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What: Interview w/ Roger from StreetsBlog SF
When: 12:30-12:45 pm TODAY 4/27
RE: Sharks/Parking/Downtown West
Sam to call Roger 323-702-9747

Shiloh Ballard of the SVBC suggested I get in touch. I'm working on a piece about the Sharks, parking, and Downtown West.

On the one hand, we've got A.B. 1401, new legislation that aims to eliminate minimum parking requirements. So it seems as if state and local officials are starting to get Donald Shoup and the harm done by providing massive amounts of free parking everywhere.

Then we've got the Sharks now opposing the project because of perceived lack of parking.
<https://www.mercurynews.com/2021/04/27/google-village-sharks-downtown-san-jose-parking-improve-real-estate/>

There are sports arenas all over the world where the majority of patrons arrive by transit. It's not as if San Jose's project is inventing something new. Millions of soccer fans in Europe, not to mention fans of the Giants and Yankees have long arrived at games by transit.

So I'm wondering if I can get a quote from Mayor Liccardo about what exactly the Sharks aren't getting about the Downtown West plan and why they're still insisting on more parking? Is the Mayor still hopeful they will come around?