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From: Mark Block <markablock@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 11:05 AM
To: City Council
Subject: Rail Trail Segments 10 & 11

Dear Council Members,

We are writing to let you know of our strong opposition to the RTC's requested changes for segments 10 & 11 of the Coastal Rail Trail. As you know, these changes to the initial plans include diverting the trail off the Capitola trestle, taking pedestrians and bicyclists through the village, and moving the Park Avenue portion away from the rails onto the Park Ave. right of way. We attended the February council meeting as well as the follow up meeting the RTC sponsored at New Brighton Middle School. Unfortunately we were out of town for the April 2nd town hall. We are absolutely convinced there is no real safe way to implement these changes. We are very appreciative that council member Jerry Jensen insisted on more information at the February meeting and council members Margaux Morgan and Joe Clarke supported that. The definite feeling we had was that the RTC and the County were attempting to pressure the council and the whole community to quickly acquiesce and be done with it. I strongly urge you to reject these changes and keep the trail as originally planned. We have lived in Aptos, and now Capitola, for the last 43 years and are committed to keeping our community safe for all.

Thank You,

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