



Resolution 2025-01
City of Eureka Planning Commission
presented to
Craig Benson
February 12, 2025

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2020, Craig Benson was appointed to the City of Eureka Planning Commission after 10 years of serving on the Open Space, Parks and Recreation Commission; and,

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2022, Craig was elected Vice-Chair of the Planning Commission and served through December, 2024; and

WHEREAS, since his appointment to the Commission, Craig has attended innumerable Planning Commission hearings, visited numerous project sites under consideration by the Planning Commission, and read through literally thousands of pages of reports and documents presented to the Commission; and,

WHEREAS, these efforts by Craig, in combination with his integrity, thoughtfulness, empathy, good humor, and well-rounded Renaissance man knowledge and approach have contributed significantly to the Planning Commission's consideration of the numerous permit applications heard by the Commission; and,

WHEREAS, Craig actively participated in the preparation, public review, and adoption of Planning ordinances and policies affecting the City of Eureka, including Text Amendments, the Capital Improvement Program, and the Housing Element, as well as other documents dealing with specific development issues such as parking, downtown and residential development, signage, vacation rentals, gulches and greenways, and waterfront development; and,

WHEREAS, with Craig's influence and contributions, the Planning Commission has succeeded in reconciling numerous conflicts between public interests and private rights; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning Commission of the City of Eureka that Craig Benson be commended and thanked for his outstanding service to the citizens of the City of Eureka.

Meredith Maier
Chair/Commissioner