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Please pass an ordinance to prohibit all motorized vehicles and pedicabs on Port property. Pedestrians need a safe place to walk.

Thank you.

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Subject: We are writing to support the Port District staff's recommendations of the (SDUPD) Code Section 8.07 –

Regulation of Motorized

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Dear Port Staff & Commissioners,

We are writing to support the Port District staff's recommendations to amend Section of the San Diego Unified Port District (SDUPD) Code Section 8.07 – Regulation of Motorized Mobility Devices and Pedicabs on District Tidelands on May 9th. You (the Port) have requested comment submissions be made by today, May 8th.

It is imperative to strictly adhere to **Code Section 8.07**, which unequivocally prohibits all types of vehicles, including motorized and non-motorized ones, pedicabs and bikes, from utilizing pedestrian walkways and sidewalks in designated areas like Embarcadero Park, Seaport Village, Promenade, nature trails, piers, etc.

Please note that this rule has only two exceptions, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). These exceptions apply solely to individuals with mobility disabilities, as represented by the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division at the following link: https://www.ada.gov/resources/opdmds/, and Segway Tour Operators, who must possess a City Permit.

As 24 year downtown residents we walk the Embarcadero and Seaport Village almost nightly. It has become a nightmare to walk throughout these areas due to the lack of consideration shown by the Pedicab drivers towards pedestrians. It's unacceptable that they are now using electric bikes, which pose a severe threat to the safety of pedestrians. It's crucial to remember that these pathways were created for pedestrians and not for pedicabs, let alone motorized bikes and pedicabs. We need to take immediate action to ensure the safety of pedestrians and enforce the proper use of these pathways.

The presence of these pedicabs and motorized vehicles, coupled with the behavior of their operators, are likely to intimidate, frighten and dissuade San Diego residents and visitors to San Diego from using the pedestrian walkways. If accidents or injuries occur, the city of San Diego, Port, or Seaport Village will likely be held accountable for any harm caused to individuals or property. This would significantly damage the reputation of our beautiful city. The Seaport Village area was previously a peaceful and pleasant place to walk through before the Pedicabs and eBIKES came along.

I have included some photos to illustrate some of the situations. One shows a pedicab driver who got out of his pedicab to insult and yell in a manner intended to intimidate us for taking photos of his pedicab barreling down the Seaport walkway. The other

images show some of the pedicab sponsors.

Please let us know if we can further help in the effort to eradicate this dangerous practice of allowing bikes, pedicabs, and motorized vehicles on pedestrian walkways.

We have learned that the following individuals may have some jurisdiction over the Seaport infringements:

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Thank you for ANY help eliminating these dangerous bikes, pedicabs, and motorized vehicles!

Sincerely, C.H. Fitzgerald **PrivacyEnjoyed@Gmail.com**











