Fort Bragg City Council Member,

I am very sorry to hear of the resignation of our excellent City Manager Peggy Ducey. Ms. Ducey has served with dedication, intelligence, and compassion to serve the people of Fort Bragg for the last year. As you know, from the beginning of her tenure she has been unfairly harassed and abused by a community member who repeatedly and frequently made unfounded claims about her competency and motives. She voluntarily shouldered this burden to protect her staff, who had been similarly abused.

Why did council choose not support Ms. Ducey in this? Why was this person allowed to waste so much valuable staff time and resources? Surely some form of support could have been found for her.

If this harassment continues to plague the new City Manager, I hope the council will learn from experience and take an active role in ensuring a safe and productive working environment for all it's employees.

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