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WORKSHOP - June 21

From: Jeanette Sweeting <jhsweeting@yahoo.com>

Date: May 19, 2017 at 12:24:24 PM EDT

To: Craig Cates <ccates@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>

Subject: Re: NO to proposed parking garage

Thank you for your prompt response. Since you are the only one who has responded to my email, I would appreciate your sharing of my email at the June 6th meeting. Thank you again

Sincerely
Jeanette

Sent from my iPhone

On May 19, 2017, at 12:06 PM, Craig Cates <ccates@cityofkeywest-fl.gov> wrote:

Jeanette

I do not support a parking garage at our Historic Seaport. The commission had already decided not to build a parking garage, but to expand and redesign the parking lot to make it more efficient. A commissioner has asked to put the parking garage back on the agenda. I Still Do Not Support building a parking garage. The parking garage would negatively affect the look and charm of our historic seaport.

Sincerely
Mayor Cates

On May 19, 2017, at 10:40 AM, Jeanette Sweeting <jhsweeting@yahoo.com> wrote:

My husband and I are 5 generation Conchs.

We don't need to encourage more cars in key west - we need to eliminate the traffic. Encourage use of other transportation means. I've never understood people flying into key west and then renting a car???really? use a taxi, bus, etc....WOW we're going to end up sinking key west....

This and other changes to the island we were born and raised is the reason why we sold our home and moved from key west 6 months ago, after living there 60 years! It's one thing to

sustain the city and its businesses with tourists from cruise ships (it doesn't add to the motor traffic) but you should be planning a way to eliminate vehicular traffic not encourage it. While living and driving there, my husband and I would comment that people have lost the basics of driving based on the crazy way they drive.

We were just there last weekend for 3-4 days to visit our sons who still live and work there. We went downtown and We carpooled in one car, parked and walked to dinner and a bar afterwards. When ours sons go downtown to meet friends, they take a taxi to and from.

I say...issue decals to the local people who own cars and unless you have that decal on your car, don't let any cars into key west.

I can go on and on but I'm going to get off my soap box. Bottom line is NO to this parking garage!

Sincerely
Jeanette Sweeting