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SANTA CRUZ COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Re: Agenda Item 25 Building & Housing Board of Appeals

Dear Board of Supervisors:

There is much concern that the citizens of Santa Cruz County have been denied the appeals process for the last 6.5 years by way of the Board of Supervisors and Planning Department not notifying the citizen of their right to appeal. There is much information and documentation on this issue alone for due process!

We believe the last thing you should do is to give the citizens of Santa Cruz County the appearance that the Board of Supervisors is continuing to conceal the Board of Appeals process and its new open seats to fill. Now is the time for an open and honest dialog with your constituents.

I would like to open your eyes up to a perfect opportunity for you the Board of Supervisors, not the Planning Department, to publicly announce via the media (i.e.: Santa Cruz Sentinel, Good Times, Aptos Times, KSCO, KSBW, etc. . . . ) that there are openings on the Board of Appeals and the process to apply. Also, letters to all applicants involved in the planning process, effective immediately, to avoid any further harm or financial damage to property owners.

It has been proven thus far that the Planning Department has a lack of knowledge in this area and should not be allowed to be the spokesperson for the County – we give this responsibility to you alone – as the representatives of the citizens of the Santa Cruz County, State of California and governed by its laws as they are written.

Regards,

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