

## Written Testimony - Agenda Item 747

Agenda Item	Name	Position	Comments	Attachment	Created
747	Zach L	Oppose	I would implore the council to stop spending money propping up our insolvent fossil fuel infrastructure and instead follow the Pricing and Equitable Mobility (POEM) task force's recommendations and reinvest parking revenue in what the final report terms "complimentary equitable mobility strategies" rather than doubling down on auto infrastructure. Alternative uses for these funds include safe routes to schools, our various "in motion" plans such as Central City in Motion, the rose lane project, and expanding the Biketown system by way of new stations and more bicycles.	No	09/05/23 8:59 PM
747	Robert Galanakis	Oppose	This contract for \$2m/year would be 15% of the entire parking garage revenue (about \$14m/year, according to PBOT documents). For this to pay off for PBOT, this would need to increase driving and parking in downtown garages by perhaps 30% per year. This is not only unrealistic, but works directly against our city's goals in reducing carbon emissions and improving land use/housing and traffic safety. Instead, PBOT should pursue this as a pilot- beef up security in one or both working garages for 6 to 12 months, define what the success criteria is, and see if it works. Paying a non-local private security firm \$6 for three years of an untested idea, when PBOT is so strapped for funds, and in debt due to structural problems caused by cars, seems practically corrupt.	No	09/05/23 9:56 PM
747	Ben Rosen	Oppose	Absolutely ridiculous to spend money on security for mostly empty parking garages. To what end? Honestly. If no one is using the garages, tear them down! Build something else! Cars aren't coming back to downtown and you shouldn't be throwing good money after bad to encourage them. If you want *people* to come back to downtown, build something attractive that people like. Garages are not it. Parking is a blight on the city, and spending money in a desperate attempt to maintain it is absurd.	No	09/06/23 10:22 AM

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747-3	Tony	Jordan
747-4	David	Stein
747-5	Sarah	Risser
747-6	Nicholas	Flowers
747-7	Aaron	Kuehn
747-8	Estelle	Morley
747-9	Matt	Zajack
747-10	Marc	Poris