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Subject: Comment on the PLN2015-00020 appeal (fence encroaching on Montara 7th St ROW)

These are my comments (as an individual) on the appeal of the Planning Commission decision on the application for a fence encroachment in the public right of way on 7th Street in Montara.

Please uphold the appeal of PLN2015-00020, and deny the encroachment in the public right of way.

When I lived in Montara, and also now that I live in El Granada, I have visited this area many times.

I've taken many others to this public property to show them the incredible views, both from the portion at the end of 7th Street in the public right of way, and the views from the Marine Walk.

The right of way here is not large, and is diminishing every year due to erosion.

To allow the applicant to further restrict the area available to the public by building a fence well into the public right of way will significantly reduce the area for the public to stand and look at the views.

Since the proposed fence is (properly) an open fence, building it in the public right of way does not increase the applicant's privacy in any significant way, compared to building it on the applicant's property.

It does not enhance the use of the applicant's own property sufficiently to justify building the fence in the public right of way.

Building the fence as described in PLN2015-00020 would greatly reduce the ability of the public to enjoy the views, both now and in the future.

Please do not permit the encroachment.

Thank you,

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