

## **PARKING**

The parking situation discourages people from coming and spending money. People circle then they leave, especially in the evenings. We need some spots that are timed in the evenings.

I really dislike the parking lot under 580. It is under used and therefore not great. If the rates are too pricey then rates should be lowered so it is at full capacity every day! What a waste of space when it's usually 1/2 empty or more. I want commuters to fill it up and take casual carpool or the bus while having a place to park there. More often than not I have found the parking machines are broken or the software is malfunctioning

Very concerned about all the increased housing as well as existing housing becoming more densely populated, while there very little to no increased parking. This has made my neighborhood so difficult to park in at certain a times.

Create more parking since the area is getting so crowded. Eliminate parking costs - it is a deterrent to shopping and restaurants.

We have too many people who drive around looking for parking, but your solutions are going to essentially eliminate parking? How is this progress? We cannot pretend we live in place with a robust mass transit system, we do not have an efficient, mass transit system. We should not be burdening the community ever more.

Grand lake desperately needs additional public parking to accommodate the new businesses and people moving to the area.

Have lived in area for 20 years. Parking has gotten much worst during the week as people park on side streets and take casual carpool into city. In addition, more busy on Grand/Lakeshore (good thing), but again, not as much parking. Residents have a harder time parking; would strongly support Area Parking stickers (2-4 hours) in area around Grand/Lakeshore.

## **BIKING**

Adding green bike paths to lakeshore like grand Ave. would be very helpful. Riding on lakeshore is hazardous.

Get bicyclists to follow rules of the road.

People will bike if you make it safe! Please install 100% traffic barriers between cars and bikes. Concrete, cones, parked cars. Look at Chicago and NYC and parts of SF.

Angle parking is very unsafe for cyclists

We need dedicated bike lanes (with barriers). More bike lanes and bike racks.

I love Love our Lake Day, when traffic is closed around Lake Merritt. I spend most of the day riding around with the kids (who are too young to stay within the bike lanes on normal traffic days) I would support that event being held monthly on a Sunday, like Golden Gate park traffic closures.

Let's get the bicycles under control. They do not follow the rules of the road. I can count on one hand the number of times someone on a bicycle has followed the rules of the road in the past year and still have fingers and a thumb free. If people drove their cars like people ride their bikes around here, there would be a ton of accidents and deaths. Being "green" does not exempt bicycles from the rules

of the road. As for the post office, people PARK in front of the boxes because they cannot find parking!!!!

I access local businesses exclusively by walking and biking. I encourage local businesses to embrace these modes and not exclusively think about parking.

I also support efforts to make all streets including side streets safer for bikes.

## **PARKLETS**

My husband has a metal design and fabrication business and a contractor's license and would LOVE to be involved in any of the construction plans you may have! He has done work for Signature Properties and other large Bay Area developers. He would also love to design/construct parklets. Parklets are a visual distraction, cluttered, remove parking, and are not pleasant as a user to sit in with traffic whizzing by 3' from you. It is taking public space from the public and giving it to a local business guy who is not paying 2 dollars a square foot a month for it. I've seen most parklet spaces dirty, I think because users spill food/drink on sidewalks, and nobody cleans it up daily.

Let me use this space to say a big fat NO to parklets. As the web page says, they are for underutilized parking spots - there is no such thing in this part of Oakland. I am mildly disabled and I need parking!

I just wanted to mention I strongly support the parklets. The addition of places to eat outside plus the opportunity to add more greenery would greatly benefit Grand.

I strongly oppose removing parking to build parklets

Here's what I notice about Parklets: They just become filled with sketchy people and their trash--you can never ever safely or comfortably enjoy the space.

**NO parklets! Parking is HARD ENOUGH.**

The parklets are also a horrible idea. Instead of people coming into the neighborhood, doing their shopping and LEAVING, they are being encouraged to come in and STAY. Where are their cars while they are hanging out? Left on the side streets. The same is true for the workers at the new retail spaces, or people coming to visit friends at the hive. The trouble is, the side streets are also small and are filled with residences. If transient cars are left in the neighborhoods, where are the people who LIVE there supposed to put their cars? In some OTHER neighborhood.