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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Supporting Agenda Item #47

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Keri: Please add my comment to the Wednesday's agenda in support of item #47.

Dear Mayor Henriquez & City Commissioners,

First off, I wanted to thank you all for the decision at last month's meeting to steer the issue of artificial turfing the ballfield at Bayview Park back to the Parks & Rec Board. I'd also like to praise your colleagues at Parks & Rec for further recommending that the only path forward should include a comprehensive, phased plan and approach for all of Bayview — rather than simply "getting the ball rolling" by spending a whole lot of money on a single item that lacks community support or rational justification.

That said, I am now enthusiastically supporting Commissioner Kaufman's Agenda Item #47 which addresses my concerns with a thoughtful, fiscally responsible, and all-encompassing longer term solution to this once-in-a-generation opportunity we all have to revitalize and prioritize Old Town's historic Bayview Park.

While I consider myself a well-informed citizen, I very rarely see the need or feel the urge to step into community discussions. In fact, this is the very first issue that I have decided to actively speak up about because the answer seems clear. While I fully understand that some people want to get moving over at Bayview, the reality is, all sound public decisions should involve community input and a clear, professional plan for how we can accomplish goals collaboratively.

Please continue to do commendable work as public officials with the goal of hearing the voices of your constituents, and then working with them to achieve long-term, fiscally responsible objectives.

Thank you again — and in advance — for the hard work you do.

Best,

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