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Subject: GPAC nominations - a request for consideration

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Dear City Council Members,

As an engaged citizen who cares deeply about the health and wellbeing of our river town, I would like to ask that you take great care in the selection of the General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC). We are so fortunate that some qualified, intelligent candidates have applied to participate in the process and we should seize the opportunity to bring them into the process.

We ask for a balanced and thoughtful selection process giving priority those with experience that doesn't duplicate skill sets already in place with the developers already included through our contract with the M Group. What we need now is some diverse perspectives and experiences to round out the group. Decisions made by people who live here and are directly impacted by the outcomes of this plan.

Please give extra care in reviewing Hal Bohner, Ron Chestnut, and Brent Newell's applications for the GPAC. Each will approach this role with the interests of the local Petaluman in mind and will reflect the desires and visions shared by those in the community. Health, safety, climate resilience, and protecting our quality of life.

We all benefit when we have smart, passionate people working together to address and solve big issues. This is a critical moment for city planning and I trust you will take this appointment process with a long view into our future.

Respectfully,

Gina and Matt Fabiano Petalumans