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**To:** [Rogers, Chris](#); [CityCouncilListPublic](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Fw: Thank you, but please do not forget us  
**Date:** Friday, July 9, 2021 9:50:58 AM  
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7/9/21~ Dear Mayor Rogers, Well, we are now exactly 3 months away from 4 years since the Tubbs Fire took everything except our lives! This is our 3rd letter. Our first letter and photos sent on 10/9/20. (See photos and prior emails) We read yesterday about another Council mtg. scheduled Tues. re: how to spend money obtained by the City post fires. Please DO NOT forget us fire victims! Our burned and etched streets have still not been fixed as promised, sidewalks not repaired, and our initially, beautiful Coffey Park, is filled with dry weeds and the sod laid last Fall, when we finally had a green place to go to seek beauty and some respite, is pretty much dead and being taken over by weeds. A call on 6/10/21 to 'Joya', at the dept. assigned to our City parks was depressing. We were told there are now ONLY 11 park workers for 'Elio' to supervise assigned to ALL our City parks and also, street clean up, for events such as fallen trees in roadways. (The day we called crew was called to Bennett Valley for a downed tree in roadway, so less park attention on those type of days). When we asked about the watering schedule with drought consideration also, we were advised that there was a known ongoing sprinkler/irrigation problem noted in Coffey Park and it would be assessed again. From the current look of the park conditions, we would say it has not been

assessed. We volunteered with a handful of people from Coffey Park to pull weeds on the 1st Sat. in June and July and it is so sad to see the lack of care to our rebuilt park. Please fund maintaining the parks and do not fund/build new parks that won't be maintained. DO the right thing and use "fire funds" for improving the fire victims lives. (It is difficult to read about fire funds being spent on projects like building new libraries, for example, and we have nothing against libraries!) Consider planting trees along Hopper Ave. along with all the promised help. (Wasn't Santa Rosa the tree city???)

REMEMBER please..... Everyday that WE all see burn scarred streets, burned trees, and high, dry weeds, we relive the Tubbs fire trauma.

Respectfully, Mary Lou and Dale Erickson

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 18, 2021, 02:46:14 PM PDT

**Subject:** Fw: Thank you, but please do not forget us

3/18/21 Dear Mayor Rogers, First and foremost, welcome to your Mayor position in Santa Rosa! I am forwarding a letter we sent on October 9, 2020 regarding not being forgotten here in Coffey Park. While we are happy about finally having a place to call home, a functioning street light, although on a burn-scarred pole and light box, & a park to walk in safely, we continue to have concerns regarding the getting promised street repairs and sidewalk repairs for safety.

I am a retired RN, PHN from the County of Sonoma where in the last 18 years of my

County career, I provided case mgmt. srvs. to high risk families and encouraged them to share concerns and have a voice in community issues, so I will continue to do the same for our neighborhood, and home of over 30 years. My husband retired from a well respected engineering firm in Santa Rosa and we read the local news everyday and stay current in community affairs. We have learned of money the City has received for Fire Recovery. We do not always agree on where money goes, so we respectfully ask for your attention today, as we never received a reply from the City.

I am forwarding our previous letter and pictures again today. (See attached). In good news, one more neighbor has returned home, and one to go! Feel free, to contact us!

Sincerely, Mary Lou Erickson and Dale R. Erickson

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**Subject:** Thank you, but please do not forget us

Friday 10/9/20

Dear Mayor Schwedhelm and Council,

Today marks 3 years since losing our home of almost 30 years to the Tubbs Fire in Coffey Park. The last home on our cul de sac to be rebuilt will soon be occupied by our good friends.

We very much appreciate the work you have done, but please continue on our neighborhood's behalf.

Please make sure that the City's promise to repave our streets where burned cars, garbage & recycling containers melted into them, fix sidewalks & street lights gets honored before the PG&E money is allocated away. It is the right thing to do!

The burned pavement at the bottom of our driveway (from our Recology cans) and the burned pavement and street light pole and lighting box on our cul-de-sac remains a daily reminder of the trauma we've all been through. These scars can be seen throughout our Coffey Park neighborhood.

Thank you, Mary Lou and Dale Erickson ( [REDACTED] , Santa Rosa )  
[REDACTED]

Above: Our home and beautiful park-like street before the Tubbs Fire. Our Recology cans were in this spot the morning of the fire. Now a constant reminder of our loss and continued struggle to move forward.

Enjoy the beauty of each day! Mary Lou

**From:** [Eris Weaver](#)  
**To:** [City Council Public Comments](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comment re: Agenda Item 3.1 One-time monies  
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Dear Councilmembers:

We were very pleased to note that staff's presentation on the eligible uses of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds and recommended projects included a line item for streetscape improvements, especially bicycle parking. So many residents took to cycling during the past year, which I think we all would like to encourage; and one of the barriers hampering them is a shortage of safe, secure, bike parking near their destination. This is particularly true for destinations like grocery stores, where they will be indoors for awhile and fear their bike may be stolen. We have already been in conversation with the city's Active Transportation Planner regarding bike parking needs, and look forward to further collaboration; improving cycling infrastructure is good for the economy.

### **ARPA Proposed Projects/Programs: \$17M**

Total Infrastructure and Grant Programs: \$7.3M		
	City Estimate	Notes
<b>Broadband Projects</b>	<b>\$5.0M</b>	
<b>Small Business Tenant Improvement Grants &amp; Parklet Grants for Restaurants</b>	<b>\$1.0M</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Tenant Improvement Grants (\$500,000)</li><li>▪ Responds to businesses negatively affected by the COVID-19 pandemic</li><li>▪ Parklet Grants to restaurants (\$500,000)</li><li>▪ Addresses need for social distancing</li></ul>
<b>Projects Funded through lost revenue</b>	<b>\$1.3M</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Lost revenue can fund a broad array of general City services</li><li>▪ Fund streetscape designs to address bike parking, street trees and vegetated planter strips</li></ul>

Sincerely,

*Eris Weaver*



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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] 7/13 Agenda - agenda item 3.1  
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Hello,

It looks as though there is a vote coming up on how to use the leftover PGE funds, and the possibility of them being directed to other projects. There is still much to do to repair our city from these devastating fires and this money should only go to fire recovery of Coffee Park. I believe the 3 projects are Hopper Corridor, street repair and re-landscaping/vegetative restoration. Please use the money for these projects.

The agenda notes posted online do not match this description and it's hard to understand what you want input on when its worded so differently. Agenda item 3.1 is listed only as "one-time monies", which could mean any number of things. Please give more information in the agenda's so the public understands what is coming up and how to direct their comments.

Thank you,  
Meghan Hoyal

**From:** [noreply@granicusideas.com](mailto:noreply@granicusideas.com)  
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## New eComment for City Council

SHAWN GLIDDEN submitted a new eComment.

Meeting: City Council

Item: 3.1 ONE-TIME MONIES Staff will present an overview of the eligible uses of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds and recommended projects for the remaining PG&E settlement funds.

eComment: My name is Shawn Glidden and I am a Coffey Park resident since 2009. After the Tubbs Fire it took us over 2.5 years to rebuild and reoccupy. We were forced to leverage our financial future to rebuild & recover. There are lots of recovery projects still needed in Coffey Park. Including removing old PG&E equipment left on Coffey Lane just past San Miguel. Landscaping sidewalk areas and replacing melted pavement throughout the neighborhood are just a few. Since the city was awarded the bulk of the recovery funds and not the homeowners it would be nice to see the funds used for what they were intended.

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