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**Subject:** Please reverse current trend of reducing public comment  
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*This is a public comment for CC, PC, GPAC, and Climate Commission. Please forward and post.*

Why are all the Planning Commission meetings being cancelled? (see below for **yet another** meeting cancellation). In the past seven months, PC has **only met three times -- staff has cancelled 11 meetings**. Only 3 meetings in half a year: <https://cityofpetaluma.org/meetings/>

This timeline coincides with CC vote to give staff more authority to approve more projects, and the evidence is clear -- it has clearly impacted opportunity for public input. This is a missed opportunity for better, wiser decision making for our community. Petaluma is blessed with many smart, subject matter experts, and neighbors know their neighborhoods best.

Currently, there are at least nine projects staff is approving, including 4 Cell Towers. For some (all?) of these Cell Towers, staff is not even requiring 1) Drive Tests and 2) Dropped Call Logs from the Developers to prove the legal need for more electric draw and radiation of Petalumans per Federal law. I have noticed this list is not kept current, and many projects are not published before they are approved (note: the website used to list the posting date, but that has been removed): <https://cityofpetaluma.org/planning-projects-draft-3/>

**Pease take every opportunity in all decisions you make to recover and protect** public engagement starting now and when it is time to revise Genral Plan codes, ordinances, and IZO. Please specify that more commission/committee feedback is required to be reported and incorporated into all planning approval process. (This is not currently the case -- currently only minimal mention to present to committees, not to report out or incorporate their input!)

Please increase inclusion and social equity to strengthen our community.

Thank you,  
Taryn

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**Subject:** 1/10/2023 Planning Commission Meeting Cancelled

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## CITY OF PETALUMA, CALIFORNIA

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### CITY OF PETALUMA PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING CANCELLATION NOTIFICATION

Tuesday January 10, 2023

The Meeting Cancellation Notification for the Tuesday, January 10, 2023 Petaluma Planning Commission meeting has been posted on the City website. The next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2023.

[View it now](#)



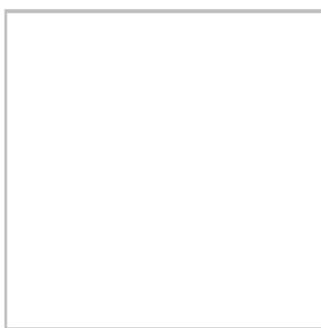
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