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Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2025 10:24 AM
To: City Council
Subject: Too rushed

Hello Capitola City Council Members,

It is appreciated to have town hall meetings.

Yet, The meeting planned for April 2, 2025 in regards to the rail trail park ave is now in my opinion rushed.

Two reasons,

The meeting on March 12, about the cost of bridges to be rebuilt and new bridges is very important information for decision making.

The cost almost a billion dollars is beyond comprehension.

If this information had been provided at the very onset of rail - trail Conversations, measure D might have been understood more accurately and measure D defeated.

We are just last night receiving this estimate of extensive massive cost for only an aspect of the rail trail project.

The cost of these bridges seems to take the train out of the realm of realistic possibilities.

Next consideration is that the Project Report that was due the end of March 2025, has been delayed until an unknown date fall 2025.

If the report was completed as was believed this March, the information would be available before a town hall meeting.

We do not have a complete detailed picture to move in any clear decision making direction by the citizens of this county or the citizens of Capitola and especially each of you, our City Council.

There are only piece meal decisions being made at tremendous cost in terms of dollars and expenditure of valuable Time and energy. It is becoming apparent that the idea of rail and trail at this time is premature.

It may be the time to plan for trail only and plan for trains in the future.

I want to Trust you are representing our City with All the appropriate Information.

A Citizen of Capitola,

Thank-you,

Cheryl Ban

Sent from my iPhone