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Dear Mayor and Council members:

I am in support of the Putnam Park Expansion and the Kelly Creek Project with strong conditions of approval for Scott Ranch going forward.

Helen Putnam Regional Park is impacted and overrun as the only sizable natural park within a short distance to many westside dwellers. The need for adequate natural open space is the direction we are headed as our community bringing more livability and equity. This is part of ongoing work through the GPAC's open space working group (of which I am a member). On the west side of the highway and particularly west of the river, the history of development included building over the natural watersheds as compared to the watershed paths in much of the development east of the highway. We should take this opportunity now that the project has been significantly trimmed down.

I would suggest that the biological assessments are a start point for restoration in an area where grazing cattle and run off from the Windsor development has impacted the creek. Active restoration seems like a positive response going forward.

Strong conditions should be put in place for the built environment above the creek to allow the restoration. We should fight for good architecture that is locally sourced, considers smaller footprints, is adaptable and uses non-toxic non red listed materials. At the very least, we should prohibit toxic materials in construction, require the landscape to include trees around the homes and plants that creating habitat for birds and butterflies. Ask for the designs to include rain catchment and grey water systems as part of the conditions of final inspection.

Please support the Putnam Park expansion and find the best way forward for a community of people, plants and animals.

Sincerely,

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