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Members of the Common Council  
Members of the Plan Commission  
City of Madison  
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53703

Re: Cowling Property, Shadywood Neighborhood

My grandparents purchased this land over 25 years ago. Our family has enjoyed the land for recreational uses over these years. As my grandmother is currently 92 years of age, I find myself serving as trustee for this land.

Your commission voted to give us 6 months in order to gather information and come to a compromise. I feel it necessary to have this time to be sure this land use plan will not devalue my grandmother's estate. I currently have no information regarding the impact of this plan on the value of her land.

The time you previously gave us will allow us to work toward a plan that we are all comfortable with. I have met with legal counsel regarding this matter, but desperately hope to resolve this in a way that accommodates the needs of the property owners and the desires of the city without hiring further counsel.

We all agree this land is beautiful and unique. It took millions of years for this land to reach its current state; giving us all a few months to help craft a plan for its future seems reasonable.

Thank you for your continued consideration,

  
Loveday Herrling