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To Fort Bragg City Council:

Mayor Dave Turner Lindy Peters Mike Cimolino Doug Hammerstrom Scott Deitz

As a former school bus driver of 32 years I would like to say that I believe the Chestnut Street project will be a plus especially around Dana Gray and the High School. The way the intersection is right now makes it almost impossible for a 36' school bus to make a right hand turn onto Chestnut from Dana St. especially when cars are parked along the street on the south side. (Please see the illustration I have added) The same applies when the buses are leaving Dana Gray and turning left onto Chestnut.

I would ask you to please take into consideration allowing at least two car lengths of NO PARKING on the west side of the drive-way exiting Dana Gray to allow room for the buses to make the turn out of the school while staying on their own side of the roadway. Bulb outs at the intersection of Chestnut and Sanderson would make it next to impossible for the buses to make the turn onto Sanderson from Chestnut and onto Chestnut from Sanderson. Please take that into consideration when making the plan for around the schools.

Lastly, please try to keep the street width as wide as possible in both directions to make maneuvering a large vehicle on the roadway as safe as possible for other drivers as well as pedestrians.

Thank you,

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You can see how difficult it is currently to turn onto Chestnut from Dana and to exit Dana Gray turning left onto Chestnut. I think the new plan with parking on the north side will do away with that problem. I have also inserted the area that would help out if it were posted no parking for at least two car lengths. That would make it possible for the buses to turn right onto Chestnut from Dana Gray and stay on their own side of the roadway.