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Subject: Extend the Trail

Greetings,

I'm writing to you in support of extending the Ganatchio trail. My family and I live off of Lesperance Road and very much enjoy taking part in outdoor activities such as biking, rollerblading and skateboarding. During this pandemic the importance of being able to take part in these activities has become ever more apparent as other activities are, rightfully, not an option. We bike ride most often and try to pick different routes and destinations to keep things interesting. Both Lakewood Park and the Ganatchio Trail are common destinations for us and as such the proposed trail extension would be fantastic. I've reviewed the concerns proposed by the individuals opposed to the extension and it seems to me that they are not based on any sort of fact and I have to conclude that their arguments are a smoke screen for simply not wanting a trail being run in front of their property. I understand their apprehension in a sense however in reality it feels greedy to me, for example I live on St.Jacques St. and I could be opposed to the location of the dog park since now my nice quiet street has heavier traffic, dogs barking, people talking and shouting etc. However that would be a very greedy position for me to take as I would be placing my thoughts and feelings on what I want near my property over the needs and enjoyment of so many people that are enjoying the beautiful public space Tecumseh has created. I hope that Tecumseh extends the trail as proposed for the enjoyment of everyone and that those opposed also come to appreciate the proximity of access to an already fantastic and ever expanding trail system.

Regards,

Jason Beutler