumps on 6th Place. Maybe there should be speed bumps on all the alleys? I certainly have no objections to traveling at the posted speed limit in the alleys, but I do object to being prevented from using the streets in my own neighborhood to make my way home in the most efficient manner.

Quite honestly, many of those I observe speeding in my own alley are children or employees of residents. I suspect the same is true of 6th Place and the other alleys. So I suspect that preventing their neighbors on 7th Place from using 6th Place will not reduce speeding by much.

Thank you for listening.

Andrea Miller  
Seventh Street

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Erik Zandvliet  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2017 7:41 PM  
**To:** Liza Tamura; Martha Alvarez  
**Subject:** FW: City Council Meeting regarding 4 the street parking

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**From:** Tom Mulholland [<mailto:tom.mulholland@verizon.net>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2017 2:33 PM  
**To:** Erik Zandvliet <[ezandvliet@citymb.info](mailto:ezandvliet@citymb.info)>  
**Subject:** City Council Meeting regarding 4 the street parking

To: Eric Zandvliet:

Despite the fact that I own the house at 532 4<sup>th</sup> Street, which I use as a rental income property, I oppose the efforts to block off 4<sup>th</sup> Street between Valley and Morningside. Turning that block into a "Walk Street," would benefit the few who own property in that one block section of 4<sup>th</sup> Street, (including me),. But it would probably to the detriment to those **neighbors**, who live on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, and those living on the south side of 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Parking is already at a premium throughout the Beach Area. But, if the Walk Street Conversion efforts are successful, there would be about 25 less parking spaces, than with the in the present 4th Street configuration. Those are the parking spaces on that section of 4<sup>th</sup> Street that would be Eliminated if the conversion efforts are successful.

If those parking spaces were eliminated, it would:

- #1) Exacerbate already difficult parking situations on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> streets.
- #2) Result in more car parking in front of garage doors, in the alleys behind the garages between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> and between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>.

Blocking off 4<sup>th</sup> Street would probably be a benefit, (financially and personally) to the residents in that 1 block area. But, it would have a detrimental effect the residents 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets.

Before writing this email, I drove down Valley, 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (Between Valley and Morningside, and 4<sup>th</sup> Street between Valley and Morningside) There weren't any spaces on Valley, 3 spaces on 4<sup>th</sup> Street and 5 on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. This was on a weekday, in April. Parking in that area is difficult year round. But, imagine how difficult it would be, if the existing 20, to 25 spaces on 4<sup>th</sup> Street were eliminated.

If you have any questions, my phone number is 310-545-4176.

Tom Mulholland



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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Erik Zandvliet  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2017 6:37 PM  
**To:** Nancy Argent  
**Cc:** Liza Tamura; Martha Alvarez  
**Subject:** RE: May 16 City Council Meeting/4th Street Recommendation

Thank you, Nancy,  
Your comments will be forwarded to the City Council for their consideration at their meeting on Tuesday.

Erik

**From:** Nancy Argent [mailto:nancyargent@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2017 4:58 PM  
**To:** Erik Zandvliet <ezandvliet@citymb.info>  
**Subject:** May 16 City Council Meeting/4th Street Recommendation

Dear Erik and City Council:

We appreciate all the time and consideration you have put into our request to revert the 500 block of 4th Street back into a walk street. We are in support of any initiative that safeguards our neighborhood and therefore we encourage your vote to convert our block into a one-way street. Given the narrowness of the street due to its original intent to be a walk street, it is impossible for two cars to drive towards each other, resulting in many cars backing up onto busy Valley or through the Ingleside intersection. Frequently the narrow street causes cars and trucks to back for drop offs or parking spaces, a real safety hazard for all those walking and biking.

Therefore, while we believe the one-way conversion is definitely a step in the right direction, we continue to advocate for a walk street on our block as it was originally intended. Having lived on the 400 block of 8th street for 8 years we experienced the sense of community, lifestyle and safety found on a walk street. And, given the safety challenges of this narrow street, we believe the walk street is the right long-term solution.

It will be interesting to monitor the progress we make through this transition. Again, thank you for all your work on our behalf!

Best Regards,

Nancy and Jason Argent

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**From:** Erik Zandvliet  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2017 1:49 PM  
**To:** Liza Tamura; Martha Alvarez  
**Subject:** FW: 4th street proposal

### For Agenda Item #14

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**From:** catjim10@aol.com [mailto:catjim10@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2017 1:31 PM  
**To:** ezandvliet@citymb.info.  
**Subject:** 4th street proposal

Hello Erik,

As a resident on 2nd Street at 524, we would like to state that the best solution to calm traffic issues on 4th Street is to make it a one way street for westbound traffic. There is already a major parking problem in the surrounding area and taking away the current one side of street parking would make matters worse. Please know our opinion is that 4th Street should remain open for traffic and one side parking but if needed, make the street a one way for westbound traffic.

Thank you for considering our opinions.

Long time residents last 524 2nd Street,

Cathy & Jim Edmisson  
(310) 379 8376

PS. We earlier submitted a written letter when this project first became known and when neighborhood comments were requested. Thank you.

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