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Subject: New eComment for City Council Special Meeting

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Pratik Basu submitted a new eComment.

Meeting: City Council Special Meeting

Item: 1. CONSIDERATION OF MODIFICATION OF EMERGENCY ORDER IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC PERTAINING TO THE STRAND AND CITY OFF-STREET AND ON-STREET PARKING FACILITIES (Staff Report will be available on May 21, 2020)

eComment: I oppose reopening the Strand and the city's parking lots during one of the busiest weekends of the year: Memorial Day Weekend. While the beach has been re-opened only for physical activities, most of the people have been sitting in groups without masks, thankfully socially distant from other groups. Trying to break up these groups is an undue burden on the city's law enforcement agencies. The Strand will prove to be even more challenging given how social distancing is fairly impossible because of how narrow it is. By opening up the Strand and the city's parking lots, you will be inviting a massive surge of out-of-town crowds during the three-day weekend, significantly raising the possibility of COVID-19 spread and straining the city's resources. Thank you for your time and consideration.