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Mayor and Council Members,

The action taken last November by the city council regarding the Stockton Ave bridge should be REVISITED and OVERTURNED by the current council.

Since that decision was made, Yvette Brooks has resigned; Kristin Brown was defeated in her election bid for supervisor because of her unpopular decisions and positions on important community issues; Margaux Morgan is the only incumbent city council member in the history of Capitola to be defeated in her reelection bid, primarily due to her unpopular decisions (This issue does present an opportunity to rehabilitate her reputation); Alexander Pedersen is currently facing a recall for ethics violations and fraud. Not one of these individuals enjoyed any popularity due to the decisions they made and the direction they were taking the city.

Based on the above, the cost of the study the city manager is requesting, the community outrage that will occur if the city proceeds with this unnecessary destruction of the historical Stockton Ave bridge, the fact there has never been a log jam since the bridge has existed, the violation of Measure L when the real reason to widen the bridge is to accommodate the RTC bike path detour, are the reasons the city must reject this misguided and expensive plan to correct a problem that doesn't exist.

DO THE RIGHT THING! The reason you now hear so many voices speaking out is citizens of Capitola are not happy with the direction of the city and the failure of past and current city council members' to listen to the community. You were elected to be our voices - not to promote your personal agenda or echo the agendas of outside agencies or residents from other communities. You run the city - not the Public Works Director or the City Manager. Have some backbone! Put this bridge proposal where it belongs - in the trash!

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