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Dear McKinleyville Town Center Decisionmaker:

This letter is on behalf of Humboldt disability community members, seniors, youth, and all who wish to realize and enjoy a safer and more walkable McKinleyville. McKinleyville is currently home to Timber Ridge, an assisted living facility, and will likely be home to future senior housing developments. McKinleyville has become a housing, shopping, and dining destination. Please modernize the Town Center design to reflect that. Many people do not own cars and do not wish to. Many would like to walk, bike, and take public transit and will when public transit meets more needs. We urge you to be proactive and plan for a less car dependent future.

We strongly support a safe, accessible, and walkable town center. We urge inclusion of the following recommendations:

- Reduce vehicle speed limits on Central avenue
- Redesign and widen sidewalks
- Include road verges or buffers with easily maintainable and clearly defined planting areas between sidewalks and the street
- Create clearly defined walkways between the street and building entrances, currently one must walk in busy and dangerous parking lots with no defined walking path
- Design parking lots so they are behind buildings, giving pedestrians a safe means to enter and exit
- Increase the number of high visibility crosswalks
- Consider bulb-outs or other means to reduce the time that a pedestrian must walk in the roadway when crossing streets

- Enforce speed limit laws

Thank you all for your work on this project thus far. Please reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

Peggy Martinez

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