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Subject: FW: Hillview Townhomes project - public comment
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From: Anita McNamara
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From: Alexandra Scranton
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2019 9:41:21 AM (UTC-07:00) Mountain Time (US & Canada)
To: Anita McNamara; John DiBari; Stacie Anderson; Julie Merritt
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To the Missoula Land Use and Planning Committee,
My name is Alexandra Scranton, and I live at 83 Lacota Drive in the Wapakiya area. While I do not live immediately adjacent to the proposed townhome site, I do live in the neighborhood.

I and my two girls are frequent users of Wapakiya Park. I am writing to express my concerns of the potential impacts of the construction of the townhomes on the park. Specifically I have read of concerns about stormwater diversions and am concerned about the potential for flooding in the park. I hope that there will be special modelling and planning taken to ensure that this will not happen.

Secondly, when we first saw the signs about the first hearing on the site, our greatest concern was the impact of the townhomes on our beloved sledding hill. It appears the townhomes will be right at the top of what is commonly used for sledding into Wapakiya Park now. Its a great hill - because of its reasonable steepness that leads to a flat meadow - with very little to run into - making for fun (and safe) sledding. We hope that the construction of the townhomes wont eliminate our sledding hill (its hard to tell from the plans - but we are concerned that we would be starting our sledding basicaly right off the frontporches of the townhomes. So its worth you understanding that the sledding (done by many kids in the neighborhood who can walk there by themselves from their homes) will still take place as long as the hill is there - so worth ensuring this isnt a major hassle to folks living in the townhomes.

Secondly we are also concerned about the potential impact of construction equipment and staging - and how much of that would take place in Wapakiya park. Again, we use this park in all seasons and want to ensure the impact is minimal as possible. Especially I want to make sure that if there is a pause in construction over winter months - that there isnt construction equipment parked for weeks at a time in the park in what seems like an out of the way place (ie - like the bottom of the sledding hill) Because as you can imagine - kids will still attempt to sled if there is snow - and it could create a dangerous situation if there was construction equipment to run into. So if there are ways of ensuring that doesnt happen - it would be greatly

appreciated.

Overall - the easiest solution from our standpoint would be to not construct the townhomes at all - (that eliminates all of our concerns!) I understand that folks have a right to develop on the property they own. So if it has to happen I hope you will take these concerns into consideration to make sure there are minimal impacts on the park and its users.

Thanks very much

Alexandra Scranton