Dear Neighbors,

Centered Body Pilates wants to express support for the community initiated “Potrero Gateway Park: The Loop” project. After reviewing the conceptual landscape plan (http://www.potrerogatewaypark.org/the-plan) we see that it has many elements that we feel will serve the community.

This project strives to re-purpose Caltrans right-of-way land for the benefit of the community. Once completed it will provide

- a unique set of containers that can house businesses like coffee shops, bike repair shops, specialty item shops, rotating art displays, specialty dog food shops etc. at low cost to the business operator,
- a pedestrian friendly walking loop bordered on block with a unique living wall separating the walker from the freeway,
- a newly accessible grassland park with an off-leash dog area.
- traffic calming amenities to benefit bikers and pedestrians.
- wider sidewalks and greening of the bike lane,
- art installations taking advantage of the unique existing conditions.
- a re-landscaped public area with native and drought resistant plants to replace a landscape design set in place 60 years ago that is overgrown and dangerous.

We are excited to see that the neighborhood has taken the initiative to come up with a plan for a signature urban park in a neighborhood that will be impacted by a large population increase and needs green open spaces like this to be available to the community. This plan provides opportunities for outdoor exercise which are vital for a healthy neighborhood.

Sincerely,

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