

City Planning Commission  
Sacramento, California

Members in Session:

Subject: Special Permit for 617 Main Avenue (P84-072)

The applicant requests that this item be continued to the April 12, 1984  
Commission meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

*Suzanne Glimstad*

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CITY OF SACRAMENTO  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

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Re: P84-078

We oppose construction of this new parking area by Raley's because it encourages the increasing commercialization of this residential area and is unnecessary to solve the alleged parking problems of the proponent. There are already two approved parking areas on the northwest corner of Freepart and Wentworth for bank parking, one of them under construction and one in use. These will cause increased traffic and noise, but are arguably necessary for the two banks. However, Raley's has a huge front parking area and more importantly, a huge back lot now used for truck unloading, storage, etc.

Raley's claims that they need more employee parking and that the huge back area is inappropriate because of security problems. We are aware that recently an employee was shot in the foot - however, Raley's informed us that the woman was shot by her boyfriend during a quarrel, and it was not a question of thieves lurking in a dark lot to waylay employees. The area



in question is very well lit, and Raley's can and should hire a security guard to alleviate security concerns. There is no question that there is enough space for parking if the back area is utilized. Under the circumstances, a solution therefore exists which will assure the availability of ample parking without undermining the current zoning for the proposed project's parcel and without alienating Raley's neighbors and needlessly commercializing a residential area.

We are aware that currently employees from the banks, Raley's, & other commercial establishments are parking on the streets, which is annoying to us and other residents. We are also aware that it is the responsibility of these establishments to consider employee parking and believe most of them have. We therefore propose that parking on Wentworth Avenue be restricted during daytime hours to permit holders. We also propose that the city respect its zoning designations, especially when alternatives exist. The erosion of residential zoning is already underway in this area and we strongly urge that it be halted. Raley's does not need this no-space parking area, and its cumulative effect on the air quality, noise, & aesthetics of this neighborhood does not warrant its construction. The Special Permit should be denied.

Finally, we request that copies of this letter be distributed to Commission members & entered into the record, as we will be in Costa Rica on March 22 and unable to appear. Sincerely,  
Lyle Klinsk

