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**Subject:** In support of Ganatchio Trail Extension

Hi,

I am writing this email in advance of the Council meeting tonight:

Mayor McNamara and members of the town council,

I am writing to you in support of the eastward expansion of the Ganatchio Trail into Tecumseh, in its current/proposed configuration. When I first learned that this plan was being disputed, I knew that I had to voice my thoughts and opinions on this issue. While I only generally walk my dog on the trail, I believe that every voice counts.

In this issue, while we have to consider the residents that are impacted, we must also think of the public benefit this extension would serve to all residents of Tecumseh, including those impacted. Not only would this provide public health benefits to all residents, it would officially connect the Ganatchio Trail as it was intended in a way that provides value for money.

As a current user of the trail, pedestrians already walk on Riverside Dr. between Lesperance and Manning (myself and my dog included; she loves her walks down Riverside). So the obstacles described (77 driveways and 12 intersecting streets) already exist for those pedestrians and are a moot point to this discussion. Allowing the extension of the trail to proceed would, I believe, allow for any safety/mitigation features to be implemented.

As we've all seen during these difficult times, having something like the Ganatchio Trail available is nothing short of a blessing. Allowing for the expansion would likewise help the town to expand the options to its residents and provide another avenue for additional/essential exercise and public health benefits.

Thank you for allowing me to voice my opinions, please find attached a pic of my dog enjoying the trail.

Aaron Yu

