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To: City Council
Subject: Public Comment for 7/25/24 Line Item #9 section C Dogs at City Parks and Capitola Beaches

As someone who used to have 201 reasons not to get a dog! We actually got a family dog 3 years ago. The joy, connection, adventures she brings us, and pretty much everyone that meets her is amazing.

A lot of dogs need room to run and get their wiggles out. I am in favor and believe having some established hours can help people co-exist in our parks and beaches.

The amount of dogs in the neighborhood has grown exponentially. And we need to adjust to that.

You the City have has "Implied contract" by at one point placing Doggy waste bags in Cortez Park.

And you have installed a Doggy Drinking fountain. That is implied consent as well.

By establishing hours for parks and the beach, and rules to be mindful of other people and allow Well behaved dogs to be able to play and run. that benefits the whole community.

There are times of days that the beach is empty, and "allowed" on leash or off leash out of site use.

I live at 838 Monterey Ave, Capitola, CA 95010 where there is a Stop Sign on Monterey and Kennedy.

999 out of 1000 vehicles do not stop every night between 4pm - 8pm. Everynight. We have laws that are not enforced, but offices harass and ticket people for having dogs off-leash in Monterey Park.

With this great dog community, there is a lot of people helping out, watching out, and policing ourselves to be good neighbors and good dog owners. Help to clean up after others. Even on-leash dogs do their business, and bad owners are rare but are there.

Lets establish some morning and evening hours. Maybe to the Right side of Capitola Wharf as well as a Safe space.

Thank you
Kevin Maguire