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To: City Council
Cc: Concerned Citizens Of Capitola
Subject: 4/17/25 Agenda items 3A and 3B

Dear Council Members,

There has already been much discussion and information shared with you regarding both CMC 8.72, and the proposed Park Ave project. I am hopeful that by now you understand that this is truly a Capitola issue. Yes, it may affect the county, but the RTC's lack of proper planning is not your responsibility or concern at this point.

Regardless of how the past council perceived or interpreted CMC 8.72, I think it is clear what it means. If you have any doubts, read the "Purpose" statement. The community has made it clear, that past City Council members did not interpret it through the lens of what the community voted for it. The community voted for Measure L put the safety of our kids, cyclists and pedestrians first. Recently, they have voiced their concern that City staff and City Council Members betrayed them by working with the RTC on a project that was and is in clear violation of the code 8.72.

Like the City, you can try twisting words, like realignment, or saying it is not trail, so therefore it's not a detour, or the City is not paying for it. All of these statements are false or misleading and in clear violation of our City Municipal Code.

I urge to support the will of the people, uphold City law and support CMC 8.72 to the fullest extent by voting NO on the Park Ave project. The future of the RTC project is not your responsibility, and I am confident they will find a solution to resolve this issue. Maybe they will even follow through with their original commitment and put the trail on the RTC corridor.

I understand the pressure from the RTC, FORT and others, but I trust you will take the high road and support the community you serve. See you Thursday!

All the Best,
TJ Welch
Concerned Citizens of Capitola