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May 23, 2011

Mr. Mark Lovelace, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors  
Humboldt County  
825 Fifth Street  
Eureka, California 95501

Subject: Municipal Advisory Councils  
Community Advisory Committees

Dear Chairman Lovelace and Members of the Board:

We commend the McKinleyville Community Services District Board, for promoting a **Municipal Advisory Council**, as a means to provide public services coordination with the County, for McKinleyville residents. California Code 31010 provides: *"The board of supervisors of any county may by resolution establish and provide funds for the operation of a municipal advisory council for any unincorporated area in the county to advise the board on such matters which relate to that area as may be designated by the board concerning services which are or may be provided to the area by the county or other local governmental agencies, including but not limited to advice on matters of public health, safety, welfare, public works, and planning."*

We were pleased to see Supervisor Sundberg put the item on the agenda for your meeting tomorrow, May 24, 2011. (McKinleyville CSD's April 25, 2011 letter to Supervisor Sundberg is attached.)

In addition, it is important that Planning Staff bring back to your Board as you directed, their proposed Work Plan for establishing **Community Advisory Committees**. At your April 12, 2011, you passed the following motion:

*"Move staff recommendations, include under Item 3, that it state: Direct staff to implement recommended outreach efforts and respond to resent letters of concern received from cities and tribes, and include discussions of zoning proposals, second units, of course tribal housing and voluntary rezoning along with that, flexible zoning. In addition, look at a range of options that would include more definitive public participation, either through select committees, or through an advisory group. That last portion, they would bring back for further discussion by the Board. Come back with a work plan to implement what's discussed under Item 4."*

We urge you to include this item on the agenda for your next meeting, June 7, 2011.

Over eleven (11) years have been devoted to the General Plan Rewrite, without the advantage of these Advisory Committees. The result has been costly and unsuccessful. It is imperative your Board initiate these committees before further time transpires.

Sincerely,  
*Kay Backer*  
Kay Backer, representing  
Humboldt Economic & Land Plan

cc: Board of Supervisors  
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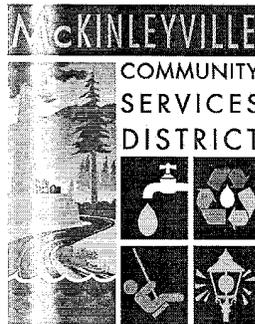
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Ryan Sundberg, Supervisor 5<sup>th</sup> District  
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors  
825 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
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April 25, 2011

Dear Supervisor Sundberg:

On behalf of the McKinleyville Community Services District (MCSD) Board of Directors and staff, I want to express my sincere appreciation for you and Kirk Girard attending our April 20, 2011 MCSD Board meeting.

As you know, our Board has expressed interest in exploring the potential development of a McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (MMAC) (pursuant to California Government Code § 31010) and an Area Planning Commission (APC) (pursuant to California Government Code § 65101). The MCSD Board took formal action and appointed two Board members to look into these options. The purpose of this committee will be to assist in the evaluation of the opportunities for MCSD participating in forming and funding a MMAC and/or an APC.

MCSD would like to request that an agenda item be scheduled for a near future Board of Supervisors (BOS) meeting to determine if the BOS equally shares the same concept, commitment, and endorsement to move forward to investigate the establishment of a MMAC and/or an APC for the McKinleyville area. We believe that this would be the next step in the process. We are not now asking for a firm commitment from the BOS on forming a MMAC or APC, but an endorsement of moving forward to evaluate the options that exist for both a MMAC and APC.

As you mentioned at our Board meeting, the way to move forward is for MCSD and the BOS to each demonstrate support of this concept and to work together for the common good of McKinleyville residents.

Please contact me in the District Office at 839-3251 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Norman Shopay'.

Norman Shopay  
General Manager

Cc: MCSD Board of Directors