

From: [Russell Burns](#)
To: [BoardComment](#)
Subject: Off Leash Ordinance
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022 3:16:19 PM

Hi CCSD Board!


I'm on the board of directors for FFRP. I'm writing to you in support of completely restricting all off leash activity.

We have a duty to protect our visitors and wildlife so that everyone can enjoy the ranch. As my wife and I await our child, knowing that people who abuse the current county policy will face fines and potential prosecution in court makes me feel safer.

On a side note, we used to have burrowing owls on the ranch. I've seen dogs roaming their habitat and digging. Closing a loophole and enforcing the ordinance will go a long way to keeping our visitors and the wildlife that they come to enjoy safe and secure. I'm a dog owner, they don't have to be off leash to be happy. Please help deep dogs on their leashes and keep our citizens and biodiversity safe.

Rusty

--

Russell Burns
Software Engineering Manager


From: [Karen Chrisman](#)
To: [BoardComment](#)
Subject: Leash ordinance
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022 11:57:13 AM

To the Board of Directors:

As a long-time Cambria resident and frequent visitor to the Fiscalini Ranch Preserve, I want to express my support for the new leash ordinance. Off-leash dogs threaten other dogs, wildlife, and even people. The Ranch should be safe for everyone, and the new ordinance helps to accomplish that.

Thanks to you all for your service to our town.
- Karen Chrisman

Sent from my iPad

CCSD Board Members
Donn Howell, Karen Dean, Cindy Steidel, Harry Farmer, Tom Gray
1316 Tamsen Street
Suite 201,
Cambria, Ca

October 10, 2022

Re: Letter regarding the suggested Easement as a condition for Pocket Park Sale,
2284 Center Street. Public Comment, Meeting, Thursday October 13, 1 pm on zoom.

Board Members,

The Cambria Historical Society is writing this letter to clearly re-state our position regarding our consideration to purchase the property at 2284 Center Street aka: the Pocket Park. We are not interested in purchasing the pocket park if it is going to be subject to a newly proposed easement.

I have meet with Kermit Johansson regarding the intentions of the Cambria Historical Society, and our proposed project at the pocket park location. He presented a proposed plan that the Cambria Trail Alliance is working on, including the creation of a bridge over Santa Rosa Creek, giving the public access to a planned trail to tin city. Bridge access shown on the plan presented was the Center Street Pocket Park location.

Mr. Johansson was unfamiliar with the encumbrances on the property and the current conditions under the flood plane designation much less the properties condition before and after the 1969 flood. He had not as of that date, put project questions to SLO County Planning Department, California Fish and Game Agency and others, to clearly see the scope of such a plan.

According to brief conversations, County Planning is understaffed and over loaded and just filing the documents to consider an easement to be placed on any property is years in the completion, and approval of such a plan could be a 10 to 15 year process.

CHS was given information that Kermit Johansson made a motion at the PROS Commission meeting for a recommendation that the Cambria Historical Society would be financially responsible for putting in the Bridge and the paths being considered in the development plan of the Cambria Trail Alliance, to the pocket park property. We were not party to this conversation and are not at all interested.

Our proposed project includes moving the old jail from the Pinedorado grounds to its original historical location, which is the Pocket Park on Center Street. This property is part of the original Historic District plan created by the Pros Commission for Cambria, a project that has been supported and implemented by CHS for years. We will be replacing the fences and adding interpretative materials to the park, telling the history of this section of our community. The seating will remain and serve not only visitors but the merchants and locals we see there daily. We are part of a neighborhood on Center Street with Jim Evans, Forrest Warren, postal workers, A.T.&T. and the main street businesses. We have spent years communicating with the CCSD agency about this project and our intention's for its use. Our contact with Officer Henry and our Sheriffs Department concerning the homeless population and safety for park visitors has been in tact for years as well. Our offer stands as stated.
Our best wishes to the Cambria Trail Alliance.

Sincerely,
Melody Coe
President
Cambria Historical Society

From: [Ellie Etter](#)
To: [BoardComment](#)
Subject: FFRP leash law
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022 1:00:57 PM

As a frequent walker on the Ranch, I support the new leash law for all dogs proposal.

Eleanor Etter
516 Canterbury Lanew

From: [MARK and CATHY LARSEN](#)
To: [BoardComment](#)
Subject: Dogs on Leash
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022 1:27:36 PM

I understand that statements by members of the public may be considered in connection with a new proposed ordinance in Cambria to require dogs to be on leash. This proposal should receive the unanimous support of the board. Dogs far too often are given priority over humans by their masters. I have no objection to that, except when the prioritization endangers human safety and well-being. That clearly is the case with dogs off leash. While some masters and dogs may behave appropriately when out and about, the fact is that far too many do not. When confronted, many off leash owners claim there is no prohibition or that, if one exists, they either are not bound by it or have decided that they will violate the ordinance anyway. This clearly needs to come to an end. One method for attending to this issue is to enact a local ordinance and enforcement mechanism tailored to Cambria's unique needs.

Perhaps it is a temptation to just paper over this issue and do nothing more. But, you were elected to provide leadership regarding the safety and well-being of this community, and it is leadership that is expected. Step up. Do the right thing. Protect Cambria.

Mark Larsen

From: [Mary C. Maher](#)
To: [BoardComment](#)
Subject: Dog Leash Ordinance
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022 2:02:27 PM

Dear CCSD board,

I support the proposed ordinance regarding dogs on a leash on the Fiscalini Ranch Preserve. We need to protect the safety of people as well as wildlife. This is a common sense measure that will allow all community members to feel safe on the ranch.

Mary Maher

From: [Linda](#)
To: [BoardComment](#)
Subject: We oppose the dog leash proposal
Date: Saturday, October 8, 2022 3:41:07 PM

There are so few places to let a dog off leash. I have walked that back road for years and my dog and many others love it and I have never ever had a problem.

It is understood that on the boardwalk the dog will be on leash but that flat straight road and on the trails dogs meet and greet each other and have an opportunity for a good run or chasing a ball.

If someone has an aggressive dog and there is a problem, allow for citation but otherwise keep it open.

What are the number of instances of problems?

Some dogs successfully play in the dog park. Mine never has.

Very very disappointing that this may be in the works.

Linda and Bill Payne

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [Joyce Renshaw](#)
To: [BoardComment](#)
Subject: Dog leash ordinance
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022 1:36:51 PM

I fully support the new dog leash ordinance that CCSD has prepared. It is important for the safety on the Ranch, of animals and people alike.

Joyce Renshaw

Sent from my iPad