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| **From:** | Jim Langley |
| **To:** | City Council; CACH |
| **Subject:** | Please, no moratorium on towing vehicles..... |
| **Date:** | Tuesday, January 28, 2020 3:51:47 PM |

Dear City Council and CACH,

Per Deborah Elston's recommendation in today's Santa Cruz Neighbors email (below), I am writing to ask that you do not stop towing vehicles with expired registrations and/or with 5 or more parking tickets.

Parking tickets are the result of parking illegally. Multiple tickets come from repeated illegal parking. And, cars with expired registrations shouldn't be driven, so there's a chance the driver broke the law getting to the parking spot - and will definitely break it if they drive the unregistered car around town.

Sometimes there are scary reasons vehicles aren't registered, such as mechanical issues with potential environmental or safety impacts - look at many of the decrepit RVs in town, for examples of environmental impacts.

Everyone living here has to pay parking tickets and has to keep their vehicles registered. Everyone should obey parking signs. So why would it be acceptable to let anyone for any reason break these laws - and do it again and again?

I don't think it should be - those who choose to break laws should have to pay the consequences. Keep in mind, too, that there are plenty of places to park for free. So it's not like there aren't already options to behave legally.

Please do not stop towing illegal parkers and unregistered vehicles - and the faster, the better. Because when one vehicle is breaking parking laws others copy them confident that they can get away with it, too.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment,
Jim Langley
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---------- Original Message ----------
From: Deborah Elston <elston13@earthlink.net>
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Date: January 28, 2020 at 2:32 PM
Subject: CACH Will discussing a Moratorium on towing vehicles.....

Neighborhood concern

Feb. 4, 2020, 6:00 - 8:30 pm, Tony Hill Room, Civic Auditorium
http://www.cityofsantacruz.com/government/city-council-subcommittees/community-

advisory-committee-on-homelessness-cach

Just notified on CACH meeting topic
The CACH (Community Advisory Committee on Homelessness) is discussing a moratorium on towing vehicles with expired registrations, and not towing cars with 5 or more parking tickets. Please let the CACH and Council know your thoughts. Tickets that are written and expired registration are State vehicle code laws.

There is a Safe Spaces Program run by the Associated Faith based Community AFC. This is a program specifically for people who are homeless and living in vehicles on our streets. https://www.afcsantacruz.org/safespaces-program.html

If you cannot attend the meeting you can email them at
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