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Capitola City Council, Special Meeting, January 16, 2025,  
Public Comment

Dear Capitola City Council,

Please consider appointing one of the two other election candidates, Margaux Morgan, or Enrique Dolmo as interim Council Member. Margaux is the logical choice as she has the four years' experience on the Council and completed her term in good standing. She did a great job and there is no reason to bypass this candidate with the most votes in the recent election.

Do not delay or waste city funds on a special election (estimated \$56,000, or more). These funds are not in the budget and are desperately needed for other city expenses. It would not be fiscally responsible to proceed with a special election and waste taxpayer's money when there is an easy alternative to appoint. The City Council is allowed by law to do so and there is a viable candidate. If Margaux declines, then Enrique Dolmo could be considered as a second choice, but he has no experience with local government. A previous Council member might be a better choice but I am sure you will all do the right thing and appoint. We need someone with experience and we need the five Council members as four could diminish the Council's capacity to effectively conduct the city's business.

I have read the multitude of letters for the last meeting by those opposing Margaux. Do not bow to those vocal few who oppose Margaux's appointment due to their single-issue agenda (anti rail trail) is irrelevant to the circumstances and to the best interests of the City and the residents.

Please do what is best for Capitola and appoint Margaux Morgan as quickly as possible so we to move forward without delays, unnecessary costs, and disruption.

Sincerely,

Paula Bradley  
Capitola resident