Communication "A" April 20, 2010, Calistoga City Council Regular Meeting Item # 11: Urban Design Plan Implementation Program

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Dear Charlene,

I would like to repeat the appeal made at the recent strategic planning session at the Silver Rose Inn: **traffic mitigation in Calistoga must be a high priority issue**. In view of serious budget constraints I suggest to appoint a special task force consisting of volunteers to identify necessary actions, potential experts, time frame and required resources. It will take years before actual physical improvements are in place, what we need to do <u>now</u> is to produce a Traffic Mitigation Plan (TMP) so that the City of Calistoga is in a position to explore funding opportunities. The existing road network around Calistoga and vacant land for parking solutions within or close to the *Historic Downtown Character Area* give us the means to protect the character of our town for generations to come.

The attached pictures illustrate the challenge, and the maps underline the strategic approach: Transit Traffic <u>around</u> the City, people's living space and safe mobility <u>within</u> the city. In addition, solutions for intelligent parking provisions must be identified and enacted.

Dieter Deiss

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