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Subject: Tree Committee support for FoPR North Petaluma Greenway Park
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Dear City Council:

I have been requested to forward you the attached letter.

The letter is from the currently out-of-town Chair of City of Petaluma's Tree Advisory Committee, Howard Formby, and expresses support for the Friends of the Petaluma River vision of a North Petaluma River Greenway Park.

Thank you,
Taryn Obaid
Tree Advisory Committee Member

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August 26, 2023

RE: Tree Advisory Committee Letter of Support for Friends of the Petaluma River's North
Petaluma River Greenway Park project

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers:

On August 16, 2023, the Tree Advisory Committee (TAC) discussed providing a letter of support to the City Council for the Friends of the Petaluma River's North Petaluma River Greenway Park project.

TAC voted to present a Letter to City Council supporting the Parkway's tremendous tree and related ecosystem protection value, as envisaged by Friends of the Petaluma River concept map:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/17bD782OnMmtjXKItVEcvxLPWB-sM87C0/view?usp=sharing>

TAC supports formal Council endorsement of the Parkway project with regard to staff support, negotiation, and partnership related to communication, planning, funding opportunities, and other potential aspects.

TAC strongly believes the North River Greenway Park project will be invaluable in protecting and preserving the North River riparian heritage oak forest. Protecting and preserving the total tree ecosystem within the Parkway and its high-value biodiversity, are critical to the Council's Climate Goals.

Specifically, the Parkway project supports Council goals related to carbon sequestration. In addition, the Parkway supports goals of environmental legacy, public health, equity (for multiple nearby low-income housing projects), and quality of life.

Sincerely,

Howard Formby, Chair
Tree Advisory Committee