

paid parking at Berkeley marina park

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Date Sat 9/5/2026 10:46 AM

To BCDC Public Comment <publiccomment@bcdcc.ca.gov>

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This is a bad idea. No citizens of the east bay want this. The only people who want this are those who stand to benefit financially

Regarding proposed parking fee

From George Huang <georgeh025@gmail.com>

Date Mon 9/7/2026 2:08 PM

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To the City of Berkeley,

Hello my name is George. I recently joined the Cal sailing club, an amazing community group that's been a great contribution to the local Berkeley area. One of the main reasons the sailing club is so great is due to its low barrier to entry and mission to provide access to recreational activities and community to people from all walks of life. I strongly believe paid parking would be counterproductive to our group's mission. Free parking is what gives people peace of mind. It increases the chances of people showing up at our community. Please reconsider imposing a parking fee on our beautiful free lot and keep this community thriving.

Thank you,
George

pay for parking at berkeley marina

From Karl Pull <fosureizm@gmail.com>

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i have been enjoying this wonderful space for many years and i think that all of the improvements including a ferry terminal in the future are great. paying for parking should not be done....the city needs to find an another revenue stream...this place is a gem and free to all to enjoy and should stay that way...it was bad enough that the kite festival was forced to cancel its yearly fete over fees...is there no place to go and enjoy the waterfront without a fee when we are all struggling to find an easy day with our kids and friends?. i have had many bday parties for my 3 and 5 yr olds and her friends here.....keep it free please...

sincerely,
bert erml

Parking Fees - Berkeley waterfront

From bradleymart@att.net <bradleymart@att.net>

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Hi,

I think imposing parking fees at the Berkeley waterfront is not such a good idea. I am hugely supportive of waterfront public access; one of BCDC's mandates if I remember correctly. Imposing fees in this area inhibits access because the area is separated from the city itself by a narrow access road so really the main way people get out there for activities is with a car. It's otherwise not practical to get out there particularly if transporting watersports equipment or children. Secondly, lots of students use the area because it is the home of Cal Berkeley Sailing Club (which includes wind surfing, kayaking, boating classes). This part of the user population shouldn't have a used tax imposed on them from taking advantage of a UC Berkeley program and the most local waterfront access possible.

Thank you,

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From peter cardiello <cardiellopeter@gmail.com>

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I am opposed to fees to park at Marina. This is our back yard and it should stay free. This will have me accessing the park much less often. The park should be free and so should parking!

Peter cardiello

742 Cragmont ave 94708



Outlook

Parking at Berkeley Marina.

From Gretchen Koehler <gykoehler@gmail.com>

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No . No. No....

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Voting against Parking Fee at Berkeley Marina

From Malini Kraemer <malinik63@hotmail.com>

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Hi

Every single day, I visit the shoreline marina. Utilizing the free parking lot is a vital part of my daily routine, my mental health, and my physical well-being. I just learned that the city is planning to implement a daily parking fee here soon.

I'm on a rigid, fixed income and an unexpected daily fee is a heavy financial burden that will effectively price me out of accessing the coast. I strongly urge the council to reconsider this decision.

Access to nature and being next to the water should not be gated behind a fee. We all deserve the right to enjoy our local environment without a financial barrier.

I vote against this daily parking fee and keep our shoreline accessible to all community members.

Regards,

Malini Kraemer

Parking Fees on the Waterfront (South Cove East, South Cove West, and J/K Lots)

From hisham nabas <hnabas@yahoo.com>

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my opinion about the proposed parking fees the City of Berkley wants to charge to park at the Marina.

I was previously an avid saltwater fisherman who frequently boarded Charter/Party Boats in Southern New Jersey for 40+ years. In all the locations/various towns I never paid for parking anywhere I went in regard to Recreational Fishing.

I am now living in California and am traveling about 2 hours to Berkley in order to participate in the wonderful sportfishing trips offered along with access to free parking.

Recreational Sport Fishing has always been very expensive anywhere you go. It is my opinion that a Charter/Party boat's business could be affected with the additional expense for daily parking for participants. The added expense of parking could deter someone on a budget or seniors to make less reservations for the fishing trips offered. I am not in favor that participants of recreational saltwater fishing incur additional expenses for parking.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter,
H. Nabas

Parking Fees at Berkeley Marina

From Lynn Olinger <euclyptus@gmail.com>

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am a regular user of the Berkeley Marina park and frequently access the water with my equipment at the South Sailing Basin. I understand that the City of Berkeley is once again considering parking fees for the South Cove East, South Cove West, and J/K lots.

Question: How will the revenue generated by these parking fees directly benefit those who access the water or use the park for other recreational activities?

Bottomline: If these parking fees are imposed, I will no longer be able to afford accessing the water here for wingfoiling. Please keep parking free for waterfront recreational access.

Additionally, parking is already difficult to find, partly because commuters are using commercial park-and-ride services to access the South Basin East lot to store cars all day.

Lynn

Parking Fee input

From Shaun <aaa3aly@gmail.com>

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Hello,

I have been going party boat fishing out of Berkeley Marina for many years, and I have supported the fishing boats and businesses there for a long time. The cost of fishing has already gone up year after year and it is becoming too expensive for many longtime fishermen. Adding another charge for parking is simply too much. I strongly oppose the proposed parking fee. In fact, I want to be very clear. If Berkeley Marina starts charging even one dollar for parking for people going out on the party boats, I will stop fishing out of Berkeley altogether. Right nearby, Emeryville Marine shows that keeping parking free is possible and helps keep party boat fishing accessible to the public. Please do not impose a new parking fee on recreational fishermen and party boat customers. Thank you for considering the opinion of a longtime Berkeley party boat fisherman.

Best,

Shaun Aly