

## Letter to the editor

### Guide service is causing problems

I am a 77-year-old owner of a riverfront townhouse. Neighboring properties are owned by nonresidents, members of the same family.

When they come to stay, the neighborhood turns into a campground with large boats, RVs, and vehicles crammed into restricted parking areas.

As property owners, these people have rights – just as we, the residents do. However, the attitudes of those who don't respect this area as their home convert the entire street into a campground.

One of the property owners is conducting a fishing guide service business out of the residence. He stays here temporarily during the sport-fishing season. With him comes a large, 30-foot fishing boat with billboard-style advertising covering the surfaces.

He parks the boat for several days at a time on the streets outside our homes. At times, his fishing customers are staying in other properties that his relatives own in the neighborhood. They're loud, they have several trucks and cars that they park here while they're out fishing with "Capt. Gordy."

It's beyond description how our entire street is impacted. These properties (three of them) are owned by people from outside our community, and they do have property-owner rights.

But they don't seem to be held accountable for having to follow code rules. I visited the city to express my concern over these violations.

It is against city code to operate a business in a residential neighborhood. The answer given to me was that the owner of the guide service

denied the violations, even saying he wasn't parking his boat on the streets here. He denied having people rent his family's property while fishing. He denied operating his business from the townhouse in our neighborhood.

That's all it takes. The city said – "Okay! Here's your business license!" Along with his license to operate his business against city code, his 30-foot boat remains parked on the streets of our neighborhood. The city of Warrenton has granted implied permission to violate rules that are inconvenient for him and his family. Also implied are the added rights that don't exist in any city code – the rights to be "preferred" in issues like this.

The city has claimed to have "investigated," yet they wouldn't even look at proof that I and another neighbor took to them. We showed that there are violations and we talked for half an hour about them and offered photos.

After we left, the city claimed that they had investigated thoroughly and found no evidence that there were boats in the street or a business operated out of a residence here. If they "investigated," they would have seen – with one drive-through on our street.

**Carol Hahn**  
Warrenton

### Meeting for dike district is Tuesday

Clatsop County Diking District No. 11 holds its annual meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 43654 Hansen Lane, Astoria (off Fort Clatsop Road).

All district members are urged to attend.

### AAUW wins grants for scholarships

Seaside AAUW Scholarship Foundation was awarded \$6,000 in grants from Pacific Power to support scholarships and promote educational opportunities for women.

Four thousand dollars will be used to support scholarships for women returning to school after a five-year absence and \$2,000 will be used to provide scholarships for first-generation college students.

The grant is part of \$630,000 in funding the utility's charitable arm is providing across six states.

"We believe in the power of education to create a lifetime of opportunity," said Alisa Dunlap, Pacific Power's Northern Oregon Coast regional manager. "We're determined to empower the next generation by creating and promoting hands-on, inclusive learning opportunities for children, teens and young adults (who) will become our scientists, engineers, technicians and cre-

### Pandemic spurs local shopping

A survey on American shopping habits should give hope to small-business owners feeling the pandemic pinch, according to Savings.com.

Nearly 60 percent of people said the pandemic makes them more likely to visit small, local businesses than big-box stores.

Savings.com surveyed 1,000 adults about their shopping habits before the pandemic, before vaccine rollout, and today, focusing on in-person and online shopping.

Fifty-eight percent said they prefer to shop locally because of the pandemic, two in three said they'd spend even more if they had more options.

Read more: [savings.com/insights/future-of-retail-report](https://www.savings.com/insights/future-of-retail-report).

ators."

Applications for returning students are open through the organization's website,

seaside-or.aauw.net. Scholarships for first-generation students open in spring 2022 at Warrenton and Seaside high schools through each school's counseling office.

#### Notice of Pending Type II Administrative Decision

On behalf of Robert Stineman, Mendenhall and Associates has submitted an application for a two-lot partition of Tax Lot 81028CA02501. The subject property is located adjacent 1895 South Main Avenue, Warrenton OR.

The application file is available for public review until October 28, 2021, with an administrative decision to be made after the close of the review and comment period. Applicable Warrenton Municipal Code criteria include Chapter 16.24, Low Density Residential District, Chapter 16.156 Wetland and Riparian Corridor Development Standards/ Section 16.120 Access & Circulation, Section 16.208.040 Type II Administrative Procedures/ and Chapter 16.216 Land Division and Lot Line Adjustments.

All evidence to be relied upon to make a decision on this application is in the public record and available for review at the Warrenton Building and Planning Department/ 225 S. Main. Ave., Warrenton, at no cost.

Copies can be made at a reasonable cost. Following the close of the comment period/ the Community Development Director will issue a Type II Administrative Decision which will be mailed to the applicant and all parties who submit written comments or who are otherwise legally entitled to notice.

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE:** All interested persons are invited to submit written comments to Scott Hazelton, Planning Director/ Warrenton City Hall, PO Box 250, Warrenton/ OR 97146 by October 28, 2021. Failure to participate in this administrative review in writing or failure to address relevant issues with sufficient specificity may preclude your right to appeal the administrative decision on this application.

Notice to mortgagees, lien holders, vendors or sellers: The City of Warrenton Development Code requires that if you receive this notice it shall promptly be forwarded to the purchaser.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** contact Scott Hazelton, Planning Director at 503.861.0920 Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to noon/1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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#### Notice of Pending Type II Administrative Decision

On behalf of Robert and Christine Bridgens, S&F Land Services has submitted an application for a three-lot partition and lot line adjustment of Tax Lot 81020DD01200 & 11100. The subject property is located adjacent to 1255 SW 9th Street, Warrenton OR.

The application file is available for public review until October 21, 2021, with an administrative decision to be made after the close of the review and comment period. Applicable Warrenton Municipal Code criteria include Chapter 16.24, Low Density Residential District, Chapter 16.156 Wetland and Riparian Corridor Development Standards, Section 16.120 Access & Circulation, Section 16.208.040 Type II Administrative Procedures, and Chapter 16.216 Land Division and Lot Line Adjustments.

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