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**Subject:** Town Center Ordinance, Regarding Attachment 5, Alternative Street Cross Sections

Hello,

I am a resident of McKinleyville, CA. I grew up here, but lived in Phoenix for a number of years. When I returned to live in McKinleyville I was astounded by the congestion on Central Avenue and the growth in McKinleyville, overall. I imagine that McKinleyville will continue to grow along with the number of cars traveling our roads here. While I would love to see Central Avenue narrowed along with diagonal parking spots, this idea is ridiculous for the amount of traffic that we currently have moving through town, turning across Central to enter or exit businesses along the way. Narrowing the road, thus decreasing the number of lanes on Central would create additional traffic jams, car and pedestrian accidents and potential deaths as a result. Placing diagonal parking spots along this route would create an added layer of potential hazards/harm to citizenry trying to exit these parking spaces.

I've seen crazy traffic in my lifetime and I wonder why we would put people/cars/property in jeopardy by reducing the number of lanes and adding diagonal parking spaces in what is already too congested. We need more lanes for our increasing populace and an already overburdened Central Avenue, not fewer lanes.

Don't recommend for implementation the Town Center Ordinance regarding Attachment 5, Alternative Street Cross Sections.

Thank you, for your consideration,

Sandra Mares

McKinleyville Resident and Concerned Citizen