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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 5, 2023 2:43 PM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Main Street Promenade

-----Original Message-----

From: Stacy Johnson <stacyjohnsonhb@gmail.com>  
Sent: Saturday, March 4, 2023 3:00 PM  
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
Subject: Main Street Promenade

Hello.

Just heard the decision to reopen Main Street to cars...so disappointing. The city should rethink that choice...a Main Street promenade is so much more useful to the city and to its families and tourists. Can plans be made to turn it into a real promenade instead of just blocking off the street with barriers? It would look so much nicer and provide so many more useful opportunities to visitors. It would truly be an improvement to the city vs. just a temporary solution to a global pandemic!

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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 5, 2023 10:44 PM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Complaint for Main Street Reopening

**From:** Federico Manfredo De Palma <fdpalma@uci.edu>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 5, 2023 7:59 PM  
**To:** CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
**Subject:** Complaint for Main Street Reopening

Council members,

This email is to formally present a complaint with the decision of reopening Main Street. This council has managed to erase one of the few positive things that came out from the otherwise negative experience of the pandemic related to Covid-19, and it is impressive how this has been accomplished with the justification that the street block has brought "avoidable blight, increase in transient occupation and created an increase in health and safety concerns", **without ever producing any kind of hard evidence to the community you serve to sustain such points.**

Instead of tackling some of those issues that have always plagued our community, with effective and well developed measures, you have decided to change what was the beginning of a wonderful project to modernize and revitalize our city. You could have worked on improving the new layout, instead you chose the lazy way to go back to the old ways.

I hope your future work would reflect better judgment, otherwise it seems like it will be hard for our community to prosper.

Regards,

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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Monday, March 6, 2023 11:21 AM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Main Street Vote

-----Original Message-----

From: Dillon Pratt <dillonpratt@aol.com>  
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 9:53 AM  
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
Subject: Main Street Vote

Hello,

I am writing to you today requesting that the reopening of Main Street be put to a public vote. Main Street being opened back up to traffic has upset a great deal of people, as the overwhelming majority preferred it being closed. This was better for both citizens as well as businesses. Since this affects every Huntington Beach resident, an actual vote from the people only makes sense.

Downtown is always packed with too small of sidewalks. 2nd block being closed changed the entire dynamic for the best. It encouraged waking, outdoor eating in this beautiful weather, & a much stronger community feel. Replacing that with traffic & pollution is not a solid alternative. The people want to be heard & not have others make such an important decision that affects all of us while entirely ignoring our input. We are the ones who frequent the downtown businesses & more importantly, we vote in or out our city council based on who actually listens to the people.

To be clear, I am in favor of a more permanent solution. A built up promenade would be ideal. Having some sort of flexibility to make it more accessible to cars if needed is also a viable option. Completely ignoring Huntington Beach citizens & tearing down the one good thing from Covid is not.

I look forward to hearing from you when this vote will be!

Sincerely,

Dillon Pratt

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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Monday, March 6, 2023 6:03 PM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Continue with Downtown Dreaming

**From:** Isabella Ford <issyford@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 6, 2023 1:06 PM  
**To:** CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
**Subject:** Continue with Downtown Dreaming

Please do not waste all those sessions and let's see what the consulting firm is able to design. They got a lot of input and feedback on what residents would like to see downtown. I believe they were also asked to really take into account maintenance of any redesign. Having a meal or drink without inhaling exhausts or hearing engines revving made downtown such a pleasant destination for the past two years. It was a temporary solution and I think it proved we need a more cohesive, functional and easy to maintain/keep clean design to ensure downtown flows better.

Thanks for listening

Isabella Ford  
714-308-0660

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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Monday, March 6, 2023 6:04 PM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Downtown Redesign

-----Original Message-----

From: Ann Meyers Drysdale <amd1553@gmail.com>  
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 2:35 PM  
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
Subject: Downtown Redesign

To City Council-

My understanding, is that most businesses have adapted to Main St. to the foot traffic and not having cars go up and down the street. As a resident of Huntington Beach for almost 30 yrs, it has been quite nice to see the change and relaxation of residents, patrons, and tourists to be able to walk on Main St., without the concern of loud & fast cars driving up and down the street.

As one person I am NOT in favor of reopening Main St.!

Ann Meyers Drysdale  
6621 Doral Dr.  
Huntington Beach,  
CA 92648

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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Monday, March 6, 2023 6:08 PM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Main Street

-----Original Message-----

From: CYNTHIA PRATT <cpratt6712@aol.com>  
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 5:09 PM  
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
Subject: Main Street

I am a Huntington Beach home owner and property tax payer for 34 years (since 1989). I've always loved Huntington Beach and have enjoyed seeing the growth and change throughout the years. We have ALWAYS supported the Huntington Beach businesses throughout the community. When there was a "call to arms" to help during the BLM protests, we generously contributed plywood to help board up the businesses downtown. During the pandemic, when you asked us to support Huntington Beach businesses and restaurants, we eagerly did so. They are part of our community and family. But now, we as residents have been made to feel that our vote or opinion does not matter regarding the Main Street closure and I find that very disillusioning and disappointing. We are strongly in favor of keeping Main Street CLOSED to traffic, whether it's one block or two blocks does not matter to us. But by you eliminating the beautiful, outdoor dining, atmosphere and charming quaintness would be a big mistake. Of course it needs to be upgraded and brought up to code since it was just put up temporarily but PLEASE don't destroy this wonderful ambience that is now part of downtown Main Street. Nobody needs more cars and traffic. The cars can travel up and down PCH with their loud engines and pollution. Keep downtown family, friendly, and pedestrian friendly. It has added so much more to the city.

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Pratt

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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Monday, March 6, 2023 6:09 PM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Reopening Main Street

**From:** Jennifer Sillkenson <jsilk1717@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 6, 2023 6:00 PM  
**To:** CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
**Subject:** Reopening Main Street

Dear City Council,

As a twenty plus year Huntington Beach resident who lives near downtown, frequents downtown restaurants and bars, and works with numerous businesses downtown, I am very disappointed in the reopening of Main Street. The amount of money and jobs lost is tremendous as well as the revenue and business that my company and many other companies will lose due to the lack of business with the removal of the additional outdoor dining space.

I can't tell you how many people I have spoken to that love the Main Street closure and the additional outdoor dining space.

The first week of reopening it was not very busy and as someone who enjoys sitting outside I had to listen to motorcycles rev their engines, race up and down Main Street, and smell the gas fumes.

I get it was not the most aesthetically pleasing, but I wish a plan was put in place, while still keeping Main Street closed.

As someone who works throughout the county of Orange, I work with numerous businesses in Laguna Beach and the businesses on Forest Ave (their downtown Main Street) have thrived since the closing of Forest Ave. Additionally they did a fantastic job of the outdoor dining patios for each restaurant.

I think keeping Main Street closed now with a plan in place would be the best option.

Thank you,  
Jennifer

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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:03 AM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: Main Street

-----Original Message-----

From: Mark Tonkovich <marktonko@gmail.com>  
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2023 6:57 PM  
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
Subject: Main Street

Hello,

Please just open up Main Street back to being a street, the pandemic is over. Do but spend money remodeling it as the money is better spent on infrastructure such as crumbling streets. Thank you, keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Mark and Valerie Tonkovich

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**From:** Patty Wirth <shadow5504@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 7, 2023 9:23 AM  
**To:** supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org; CITY COUNCIL  
**Subject:** Agenda #17 Main Street Development

Dear City Council,

I am a business owner on 2nd block of Main Street in downtown Huntington Beach. During the past year and half, our customers have loved to be able to get a treat and take it outside to enjoy with their family & friends on the tables in front of our store. We have such great weather all year around and people want to enjoy the outside while they are dining.

We are very sad that City Council has eliminated this experience without a new plan. We are in favor of closing 2nd block for a design that would allow for a "al fresco" style of dining like the Plaza Scheme Design. This creates a downtown that attracts locals and tourists to come and to stay longer and spend more money. I would often see my customers with bags from various retail stores in hand that decide to eat with us because they can sit down outside and enjoy their food. They also feel safer without cars going by. The parades for holidays like Christmas and 4th of July, can continue on with this Plaza Plan. The city has spent a lot of time and money with Studio Eleven, to come up with this fantastic scheme and we shouldn't lose this opportunity to beautify our downtown, that many businesses have invested in.

Before the temporary outdoor dining, customers often took their food "to go" and left downtown quickly after getting their food. I believe the outdoor dining keeps people here longer and makes us a destination rather than a quick stop in their day.

Lets' invest in to making our downtown a beautiful destination for everyone to enjoy and be proud of.  
Sincerely,

Patty Wirth, Co-Owner  
The Funnel House  
205 Main Street  
Huntington Beach, Ca 92648

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**From:** Fikes, Cathy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 7, 2023 1:48 PM  
**To:** Agenda Alerts  
**Subject:** FW: tonights meeting

**From:** Mary Ann Celinder <macelinder@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 7, 2023 1:36 PM  
**To:** CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>  
**Subject:** tonights meeting

item 12 We are strongly against the new flag ordinance being voted on tonight. The council is making a mistake, if passed, you can expect other companies to pull out of having events in a homophobic city.

item 16 follow the state law, it's going to cost us stupid money to fight construction of affordable housing.

item 17 we really like the no cars on main street and will miss the outdoor dining.

item 18 we are in favor of this item to continue to process adu permits.

**Karl and Mary Ann Celinder**  
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Huntington Beach Ca 92646

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