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Mayor Dave Turner and Honorable Members  
Fort Bragg City Council

re: Consent Calendar

Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of the Council,

As a former chair and member of the Board of Supervisors and of the Mendocino Art Center, Redwood Coast Watersheds Alliance, CASA, and the Elk County Water District, I urge your Council to place the Consent Calendar early on your agenda, hopefully following Public Expression.

Doing so encourages Citizen participation and resolves issues early in the meeting process. It also enables timely Public engagement for both young and old.

Having been a member of boards, commissions and non-profit organizations for over 40 years the Consent Calendar has been near the top of the agenda in each organization.

Please urge the Public to participate in their governance,

Sincerely,

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City Council meeting 10-11-2016

To city council members,

I have several comments tonight. Some are in connection with the Hare Creek mall, some have to do with the agenda item # 6C about modifications to the order of City Council Agendas and also item # 6E Amendments to article 10 of the Inland Land Use and Development Code.

In regards to agenda item # 6C about modifications to the order of City Council Agendas I am requesting that the City of Fort Bragg come into compliance with the rest of the US states by placing its Consent Calendar at the beginning of meetings instead of at the end.

In regards to agenda item # 6E the former version of the FORT BRAGG MUNICIPAL CODE - TITLE 18 – INLAND LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT CODE article 10 on page 315 indicates that an agent is:

A person authorized in writing by the property owner to represent and act for a property owner in contact with City employees, committees, Commissions, and the Council, regarding matters regulated by this Inland Land Use and Development Code.

The new version would read that an agent is also allowed to apply for a permit and/or do all the other above mentioned things.

I am not in favor of this change and urge you to leave the old wording.

<https://cityfortbragg.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=4714611&GUID=B1B076DE-3497-4E54-8533-C5FDEA7B84F4>

On page 325 of the FORT BRAGG MUNICIPAL CODE - TITLE 18 – INLAND LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT CODE article 10 the former version of the Urban Runoff Mitigation Plan indicates that "any such plan shall achieve 20 percent reduction of the projected runoff for the site."

The newer version would omit that fact.

I am also not in favor of this change and urge you to leave the old wording.

Former wording:

Urban Runoff Mitigation Plan. A plan which shall be required to be approved in connection with any new development that includes ground disturbance. Any such plan shall achieve 20 percent reduction of the projected runoff for the site.

Now to my comments about the Hare Creek Center project.

CACLU (citizens for appropriate coastal land use) is requesting again for the story poles to be connected at the top so it is possible to see the roof lines of the buildings.

We are requesting again that all Draft EIR studies and components are posted on the city's web page as soon as city staff receives them with notice to all interested parties & are requesting that the preparation of the Draft EIR includes a peer review of each study done by a recognized professional expert.

There are 3 studies that the city staff deems adequate for the EIR: The traffic study, the Coastal Act Compliance Report & the water model study by KASL. Please look up these studies and determine for yourself if you think they are adequate. You can find the information in the agenda for the planning commission meeting from January 28, 2015 under MND & Attachments.

<https://cityfortbragg.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=3458585&GUID=41D0147F-4520-405A-B635-3225C732D339>

CACLU does not believe that they are adequate and have voiced our concerns earlier on in the process.

We want to remind the community to communicate with the EIR consultants for the Hare Creek Center project by sending an e-mail to Community Development Director Marie Jones <[mjones@fortbragg.com](mailto:mjones@fortbragg.com)> no later than October 19. Please put "Hare Creek Center EIR" in the subject line. Please send a copy also to Bob Merrill District Manager at California Coastal Commission <[bmerrill@coastal.ca.gov](mailto:bmerrill@coastal.ca.gov)>

Thanks for all you do, Annemarie Weibel