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Please include this as public comment and a written communication concerning Item #5 on the March 5th agenda, "Creation of Parking Permit Programs for Restricted Parking Zones, and to Create an Exception to the Safe Parking Ordinance". When considering new Ordinances, the Council should look beyond the immediate need to see any potential problems the proposed "solution" will cause.

There are some issues with this proposal that you should consider:

- If adopted it appears that this Ordinance is simply moving the problem on Aviation Drive and Cordoba Avenue to another location. It is not a solution, but a band aid.
- The staff report states that "the ordinance adds an exemption to the Safe Parking Ordinance – Chapter 10.30 of the LMC", however when I check the online version of Chapter 10.30 I can't find a "Safe Parking Ordinance".
- Further, how many "safe parking" spaces would the City have to provide in order to comply the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals decision in the Martin v. City of Boise case? The decision "limits the ability of government agencies to issue citations for sleeping on public property when there are no shelters or other similar locations available for sleeping."

Lastly and perhaps most importantly, how much will it cost to operate and manage the Safe Parking program and how will you pay for it? As you know the current predicted revenue stream for the next 2-year budget cycle may result in the loss of critical public safety and other services, therefore it would be irresponsible to ADD additional costs for new programs, especially an ill-defined program like an overnight homeless vehicle campground.

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