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Opinions

When do you predict the first snow in Seldovia?



"We usually have it Halloween night...it probably is going to be later.
I say November 5th."

Helen Josefsen
Seldovian since 1944



"Halloween Day"

Elaine Giles
Seldovian since 1954



"It seems like throughout the years it's been the 1st week before Halloween or Halloween. "

Freddy Newmeyer
Seldovian since 1973



"We usually have it Halloween night...it probably is going to be later.
I say November 5th."

Alberta Willard
Seldovian since 1972

"Snow that will stay on



the ground... well mid-November. That's a little optimistic. "

Walter McInnes
Seldovian since 1960



"What's the temperature today? Well, sometime in November, I say mid-November. "

Marge Lang
Seldovian since 1969



"That's not so easy the way the weather has been...I'll say the day before Halloween. We usually get snow at Halloween. "

Marion Collier
Born and raised in Seldovia - been here all her life!



"We have had it knee-deep at Halloween. It is usually before Halloween, a light dusting. Sometimes at Christmas it sticks. Just depends from year to year. "

Gordon Giles
Seldovian since 1960

Letters to the Editor

One Way Streets in Seldovia

Re: Planning & Zoning Public Hearing November 6th, concerning making Kachemak Street and possibly Shoreline Drive one-way streets

We've all received a boxholder notice from the City Manager on the above topic (and I assume that all adjacent property owners will be receiving their individual legal notices of the public hearing).

This topic is bound to start a lot of local discussion, and you may get a lot of letters on this topic. Perhaps I'll be the first to mention that while Kachemak street from the slough Bridge to Shoreline Drive has a parallel road – Cedar Street - that would make it easier to get to homes In that area, if it were a one-way street, Shoreline Drive is the only access along the slough, and could cause some difficulty in reaching your location.

Shoreline Drive was widened and improved in the 80's, and it has served well over the years. If everyone did "off-street" parking in all parts of Seldovia, that would help the usable road widths too.

One Way Streets in Seldovia

Dear Editor,

I'm writing to encourage citizens to inform themselves in regards to the proposal before the P&Z commission to consider making Shoreline Drive/Kachemak Drive a one-way-street. There will be an opportunity for public input at the next P&Z meeting to be held on November 6th.

According to our City Manager, there have been several requests to bring forward this proposal over the past few months. My concern is that these two roadways effect all of Seldovia's citizens because in combination they provide the last drive/walk along what is the most typical "old" Seldovia residential area. Also as one who travels the roads frequently to fish in the summer, as the most direct assess from my home to the airport and as direct access to one of my properties, I will be impacted if these roadways become one-way-no matter which way the one-way direction is when and if selected. I suspect that many Seldovia residents and "out the road" residents utilize these streets frequently, but do not live in the area, so may not receive official notification of the pending P&Z consideration of this potential action, but may welcome a chance to speak to the

So this letter is just to start the discussion, it's sure to be a hot topic. In the past, we've managed with areas for "pull-off and wait" -- are we big city enough to need one-way streets? The council in the past had decided to widen the streets whenever and wherever and how ever much possible. No one ever thought of one-way.

Sincerely,
Darlene Crawford

issue. This is a half-mile stretch of road with only one through intersecting road, (Young St.). Depending on the direction of a potential one-way designation. Travel patterns could be drastically changed.

It is my hope that a good turn-out occurs and that all who may wish to speak on the issue have time to ponder and prepare.

Thank you
Rod Hilts



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