Northeast Neighbors

Douglas Park ducks

2024

Working Together for a Better Community

Welcome to Northeast Neighbors!

Connect with your neighbors and friends across the city by joining our non-profit neighborhood association. We are dedicated to helping improve the quality of life in the community. We keep you informed with meaningful local news and hold Zoom meetings on the first Monday evening of each month, engaging in spirited conversations with elected officials, City staff, local leaders and activists. Check out videos of past meetings at our website. Conversation and engagement is encouraged.

In this election year we look forward to getting to know the City Council candidates.

Join us and learn what's really going on in Santa Monica.

To become a member or renew your membership either mail a check with the form below or join with a credit card by PayPal at our website: www.neneighbors.org

Northeast Neighbors 2024 Membership form

| Name(s) | Membership: |
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| Address | \$25 Regular household dues |
| Phone | \$50 Friend |
| Email | \$100 Sponsor |
| What are your greatest concerns? | Additional Contribution |
| What do you think should be the top priority for City Council? | (Please check): |
| | New Renewal |
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| | "Northeast Neighbors" |
| | and mail to: Northeast Neighbors |
| | 902 - 23rd Street |
| | Santa Monica, CA 90403 |
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It's time to Close the Loophole in Permit Parking

Massive new developments are coming to our city and hundreds of new apartments are in construction that will offer "unbundled" parking, threatening to jam neighborhood streets throughout Santa Monica.

Dense mixed-use housing developments on the boulevards will offer residents the opportunity to "unbundle" the cost of parking spaces available in their buildings from the cost of the rents. The stated goal of unbundling is to encourage people to use transit. But there is a loophole in this system that must be closed for it to work: If the residents of these new buildings on the boulevards who have cars are allowed to purchase Preferential Parking permits from the City, they are likely to forgo paying for the more expensive on-site parking in the building where they live, choosing instead to purchase less expensive parking permits from the City to park on nearby streets, further reducing residential parking.

Many neighborhoods are already over-parked. As more mixed-use projects are built on the boulevards, the pressures of residential unbundled parking policies will become untenable.

The State allows for unbundling, but the City can and should close the loophole in unbundled parking.

The Board of Northeast Neighbors has asked the City Council to direct City staff to close this loophole to preserve the peace in our neighborhoods. We have asked the Council to direct that the City's Parking Permit Office not approve permit parking applications for addresses on the boulevards. We have also asked the Council to be sure that future residents of housing on the boulevards are made aware in all rental agreements that if they choose to unbundle parking and not pay for parking in their buildings, they will not be eligible for permits to park in the neighborhoods.

This is one example of the work Northeast Neighbors does to advocate for our community. Join us!



Designing a new Douglas Park Playground

Will there be slides? Climbers? swings? Sand pits? What age group will it be for? Engage in the City process with us. Join our new Friends of Douglas Park committee!

Northeast Neighbors boundaries

