

Good evening councilpersons. I'm still Keith Shillington. I still live on Leucadia Scenic Court on the very north edge of our fair city. I still own and operate that little cyber Café at the corner of Second and E Streets downtown.

Thank you for this opportunity to address you.

Gasoline is retailing right around \$4.50 a gallon today. Even a miraculous discovery of an easily tapped reservoir of fossil fuel today won't bring that back down; and we're pretty certain that's not coming anyway.

What's easier to predict is that more people will be selecting alternative transportation; rendering the following statement in the general plan suspect:

Alternative Modes of Transit – Goals and policies included in the Circulation Element assume that the private automobile will continue to be the dominant form of transportation in the Planning Area for the time frame covered under this General Plan.

More people on bicycles, scooters, motorcycles, mini-cars. One only need look in the densely populated areas of the rest of the world to see our eventual future. We can ignore the ugly specter of water as we've done for over 30 years for a little while longer. Right now I'm talking about a new kind of congestion; cycle jams.

I have some issues with the current batch of Cyclists. Running red lights. On the wrong side of the road. In the pedestrian walkway. And I do mean in the plural. Some sort of action/program needs to launch to make motorists and cyclists more aware and respectful of each other. It's a tough world out there, and we all really need to get along.

Parking. Downtown has just less than adequate parking for automobiles. Bicycle, scooter and motorcycle parking is all but ignored. A few minutes of research using images.google.com turns up a broad spectrum of technological to artful solutions to supplying bike parking in an urban environment.

I find Figure 7 on page C-33 of the General Plan to be woefully inadequate, as there is no designation within the specified bikeway map as to which are planned as Class I Paths, Class II Lanes and Class III Routes. It seems to me that very little has been done since incorporation to move forward on this part of the plan.

Please, City Council of Encinitas:

- ✓ Reconsider the natures of coming alternative transportation in our General Plan
- ✓ Launch a process to accommodate the coming shift in vehicle load.
- ✓ Revise the General Plan at C-30 to correctly reflect the existence of the Coaster.
- ✓ Revise Figure 7 “Bikeway Facilities” and the associated verbiage to have a more definite and future focused view of this aspect of our fine city.
- ✓ Think deep.

Thank you for your time and attention.