

Public Comments for May 12, 2021 Meeting

Read aloud into the record:

From: Diana Talley <lunataku@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 3:57 PM

To: dan wiggins <dtm@craftsmenunitedinc.com>

Cc: Eric Toews <eric@portofpt.com>; Eron Berg <Eron@portofpt.com>; Pam Petranek <Pam@portofpt.com>; Pete Hanke <phanke@portofpt.com>; Bill Putney <bill@portofpt.com>

Subject: Craftsmen United

Dear Dan,

Craftsmen United has been such a strong presence here in the port for so long, it's hard to believe you are moving. And to say I am sorry to be losing you, doesn't do this moment justice.

Such a shame another town was able to give you the stability and opportunity to plant yourself and grow. Port Townsend should have been that town. Our loss.

You were always a solid supporter of our community and did quality work. Your business brought the world to Port Townsend and helped elevate our working waterfront in ways we will benefit from, even after you leave.

Dan, thank you for everything you did while you were here. I wish you the very best.

Sincerely,

Diana Talley

Received to late to read aloud, but included here as public comment:

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

From: Eron Berg <Eron@portofpt.com>

Sent: Wednesday, May 12, 2021 1:24 PM

To: Pete Hanke <phanke@portofpt.com>; Bill Putney <bill@portofpt.com>; Pam Petranek <Pam@portofpt.com>

Cc: Karen Erickson <karen@portofpt.com>; Abigail Berg <abigail@portofpt.com>

Subject: FW: Landfall parking site

On 5/12/21, 12:15 PM, "Lois Venarchick" <pirranhawoman711@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi, after having just repeat the article on the potential placing of a maritime classroom at the former site of the Landfall restaurant and now a paid parking site; I need to raise a couple of objections.

One, the Leader states that you say the parking lot has not been a significant source of revenue. As someone who has worked downtown for most of the last 40 years, that parking lot went under utilized because no one, let alone visitors knew it was there. Where were directional signs? Ads? Information in publications or on the visitor site to PT or the Mainstreet web site? I published it on the PT merchant's page on FB and all the comments were of the fact no one knew of its location.

Secondly, we spent 2020 in a pandemic without open downtown businesses and restaurants, no in person classes or workshops so of course, any paid parking lot downtown is going to be under utilized. We are still in a pandemic that affects business. Visitors are not arriving like a normal summer. The parking demand is slightly less.

Where do you expect students and instructors to park?

Using the Landfall space for a classroom building MUST include parking. Build a single layer garage under the building. Please do not contribute to the boondoggle that is parking downtown.

It used to be, and I do need to check on this, that there are 500 parking spaces in the downtown core and in a good, normal, no pandemic or pandemic recovery year; 800 various employees. Do the math.

Please include parking in any new building that is built in conjunction with the Maritime Center.

Thank you,

Lois Venarchick

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Sent from my iPhone