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I support this subdivision despite living near the site on Simons Drive. The proposal includes pedestrian trails encouraging access to the park north of the development. "Three pedestrian connectivity points are provided by the proposal. First, is a Hiker Trail connection from the end of the proposed cul-de-sac to Simons Drive, via a Public Access Easement between Lots 6 and 7, and along the northwest boundary of the proposed park. This Hiker Trail will replace an existing social trail. Second, would be the continued accessibility to High Park from Landon's Way in the southwest corner of the property. Thirdly, the large Common Area lot will also be a blank Public Access Easement giving the city ample flexibility to design a future trail that will connect to the water tower lot" I do not like the calls for an egress into Simons Drive and not just because I live on the street. Simons is already a through street with much more traffic (enough to require speed tables). Connecting to Simons Drive would require a steep decent connecting to a curved street with a steep dropoff on the other side. That curve is already tricky in the winter. Adding a new connection coming from a steep hill is a dangerous idea.