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То:	City Council
Subject:	Please Support Park Avenue Trail Option A or Option B Now

Dear Councilmembers -

Please endorse either Option A or Option B tomorrow evening to take the next steps towards building a better bike and pedestrian trail along Park Avenue.

In this matter, you are looking at a rare opportunity to dramatically improve an obsolete and inferior city asset, the current Park Avenue bike lane, by accepting the offer to build a wider and safer trail paid for entirely by RTC funds. The alternative is to lose this opportunity by bowing to the small number of obstructionists who at every opportunity are still trying to block progress on a funded regional infrastructure project, in this case by promoting an inferior and more costly trail design *below* Park Avenue that would be much more difficult for Capitola residents to access.

I favor Option A because it preserves the existing Class II bike lane on the opposite side of Park Avenue but would also support Option B if the Council prefers. The important thing is to endorse one or the other and move forward with positive action.

Respectfully,

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