

From: [Vince Semonsen](#)
To: [City Clerk Group](#)
Subject: Creek Protections
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Dear Mayor Perotte and City Councilmembers,

I support strong protections for creeks, wetlands, and habitats.

I urge you to adopt a standalone provision in the New Zoning Ordinance that sets forth a process for determining when, upon an applicant's request, a reduction in the required setback from creeks may be granted. This provision should apply to any request to modify City zoning or policy requirements.

As a local biologist I've seen first hand the encroachment and development within our watersheds and along our creek corridors. Preserving and restoring Goleta's creeks is very important to our community and I thank you for your efforts to protect Goleta's watershed!

Sincerely,
Vince Semonsen