

From: [DAVE ELLIOTT](#)
To: [_CityCouncil](#)
Subject: 4th Ave Speeding
Date: Tuesday, January 10, 2023 4:14:51 PM

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I have lived on 4th Ave S for 16 years and I have called the police and asked the city council to help with the speeders going up and down 4th Ave S in North Hill. I have asked numerous times to have speed bumps installed, even the rubber speed bumps would help.

Many people walk up and down this street, with children and with dogs. It is only a matter of time before someone is hurt critically.

The speed sign near the top of the hill does nothing to deter speeders and they come at all times, day or night.

Please make something happen to improve this situation.

Thank you
David Elliott
425-306-5179

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [Bill Linscott](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Cc: [Patti Linscott](#)
Subject: Comments Regarding "Right Sizing" Marina Development
Date: Thursday, January 12, 2023 11:48:07 AM

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Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Council and City Manager,

We would like to provide thoughts and comments for your consideration regarding Marina Development.

Our Marina is much like our City: Both have unique locations, small footprints and property lines surrounded by neighbors on all sides, except for the water side.

As such, they have a common challenge: How best to use the remaining available space? Many of those decisions will be “forever decisions” - certainly for our lifetime. I expect much will happen this year regarding those decisions.

For the Marina, the design of the City (established by prior councils) wrapped it in a high density residential neighborhood. There are no real areas for any significant footprint expansion of the current Marina upland. The only obvious section is the Parcel A area with the adjacent space for the Marina Steps structure. It is the only empty spot just below Cliff Avenue. Other than that, decisions will have to consume public open space and the parking lots.

From various presentations given to City Council and the public, there have been a wide variety of features and structures identified for consideration.

These include:

- Marina Steps structure
- Adaptive Purpose Building (boat stacks + other)
- Boutique hotel
- Reflection pond with creek
- Farmers Market
- Passenger ferry service location
- *Marina Staff offices/storage area
- Pavilion area
- A parking garage for expansion
- *Small boat launch structure (water's edge)

- *Full service boatyard
- *Fuel storage capability
- SR3 facility expansion
- *New Marina tenant restroom
- And salt and peppered around - restaurants/retail places

Some of these (*) support the boating infrastructure. Several exist today and are likely to continue. Others introduce new or expanded features/structures that may, or may not, be a good fit as “best use” for public benefit.

There is no information available for the public to understand how and when the City’s final decisions will be made on these features. There is no citizen advisory group being communicated with on these matters. It is even difficult to tell which City Council Committees have the responsibility for recommending these to the full Council for final approval.

There is great public interest in this decision process and a desire to provide an update on public preferences.

We Would Like to Recommend:

- Establishing a criteria and process to identify the most desirable items and their locations. (To finalize the real list);
- Obtaining an update from the public on their preferences and discuss this criteria/analysis process;
- Build an actual plan that provides a schedule of the actions for this process;
- Present a vision (as in renderings) for residents to understand the end state;
- Create a new council committee focused solely on Marina development projects (waterside and uplands);
- Re-establish a citizen advisory group to strengthen communications between residents and City neighborhoods.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Bill & Patti Linscott
Des Moines Residents

From: [RAMONA SHIERK](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: Construction of a hotel, parking garage and retail space in the DM Marina
Date: Thursday, December 15, 2022 12:51:27 PM

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Say "NO" to building a hotel, parking garage and retail space in the Des Moines Marina. That space should be reserved for public use by residents and visitors.

From: [ANDREW NIX](#)
To: [_CityCouncil](#); micheles@condohoa.net; [Police Generic](#)
Subject: Des Moines Police
Date: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 1:24:03 AM

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To the Honorable Mayor Mahoney and the City Council of Des Moines,

At about midnight on 240th and 12th PI S., two men became violent and irrational and began to vandalize our neighborhood. They threw full beer bottles at houses, fences, at an RV, at cars driving by, and at the Hudson Ridge Condominium signage. They screamed. Not like shouting in fun; like they were insane and violent. We have video. There is glass **EVERYWHERE**. Huge chunks of broken glass litter the bus stop where kids will line up tomorrow for school.

We called 911 and the unprofessionalism exhibited by Des Moines PD defied belief. It took nearly 15 minutes after my wife's initial call for them to even drive by. We watched as the two men hid in the neighbor's bushes and cops sped by, not even bothering to slow/stop investigate in the place the call originated. The cops passed again. And again. After multiple calls back saying that these drunk vandals were hiding in a family's yard directly under their front door, a cop finally slow-rolled up to me standing outside in frustration as the two vandals walked away. At my insistence, the officer drove another block west on 240th to where the men were walking on the left side of the road and talked to them before letting the vandals saunter into their home.

No photos. No video. No statements. No checking for damage to the vehicles and buildings. No request to ID the vandals. No sense of urgency. Total apathy from Des Moines Police. The glass remains strewn across the intersection and along the fences, sidewalks, and the sign to Hudson Ridge. My children are too scared to go to sleep as I write this at 1:15AM. I speak for my neighbors when I say we are upset with the city's tepid response. I would love to provide a case number for your reference, but Des Moines Police did not deem vandalism and scaring a neighborhood worthy of a case. My wife and children were afraid, as were others in our neighborhood. Those vandals know where we live and that we called the police and my family now feels threatened.

Let me ask you, Mr. Mahoney, what would you do if two vandals violently threw beer bottles at your kids' window at midnight and the cops let them just walk away? I'd bet they would be a lot faster than seventeen minutes in their response time if it was your house. Is there any accountability? Do our police even care about our community? Do they live where they police? Before you think that I do not sympathize with the plight of police and the very difficult and dangerous service they perform know this: my father was a detective for the Sheriff's Office and mother was a director at the Criminal Justice Training Commission. My wife works for the City of Federal Way

Prosecutor's office. They would all be red-assed mad and ashamed of what happened tonight (for sure my wife is).

You should be too.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and I look forward to a response.

Andrew Nix
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Des Moines, WA 98198

From: [Liz B](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: Does Comcast/Xfinity have a monopoly in areas of Des Moines?
Date: Thursday, December 29, 2022 7:48:15 PM

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Dear City Council, I have been meaning to ask you this question officially for some time, but unfortunately, I am unable to attend meetings in person these days Dr. has advised against it. My cable/internet bill is outrageous.

I am on a limited budget. I have tried to work with xfinity/comcast to see if they could lower my bill by returning all the boxes I had in the house, except for one, and having a slew of channels taken away. I don't have hbo, showtime, Life, Smithsonian, 0 Sports channels, Nat Geo Wild and a slew of others...yet my bill is over \$200. and I just received an email from them about another raise in January 2023.

I have tried calling other internet/cable companies in the area and none of them are available to us. Not even TMobile, which is our cell phone service! Century Link told us all they could offer us is a landline?

Two houses away, on the W side of Marine View Dr. my neighbors have a choice of several companies. What is going on? I look forward to someone explaining it to me so I can share the information with my other neighbors who are just as completely baffled as we are.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth & Malcolm Burn
Des Moines, WA 98198

From: [Al and Debbie Walls](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: hotel at marina
Date: Monday, December 26, 2022 5:37:21 PM

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Good evening. I am urging the City Council to leave the marina parking lot as is, rather than add a hotel. I was there today, and the parking lot available to the public is small. Most of the marina has been given over to boat owners. There are spikes and fences preventing the public to drive from one end to the other. It is already so chopped up, adding anything else would not help the aesthetics, and would block the view of the public using the sidewalks and parking lot.

Also, someone added yet more signage of what not to do. Now there are many signs saying you cannot bike, skate, etc. on sidewalks. Can we please have a bicycle lane put in so bike riders can safely ride through the marina? Taking children there to bicycle is dangerous now that they cannot ride on the sidewalk.

Thank you for reading my comments.

Debbie Walls
21403 6th Avenue S.
Des Moines, Wa 98198

From: [Carol](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: Hotel Placement in Marina"s north parking lot
Date: Wednesday, January 4, 2023 1:15:50 PM

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I find this proposal absolutely ridiculous. If you are trying to make Des Moines a destination place perhaps you should start with downtown with (more restaurants, shopping and so forth). A hotel is not going to make this city a destination place. Really!! Perhaps you should look further into why an individual is pushing for this what will that person or company get in return. Now with the new proposal it will take away the views of the existing condo. Why would you decide to move in front a condo instead of the original plan where it didn't obstruct anyone view???

Why would you take away our public open space for city's revenue especially when it is used all the time for boating, walking and fishing. We pay for this with our property taxes.... And now you take it away.

I also would like to know that actual cost of the water taxi ferry, expenses and how much will the City will subsidize, when do you think you will break even or do the people have to pay more taxes for a few individuals. Where do all the riders park?

Why did you replace the existing parking lot, add bathrooms and extended out the sheet piling? It certainly seems like the hotel is a done deal. I also know from experience these meetings are to please the people but in reality you have already have made your decision.

I would appreciate a quick response from you.

Very Frustrated and Concerned,

Carol

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From: [Gregory Olander](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: No hotel at the Marina
Date: Thursday, January 12, 2023 10:23:51 AM

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Let's enjoy the we work just completed. I walk there daily with my dog. Don't block the views!!

From: [Shary Frankfurter](#)
To: [_CityCouncil](#); desmoinesmarinawatch@gmail.com
Subject: No Hotel on North Parking Lot
Date: Monday, January 2, 2023 3:52:43 PM

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The North Parking Lot is such an asset now - beautiful with wide sidewalks, impressive lighting fixtures, garden areas, and an attractive restroom and food service building.

Why would YOU want to ruin this amazing waterfront with spectacular all around views with a large hotel plopped on it? Where are your interests? This North Parking lot is filled daily with people, cars and many events. Everyone uses and enjoys it.

This waterfront belongs to the people who live and pay taxes in Des Moines.
Once it is given to developers, it is gone forever!

You City Council members were elected to represent our best interests. This large hotel obstructing our connection with the Marina and waterfront would not be benefiting us. Why are you so determined to help out developers and outsiders to the detriment of the Des Moines people who elected you?

Do you really want to make history as the City Council who gave it all away?

Shary Frankfurter

Sent from my iPad

From: [Judy](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: No hotel
Date: Saturday, December 31, 2022 10:46:04 AM

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Hi. I am opposed to a hotel at the Des Moines marina as there a number hotels in the area already Judy Moyer

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Marilyn Onstott](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: NO MARINA HOTEL
Date: Saturday, December 31, 2022 10:05:01 AM

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Dear Council Members,

No Marina Hotel!!!

There are many places in Des Moines for a hotel, just not at the Marina.

This is a family park and it needs to remain uncluttered not with less parking and more buildings. Please get your funds elsewhere.. We need the nature and room to walk and run.

PLEASE, NO MARINA HOTEL OR OTHER BUILDINGS

Thank you.

Marilyn Onstott
807 S. 218th St Unit 103
Des Moines

From: [Carol Heigh](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: no on hotel
Date: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 10:24:33 AM

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Your Des Moines waterfront is a local treasure with hundreds walking the marina daily. I cannot understand why you would ruin the natural beauty by putting a hotel there. Please consider future generations when making your decision.

Carol Heigh

From: [Melissa Tarr](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: No to a Hotel in the Marina
Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2023 11:06:17 AM

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To whom this may concern,

I am a resident of Des Moines and I do not want a hotel on the Marina. It will block public areas, parks, and views. I can understand the interest in building Des Moines into a destination, but I don't think the way to do so is to block the natural beauty that is the draw to the Des Moines Marina in the first place. A hotel might bring more money into the town and therefore more businesses. However, the choice of where to build it is the problem and it is my belief it will do the opposite of bringing more business. If a hotel is placed there, then other closer to Des Moines residents who come to the Marina and do not want to require a hotel stay, will no longer come to Des Moines. I walk to the Quarter Deck often and constantly meet people for Auburn, Federal Way, etc. They share their love to walk the park, and take in the view. A view that would be blocked by a hotel. A hotel they or I will never use.

Perhaps the hotel could be put on the south part of the parking lot. Perhaps other business should be built first in order to draw more of a crowd and interest in "destination Des Moines".

Please, please, don't change the culture of our community, that is what this monstrosity in the middle of a natural wonder will inevitably do.

A Concerned Des Moines Resident,
Melissa Gilbert

From: [Brian Snure](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: Please preserve the marina deck as a public space.
Date: Monday, January 2, 2023 6:27:37 PM

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Honorable Council Members.

As a lifelong resident of this community and a business owner, I ask that you protect the Marina as a public space for the entire community. Please listen to what I perceive to be the majority of the community and do not proceed with any type of hotel on the Marina deck. I am all for development that makes our community more vibrant and economically successful but the Marina deck is a public space that belongs to the community and a development that primarily serves private interests and visitors would not be in the best interest of the community. Small structures that serve the public, like the Quarterdeck are substantially different than a hotel and I hope you recognize that difference and focus on Marina uses that serve the entire community.

Thank you for your consideration. Even though we do not agree on everything, I appreciate the time and effort you put into serving our community.

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Sincerely,

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THANK YOU!

From: [Howard Michaelson](#)
To: [_CityCouncil](#)
Subject: Preserving waterfront open space
Date: Thursday, January 5, 2023 1:23:10 PM

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Attn: City Council Members,

I am writing to make my opinion known that the proposed project for a hotel and parking garage in the Des Moines Marina is **NOT** a good idea!

I have been a resident in this area for more than 30 years and one of the truly unique features of this Marina is the natural and wide open beach feeling that it possesses.

An unobstructed view of the Olympic mountains from a stroll along the shoreline.... a walk on the fishing pier literally over the water itself ... a place to roam during summer music festivals.... Such things are becoming increasingly rare in today's world of overdevelopment and should be treated as a natural resource, protected not destroyed!

As a seasoned now -retired veteran of the hospitality industry, I have no problems with hotels in general. Indeed, I made my living by selling equipment to many of them all over the world.

However, in this particular case, the community would be better served if a new one was built in a different location nearby. One in which the legacy of Washington's spectacular natural beauty is not to be challenged.

Thank you for your consideration
Best Regards
Howard Michaelson
206-427-9808

From: [Denise Lathrop](#)
To: [DMPlanning](#)
Cc: [Taria Keane](#)
Subject: RE: New contact form message for Imagine Des Moines 2044 via Contact Us
Date: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 10:05:10 AM

It should go to Taria Keane (copied).

Denise E. Lathrop, AICP
Community Development Director
City of Des Moines Community Development Department
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From: Comprehensive Plan <compplan@desmoineswa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 9:22 AM
To: DMPlanning <DMPlanning@desmoineswa.gov>
Subject: FW: New contact form message for Imagine Des Moines 2044 via Contact Us

Hi Team,

This came in through the comp plan website contact form. Who should reply to this?

Joseph Messana-Croly
Land Use Planner I
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City Website: www.desmoineswa.gov

From: notifications@mail.conversations.godaddy.com
<notifications@mail.conversations.godaddy.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 17, 2022 8:42 AM
To: Comprehensive Plan <compplan@desmoineswa.gov>
Subject: New contact form message for Imagine Des Moines 2044 via Contact Us

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Imagine Des Moines 2044

has received a new message.

Reply to Conversation

Name

Marilyn Fleming

Email

mfleming@quidnunc.net

Message

Building a boutique hotel in the parking lot near the pier does not serve the citizens of Des Moines. It blocks the view of our citizens. Put the hotel against the cliff.

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From: [Julie Jackson](#)
To: [CityCouncil](#)
Subject: Recycle delay
Date: Friday, December 30, 2022 5:53:57 PM

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Last week I was told to leave garbage and recycle out because of the ice storm. Today I called CleanScapes and was told that they are not picking up recycle today. So I will have 4 weeks of recycle with christmas packaging. So frustrated so when I told them I was going to call and complain to the city she said the city is aware of our problem. Crappy service.

Comments to Des Moines City Council

From: David Emery, on behalf of the Redondo Community Association

Date: January 12, 2023

RE: Continuing Safety Concerns at Redondo Beach

Good evening. My name is David Emery, and I am a resident of the Des Moines Redondo Beach neighborhood. I am addressing the Council this evening on behalf of the Redondo Community Association, for which I currently serve as President. I would like to start by thanking the Council, the City, and the Police Department for the plans that are already being made to help address the public safety issues that have plagued our quiet residential community the past few summers.

That said, I would like to point out that these issues do not completely go away during the winter months, and that we are still really in need of a police presence in our neighborhood this time of year, especially in and around the Boat Launch parking lot. For example, on October 6th and again on December 13th we had honest to gosh running gun battles in and around this area. I realize that neither of these running gun battles made it into the local news, but in both cases it was a matter of sheer luck that no bystanders or residents in their homes were injured. We also continue to have gangs of street racers using the Boat Launch parking lot as a platform for burn outs and donuts, most recently on the evening of December 9th and the morning of January 9th. In the latter case, there was even a crowd of onlookers cheering on the stunts that day.

I bring up these issues to make this simple point: to make sure that the general public, and the City Council, are aware that the renegade street racers and violent criminals are still targeting the Redondo Beach Community even during these winter months, and that we can really use a strong police presence in our neighborhood.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express the fullest support from the members of the Redondo Community Association for the use of speed enforcement cameras on Redondo Beach Drive. This strip is used throughout the year as a hot bed for flat out street racing, with all of the attendant safety issues. Speed enforcement cameras offers a simple and safe solution to address this problem in a manner that actually reduces the demand on our local law enforcement, reduces the need for traffic stops with their inherent risks, and eliminates even the appearance of biased policing. In short, this is a win-win for everybody involved except for only one group – the renegade street racers that plague our community.

Thank you for your continued support with these issues.