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Dear City Council Members:

The Pedro Point Community is aware the City Council has approved a budget to contract with consultants to complete a General Plan Update which includes the development of the Sharp Park specific plan.

We are requesting the new general plan update also include a neighborhood specific plan for Pedro Point. Over the past few years, there has been significant community dialogue about negative impacts because of the increased development projects that have been approved in piece-meal fashion, without benefit of a specific Pedro Point community plan. Without a plan, our small historic coastal community is dramatically changing and quickly becoming over built with no end in sight.

We're already seeing major negative shifts in the some of the following ways:

* Increased vehicular traffic,
* Pedestrian safety hazards,
* Increased parking demands resulting in chaos,
* Obstructive access for emergency vehicles, and
* Street run-off and frequent flooding.

Each of these issues is creating safety hazards in the community and changing the character of the Pedro Point neighborhood. Many of these issues were recently addressed by community members at the January 7 Planning Commission meeting where residents specifically asked for a moratorium on parking variances until a neighborhood plan could be adopted.

Our request is in line with the 1980 General Plan which states

Fundamental to the City’s character are the traditional neighborhoods. It is the goal of the City to protect the social mix, variety and fundamental character which now exists in each of these neighborhoods by providing for necessary community services and facilities, and for the safety and welfare of all residents equally, but with a sensitivity for the individual neighborhood.

*(From the Goal Statement of the City of Pacifica General Plan, p 12)*

As a point of reference, in 1995, Pedro Point residents developed a community plan which could now serve as the basis for any updated plan. (Please click here to view the May 1995 Pedro Point Community Plan.)

We look forward to working with you and other community officials on the creation a Pedro Point specific plan.