

**6/15/17 AGENDA, ITEM 5b - ADOPTION OF 2017-18 BUDGET  
SUPPLEMENTAL LETTER SUBMITTED BY PEGGY BARR ON 6/12/17 AT 12:34 P.M.**

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**Subject:** 6-15-17 meeting

6-12-2017

RE: Green Belt Decomposed Granite

Budget Meeting 6-15-17

I understand that our Hermosa Beach budget that will come back for review again on 6-15-17 includes \$280k to install decomposed granite on the green belt path. Since the green belt is green open space that many people enjoy for the purpose of GREEN open space, it seems odd that we would want to remove the NATURAL wood chip path. The only logical explanation is that we are trying to make it accessible to all individuals, for example those in wheel chairs. If this is the case a 3-4 foot wide decomposed granite path would do the job nicely, AND it would keep the NATURAL GREEN feel of the path for others to enjoy, as well as be a lot less expensive! In addition to that, I don't believe that wheel chair accessibility should become more important or immediate than a nicely paved street to reach the green belt.

With our current budget issues, it would be better to use that \$280k toward a new Community Center Roof, a correctly paved street (not just slurry sealed), or say fixing some kind of failing infrastructure like our sewers.

It would also be nice to have some kind of public discussion in chamber regarding budget issues such as this. We the residents should not be automatically disregarded from sharing our opinions on matters of the budget-especially when \$280k is a significant chunk of money!

Thanks for considering my opinion,

Peggy Barr

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