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**From:** Jonah Henry <[jonahjacobhenry@gmail.com](mailto:jonahjacobhenry@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 14, 2025 8:42 PM  
**To:** City Council  
**Subject:** Re: Public comment for meeting on April 17, 2025

Good evening,

Could you please make sure that my comment is entered into the record as received correspondence? I do not see it in the current agenda packet.

Thanks,  
Jonah

On Wed, Apr 9, 2025 at 9:22 PM Jonah Henry <[jonahjacobhenry@gmail.com](mailto:jonahjacobhenry@gmail.com)> wrote:  
Mayor Clarke, Vice Mayor Pederson, and City Council Members Jensen, Morgan, and Orbach,

I was not able to attend the April 2 special meeting in person but I watched the video recording online and have reviewed the February 13 staff report. Thank you for hosting the meeting and for making these materials accessible.

I am emailing to ask that you please vote yes to approve the trail alongside Park Avenue. As someone who relies on the bus and biking to get around Santa Cruz County, protected bike lanes like these make my commute safer, faster, and less stressful. In addition, as other community members have already addressed, I am concerned that the City's failure to approve this segment of the rail trail could potentially threaten the County's eligibility for the \$67.6 million state grant for segments 10-11 of the rail trail. This is a loss that County residents would rue for generations to come. I respect that the City Council wants to examine this issue as carefully as possible before reaching its final conclusion, but I think it is clear now that the benefits outweigh the costs. The delays cannot continue any longer; I ask that you please vote yes today. Thank you for considering my input.

Sincerely,  
Jonah Henry (he/him)