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2 Cents Worth:

What would you like to see done at the Old Cannery Site? <Zoned Industrial>



"Ferry staging area, and if there's room a park; for tourists and their children and people ... greenbelt, we don't have any greenbelt. We lack greenbelt on Main Street and we could use that. But we could also use a more logical place to stage the ferry."

Rosanna McInnes
Mother of Two

"I would be thrilled to see either one of the two options. One option being an activities field area/park area for tourism and locals alike. Number two would be a marine-related in terms of commercial services offered to boats and vessels: haul out facilities, shops and repairs for marine."

Paul Chissus
Boys & Girls Club
Director and Father of Three



"If it was at all possible, a casino."

Sharon Bond
SOS Manager and
Mother of Two

"Something that has to do with the fishing industry that can support the town, like a ice-making plant for topping the fish loads that go into Homer or even into Anchorage or a.....some form of a value-added fish processing plant for specialty slabs of salmon, king salmon, silvers and halibut."

Dan Blodgett
SBE Wrestling Coach &
Father of Four



"Besides being right on Main Street and offering many opportunities for our local community, this property is one of Seldovia's first impressions for visitors coming here by water. For both of these reasons, I believe that this development requires very careful planning. Because of its prime location on our limited waterfront, the aesthetic, along with the economic and future



community needs must be addressed. My vision includes a series of quaint, Seldovian shops that would line the waterfront and Main Street. There would be a square in the middle as a gathering place and location for community events. The property would be pedestrian-friendly, including landscaping that is appealing, with grassy areas, benches and tables with views of the water and considerations built around pedestrian comfort. This would provide locations for year-round businesses, a center of commerce, and a variety of employment opportunities for locals, as well as reasons for choosing Seldovia as their vacation destination! Close to the boat pullout ramp there would be room for a marine equipment sales, service and repair business which would serve the local boating community as well as bring more boating business to town. We need to think about the future, and promote reasons for visitors to come to Seldovia, as well as provide opportunities and services for families to be able to make long-term commitments to this fantastic community! "

Jenny Chissus - Realtor and Mother of Three

Letters to the Editor

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