

March 24, 2021

Dear Mayor Norvell, Vice-Mayor Morsell Haye, and Members of the Fort Bragg City Council,

We are writing this letter to commit the support of the Fort Bragg Planning Commission to the City of Fort Bragg's recent efforts to explore local economic development.

Fort Bragg's economy has endured the recession of 2008 and now, more recently the Covid-19 pandemic. In spite of these rocky times the citizens of Fort Bragg have shown great resilience and dedication to furthering the wellbeing of their community. As public officials it is our duty to harness that commitment and passion and do everything in our power to improve the lives of our fellow citizens. Through a shared vision, clear policies, and innovative programs Fort Bragg has a real chance to see its citizens flourish.

We are impressed that the Council and city staff have taken on the important work of exploring and encouraging the economic development of Fort Bragg. Many of the issues that come before the Planning Commission have a direct impact on the economic health of the community, therefore it is important that we have clear guidelines and policies to assist us in our decision making. Through development of those policies, signing of resolutions, and participation in ad hoc committees we hope to show our determination and commitment to furthering the economic goals of the City. Most recently the areas of housing and ADUs, formula vs. local businesses, the mill site redevelopment, and the city's water resources have been of particular interest to us. We urge you to keep these issues in mind as you continue to develop sound policies.

Thank you for your leadership on the economic development of Fort Bragg. We know with innovative approaches, clear forward-thinking vision, and confident decision making the City of Fort Bragg will rise to the challenges of the 21st century and see renewed vitality which will ripple through future generations.

Sincerely,
The Fort Bragg Planning Commission

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