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Subject: Dogs should be allowed on beach

Please use these as comments towards a city council meeting.

Why dogs should be allowed on Captiola beach

This ordinance is very selective, casting it in a bias light, on some days officers will decide to cite people, and some days completely ignore the ordinance, what is the point other then to generate mass revenue by taking advantage of locals who have been bringing their dogs to this beach for years?

Some arguments that people have made opposing me are that the beach is to small, not allowing proper sanitation to occur, washing off dog poop and urine etc, but if you are so set on enforcing an ordinance concerning dogs, ticket people for not carrying a dog poop bag on the beach, and the UV light almost instantly sanitizes urine left behind on the beach if beach water or evaporation doesn't happen first.

Dog poop bags and designated poop trashes should be placed at each entrance of capitola beach.

If having dogs on the beach is a problem because of large amounts of people on the beach. It is my suggestion to figure out certain times of the day where dogs can access the beach. Ex: summer hours 5pm-10pm

All other months

7am-11am and 3:00 pm - 10pm

These are times when mass people are not usually on the beach and the summer hours are set so that dogs are not allowed during JR guards. Everyone's opinions should be valued and respected, thus creating an inclusive environment for all.

The "No dog ordinance" doesn't respect everyone's opinion, it only favors people who believe dogs shouldn't be on the beach.