

Midcoast Community Council

*An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
Serving 12,000 coastal residents*

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re: **Recommendation for Vacancy on Resource Conservation District**

Dear Supervisor Gordon,

This year, I am chairing the Parks and Recreation Committee of the Midcoast Community Council. We held our regular noticed meeting on Monday, June 5, 2000, and reviewed the applications that you sent to April Vargas from the six applicants for the vacancy on the Resource Conservation District board.

After discussion of each candidate, we unanimously voted to recommend (to the Council, with the expectation that the recommendation would be forwarded to your Board) the two candidates who clearly have excellent qualifications, demonstrated interest, and a long-term commitment to conservation – the middle word in the District. Those two candidates are Toni Danzig and Chris Larson.

Individual committee members had preferences for either Toni or Chris, but everyone felt that both candidates had outstanding credentials and no apparent conflicts of interest. We were also impressed that both Toni and Chris have been attending Resource Conservation District meetings and have become Associate Directors. From our committee perspective, we would be pleased to have your Board of Supervisors interviewing subcommittee select one of these two candidates based on your in-depth personal interviews.

All of the other four candidates admit that they have never attended a meeting. It may be appropriate to suggest that if they have a serious interest in the work of this District, they attend meetings regularly and become actively involved so that they will have more credible candidacies when the next vacancy is available.

The full Midcoast Community Council will consider a recommendation at our meeting next Wednesday, June 14. This note is not intended to pre-empt that Council consideration, but to meet the June 9 response deadline you have given all of the stakeholder groups.

Thank you for inviting the Council to participate in evaluating the qualifications of the candidates for this board. We look forward to speaking in support of your choice when the appointment comes before the full Board of Supervisors.

Sincerely yours,



Paul Perkovic, Chair

Midcoast Community Council Parks and Recreation Committee