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To: City Council
Subject: Item 4.A. City Council Vacancy Appointment

Mayor Clarke and Members of the City Council,

Please consider appointing Susan Westman to the Council Member vacancy created by the resignation of Alex Pedersen.

Having worked for the City of Capitola myself in various capacities for over 32 years from 1979 to 2011, I had the opportunity to work with Susan Westman during many of those years. In the early years especially, there were very few employees and we all tended to help one another out and wear many hats. During the course of her employment, Susan was always proactive in educating herself on the affairs of the city. She became a valuable team player, not only in the Community Development Department where she held various positions, but working closely with the city managers on city-wide issues. When she assumed the position of City Manager, it was during a particularly difficult time when cutbacks were necessary due to the economy which was not easy. Susan was always forthright and carefully considered all the options when making difficult decisions, keeping the city's best interests in mind. I believe Susan's hands-on experience working for the City of Capitola in various capacities during the past several decades will make her a valuable asset to the City Council now. We need someone with her experience and historical knowledge when considering issues and projects that will impact the future of Capitola.

It is with sincere confidence that I earnestly recommend Susan Westman be appointed to fill the vacancy on the City Council. She truly cares about Capitola and will represent our residents well.

Thank you for your consideration.

Pam Greeninger
Former City Clerk