

SOUTH PENINSULA SUBCOUNCIL (19)

## **QUESTIONS TABLED FROM THE FLOOR:**

At Subcouncil meetings, organizations and the general public are welcome to raise a <u>maximum of 2 issues</u> affecting the South Peninsula Subcouncil area of jurisdiction.

You will be given the opportunity to address the Subcouncil for a maximum of three (3) minutes per issue.

Please hand in the completed form to the secretariat  $\pm$  7 days before the meeting.

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## **ISSUE / TOPIC**

City officials may feel that we are intruding in their business, but we must point out that it is our rates and tariffs that pay their salaries. City officials are merely custodians of our assets. The City has a valuable asset on our beach edge, currently called The Galley / Bistro at Erf 10699.

We have asked our members and followers what would be the best suited community use of this property. We'd appreciate if the following can be incorporated in the qualitative portion for assessment by the respective tender evaluation committee. Obviously, relevant questions must be asked in the tender so that these points can be evaluated.

When we asked what a restaurant on this site should provide, they agreed that food prices should be affordable, not fine dining (but better quality than now), by offering best value, a better service and be clean. If possible, a mixed grade dining. We think this latter point is achievable via multiple local entrepreneurial boutique restaurants on this site, by splitting the existing space into at least three spaces for separate tender awards as it is roughly split now into take-aways, Bistro (casual dining) and

The Galley (for finer dining). Three leases will mitigate the risk of one tender respondee cancelling the awarded contract (supplier). Any single vendor may not operate more than one space. This tender should NOT be awarded to any franchise food such as McDonald's, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Vida, Primi Piatti, Bhandari's, Napoli nor Papa Jo's. Alternatively, a management board could be appointed to oversee the shops and collect the rent.

Many would like the Friday night dances to continue.

However, the Khoi straw huts must be removed as they block the view of parents watching over their children in the playground area and the occupants' view of their vehicles. Also, the museum at the end of the restaurant must be removed.

The tender should include maintaining the beach facing clock, beach camera, the building, ablutions (open from 07:00 to 19:00) and a clean bin area by all lease holders. If the City (landlord) were to maintain these items, there would be delays even if there was a budget provision and valid tender in place. Rather the lessee pay slightly less lease tariff as insurance that these items will be covered and monitored as part of the City's property management responsibilities.

The tenants should support local charities.

The City should provide lockers for safe keeping of car keys, luggage for our international visitors.

Five beach huts (and kiosks) should be re-built in the gravel parking area for vendors with electricity and waste removal facilities (coffee shops with pastries, pizza shop, small artisan bakery, health café, take-away shops, taco bar, sushi bar, fish & chips, real cream ice-cream, burger and milkshake, yoga / ballet & dance lessons studio, market stalls for crafts, curios, shell shop, beach related articles, souvenirs and related accessories and rental of loungers and beach umbrellas.

There is some debate about whether the property should be upgraded with a second-storey restaurant or even just raised decking. Then, underneath can be converted to multiple shops as described above with shared outside seating.

Once-a-week, non-competitive with each other food trucks should be allowed to compete with the fixed restaurants, say two or three max in the car park.

Beach hawking should still not be allowed.

The bus parking area needs to be sorted for efficient disembarking, turning around and parking in the gravel parking area. This top (nearest the restaurant) parking area should be reserved for annual ticket holders (if the entrance fee remains).

Entrance to the parking area should be free for all as it is for most beaches in Cape Town, instead of causing traffic congestion. Patrons feel that they are paying twice, entrance to the parking area and to the informal car guards with the later being aggressive. At least one car was stolen here last year. There have also been reports of items stolen from vehicles – so, no car guards are better than the pretence of them actually guarding our vehicles. At the very least, please provide identifiable bids so that offenders can be reported and the unofficial ones ignored. The area needs more rubbish bins. The existing bin area often reeks as well as being messy at times.

Move the Law Enforcer (LE) officers somewhere else. Having them there sitting in their office chairs gives one little hope that they'll actually perform their tasks of patrolling, such as along Jager's Walk (vs incidents by intimidating street people) or the parking lot (see stolen x 2 above). If LE has to remain, please install much larger windows so that they can see perpetrators and be seen lounging about.

Alcohol consumption needs to be policed so that patrons stay within the lease area and patrons should not be allowed to sit on the facing low wall next to the beach.

We'd like to see disabled parking moved to the front line of parking nearest the beach. If they can't disembark, at least they can see the sea. Ramps need to be provided onto the promenade. We need disability accessible toilets. The ramp onto the beach needs to be tapered more (less incline) with better railing at different heights.

We'd also like Dolphin Park to be considered for leasing to a restaurant. If the bequeath had a visible restriction for seeing our bay from Simon's Town Road, then the building height can be below eye line from that road and against the Bru-na-mara flats. We'd still like the viaduct open to the sea.

If the City's stormwater system cannot be kept clear of sewage, then the culverts must be converted to far offshore pipes.

A bike or skate park beyond the gravel parking lot would be welcomed.

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If the railway line between Fish Hoek and Simon's Town was closed, as intimated, some railway cars could be converted to restaurants.

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