

Linda Ann Kuller

From: Anne Whirledge-Karp <anne@awish.net>
Sent: Friday, April 6, 2018 10:36 AM
To: Jamie Stephens
Cc: Albritton@rockIsland.com; Nancy Greene; Dennis Ryan; madrona murphy; Barbara & Dave Thomas; Shannon Wilbur; Linda Ann Kuller; Sandy B.- LCLT
Subject: Re: Traffic issues on Eads Rd, Lopez Island

Dear Jamie and Lopez Island Village Planning Committee,

I'm contacting you again concerning the continued issues of parking on Eads Road. Unfortunately, the original concerns during July 2017 have not in anyway been remedied. If anything the situation has worsened with the increase in operation hours for the Noodle Bar and their customers parking daily in the few spaces available in front of Studio 25. Also during the times of exercise classes for Lopez Fit multiple "long bed pickup trucks also vie for parking spaces and the ends of their vehicles stick out into Eads road causing less space for the 2 lanes of traffic. Theses vehicles also pull into the grass space in front of Studio 25 and that limits the access by 'renting' artists and their clients into the building. It is also a danger for smaller cars parked next to large vehicles in trying to back out because visibility is greatly restricted. The handicapped parking space is more often than not being used as regular parking.

The parking lines have been almost invisible since last summer and cars have been parked every which way including parallel to the buildings.

In addition to the original 5 concerns in my email of July 11, 2017 I would like to request that all diagonal parking be limited to 'compact cars' to reduce the danger of limited visibility and also the reduction of lane space in the road. I also would like to request that three of the parking spaces in front of Studio 25 be designated to that building during working hours 9-5:00. This way the 8 artists working in the building, coming and going, and bringing supplies in and out will be able to come into their work space more easily.

The traffic on Eads Rd is about to increase greatly with the upcoming "tourist" season and I sincerely hope that this issues can be addressed quickly!

Thank you,
Anne Whirledge-Karp

From: "Sandy B.- LCLT" <lclt@rockisland.com>
Date: Thursday, July 13, 2017 at 11:00 AM
To: Linda Ann Kuller <lindak@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: "Albritton@rockIsland.com" <Albritton@rockIsland.com>, Nancy Greene <nancy@greenepartners.com>, Dennis Ryan <dennis_environmentdesign@centurytel.net>, madrona murphy <madrona.blue@gmail.com>, Barbara & Dave Thomas <sftbayfarm@rockisland.com>, Shannon Wilbur <shannonw@sanjuanco.com>, Anne Whirledge-Karp <anne@awish.net>
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Thanks Linda - the joys of shared parking....I like a lot of the suggestions offered by Anne and the others. Seems that with some signage, striping and communication between the users it can all be worked out. Just around the corner to the west there are usually empty parking spaces. Sandy Sandy Bishop

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On Jul 13, 2017, at 8:21 AM, Linda Ann Kuller <lindak@sanjuanco.com> wrote:

Hi everyone,
See the letter that was set to Jamie.
Linda

From: Jamie Stephens
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 7:36 PM
To: Linda Ann Kuller <lindak@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: FW: Traffic issues on Eads Rd, Lopez Island
Linda:

I am forwarding this to you for distribution to the LVP group. Anne brings up some good points that the group might want to consider. I am sending it to public works also to see if we can take care of the immediate needs.

Jamie Stephens

From: Anne Whirledge-Karp [<mailto:anne@awish.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 5:36 PM
To: Jamie Stephens <jamies@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: Traffic issues on Eads Rd, Lopez Island

Hi Jamie,

I left a message on your home phone and apologize if that was inappropriate with the issue I wanted to discuss with you. I've been tasked by my co-renters of Studio 25 to trying to get direction about how to proceed with traffic/parking difficulties on Eads Road in Lopez Village.

Recently, the artist renters of Studio 25 had a building meeting and some issues concerning the increased difficulty to access parking in the immediate area were discussed. Currently the users of parking of the very limited spaces on Eads Road are 6 renters of Studio 25 that come to use their art studio spaces at different times of the day, the Thrift Store whose volunteers park and enter on Eads Rd during business hours, Cross Fit in the old Village Market class attenders/instructors park and enter on Eads Rd, the Noodle Shop employees and customers, the new Glass Blowers/customers, and tourists of the 'vacation rental'. There are no marked parking spaces directly behind the old Village Market but often vehicles are parked there parallel with the building. There are barely visible diagonal parking lines in front Studio 25, along the south side of the Thrift Store, and in front the vacation rental. The handicapped parking space post and sign in front of Studio 25 was knocked over and broken so the sign for that space was attached to Studio 25 decking and not easily seen. This leads to people parking at all times in this space that do not have a valid handicapped permit. At times, especially during classes at Cross-fit, all diagonal spaces are taken up (many with extra long trucks) and vehicles are parallel parked along the back of the old Village Market so there is only one lane available for a car to pass through Eads Road.

Following is a summarized list of our concerns and we would appreciate direction on who would be best to contact. Would this be the Lopez Village Planning Committee, the

San Juan County Department of Public Works, Transportation or some other agency/person?

1. Replacing the post for Handicap Parking space sign
2. Repainting the parking lines
3. A sign that informs that parking in the area is limited to (x) number of hours (some people with businesses in the area have their left vehicles for 1-2 weeks when on their vacations and are away from their offices).
4. Signage that there should be no parallel parking behind the Old Village Market (Cross Fit sometimes now is putting out cones so people don't park there).
5. Discussion on the increased parking use along Eads Road. What can be done by businesses in the area to assure there is adequate parking for all that need it.

Thanks for for any direction you can give us that will help with these issues.

Anne Whirledge-Karp

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