

Brittany Gada

From: Julie Draper <juliedraper@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2024 3:39 PM
To: Brittany Gada
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Testimony for the record on Project LU32023-00667 Pointer Rd Park

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I so apologize - the address for my residence is 7430 SW Pointer - as corrected below.
J.Draper

From: Julie Draper <juliedraper@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2024 2:48 PM
To: bgada@beavertonoregon.gov <bgada@beavertonoregon.gov>
Cc: Mary Kroger <kroger0914@gmail.com>
Subject: Testimony for the record on Project LU32023-00667 Pointer Rd Park

Dear Ms. Gada and members of the Beaverton Planning Commission,
Please enter the following as testimony on the record for the hearing on Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation's proposal Project LU32023-00667 Pointer Rd Park at 7360 SW Pointer Road:

Attached are recent photos of the Pointer Road Park property greenspace which borders my property at 7430 W Pointer Road.

Currently, neighbors with their dogs walk through the field to get to Canyon Ln from the bike path (which traverses from the Zoo to Beaverton) on Pointer Road. Pointer Road is more a bike and walking path than a vehicular road with only resident vehicles utilizing it....(more below).

I want to express a deep sadness and disappointment that THPRD is proposing an extensive playground and not a natural area park & garden. Those of us who live in this neighborhood have had several meetings with THPRD and participated in their so-called surveys for the design of the green space. In short, THPRD is pushing through an overdeveloped PLAYGROUND, and not the green, garden-like space that I and all of the neighborhood have been advocating and voting for. Our wishes fall on deaf ears at THPRD. Their budget is not available for any of us to study, and the plans for this playground they are pushing through are a ridiculous excess that the neighborhood has no need or desire for. We have a lovely, quiet, neighborhood greenspace and want to keep it that way! It's smart and economical! Two things we neighbors feel that THPRD representatives we've worked with are not...

There are three school playgrounds within walking distance of this neighborhood, so why is THPRD pushing a playground with a water feature, a covered picnic area, playground equipment, etc., and CUTTING seven trees to do it?

None of us understands why they are doing this!! If what they propose goes through it will draw bad foot traffic off of the bike path and create crime and vagrancy in our peaceful, safe, and secure neighborhood!

Why haven't we stopped this yet? Because THPRD representatives do not and did not listen to the majority of neighbors and other interested parties when we told them over and over again - to keep it simple, economical, garden-like, natural, green, and quiet.

So, you at the City are our last resort- please let's take a pause here and look at the impact to the bike and foot traffic along Pointer Rd. which currently has only neighborhood vehicular traffic (three families, six vehicles- and the occasional Amazon or other delivery vehicle).

The effect a 'development' such as this will have on the neighborhood safety and serenity cannot be overlooked or overstated. We fear that we will be policing the playground which will result in calls to the Beaverton Police- an already busy force mitigating houseless and ill people on the streets.

Finally, what's this costing government and taxpayers? Sure, we just passed another round of funding for THPRD, but that doesn't mean they get to push through expensive and unneeded developments such as this.

Bottom line - this is not what the neighbors wanted and THPRD has not listened to us. WE WANT A PARK AND THEY ARE PUSHING A NEEDLESS and EXPENSIVE PLAYGROUND on us.

Thank you for your time and attention to our neighborhood and to the greenspace.

Sincerely,
J.M. Draper
Mary Kroger

Brittany Gada

From: Julie Draper <juliedraper@outlook.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 29, 2024 8:01 AM
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Attachments: IMG_6735.jpg; IMG_6739.jpg; IMG_6742.jpg; IMG_6744.jpg; IMG_6746.jpg; IMG_6747.jpg; IMG_6750.jpg; IMG_6753.jpg; IMG_6756.jpg; IMG_6757.jpg

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Hello Brittany,

Attached are some photos of the park property.

I also included a picture of a small, undeveloped park in SE Portland I have visited. Floyd Light Park is a great example of a quiet, neighborhood park that is just a greenspace and nothing fancy or expensive to maintain.

One other note if you could please add to the record is that Pointer Park is a really beautiful spot at night. We can see the stars and the planets because the sky isn't affected by streetlights here. Kind of a dark sky place in the Metro area! It's not unsafe because it is so private and we neighbors watch out for it and each other.

Finally, would you please send me the link to join the hearing via Teams?

Thank you again for your consideration!

Take Care,
Julie Draper &
Mary Kroger
7430 SW Pointer Rd.

From: Brittany Gada <bgada@beavertonoregon.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 26, 2024 9:11 AM
To: Julie Draper <juliedraper@outlook.com>
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Great! I appreciate you taking the time to take pictures. When I receive them, I'll merge them into a PDF with your written comments. Thanks again!

Brittany Gada, AICP

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CITY OF SEASIDE, CA
PHONE: 954-338-3420



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Land Use Action
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Property

PROPOSED
LU32023-00667
POINTER ROAD
PARK

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PHONE: 503-526-2420
BEAVERTON CITY HALL



NEW PARK CONSTRUCTION
SW POINTER RD

Share your input on the New Park on SW Pointer Rd. The City is developing a new park on SW Pointer Rd. We want to hear from you about what you think we should include in the park. Share your ideas and suggestions with us. We will use your input to help us design the park.

Complete an online survey at www.ci.pointer.or.us or call 503-338-2200. The survey is open until August 15, 2014. You can also provide input at the public meeting on August 15, 2014, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the City of Astoria Public Works Department, 1000 SW 10th St., Astoria, OR 97103.

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