

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPITOLA
SUPPORTING SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION DIRECTION ON COASTAL RAIL TRAIL SEGMENTS 10–11 AND
EVALUATION OF THE HISTORIC CAPITOLA TRESTLE**

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) owns and manages the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line and serves as the lead agency for planning and coordination of the Coastal Rail Trail in partnership with local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Coastal Rail Trail provides important regional mobility, recreation, and coastal access benefits; and

WHEREAS, Capitola Municipal Code Chapter 8.72 governs preservation of the rail corridor for potential future rail use and interim bicycle and pedestrian trail use; and

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2025, the RTC approved a resolution accepting the Zero Emission Passenger Rail and Trail (ZEPRT) Final Project Concept and adopted direction to advance an Interim Trail configuration for Coastal Rail Trail Segments 9–11 and to evaluate the historic Capitola trestle for interim bicycle and pedestrian use; and

WHEREAS, the City Council supports continued progress on the Coastal Rail Trail and coordination with regional partners to advance near-term community benefits consistent with Capitola Municipal Code Chapter 8.72.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Capitola, California:

1. Expresses support for the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's December 4, 2025 direction to advance an Interim Trail configuration for Coastal Rail Trail Segments 9–11 and to evaluate the historic Capitola trestle for interim bicycle and pedestrian use; and
2. Encourages continued coordination between the RTC and local jurisdictions as the project advances.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Capitola at its regular meeting held on the 22nd day of January 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Margaux Morgan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Julia Gautho, City Clerk