## DRAFT LETTER

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Downtown San Pedro is the heart and soul of our community. Over time it has lost much of its retail business and is being re-imagined as an Arts and Entertainment Center. - < on Innovation District

As part of the revitalization of downtown, the xxx Neighborhood Council supports the following and would like your support to bring these to fruition:

- • Construct an "arch entryway" at 6<sup>th</sup> and Harbor to encourage people to walk up 6<sup>th</sup> Street as is currently being proposed by the Business Improvement District. The arch should communicate the arts & entertainment focus. -TBD

Make 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> one-way streets from Pacific Ave. to Harbor Blvd..

Add diagonal parking on 7<sup>th</sup> Street between Pacific and Harbor Blvd allowing for about 50 additional parking spaces.

- Create a "sidewalk dining zone" on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, Mesa and Centre Streets between Pacific and Centre that allows for creation of bulbouts and/or construction of wooden platforms to widen the sidewalk in front of participating restaurants and the development of design standards for such construction.
- Place retractable or non-fixed bollards across the east side of Pacific at 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets and at the corners of Mesa and Centre to allow for the closure of the 300 and 400 blocks of 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> to through traffic while allowing cross traffic on Mesa and Centre. This would facilitate closure for the Farmer's Market and community events
- Encourage murals throughout the community that reflect the rich history and culture of San
- Create a public walkway by greening the alley between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> from Centre to Pacific Jon + Sof + this
- Paint iconic crosswalks in the downtown core.

To help facilitate this vision we request that the Council Office:

- ✓ Introduce a motion and actively advocate for passage of an ordinance that would create a sidewalk dining zone pilot program in San Pedro
- Encourage the inclusion of the necessary traffic study for making 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets one-way as part of the required traffic study for the development of the Courthouse property
- Seek potential funding sources for the above enhancements, including possible use of the remaining CRA funds. Meet with the BID, Chamber, and Neighborhood Councils to prioritize the use of the funds.
- Advocate with DOT for the one-way streets, diagonal parking, iconic crosswalks, and placement of bollards
- Work with Cultural Affairs and the San Pedro Waterfront Arts District to secure additional murals

Please let us know how we can assist in furthering the development of these elements.