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Marcia:

Please forward this email to the appropriate staff person or public official working on this ordinance.

My main comment is that we need an ordinance of this type and I hope the City Council proceeds favorably.

*Two specific comments:*

The 1 acre per 40 units could work well for low to medium density developments, but you may want to consider some sort of sliding scale as densities increase. Smaller compact pocket parks and public plazas might be better for high density apartment buildings.

Section 16.12.220 A. Required Dedications, the first paragraph, second to the last sentence which starts "The parkland must be legally....." is confusing as to who requires the land to be dedicated to the City versus a private preserve.

Thanks,

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