

"You can kick the ass of the rich. It's just such a big ass that it takes a long time."

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RV Parking Discovered Right By City Hall Meeting Venue!



PLENTY OF ROOM FOR RV PARKING was accidentally discovered right next to the new Berkeley City Council meeting hall in the old adult school building at Addison, Bonar, and University which is earthquake safe and has shower facilities, a pool, and plenty of additional parking for car and tent dwellers, one of many open spaces throughout the city the Berkeley City Council claims at present to be unable to see.

By Agatha Will

"I was just walking to the new City Council meeting hall to comment on RV parking at the old school building on University at Addison and Bonar and saw this vast green space I'm told just sits there," said an astonished RV dweller.

"There it was, yet another perfect place for RV families with nearby showers, a pool, an underused school building with a huge empty parking lot, too."

"It does seem odd they didn't see it," noted another RV owner peering through the chain link fence. "There's even space in the building for childcare."

Several Berkeley City Council minority voices suggested exactly that, recommending that parking and vacant lots city-wide be tasked with providing 1-5 spaces for

RVs, which the police have unaccountably been forcing into District 1.

"It's the same old 'anywhere but in the

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hills' way of thinking," explained one city hall staff member who wished to remain anonymous. "It's one of the many new forms of redlining Berkeley has adopted to protect the principles of redlining and make sure property owners know that their concerns are not just heard, but unctuously massaged in public."

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Ivanka Sees the Light



IVANKA BRIEFLY SAW THE LIGHT until someone with appropriate security clearance was thankfully able to turn it off.

By Barbie Q. Pitts

"It was really annoying her," a spokesperson for Ivanka Trump stated about the daughter of President Trump having seen the light recently while working at her loosely defined job at the White House.

"It was shining right in her eyes," acknowledged another White House aid on condition of anonymity. "She said she had never seen anything like it before and could we do something about it."

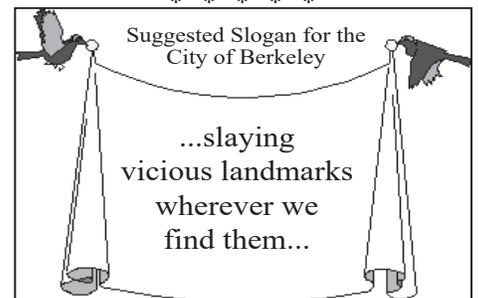
"We had to move quickly," added another White House staff member. "It's not that she doesn't have security clearance, and we think it's possible she's seen a light switch before. But you can't be too careful."

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just have to keep posing as compassionate and point to the horrifying amount of money we spent ticketing these people."

"It works," explained another City Hall staff member. "These homeowners go right to sleep about the big picture as soon as any visible poverty is out of their neighborhood and off their doorstep. It's like magic."

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ASK THE EXPERTS



LENA DEETER knows the answers to everything forwards and backwards.

Dear Lena, is "volleyball trespass" an actual charge? I think I may have accidentally done that back in 1991, although I'm not sure. I got clubbed in the head and keep getting my memories mixed.

Dear reader, the District Attorney couldn't thread that needle, either, and just sent everybody in the Santa Rita jail that day home with a warning that who knows - someday, somehow, they could possibly end up in jail for some reason but not today.

Dear Lena, so at the March 12th council meeting some of the Berkeley City Council actually talked out loud on the record about having non-smoking "temporary" cannabis events in Cesar Chavez Park. How does that work?

Dear reader, excellent question. let's trot off to any of our smokefree bus stops or our smokefree commercials zones and do a field study, or let's ask the middle school kids who toke up at the West Branch Library alcove before school every day how that would work. They certainly are aware of edibles, oils, etc. Golly, I'll bet they have a clue for a Berkeley City Council in deep need of same.

Dear Lena, what's wrong with a "temporary" event?

Dear reader, all the signage in the world won't undo what happens to a location once it gets a reputation as a designated location for smoking. And for some reason the threatened species like the burrowing owl just clam up during public comment.

Dear Lena, what about having cannabis events at the Doubletree Inn or some big restaurant?

Dear reader, and there you have it. The end, excuse me, the "temporary" end of smoke-free worker protections and Big Tobacco popping the champagne for Big Cannabis after successfully undermining over 50 years of public protections only around 50% of the nation has anyway.

Ask Lena about lungs and their refusal to evolve more quickly at cdenney@igc.org.

People's Park Supporters Prepare for More Publicly Funded Millions Spent on Another Dumb UC People's Park Assault

Berkeley City Council Sits on Hands: "We're good at that."

By Barbara Shop

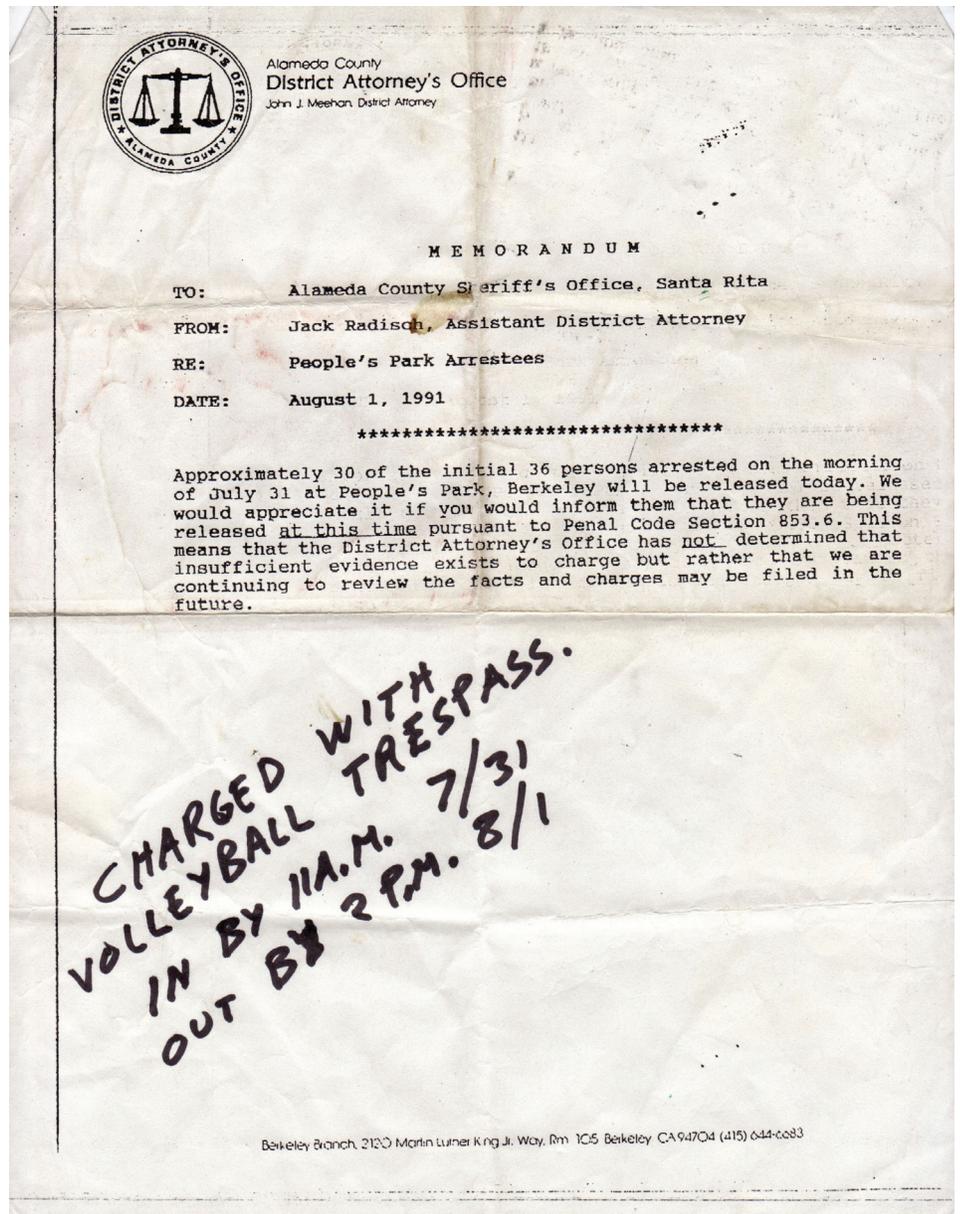
"I wondered why the Berkeley City Council was so silent on the threat to the park," stated one astonished Berkeley resident. "I had no idea they took such pride in sitting on their hands."

"They've been practicing for ages," confirmed a Berkeley City Hall staff member on condition of anonymity willing to comment on the matter. "Some council representatives are better than others, but I think it's safe to say that when it comes to UC's plants for People's Park they give it every-

thing they've got."

"Some of them have achieved brilliant techniques never seen in the past," noted another City Hall staff member. "in the 1970's through the 1990's the city was willing to engage, plan, take risks with community projects to avoid the conflict, injury, and death of the National Guard street battles. This crew is working hard on the ostrich technique of keeping their heads in the sand. It's really awesome."

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EVERYBODY GETS A BLISTER and also one of these notices from Assistant District Attorney Jack Radisch if they went to jail for the park in UC's volleyball war of 1991-1992 plus they wrote songs and poems and their sustained years-long protest forced UC to remove the sand pits.



CITY LEADERS INSIST that the days in 1969 when the National Guard was rampaging through town shooting people were good times where the hundreds who were shot had a chance to tell war stories later and the loss of business was nothing compared to having cool photographs like this one.

Street Fighters Get Costumes Ready

By Zane O. Moore

"It's here somewhere," insist hundreds of hippies, anarchists, and curious onlookers trying to dig through closets looking for their bell-bottom pants and t-shirts with slogans from the 1960's worried about coming underdressed to the upcoming riots.

"Just come as you are," reassured fashion maven Natalie Dressed. "Tie-dye from any era is always fashionable in Berkeley, but always remember that tie-dye is mainly a contagious state of mind."

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We Can't Draw Comics

Mourners Gather, Sing Hymns at Expressions Gallery Toilet Memorial

By Zoe Twasgood

"We've neglected to improve on our handling of fecal matters," admitted one technology futures consultant when questioned about the curious inability of Silicon Valley to come up with an app to solve the overwhelming dilemma of what inevitably happens when humans are deprived of old-fashioned toilets by cities who think people ought to be above such pedestrian, low-tech issues.

"We had an app that would point out the nearest toilet," added another tech consultant. "We even got venture capital behind it. But none of us could program fast enough



TOILET SUICIDE is becoming more common as toilets are abandoned by Mayor Arreguin, who prefers scooters.

to keep up with the changes in when the bathroom was open, when it was closed, and the wild discrepancies between posted schedules and what was really happening." "Toilet availability appears to move even faster than technological breakthroughs," admitted another programmer who once worked on the toilet availability app. "They say they're open when they're closed, closed when they're open, and many of them haven't updated their availability since 9-11 when for some reason bathrooms were considered ground zero for a terrorist attack."

"The window is pretty tight," acknowledged a City Hall insider who insisted on anonymity. "We are so lucky we have our own bathrooms because keeping track of public bathrooms is apparently a very spe-



EXPRESSIONS GALLERY'S latest show, "Creativity Unhoused" features commentary on homelessness and housing policy including "Toilet Memorial" which has inspired mourners who remember the good old days of WPA comfort stations open to everyone.

cialized skill."

Silicon Valley's technological wizards admit they are stuck behind the physical qualities of human biological functions which, despite great study and meditation, continue to resist predictability and miniaturization.

"Toilet availability appears to move even faster than technological breakthroughs," admitted another programmer... "It's the big secret about the illusion of 'tiny homes'," whispered one tech innovator. "It isn't that we can't make a miniature toilet. That's a piece of cake. It's that humans can't seem to make a miniature turd."

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by Franz Toast



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Cesar Chavez Park's Cannabis Events Designation Booted to April 2nd Meeting

Cannabis Business Promoters Attend Meeting Reeking, Outgassing Marijuana in Anticipation of Park Transformation

By Winona Spree

"It usually works," chuckled Mark Kazinec about the last-minute effort to surreptitiously insert a proposal to make Cesar Chavez Park a "designated location for cannabis events"



NOTHING LIKE the \$150,000 of garbage clean-up costs not including staff time will happen at Berkeley cannabis events because we're a quiet, studious college town.

deep in the middle of 90 pages of dispensary regulations at the Berkeley City Council meeting on March 12th, 2019.

"Waving around the suggestion that the city would make \$12 million dol-



THE SCENE AT SF'S 4/20 GATHERING in no way represents the sober, studious group looking forward to having stately, more sophisticated cannabis trade shows in Cesar Chavez Park.

lars really got their attention. Rashi Kesarwani even thought she could funnel the money to her district alone," he smiled with astonishment.

"There's no downside to counting on politicians' greed," Kazinec affirmed enthusiastically. "Or the consistency of their vast trove of innate natural stupidity."

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Next Issue: Eating broken glass with celebrities!

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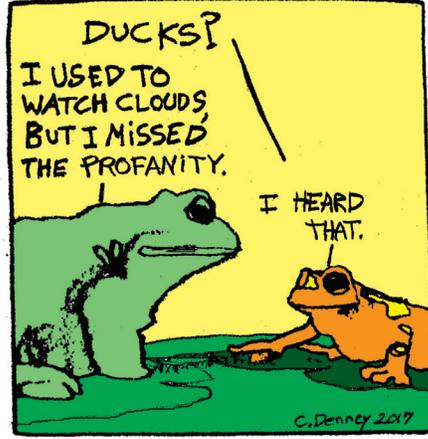
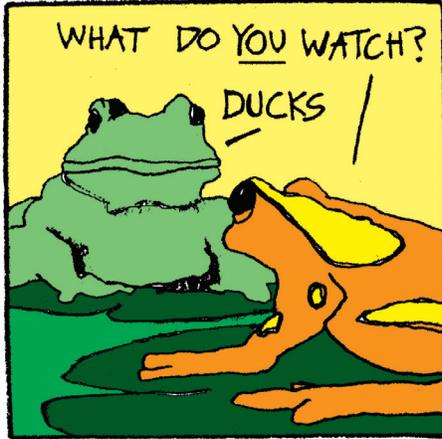
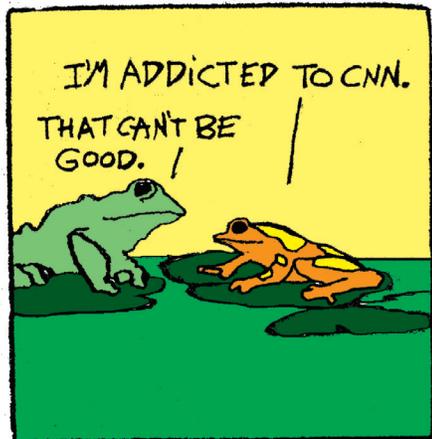
Shalon,

This is Mark Kazinec from [High Times](#) - pleasure chatting just a moment at the exciting new laws coming. We'd love to discuss 2019 availabilities for We've produced successful events all over the world and have just recently and Santa Rosa by working with local city councils, police, fire departments want to partner with the City of Berkeley and Cesar E Chavez Park to plan anticipating approx \$12MM in economic impact to the city as the avg spe rideshare, food and drinks.

I also wanted to share with you that we do some amazing work with local events at. Here is a great video to showcase what we did in KAZ@HIGHTIMES.COM somehow knew that waving around the suggestion that a cannabis event in Cesar Chavez Park would make the city \$12 million dollars would disable our smokefree parks law and slip easily inside 90 pages of cannabis dispensary legislation without having to go through the tedium of visiting relevant commissions.

I Want My Present Now

by Juan Nathan Undergod



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