
MEASURE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS

DISTRICT

**BOLINAS COMMUNITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
PARKING PLAN IMPLEMENTATION
MEASURE M**

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ADVISORY VOTE ONLY

Shall the Community of Bolinas go forward with the implementation of the 94924 parking plan as recommended by the Downtown Parking Committee at the September Bolinas Community Public Utility District meeting?

**BOLINAS COMMUNITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
PARKING PLAN IMPLEMENTATION
IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL
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This measure seeks the advisory vote of the voters of the Bolinas Community Public Utilities District on whether the Community of Bolinas should go forward with the implementation of 94924 parking plan as recommended by the Downtown Parking Committee at the September Bolinas Community Public Utility meeting.

Dated: August 22, 2001

PATRICK K. FAULKNER
County Counsel

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

The 94924 Parking Plan is a simple and democratic answer to the parking problem in Downtown Bolinas. It will provide preferential parking for all Bolinas residents. We believe this plan will help to mitigate downtown parking problems and all local people will benefit.

The BCPUD Parking Committee spent over a year researching ways in which other coastal communities have addressed parking congestion caused by the influx of recreational tourists, and reached the conclusion that the 94924 Plan best suits the needs of Bolinas.

The BCPUD Board and the County Supervisor's office have expressed interest in further developing the proposal. Please lend your support to this effort to facilitate access for all local people to our downtown businesses, services and beach, even when the surf's up! Vote Yes for the 94924 Parking Plan.

Signed by the following members of the
BCPUD Downtown Parking Committee

- s/ Phil Binley
- s/ Ashley Ratcliffe
- s/ Pat Gonzalez

NO REBUTTAL TO

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF

MEASURE M

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ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

Just Say 'No' to the 94924 Residential Parking Sticker Plan. Presently there are no parking tickets given in Bolinas, unless, given by the Fire Dept. for blocking a fire hydrant or a fire lane. The Sheriff's Dept. and Highway Patrol give tickets for neglected and abandoned vehicles parked more than 24 hours.

The traffic in downtown Bolinas reaches critical mass on weekends, usually, when several organized functions occur at the same time. During the week days, parking is not a problem.

The proposed 94924 Residential Parking Stickers for resident's vehicles would require registering your vehicles with the Sheriff's Dept. for a small fee of \$15 (suggested) Resident's guest would be able to get a guest parking permit and dismissal of a citation if incorrectly issued. (An administrative hassle.)

This plan suggest that a local bureaucracy administer this program? A local meter maid or possibly a private security guard with Palm Recorder to check vehicle's, has been suggested. It's been pointed out that a Palm Recorder connected to the Marin County Sheriff's data bank, carries more information on it than simple residential parking information.

Those residents who do not wish to register their vehicles with the Sheriff's Dept., would be deprived of 22% of the parking spaces in the downtown area reserved for those residents who desire to register their vehicles.

More control, more law enforcement; more tickets, more bureaucracy, more hoops, less fun.

s/ Barbara Kayfetz
Resident

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

The argument against The 94924 Parking Plan is misleading. The proposal contains no mention whatsoever of registering vehicles with the Sheriff's Dept., or of any connection with the Sheriff's database. The Downtown Parking Committee recommendations repeatedly stress LOCAL control and LOCAL enforcement, specifically to avoid the influx of more outside law enforcement. Registration of vehicles with the DMV is already mandatory, and it is through the DMV that the proposal suggests we create our database; a database which only gives information as to the zip code registration of a vehicle. It is hoped that ALL 94924 registered vehicles will automatically be included in the program through their DMV registration.

Given that a tremendous amount of further work will have to be done to implement a parking program, this Advisory Poll question has been put before the community to ascertain if the BCPUD should pursue further development of The 94924 Parking Plan. Go to the BCPUD or the Library and read the entire proposal. Bear in mind that it is a working draft towards a final plan, and future stages of the Plan will be open to review and input.

We agree wholeheartedly with one point in the argument, "The traffic in downtown Bolinas reaches critical mass on the weekends..." We believe this state of parking congestion is increasing in frequency and the 94924 Parking Plan will help alleviate the immediate problem for the entire Bolinas community, and preserve local access to the downtown area in the future. Vote Yes.

s/ Phillip Binley
Member Downtown Parking Committee

s/ Pat Gonzalez
Member Downtown Parking Committee

s/ Ashley Ratcliffe
Member Downtown Parking Committee

END OF MEASURE M

