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From: Megan Hunter
Sent: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 9:44 AM
To: Patricia Barajas
Cc: Steve Carrigan; Thomas Wiles; Courtney Grossman
Subject: Fw: Dr. Oscar Gantes in Support of Carr Lake Park

Hi Patty,

You may have received this already, but please share with the City Council/Public Comment.

Thanks,
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Subject: Dr. Oscar Gantes in Support of Carr Lake Park

Good morning,

Mr. Chair and members of the planning commission. My name is Dr. Oscar Gantes, I am a Salinas Resident and local Family Medicine Physician. I am writing to ask you to support and vote for approval of the Carr Lake Restoration and Open Space Project. This past year, spending time in natural open spaces for many has become more important than ever. I would like to see an accessible place for our residents to connect with nature, themselves, and the community in a natural open space within the City of Salinas. This new park will offer mental and physical health benefits, provide amenities for various age groups and an outdoor classroom for lessons in biology and ecology that will be real and meaningful to our youth and families. By recommending the approval of the Carr Lake Restoration and Park Development Project, we validate the work of over 800 Salinas residents who have committed personal time to develop and maintain a Native Plant Garden at the project site and who together, worked on designing the current park concept plans. This community-driven project will bring much needed and desired park and open space to the City of Salinas that will add value and beauty to our city, youth, families, and residents. For these reasons, I am in full support of this project.

Thank you for your time.

Oscar Gantes, MD

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